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Silvestre, integrates his academic work with an active professional practice as Principal Architect/Environmental Planner and Managing Partner of D.A. Silvestre & Associates, which he founded in 1984. His ongoing projects include the new Puerto Princesa City Hall in Palawan, currently under construction; the master plan of the Dikasalarin Artists Village, Baler, Aurora; the campus masterplan of the Aurora National High School and Reserva Elementary School, Baler, Aurora; the Reserva Library and Museum, Baler, Aurora, all of which are currently under construction. In addition, Architect Silvestre is Project Team Leader for the proposed General Santos Aerotropolis development study.

Architect Silvestre graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Architecture, magna cum laude in 1979 from the University of the Philippines Diliman. He earned a Master of Architecture also from UPD in 1991. He has had 33 years of professional practice as a licensed Architect, and 18 years of practice as a licensed Environmental Planner.