



# **Philippine Social Science Council**

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## **Proposed Agenda**

PSSC Annual General Membership Meeting  
17 February 2018, 8:30 a.m.

### **Part 1: LECTURE**

#### **Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) [RA 10963]: Key Provisions and Fiscal Impact**

Ms. Trinidad A. Rodriguez  
*Executive Director*  
National Tax Research Center

### **Part 2: GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

- I. Call of the meeting to order
- II. Proof of quorum
- III. Approval of the proposed agenda
- IV. Approval of the minutes of the 2017 Annual General Membership Meeting
- V. Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting
- VI. New business
  - a. Chairperson's Report
  - b. Treasurer's Report
  - c. Amendments to the PSSC By-laws
  - d. Presentation of PSSC 50th Anniversary Activities
  - e. Introduction of New PSSC Associate Members
  - f. Other Matters/Announcements
- VII. Conferment of the 6th VAM Excellence in Research Award
- VIII. Adjournment

### **Part 3: BOOK LAUNCH - *Doing Social Science Research: A Guidebook***

# Minutes of the Annual General Membership Meeting

PSSC Auditorium, 17 March 2017

## Attendance

### REGULAR MEMBERS

Linguistic Society of the Philippines (LSP)  
Philippine Association of Social Workers (PASWI)  
Philippine Communication Society (PCS)  
Philippine Geographical Society (PGS)  
Philippine National Historical Society (PNHS)  
Philippine Political Science Association  
Philippine Population Association (PPA)  
Philippine Society for Public Administration (PSPA)

Rochelle Lucas  
Rosauro Luntayao  
Lourdes Portus  
Emmanuel Garcia  
Gil Gotiangco II  
Francisco Magno  
Josefina Natividad  
Danilo Reyes  
Lizan P. Calinan  
Maria Pilar M. Lorenzo  
Filomin Gutierrez  
Margaret Alvarez  
Suzanna Roldan

Philippine Sociological Society (PSS)  
Psychological Association of the Philippines (PAP)  
Ugnayang Pang-AghamTao (UGAT)

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Center for Central Luzon Studies, Central  
Luzon State University  
College of Mass Communication, University of the  
Philippines-Diliman  
Division of Social Sciences, UP Visayas

Jay Villafria Jr.  
Patrick Campos  
Frances Anthea Redison  
Clyde Gacayan  
Alfie Anthony Neodama

DCV Research and Knowledge Management  
Institute, Manuel S. Enverga University Foundation  
Institute of Philippine Culture, Ateneo de Manila University  
Kaisa Para sa Kaunlaran  
National Association for Social Work Education Inc.  
National Tax Research Center  
Palawan Studies Center, Palawan State University  
Peter Gowing Memorial Research Center,  
Dansalan College Foundation  
Philippine Association for Chinese Studies  
Population Institute, University of the Philippines-Diliman  
Pulse Asia Research, Inc.  
Research Cluster for Cultural Educational and Social Issues  
University of Santo Tomas  
Research Institute for Mindanao Culture, Xavier University  
Research and Statistics Center, Lyceum of the  
Philippines University-Batangas

Felix Mercado  
Ma. Elissa Lao  
Meah Ang See  
Melba Manapol  
Teresita A. Solomon  
Michael Doblado  
Fedelinda Tawagon  
Michael Anthony Ngo  
Grace Cruz  
Ana Maria Tabunda  
Clarence Batan  
Robert Montana  
Chona Echavez

Silliman University Research and Development Center  
Social Research, Training and Development Office  
Ateneo de Davao University  
Social Weather Stations  
University Research Center, University of St. La Salle  
Women's Association of the Philippines

Norma Menez  
Ma. Rosario Tamayo  
Margaet Alvarez  
Mary Donna Grace Cuenca  
Leo Laroza  
Elias Patriarca  
Odine de Guzman

## I. Call of meeting to order

Dr. Lourdes M. Portus, PSSC Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

## II. Proof of quorum

Dr. Amaryllis T. Torres, PSSC Executive Director, confirmed the presence of a quorum with representatives from 11 regular members and 21 associate members in attendance.

## III. Approval of the proposed agenda

The General Assembly approved the proposed agenda as presented.

## IV. Approval of the minutes of the 2016 Annual General Membership Meeting

The General Assembly approved the minutes of the 2016 Annual General Membership Meeting with the following minor corrections:

- On pages 6 and 9, *Philippines* Communication Society instead of Philippine Communication Society
- On page 6, *Marie* Joy B. Arguillas instead of Maria Joy B. Arguillas
- On page 7, Women's *Studies* Association of the Philippines instead of Women's Association of the Philippines

## V. Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Dr. Portus noted that business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting will be taken up in the reports of the Chairperson and the Treasurer.

## VI. New business

### 1. *Chairperson's Report*

Dr. Portus thanked colleagues in the Executive Committee, the Board of Trustees, and the Secretariat for their service. She also acknowledged individual social scientists who were tapped for Committee work.

Dr. Portus recognized the work of the Membership Committee in monitoring the compliance of member-organizations with their obligations. The Membership Committee was also instrumental in the acceptance of the Philippine Criminal Justice Researchers Society Inc. (PCJRS) as associate member.

Dr. Portus then proceeded to present the status of PSSC's regular programs and activities. She reported that the Council granted graduate research funds to four PhD and three MA students under the Research Award Program (RAP) and supported the participation of ten social science scholars in various international conference through the Travel Assistance Program (TAP). PSSC also maintained its international linkages by participating in the 16th Science Council of Asia Conference in Colombo, Sri Lanka and the International Social Science Council General Assembly in Oslo, Norway.

The Council convened the Eighth National Social Science Congress (NSSC 8) with the theme *Inclusive Governance: Gateways to Sustainable Futures* on 15-17 June 2016 at the Lyceum of the Philippines University-Batangas City. The keynote address was delivered by Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Chair Dr. Patricia Licuanan. The congress featured two plenary sessions, 23 parallel sessions, and four training workshops.

In addition, PSSC co-organized the Public Consultation on the Draft IRR of the Data Privacy Act which sought to solicit the views of relevant organizations and institutions. PSSC also provided conference grants to ten national conferences organized by PSSC regular member-associations.

In terms of publications, Dr. Portus reported that six member-associations kept their journals current with the timely release of their 2016 volumes.

PSSC continued to make available social science materials and resources through the Frank X. Lynch, S.J. Library's integrated library system (<http://lynchlibrary.pssc.org.ph>) and the Knowledge Archive (<http://k-archive.pssc.org.ph>). PSSC received 373 new Filipiniana and foreign materials. In order to make room for newly acquired materials, the library staff appraised the collection, facilitated the weeding process, and drafted a collection development policy for the Lynch Library.

Dr. Portus informed the General Assembly that the PSSC Secretariat continued to provide secretariat and conference services to the Philippine Economic Society; bookkeeping assistance to the Philippine Political Science Association; and desktop assistance to the Philippine Statistical Association. The PSSC Secretariat was also tapped by the Philippine Studies Association to help organize the 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Philippine Studies (ICOPHIL) held at Silliman University, Dumaguete City.

