

<p><b>Name of Extension/Public Service</b> (The name of the service being offered)</p>	<p>Analytical Service Laboratory (ASL) and Soil Test Kit</p>
<p><b>Objective</b> (Description of the service being provided; History of service provision)</p>	<p>The Analytical Service Laboratory (ASL) of the Agricultural Systems Institute (ASI) of UPLB CAFS is tasked to serve a wide group of clientele, which includes employees of government agencies, private individuals and companies, farmers, as well as students who are in need of services for soil, plant tissue, water, and fertilizer analyses.</p> <p>It was established as a product of research of the Soils and Agro-Ecosystems Division, Agricultural Systems Institute (ASI), College of Agriculture and Food Science (CAFS) of the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB) in cooperation with the National Food and Agricultural Council (NFAC).</p> <p>Another product of research offered by the unit is the Soil Test Kit, which was developed by the Department of Soil Science with NFAC. Analysis by the Soil Test Kit is a quick method of evaluating the fertility of a soil. Results are interpreted and used as basis in making a recommendation about the right kind and amount of fertilizer for a particular crop if grown in the soil being tested.</p>
<p><b>Duration/Date</b></p>	<p>Available on-demand</p>
<p><b>Target Beneficiaries</b></p>	<p>Wide group of clientele which includes employees from government agencies, private individuals and companies, farmers, and students</p>
<p><b>Cost of Participation</b></p>	<p>Analytical Service Laboratory – estimated PhP 4,000 per sample Soil Test Kit – PhP 2,000</p>
<p><b>Office in Charge</b></p>	<p>Agricultural Systems Institute (ASI) of the College of Agriculture and Food Science (CAFS-UPLB)</p>
<p><b>Office Profile</b> <b>Degree granting or non-degree granting</b> <b>Purpose of creation</b> <b>Location in the hierarchy</b> (Background of the office providing the service i.e. Number of personnel</p>	<p>The Agricultural Systems Cluster (ASC) was the first cluster in the College of Agriculture to be established in 2003 following the consolidation of the former Department of Agricultural Education and Rural Studies (DAERS), Department of Soil Science (DSS) and the Farming Systems and Soil Resources Institute (FSSRI).</p> <p>In 2016, the College of Agriculture underwent restructuring and was renamed the Agricultural Systems Institute (ASI) with three divisions namely—the Division of Agricultural Systems Studies (DASS), the Division of Agricultural Extension and Rural Studies (DAERS), and the Division of Soil Science (DSS).</p>

<p>and Key personnel providing the service)</p>	<p>The ASI aims to provide quality instruction and training in agricultural systems, soil science, and agricultural extension.</p> <p>It also seeks to generate relevant and appropriate research and/or development programs utilizing systems theories, as well as methodologies and strategies towards sustainable livelihood.</p> <p>It also aims to become an exponent of countryside development through the creation and promotion of innovative and effective agricultural extension approaches, as well as through the generation and management of resources to support instruction, research and extension in agricultural systems.</p>
<p><b>Awards/recognition received by the office</b> (The awards given by or received by the office offering the service, if any)</p>	
<p><b>Official website and Social media accounts</b> (The link to the official website of the service)</p>	
<p><b>External links for documentation</b> (The external links featuring the service [for the electronic copy, e.g. features in newspapers etc.]</p>	<p><a href="https://ca.uplb.edu.ph/asc-products-and-services">https://ca.uplb.edu.ph/asc-products-and-services</a></p>
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<b>Other Remarks</b>	
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