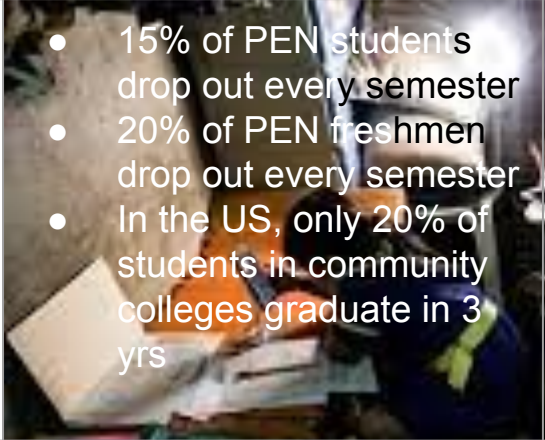





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# Bridging the Gap: Reducing Inequality in the Philippines for Inclusive Growth



# 3 Problems Faced by Low-income Students

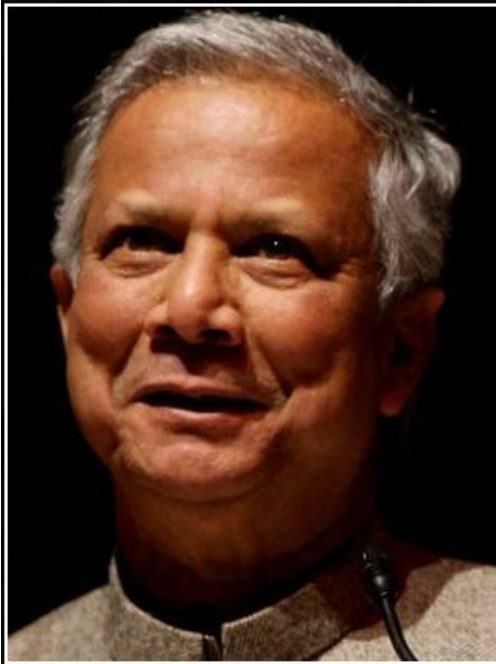
Access (Preparation)	Completion	Employment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 40% of SHS grads do not enter college</li><li>• Only 2% of PEN freshmen are ready for college</li><li>• Ave PEN freshman has 6th Grade reading, math, and science proficiencies</li></ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 15% of PEN students drop out every semester</li><li>• 20% of PEN freshmen drop out every semester</li><li>• In the US, only 20% of students in community colleges graduate in 3 yrs</li></ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Too much focus on diplomas (instead of skills needed by employers)</li><li>• Disruptive Technology</li></ul>
		

# Emerging Solutions

Access (Preparation)	Completion	Employment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Reduced Fees</li><li>● Financial Support<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Scholarships</li></ul></li><li>● Remediation</li><li>● Active Learning</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Retention Efforts<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Calls to students</li><li>○ Calls to parents</li><li>○ Home visits</li></ul></li><li>● Financial Support<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Loans</li><li>○ Benefactor Insurance</li></ul></li><li>● Community Counselors</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Career Services &amp; Corporate Engagement</li><li>● Industry Councils</li><li>● Micro-credentials</li></ul>



# Business as a Force for Good



This is not charity. This is business:  
business with a social objective,  
which is to help people get out of  
poverty.

— *Muhammad Yunus* —