Dr. Portus then proceeded to present the special projects undertaken by PSSC. These include the completion of the third and last phase of the International Organization on Migration-funded Crisis Management and Assistance to Nationals (CMAN) Project which was spearheaded by the Philippine Migration Research Network; and the implementation of the project Nurturing Organizational Research Capacity for Effective Program Delivery in partnership with the Office of the Ombudsman (OMB).

Finally, Dr. Portus shared the plans of PSSC for 2017. These include printing the manual of social science research titled *Doing Social Science Research: A Guidebook*; organizing the conference *Beyond Politics and Spectacle: Studies in Crime and Punishment* on 15-16 March 2017; establishing the Social Science Ethics Review Board (SSERB); implementing the project *Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Gender Sensitivity in Philippine Media* funded by the UNESCO Participation Programme; and participating in the Association of Asian Social Science Research Councils (AASSREC) Biennial General Conference on 20-21 April 2017 in Beijing, China.

## 2. Treasurer's Report

Dr. Torres delivered the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Dr. Stella Luz A. Quimbo, PSSC Treasurer.

Dr. Torres reported that in 2016, PSSC's earnings reached PhP13.77 million from two revenue streams: PSSCenter operations and Council programs and services. This, however, was short of the total projected income from the year which was set at PhP13.89 million.

An income of PhP12.11 million was derived from PSSCenter's office space and function room rental, which comprised 88% of the total income. Dr. Torres bared that this not only exceeded the 2016 target, but also sustained the upward trajectory which began in 2012.

In contrast, PSSC's earnings from its programs and services did not meet the target for 2016. PSSC earned only 51% of the target revenue from long-term bank placements, 75% from project management and 67% from other related services. However, the Council reached 100% of its target earnings from membership fees. PSSC also exceeded the projected income from Book Center sales and membership services. In total, PSSC raised PhP1.66 million from its programs and services.

Expenditure-wise, Dr. Torres reported that PSSC exercised prudent spending without compromising its flagship programs such as the Research Award, Travel Assistance and Conference Award programs. Expenses for Council programs and activities reached just PhP5.8 million (91% of the projected amount) while expenses for building maintenance and operations, capital outlay and depreciation reached PhP8.18 million (87% of the projected amount). Still, PSSC's expenses for 2016 exceeded the earnings, hence the Council's savings from previous years covered the shortfall of PhP221,641.



Dr. Torres then proceeded to present PSSC's budget for 2017. She presented three major activities which can generate new funds for the Council: establishment of the Social Science Ethics Review Board; printing and distribution of the PSSC research manual; and training workshops on social science research and conferences/fora. The target revenues from Book Center sales and PSSC operations were also increased while the 2016 projected earnings from project management, investments and membership support were kept.

Meanwhile, Dr. Torres reported that the projected expenditures for 2017 was more or less similar with that of 2016, except for adjustments in the allocation for staff salaries, working committees and publications.

In conclusion, Dr. Torres urged the member-organizations to cooperate with PSSC in its new initiatives, particularly in making PSSC the clearinghouse for social science research ethics concerns.

### 3. *Introduction of New PSSC Associate Member*

Dr. Rochelle G. Lucas, PSSC Membership Committee Chair, formally welcomed the Philippine Criminal Justice Researchers Society (PCJRS) as a new associate member of PSSC.

### 4. *Conferment of the 5<sup>th</sup> VAM Excellence in Research Award*

The 5th Virginia A. Miralao Excellence in Research Award was conferred to Dr. Arnisson Andre C. Ortega of the University of the Philippine Population Institute (UPPI) for his publication *Neoliberalizing Spaces in the Philippines: Suburbanization, Transnational Migration, and Dispossession*. The award was received by Dr. Grace Cruz of UPPI and Mr. Emmanuel Garcia of the Philippine Geographical Society on behalf of Dr. Ortega.

### 5. *Report on the Social Science Ethics Review Board*

Dr. Torres presented PSSC's initiatives to operationalize the Social Science Ethics Review Board (SSERB), which the BOT formally established in January 2017. SSERB will have the following functions: (1) to review the research ethics codes developed by other organizations/agencies; and (2) to establish standards and principles for all kinds of social science research to serve as framework that will guide the SSERB panel's review of research proposals. Dr. Torres also reported that SSERB hopes to be operational and start receiving research proposals for review as early as May or June. She also stated that SSERB intends to orient partners and stakeholders regarding this endeavor.

In terms of structure, SSERB is envisioned to be an additional section of PSSC Secretariat, apart from the Program Development and Management Section, the Financial Management Section and the Center Management Section. SSERB will be headed by a coordinator and will have its own technical and administrative staff. The PSSC Executive Director will serve as SSERB Chair, and will supervise the Protocol Review Management Committee that will oversee the work of the research ethics review panels.

Dr. Torres explained that the rates for review of research proposals have not been set, but she assured the body that PSSC will not incur additional costs from the review process as the review fees are expected to cover review-related expenses. Only the salaries of the additional staff will be covered by the PSSC budget.

Dr. Torres urged the body to go over and discuss the SSERB program proposal and with their respective organizations, and share their insights before program implementation.

### 6. *Announcements and other matters*

- Dr. Clarence Batan announced that the Philippine Sociological Society (PSS) will hold its annual conference on 6-7 October 2017 at the University of the Philippines Cebu, with the theme "Sociology of Justice."

- Dr. Rochelle Lucas informed the body of the Linguistic Society of the Philippines' (LSP) annual national conference and general assembly on 6-8 April 2017 at the Far Eastern University, Manila.
- Ms. Susan Tan invited the body to the 4th National Research Conference of the PCJRS in collaboration with the PSS and the Cavite State University, to be held on 27-29 June 2017 at the University of Cebu-Lapu-Lapu and Mandaue Campus. The theme is "Dimensions of Crime and Justice: An Interdisciplinary Conference on Social Deviance."
- Prof. Gil Gotiangco announced that the Philippine National Historical Society (PNHS) will hold two conferences this year, the first one with the Manila Studies Association in August to be held at the Leandro Locsin Hall of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, and the second one on the last week of October in Tuguegarao, Cagayan, in celebration of PNHS's 76th year.
- Dr. Francisco Magno of the Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA) invited the body to the 2nd PPSA Distinguished Leadership Lecture Series on 22 March 2017 at the GT-Toyota Asian Center, University of the Philippines Diliman. Prof. Felipe Miranda will deliver the lecture. The third installment of the lecture series will be on 20 April 2017 at the University of Santo Tomas and will feature Prof. Carolina Hernandez. The PPSA National Conference will be held on 11-12 May 2017 at the Waterfront Cebu with the theme "Democratic Governance in the Vortex of Change."
- Dr. Margaret Alvarez announced that the Psychological Association of the Philippines (PAP) will hold its annual convention on 13-15 September 2017 at the University of St. La Salle, Bacolod with the theme "Philippine Psychology in Challenging Times."
- Ms. Suzanna Roldan announced that Ugnayang Pang-Agham Tao (UGAT) will hold a conference on 10-12 December 2017 at the Capitol University, Cagayan de Oro. The theme will revolve around peoples' rights.
- Dr. Danilo Reyes informed the body that the Philippine Society for Public Administration (PSPA) will assume presidency of the Asian Association for Public Administration in April. The PSPA is also cooperating with the UP National College of Public Administration and Governance for an international conference in August in celebration of the college's 65th anniversary. The association also released its publication *Philippine Government Digest*, where papers from their previous conference are compiled.
- Dr. Lourdes Portus announced that the Philippines Communication Society (PCS) will hold two conferences. The first one, to be held in September 2017, will be on the topic of fake news and will be in cooperation with the Philippine Press Institute. The second one is the National Communication Research Conference on 20-21 November 2017 at the University of the Philippines Baguio, in partnership with UP Baguio and the UP Diliman College of Mass Communication.

