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The Ateneo de Manila Employees and Workers Union filed a Notice of Strike with the National Conciliation and Mediation Board on Monday, 9 December 2019. You may find information on strikes and lockouts provided by the Department of Labor and Employment (<https://blr.dole.gov.ph/2014/12/11/strikes-and-lockout>), including the answers to several frequently asked questions, helpful.

The Ateneo de Manila University Administration respects this decision of the Union and remains hopeful that both parties will reconvene the negotiations, with the assistance of DOLE conciliators/mediators, to reach an agreement that will be beneficial to all parties concerned.

We reassure the community that we have contingency plans in place for classes and University services to continue without any interruption. Should this temporary situation cause any inconvenience to you, we ask for your understanding and patience to bear with us.

We hope that the entire community keeps the Ateneo Administration and the AEWU in their prayers during this difficult time so that with the guidance of God we can work towards a resolution of this impasse.

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