## VII. Adjournment

The General Assembly adjourned at 11:30 a.m.



## Chairperson's Report

*Lourdes M. Portus*

It is my distinct pleasure to present the major accomplishments of PSSC in 2017. We owe much of these accomplishments to the efforts of fellow Executive Committee members, Dr. Filomin C. Gutierrez (Vice Chairperson), Dr. Stella Luz A. Quimbo (Treasurer), and Dr. Amaryllis T. Torres (Executive Director), as well as the contributions of the other members of the PSSC Board of Trustees, most of whom were also tapped for committee work. They are as follows:

Dr. Cynthia N. Zayas/Prof. Suzanna R. Roldan (Anthropology);  
Dr. Josefina N. Natividad/Prof. Maria Paz N. Marquez (Demography);  
Mr. Emmanuel Garcia/Dr. Joseph Palis (Geography);  
Dr. Gil G. Gotiangco Jr./Ms. Lorelei D.C. de Viana (History);  
Dr. Rochelle Irene G. Lucas (Linguistics);  
Dr. Julio C. Teehankee/Dr. Francisco Magno (Political Science);  
Dr. Danilo R. Reyes/Prof. Lizan P. Calina (Public Administration);  
Dr. Margaret U. Alvarez (Psychology);  
Dr. Dennis S. Mapa/Ms. Teresita Abad (Statistics);  
Ms. Eva Ponce De Leon/ Mr. Rosauro Luntayao (Social Work);  
Dr. Filomin C. Gutierrez (Sociology);  
Dr. Ana Maria L. Tabunda (Pulse Asia-Associate Member);  
Mr. Gerardo A. Sandoval (SWS-Associate Member).

Of course, the support of all of the PSSC staff facilitated the success of these accomplishments.

### **MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**

#### **Organizational Matters**

Our Membership Committee, composed of Dr. Rochelle Irene G. Lucas (Chair), Dr. Maria Midea M. Kabamalan, and Dr. Evelyn A. Miranda (Members), took the lead in reminding regular and associate members about their PSSC membership obligations. The Committee also led the review of two applications for associate membership, both of which were approved by the Board of Trustees. These are the Organization of Social Studies Teachers in the Philippines, Inc. and the Cavite Studies Center. We will be welcoming these two new members later today.

Meanwhile, we continued to provide different services to our regular members, such as full-time secretariat support to the Philippine Economic Society, desktop assistance to the Philippine Statistical Association Inc., and bookkeeping assistance to the Philippine Political Science Association.

#### **By-laws Review**

Since PSSC is turning 50 in 2018, the Board of Trustees deemed it opportune to revisit the PSSC By-laws which PSSC last amended in 2005. Thus, we formed a By-laws Committee composed of the current and former Chairs of the Board of Trustees to review the PSSC By-laws.

The Committee includes Dr. Portus, Dr. Mercedes B. Concepcion, Dr. Nestor N. Pilar, Dr. Emma E. Porio and Dr. Filomeno V. Aguilar Jr. The proposed amendments will be presented to the General Assembly for approval.

## REGULAR PROGRAMS

### Research Award Program

Members of our Research Committee, composed of Dr. Marie Joy B. Arguillas, Dr. Cynthia N. Zayas and Dr. Manuel P. Diaz, received six applications for the 2017 Research Award Program (RAP). Five of these applications were endorsed for approval. The successful applicants are as follows:

Name/Affiliation	School/ <i>Discipline</i>	Research Title
Balgos, Anne Richie G. De La Salle University	Dept. of Applied Linguistics De La Salle University <i>Applied Linguistics</i>	Language and Image in a High School Play: A Multimodal Analysis of a Community Theatre Performance
Esquejo, Kristoffer R. Dept. of History University of the Philippines Diliman	Dept. of History, University of the Philippines Diliman <i>History</i>	Tungo sa Filipinasyon ng mga Misyong Protestante: Isang Pagsasakasaysayan ng Convention of Philippine Baptist Churches, 1898-1980
Pinzon, Mary Jannette Assoc Prof. 1 University of the Philippines Diliman	Tri-College, University of the Philippines Diliman <i>Philippine Studies</i>	De(familial)izing the Family: A Study of the Anak ng OFWs' Emergent Narratives on Parent-Child Communication, Religious Socialization and Self-Perceived Identities
Placino, Pryor Aldous	Institute for Culture and Society Western Sydney University <i>Culture and Society</i>	Lively Aggregates: A Study of Informal Sand, Gravel and Rubble Mining in the Philippines
Tarrayo, Veronico N. Faculty of Arts and Letter University of Santo Tomas	The Graduate School University of Santo Tomas <i>English Language Studies</i>	Capturing the Language of Flash Fiction: A Stylistic Investigation of Selected Filipino-authored "Short" Short Stories

### International Linkages Program (TAP)

The Grants Committee, composed of Mr. Gerardo A. Sandoval and Ms. Suzanna R. Roldan, recommended the participation of seven social science professionals in international conferences in North America and Europe. Travel grant recipients include the following:

Name and PSSC affiliation	Name, date and venue of the Conference	Paper title
Camposano, Clement C. Philippine Studies Association	Association for Asian Studies 2017 Annual Conference 16-19 March 2017 Ontario, Canada	Transforming the Uncertainties of History into Readable Spaces: Basketball and the Displaced Lives of Ilonggo Migrants in Seoul, South Korea
Guazon, Hector Ugnayang Pang-Agham-Tao	IUAES2017: Mo(u)vement 2-7 May 2017 University of Ottawa, Canada	Things, Selves and the Local: Inflections of Cosmopolitan Villagers
Erasga, Dennis S. Philippine Sociological Society	4th International Sociological Association's Conference 14-19 May 2017 Almaty, Kazakhstan	Sociology by Pilipinos: An Inauguration of a Nationalistic Sociology in the Philippines
Oab, Janet B. Linguistic Society of the Philippines	2017 IAWE Conference 30 June – 2 July 2017 Syracuse University, New York	Palawan's Prime Tourist Destinations' Tourism Landscapes and Discourse

Advincula, Leslie Philippine Sociological Society	2017 Biennial Conference of the Inter-University 3-5 November 2017 Reston, Virginia, USA	The Philippines-US Bilateral Military Relations: The Ties That Bind So It Seems?
Nalica, Angela UP School of Statistics	10th Conference of the IASC-ARS University of Auckland, 10-14 December 2017 New Zealand	Evidence of Climate Change from Nonparametric Changepoint Analysis
Ragas, Ruzzel UP School of Statistics	10th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics 16-18 December 2017 University of London, UK	Estimation of a Poisson Autoregressive Hidden Markov Process with Poisson Regression Type Measurement Errors

## Conferences

We are glad to note that PSSC's 14 regular member-organizations held their respective national conferences in 2017. We released the conference grant of P30,000 to 10 of these organizations to support the mounting of their conferences.

Organization	Theme	Date and Venue
Philippine Population Association	Improving Human Capital through Good Governance	25-27 January 2017 Silliman University, Dumaguete
Linguistic Society of the Philippines	Nurturing Literacy and Learning through Language Research	6-8 April 2017 Far Eastern University, Manila
Philippine Political Science Association	Democratic Governance in the Vortex of Change	11-12, May 2017 Waterfront Hotel Cebu
Philippine Historical Association	The Malay World: Connecting the Past to the Present	14-16 September 2017 Manila Hotel and DLSU
Philippine Statistical Association, Inc.	Statistics in Support of Local Economy	27-29 September 2017 Sugarland Hotel, Bacolod City
Psychological Association of the Philippines	Philippine Psychology in Challenging Times	20-22 September 2017 SMX Convention in Bacolod City
Philippine Sociological Society	Sociology of Justice	5-7 October 2017 UP Cebu
Philippine National Historical Society	38th National Conference on Local and National History	19-21 October, 2017 Lyceum on Aparri, Cagayan
Philippine Economic Society	Growing Amidst Risk and Uncertainty	8 November 2017 Novotel Hotel, Manila
Ugnayang Pang-AghamTao	Struggle for Rights: Anthropological Reflections on What is and What Ought to be	9-11 November 2017 Capitol University, Cagayan de Oro
Philippine Geographical Society	Carting Philippine Geographies in the 21st Century	10-11 November 2017 UP Diliman University Hotel
Philippine Society for Public Administration	Innovations in Public Sector Reforms in ASEAN and in Asian Communities: Forging Knowledge Co-Creation, Linking Societies and the Foundations for Democracy, Peace and Sustainable Development	16-18 November 2017 BSA Twin Towers Hotel, Ortigas Center

Philippine Association of Social Workers, Inc.	<p><u>Luzon Cluster:</u> Recognizing the Role of Social Workers as Servant Heroes in Today's Global Challenges</p> <p><u>Mindanao Cluster:</u> "Social Work Competencies and Innovations: Imperatives to Community and Environment Sustainability".</p> <p><u>Visayas Cluster:</u> Promoting Community and Environmental Sustainability"</p> <p><u>NCR Cluster:</u> "Achieving Sustainability Development Goals: Social Workers' Contributions, Challenges and Opportunities"</p>	<p>20-22 September 2017 Cultural Center of Sta. Cruz, Laguna</p> <p>4-6 October, 2017 Villa Amor, Koronadal City</p> <p>25-28 October 2017 Grand Xing Hotel, Iznart St., Iloilo City</p> <p>1-2 December 2017 Icon Hotel, Quezon City</p>
Philippines Communication Society	<p>Let's Get Real on Fake News</p> <p>National Communication Research Conference (with CMC-UP Diliman)</p>	<p>9 May 2017 Philippine Information Agency</p> <p>23-25 November 2017 Univ of the Cordilleras, Baguio</p>

We supported the participation of Dr. Lourdes M. Portus at the 22nd Association of Asian Social Science Research Councils (AASSREC) Biennial General Conference held in Beijing, China on 20-21 April 2017. The theme of the conference was "Sustaining a Green and Equitable Future in Asia-Pacific." Dr. Portus read the paper of UP President Alfredo Pascual titled "The Green Program for a Sustainable and Resilient University" and participated in the business meeting held right after the conference.

From June 27 to 29, Dr. Torres represented PSSC at the International Social Science Council's (ISSC) 124th Executive Committee (Exco) meeting and the Joint Exco meetings of ISSC and ICSU, to prepare for the forthcoming Joint General Assembly in October. These meetings were held in Paris.

#### Virginia A. Miralao Excellence in Research Award

PSSC conferred the 2017 Virginia A. Miralao Excellence in Research Award to Dr. Arnisson Andre C. Ortega for his book titled *Neoliberalizing Spaces in the Philippines: Suburbanization, Transnational Migration, and Dispossession*. Dr. Ortega is an assistant professor at the Population Institute, University of the Philippines.

#### Training Workshops

We partnered with Prof. Peter Sy, chair of the Privacy Expert Group of the DOH-DOST National Governance Steering Committee and Technical Working Group on eHealth, in organizing two training workshops on privacy protection in research. The workshops aimed to introduce: (1) the principles of and regulatory environment for data privacy; and (2) basic tools and techniques to safeguard data at various stages of the research process, from research design to storage and disposal. The workshops catered to faculty members, researchers, research organizations, and other professionals involved in research data utilization and management. The first workshop was held on 29 July 2017 and attended by 41 individuals. The second workshop, which PSSC stretched to two days (27-28 October 2017) following the previous participants' feedback, was participated in by 26 individuals.

## Publications

We finalized the manuscript *Doing Social Science Research: A Guidebook* for publication in January 2018. The publication is intended to introduce beginning researchers to the research process and equip them with practical skills to plan and implement an independent research project. The publication is the outcome of a three-year collaboration among the principal authors, Dr. Lourdes M. Portus (Department of Communication Research, College of Mass Communication, UP Diliman), Dr. Maria Cecilia M. Conaco (Department of Psychology, College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, UP Diliman), Dr. Erniel B. Barrios (School of Statistics, UP Diliman), and Prof. Stella P. Go (Integrated School, De La Salle University).

The publication would not have been completed without the assistance of the other members of the project team, which includes Dr. Amaryllis T. Torres, Dr. Filomin C. Gutierrez and Ms. Joanne B. Agbisit who provided supplementary write-ups; Ms. Ma. Cristina Barrios who did the publication layout; and Ms. Camille M. Aguila who worked on the references. Former PSSC Chair, Dr. Alan B.I. Bernardo, wrote the publication foreword. Dr. Milagros Guerrero, retired Professor of History, undertook the first review of the draft manuscript, which led to further revisions.

Meanwhile, six member-associations kept their journals current with the timely release of their 2017 volumes as follows: *The Philippine Statistician* (Vol. 66), *Philippine Review of Economics* (Vol. 54), *Aghamtao* (Vol. 26), *The Journal of History* (Vol. 63), *Philippine Political Science Journal* (Vol 38, No 1/Vol 38, No 2), and *Philippine Sociological Review* (Vol. 65). As of end-2017, the *Philippine Journal of Psychology* had the highest book sales revenue amounting to Php 33,337.50, followed by the *Philippine Journal of Linguistics* with Php 26,822.50 and *The Journal of History* with Php 26,560.

To promote PSSC publications and member-organizations' journals, we set up book displays during social science conferences, such as the annual meeting and regional conference of the Philippine Economic Society and the "UP Anthropology @ 100: International Conference Marking the Centennial of Philippine Anthropology" book fair. Book dealers have displayed PSSC publications in academic book fairs held within Metro Manila. A special arrangement was also made for a book dealer to bring the publications on their marketing trips to universities in other cities and provinces.

## Knowledge Management

PSSC's Frank X. Lynch SJ Library received 245 materials from individuals and institutions as donations for the collection. Majority of the new acquisitions were Filipiniana books and journals of member-associations. We reciprocated this effort by donating PSSC books to the National Library of the Philippines (NLP). These books are already searchable in NLP's online catalog.

We rendered assistance to library users, most of whom are undergraduate and senior high school students. As part of our efforts to increase the visibility of the library and its services, we set-up an official Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/fxsljlibrary/>).

We continued to upload the digital copies of PSSC materials in the Knowledge Archive (<http://k-archive.pssc.org.ph>) to broaden the readership of locally-produced social science content.

## Social Science Ethics Review Board

One of our major accomplishments in 2017 was the establishment of the Social Science Ethics Review Board (SSERB) which is envisioned to spearhead the promotion of ethical standards and practices in social science research in the Philippines. We hired a consultant, Dr. Leticia Tojos, to jumpstart the activities of SSERB. Dr. Tojos, along with Dr. Filomin C. Gutierrez, Dr. Amaryllis T. Torres, and Dr. Lourdes M. Portus, drafted the code of ethics in social science research, the policies and procedures for ethics review, as well as the application guidelines. All of these have

been published in the *SSERB Manual of Policies and Standard Operating Procedures* and posted on the PSSC website.

In addition to laying the groundwork, PSSC formed a pool of reviewers, composed of experienced researchers from different social science disciplines, who can be tapped to review the applications for ethics clearance. These reviewers were selected and nominated by their respective organizations. PSSC conducted an orientation-workshop on 7 December 2017 to familiarize the reviewers with the review process and carry out mock reviews to surface potential issues/dilemmas. Dr. Torres has also been actively promoting SSERB by presenting in various fora, such as those organized by the National Research Council of the Philippines and the Philippine Association of Social Workers Inc.

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

### **Beyond Politics and Spectacle: Studies on Crime and Punishment**

We organized an international conference, “Beyond Politics and Spectacle: Studies on Crime and Punishment,” on 15-16 March 2017 at the PSSC to elevate the discourse on drugs and crime to a systematic, scholarly and multidisciplinary level of discussion. The conference used social science tools to critically analyze data on illegal drugs, criminality, socio-cultural and behavioral dimensions of drug addiction, and the social and economic aspects of the war on drugs. It took stock of the levels of illegal drug trade and other criminal enterprises in the Philippines, and provided comparative, cross-national perspectives into the ongoing anti-crime campaign. The conference was held in partnership with the Philippine Criminal Justice Researchers Society (PCJRS), with funding support from International Alert-Philippines and the Office of the Quezon City Mayor.

A number of government officials served as our conference speakers, including Sen. Risa Hontiveros, Quezon City Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte, representatives from the Commission on Human Rights, Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency, and the Philippine National Police. Three foreign speakers also accepted our invitation and provided international perspectives on the topic: Olivier Lermet of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime, Roderic Broadhurst of the Australian National University, and Matthias Kennert of International Alert.

We are also thankful to several of our member-organizations who assigned resource persons for the conference, including the Psychological Association of the Philippines, Ugnayang Pang-Aghamtao, Philippine Sociological Society, Philippine Political Science Association, Social Weather Stations, Pulse Asia, and PCJRS.

### **Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Sensitivity in Philippine Media Project**

PSSC received a grant from the UNESCO Participation Programme to undertake the Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Sensitivity in Philippine Media Project. The project entails the preparation of the following: (1) an assessment of the implementation of legal/regulatory instruments promoting the fair and sensitive treatment of women and LGBTQ professionals in media operations and text; (2) an assessment of the presence of the gender discourse in the curriculum of communication/media programs in HEIs as well as in the training programs for media professionals; and (3) a course pack on gender equality and gender sensitivity in media.

The project team, composed of Dr. Elizabeth Enriquez, Dr. Ma. Diosa Labiste and Dr. Julienne Baldo-Cubelo, presented the results of its two research papers during the two-day forum-workshop held on 18-19 August 2017 at PSSC. The forum-workshop also provided an opportunity for the team to solicit inputs for the gender and media course pack from the participants composed mostly of media researchers and practitioners from print and broadcast media. On 25 October 2017, PSSC also organized an intergenerational dialogue among media scholars, media practitioners, and gender advocates, both seasoned and new, to allow the sharing



of their own experiences and observations, as well as identify best practices for dealing with gender concerns in media.

The outputs from the three project components will be published in one volume. In addition, the project team intends to develop information materials on gender which media professionals can use as easy reference and guide.

### Philippine Migration Research Network

PMRN held a number of fora this year, beginning with the PMRN colloquium “On the Move in a Borderless World” held on 9 January 2017 at the PSSCenter. The colloquium featured new studies that examine the continuing vulnerabilities of migrant workers and their families, with human rights as an overarching framework. Speakers included migration specialists from different institutions including PMRN Secretary-General Jorge Tigno, Dr. Lucia Tangi of the University of the Philippines, Dr. Jonabelle Asis of University of Brescia, Italy, and Prof. Mark Abenir of the University of Santo Tomas.

On 2 June 2017, PMRN co-organized a colloquium with the Social Weather Stations (SWS) at the UP Asian Center. Themed “Scoping Study on International Migration Statistics,” the colloquium featured the preliminary results of the SWS study which entailed the compilation of migration-related data from government agencies and/or private institutions, both published and unpublished; review and analysis of methodologies used, issues and limitations of the data gathered under the first component; and assessment and recommendations on migration data gaps and needs. Dr. Alcestis C. Mangahas led the presentation of the results, while Dr. Tigno served as discussant. Prof. Stella P. Go, PMRN Convenor, moderated the colloquium.

PMRN also hosted a lecture by Prof. Rufa Cagoco-Guiam of Mindanao State University-General Santos City. She spoke about internal migration in relation to the conflict situation in Mindanao. The Forum was held on 5 July 2017 at the PSSCenter.

Finally, PMRN held a forum, “New Initiatives in Migration and Development: Perspectives from LGUs,” on 6 December 2017 at PSSCenter. The forum examined ongoing efforts of local government units to expand the level of engagement and maximize contribution of overseas Filipinos at the local level. Resource persons included representatives from the Quezon City government, Batangas provincial government, and NEDA Region IV-A. Dr. Ma. Elissa Lao, member of the PMRN Executive Committee, served as moderator.

### Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos Field Validation Project

We were commissioned by Metrobank Foundation Inc. (MBFI) to validate the accomplishments of its shortlisted nominees for the Outstanding Filipinos Award. MBFI sought a more stringent vetting process after it unified the awards for teachers, soldiers and policemen and raised the prize money from P500,000 to P1 million. PSSC engaged the services of 16 researchers to carry out the validation over a period of three weeks. PSSC completed the project in July and the winners were selected in August.

## CHALLENGES

2018 promises to be a hectic year for PSSC as it celebrates its 50th founding anniversary. Our Anniversary Committee, composed of Dr. Lucas (Chair), Dr. Zayas, Dr. Gutierrez, Dr. Portus, and Dr. Fernando Paragas, is lining up a number of activities to commemorate this milestone year.

In addition, we have several projects in the pipeline. We are slated to release the publication *Doing Social Science Research: A Guidebook* in January 2018. This will be followed by a series of training workshops on social science research, qualitative research design, and data privacy in research, to name a few. These efforts are PSSC’s contribution toward improving the quality of research in the country.

We are also gearing up for the full operationalization of the Social Science Ethics Review Board. We intend to visit different institutions around the country to spread the concept and practice of ethics in social science research and to increase awareness on the services of SSERB.

Finally, we plan to publish select papers from the conference “Beyond Politics and Spectacle: Studies on Crime and Punishment.” Dr. Gutierrez and Prof. Aaron Mallari will serve as editors of this publication.

We sincerely hope that our member-organizations will actively participate in all of PSSC’s future events.

## Treasurer's Report

*Stella Luz A. Quimbo*



On behalf of the other members of the Finance Committee—Dr. Peter U, Dr. Alvin Ang, Dr. Danilo Reyes, and Dr. Lourdes Portus—I would like to report on PSSC's financial performance from January to December 2017 and present the approved budget for 2018.

### 2017 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

In 2017, PSSC generated a total revenue of P15.53 million. Bulk of the funds (P11.31 million) was derived from rent of PSSCenter office spaces and function rooms. The rest (P4.22 million) was earned from Council programs and activities, such as membership dues, Book Center sales, management of special projects, and membership support.

Our revenue from PSSCenter operations was nine percent lower than what we had projected in 2017. This may be attributed to rent arrears of some tenants as well as an unexpected cancellation of the months-long booking of one of our regular function room clients.

Similarly, our revenue from Council programs and activities fell short of target (by 18%). Postponement of the printing of the research guidebook and delays in the release of our members' 2017 journal issues translated to lower Book Center sales. Our completed projects, such as the conference on crime and punishment and two training workshops on data privacy, netted us modest earnings. In addition, we have yet to collect the full management fee from the Metrobank Outstanding Filipino field validation project and the PSSC-UNESCO gender mainstreaming project. PSSC did well only in three areas: collection of membership fees, earnings from long-term bank placements, and service fee for assistance to members.

Meanwhile, PSSC's expenses reached P15.87 million in 2017. Of this amount, we spent P8.15 million for Council operations, while P7.72 million was spent for PSSCenter maintenance and operations.

We managed to keep our expenses for Council programs (e.g., Research Award Program, Travel Assistance Program, Conference Award Program, Library, and Book Center) within budget. However, our efforts to get the Social Science Ethics Review Board (SSERB) up and running caused an excess over Council projected expenses. We view these additional expenses as a necessary investment which we hope to eventually recoup beginning in 2018.

We also contained our building maintenance and capital expenditure, even as we carried out extensive roof repairs, wall repainting, and other improvement activities to preserve the good condition of the PSSCenter.

With expenses (P15.87 million) exceeding the revenue (P15.53 million), PSSC incurred a net loss of P344,872.

### 2018 APPROVED BUDGET

Given our net loss in 2017, the Board of Trustees (BOT), on recommendation of the Finance Committee, is targeting a balanced budget in 2018. We project to bring in P21.26 million from the two income streams and spend about P20.89 million.

The BOT raised the revenue target (P6.31 million) for Council programs and activities to reduce dependence on building income. To attain this target, PSSC aims to aggressively market the publication *Doing Social Science Research: A Guidebook*; offer at least eight training workshops on social science research, data privacy and ethics; and launch and promote service offerings by SSERB, particularly the review of research protocols. Noting that PSSC last raised the membership fee in 2015 and in view of rising organizational costs, the BOT also decided to raise the membership dues of regular and associate members by 10 percent effective 2018, and to impose a 10 percent increase every three years thereafter.

The BOT likewise raised the projected revenue from PSSCenter (P14.94 million) based on a 2017 decision to increase the base rental rate for office spaces (at P500/sqm) and to implement a 5-percent rental increase per annum beginning 2018. The adjustment of the base rate takes into account the cost of maintaining common spaces, such as the lobby, bathrooms, corridors, etc, which PSSC used to absorb.

Expenditure-wise, we expect to spend P7.88 million for Council programs and activities. We retained the allocation for each budget line with the following exceptions: (1) higher allocation for publications/Book Center in anticipation of the completion of the book on criminality; (2) higher allocation for SSERB to include expenses for ethics review and travel for promotional activities and training; and (3) inclusion of expenses for PSSC's 50th anniversary celebration.

For PSSCenter maintenance and operations, we expect to spend some P13.01 million. The budget makes allowances for major building improvement (e.g., scrubbing of building facade, repainting of perimeter walls, additional roof repairs), as well as increases in the minimum wage of contracted personnel (e.g., security, janitorial and maintenance staff) and rising cost of utilities.

We enjoin our member-organizations to continue supporting and participating in PSSC's programs and activities to ensure that PSSC meets all its targets for 2018.

Table 1. Statement of Budget for Council Programs, Activities and Services  
(as of 31 December 2017)

Particulars	Approved Budget for 2017	January to December 2017	Variance Between Budget and Actual	% of Actual to Full Year Budget
<b>OPERATING REVENUE, ALLOCATION AND FUND TRANSFER</b>				
I. Operating Income				
Membership Fee	396,000	390,000	(6,000)	98%
PSSC Book Center Revenue	500,000	269,604	(230,396)	54%
Investment Income	500,000	1,060,791	560,791	212%
Management Fee	500,000	200,000	(300,000)	40%
Other Revenue (Special Projects)	3,000,000	2,046,261	(953,739)	68%
Membership Support	250,000	249,300	(700)	100%
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<b>5,146,000</b>	<b>4,215,956</b>	<b>(930,044)</b>	<b>82%</b>
II. Transfer from PSSCenter/Building Budget	2,227,650	3,932,938	1,705,288	177%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED</b>	<b>7,373,650</b>	<b>8,148,893</b>	<b>775,243</b>	<b>111%</b>

EXPENDITURES FOR COUNCIL PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

<b>I. Council Programs</b>				
Lectures, Fora, Training Activities	100,000	175,000	75,000	175%
Conference Award Program	360,000	220,000	(140,000)	61%
Research Award Program	300,000	300,000	-	100%
PSSC Publications	220,000	30,525	(189,475)	14%
Book Center	30,000	15,239	(14,761)	51%
Library	40,000	34,721	(5,279)	87%
International Linkages:		-	-	0%
Travel Grants	250,000	224,735	(25,265)	90%
AASSREC/ISSC Membership Fee	65,000	69,252	4,252	107%
Travel Expenses of ED	75,000	117,929	42,929	157%
Social Science Review Board	645,450	556,437	(89,013)	86%
Special Projects Expenses	--	1,931,582	1,931,582	--
<b>Total Council Programs</b>	<b>2,085,450</b>	<b>3,675,422</b>	<b>1,589,972</b>	<b>176%</b>
<b>II. Council Meeting Expenses</b>				
Executive Committee meeting	172,200	163,375	(8,825)	95%
BOT Meeting	90,000	101,470	11,470	113%
General Assembly Meeting	75,000	50,799	(24,201)	68%
PSSC Working Committees	156,000	32,916	(123,084)	21%
<b>Total Council Meeting Expenses</b>	<b>493,200</b>	<b>348,560</b>	<b>(144,640)</b>	<b>71%</b>

Particulars	Approved Budget for 2017	January to December 2017	Variance Between Budget and Actual	% of Actual to Full Year Budget
<b>III. Technical Support Services</b>				
Salaries & wages	2,677,500	2,212,898	(464,602)	83%
Employees Benefits	585,000	562,885	(22,115)	96%
Communications	90,000	54,137	(35,863)	60%
Transportation	40,000	32,495	(7,505)	81%
Total Technical Support Services Expenses	3,392,500	2,862,415	(530,085)	84%
<b>IV. Finance/Administrative Support</b>				
Salaries & Wages	420,000	341,097	(78,903)	81%
Employees Benefits	120,000	99,333	(20,667)	83%
Contracted Services	577,500	577,402	(98)	100%
Utilities	135,000	106,923	(28,077)	79%
Repair & Maintenance	55,000	43,765	(11,235)	80%
Miscellaneous/Contingencies	25,000	23,978	(1,022)	96%
Total Finance/Administrative Support Expenses	1,332,500	1,192,497	(140,003)	89%
<b>TOTAL BUDGET/EXPENDITURES BEFORE DEPRECIATION EXPENSES</b>	<b>7,303,650</b>	<b>8,078,893</b>	<b>775,243</b>	<b>111%</b>
Add: Depreciation Expense	70,000	70,000	-	100%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>7,373,650</b>	<b>8,148,893</b>	<b>775,243</b>	<b>111%</b>

NOTE. The 2017 and 2018 Financial Report format has been modified to include the revenue from and allocation for Special Projects.

**Table 2. Statement of Budget for PSSCenter/Building Operations  
(as of 31 December 2017)**

Particulars	Approved Budget for 2017	January to December 2017	Variance Between Budget and Actual	% of Actual to Full Year Budget
<b>I. Operating Revenue</b>				
Center Rental Revenue	12,200,000	11,037,700	(1,162,300)	90%
Other Revenue	200,000	272,882	72,882	136%
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<b>12,400,000</b>	<b>11,310,582</b>	<b>(1,089,418)</b>	<b>91%</b>
<b>II. Operating Expenses</b>				
Salaries & Wages	1,650,000	1,313,335	(336,665)	80%
Employees Benefits	500,000	441,478	(58,522)	88%
Contracted Services	3,800,000	3,257,874	(542,126)	86%
Utilities	2,010,000	1,242,468	(767,532)	62%
Repairs & Maintenance	315,000	434,412	119,412	138%
Administrative Expenses	80,000	68,990	(11,010)	86%
Supplies & Materials	100,000	136,179	36,179	136%
Insurance	115,000	108,894	(6,106)	95%
Communications	90,000	65,749	(24,251)	73%
Transportation	40,000	37,196	(2,804)	93%
Rental Discount	10,000	10,800	800	108%
Miscellaneous Expenses	25,000	29,209	4,209	117%
Depreciation Expense	50,000	50,000	-	100%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>8,785,000</b>	<b>7,196,585</b>	<b>(1,588,415)</b>	<b>82%</b>
III. Capital Outlay	500,000	350,000	(150,000)	70%
BUILDING INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX	3,115,000	3,763,997	648,997	121%
Less: Provision for Income Tax	350,000	175,931	(174,069)	50%
Net Income	2,765,000	3,588,066	823,066	130%
Fund Transfer	2,227,650	3,932,938	1,705,288	177%
<b>Net Building Fund</b>	<b>537,350</b>	<b>(344,872)</b>	<b>(882,222)</b>	<b>-64%</b>

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Table 3. Approved 2018 Budget for Council Programs, Activities and Services

Particulars	Approved Budget for 2018	Approved Budget for 2017
<b>OPERATING REVENUE, ALLOCATION AND FUND TRANSFER</b>		
I. Operating Income		
Membership Fee	427,200	396,000
PSSC Book Center Revenue	785,000	500,000
Investment Income	580,000	500,000
Management Fee	500,000	500,000
Other Revenue (Special Projects)	390,000	3,000,000
Training Revenue	1,800,000	-
Social Science Ethics Review Board (SSERB)	420,000	-
Loan from General Fund for SSERB Expenses	632,500	-
Membership Support/ Secretariat Services	278,490	250,000
PSSC Golden Anniversary -Sponsored	500,000	-
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<b>6,313,190</b>	<b>5,146,000</b>
II. Transfer from PSSCenter/Building Budget	1,564,064	2,227,650
<b>TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED</b>	<b>7,877,254</b>	<b>7,373,650</b>

**EXPENDITURES FOR COUNCIL PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES**

<b>I. Council Programs</b>		
Lectures, Fora, Training Activities	100,000	100,000
Conference Award Program	360,000	360,000
Research Award Program	300,000	300,000
PSSC Publications	370,000	220,000
Book Center	330,000	30,000
Library	-	40,000
International Linkages:		
Travel Grants	250,000	250,000
AASSREC/ISSC Membership Fee	65,000	65,000
Travel Cost - PSSC representative	195,000	75,000
Training Expenses	1,350,000	-
Other Expenses	140,000	-
Social Science Ethics Review Board	1,072,500	645,450
PSSC Golden Anniversary Expenses	500,000	-
<b>Total Council Programs</b>	<b>5,032,500</b>	<b>2,085,450</b>



Particulars	Approved Budget for 2018	Approved Budget for 2017
<b>II. Council Meeting Expenses</b>		
Executive Committee meeting	172,200	172,200
BOT Meeting	90,000	90,000
General Assembly Meeting	75,000	75,000
PSSC Working Committees	64,800	156,000
<b>Total Council Meeting Expenses</b>	<b>402,000</b>	<b>493,200</b>
<b>III. Technical Support Services</b>		
Salaries & wages	1,903,557	2,677,500
Employees Benefits	260,210	585,000
Communications	50,000	90,000
Transportation	20,000	40,000
<b>Total Technical Support Services Expenses</b>	<b>2,233,767</b>	<b>3,392,500</b>
<b>IV. Finance/Administrative Support</b>		
Salaries & Wages	121,690	420,000
Employees Benefits	17,296	120,000
Contracted Services	-	577,500
Utilities	-	135,000
Repair & Maintenance	-	55,000
Miscellaneous/Contingencies	-	25,000
<b>Total Finance/Administrative Support Expenses</b>	<b>138,986</b>	<b>1,332,500</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET/EXPENDITURES BEFORE DEPRECIATION EXPENSES</b>	<b>7,807,254</b>	<b>7,303,650</b>
Add: Depreciation Expense	70,000	70,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>7,877,254</b>	<b>7,373,650</b>

*NOTE. The 2017 and 2018 Financial Report format has been modified to include the revenue from and allocation for Special Projects.*

Table 4. Approved 2018 Budget for PSSCenter/Building Operations

Particulars	Approved Budget for 2018	Approved Budget for 2017
<b>I. Operating Revenue</b>		
Center Rental Revenue	14,693,210	12,200,000
Other Revenue	250,000	200,000
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<b>14,943,210</b>	<b>12,400,000</b>
<b>II. Operating Expenses</b>		
Salaries & Wages	3,276,506	1,650,000
Employees Benefits	365,583	500,000
Contracted Services	4,096,000	3,800,000
Utilities	3,522,000	2,010,000
Repairs & Maintenance	500,000	315,000
Administrative Expenses	100,000	80,000
Supplies & Materials	100,000	100,000
Insurance	115,000	115,000
Communications	50,000	90,000
Transportation	50,000	40,000
Rental Discount	10,000	10,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	25,000	25,000
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>12,210,089</b>	<b>8,785,000</b>
III. Capital Outlay	550,000	500,000
BUILDING INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX	2,183,121	3,115,000
Less: Provision for Income Tax	250,000	400,000
Net Income	1,933,121	2,765,000
Fund Transfer	(1,564,064)	(2,227,650 )
<b>Net Building Fund</b>	<b>369,057</b>	<b>537,350</b>

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

**The Board of Trustees**

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***Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements***

***Opinion***

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Philippine Social Science Council, Inc. ("PSSC"), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2016 with comparative figures as of December 31, 2015, and the statements of comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity and statements of cash flows for the years then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all materials respects, the financial position of PSSC as of December 31, 2016, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities (PFRS SME's).

***Basis for Opinion***

I conducted my audit in accordance with the Philippines Standards on Auditing (PSAs). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report.

I am an independent of PSSC in accordance with the Code of Ethics of Professional Accountants in the Philippines (Code of Ethics), together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in the Philippines, and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics.

***Responsibilities of the Management and those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards for Small Medium-sized Entities (PFRS for SMEs), and for such internal controls management determines necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing PSSC's ability to continue as going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate PSSC or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing PSSC's financial reporting process.

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatements, whether due to the fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is high level of assurance, but it is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with PSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with PSAs, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatements of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of PSSC's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on PSSC's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause PSSC to cease to continue as going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

### ***Report on the Supplementary Information Required by the Bureau of Internal Revenue***

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statement taken as a whole. The supplementary information required under Revenue Regulation 15-2010 and 2-2014 on taxes, duties and license fees, taxable income and deduction is presented for purposes of filing with the Bureau of Internal Revenue and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of the management of PSSC. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in my audit of the basic financial statement and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statement taken as a whole.

### ***Report on other Legal and Regulatory Matters***

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial

statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information shown in the Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements of Non-stock and Non-profit Organization, an additional component required by Part 1, Section 4 of Rule 68 of the Securities and Regulation Code are presented for purposes of filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of the management of PSSC and has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in my audit of the basic financial statements. In my opinion, the supplementary information has been prepared in accordance with Rule 68 of the Securities Regulation Code.

**REGINO N. GONZALES**

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## PSSC 2016 Audited Financial Statements

### STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		31 December	
	Notes	2016	2015
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	2,3	P 1,979,251	P 1,670,428
Short term Investment	2,4	7,193,975	7,340,604
Receivables	2,5	674,845	1,278,590
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>9,848,071</b>	<b>10,289,621</b>
Noncurrent Assets			
Long term investments	2,6	27,643,129	27,257,537
Property and equipment	2,7	434,938	516,223
Meralco deposit		55,204	55,204
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>		<b>28,133,271</b>	<b>27,773,760</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>P 37,981,342</b>	<b>P 38,118,585</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,8	P 3,691,573	P 3,868,051
Non Current Liabilities			
Rental and other deposits	2,9	4,745,694	4,104,186
Long Term benefit fund	2,10	3,023,320	2,950,197
		<b>P 7,769,014</b>	<b>P 7,054,382</b>
Equity		26,520,754	27,196,152
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		<b>P 37,981,342</b>	<b>P 38,118,585</b>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

# PSSC 2016 Audited Financial Statements

## STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Notes	31 December	
		2016	2015
Operating Income	2, 11	P 12,896,944	P 11,837,302
Income for Special Projects	2, 12	1,180,160	2,107,050
Other Income	2, 11	872,157	987,032
Operating Income	2, 11	(12,340,828)	(12,789,667)
Council Programs and Services	2, 11	(1,349,914)	(1,684,902)
Allocation Fund for 2013		(78,359)	(1,650,235)
Expenses for Special Projects	2, 12	(1,910,626)	(1,597,804)
Net Income (Loss)		(730,466)	(2,791,224)
Other Comprehensive Income (Expenses)		--	--
Total Comprehensive Income (Loss)		P (730,466)	P (2,791,224)

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

## STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Notes	Years ended 31 December 2016			
		General Fund	Special Fund	Endowment Fund	Total
Balance, Beginning of the Year		13,306,487	1,165,371	12,724,293	27,196,152
Profit	11,12	0	(730,466)	--	(730,466)
Adjustment		(23,291)	--	--	(23,291)
Fund Transfer		78,359	--	--	78,359
Balance, End of the Year		13,3361,555	434,905	12,724,293	26,520,754

	Notes	Years ended 31 December 2015			
		General Fund	Special Fund	Endowment Fund	Total
Balance, Beginning of the Year		14,930,814	656,125	12,724,293	28,311,232
Profit	11,12	(3,300,470)	509,246	--	(2,791,224)
Adjustment		25,908	--	--	25,908
Fund Transfer		1,650,235	--	--	1,650,235
Balance, End of the Year		13,306,487	1,165,371	12,724,293	27,196,152

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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### STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Notes	Years ended 31 December	
		2016	2015
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Net Income (Loss)	P	(730,466)	P (2,791,224)
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities			
Depreciation	2,7	81,286	150,001
Investment income	11	(253,959)	(592,850)
Allocation fund for 2013		78,359	1,650,235
Adjustment		(23,291)	25,908
Changes in Assets and Liabilities			
(Increase) Decrease in:			
(Increase) / Decrease in accounts receivable	2,5	603,745	(584,503)
(Decrease) / Increase in account payable and accrued expense	2,8	(176,478)	(832,832)
(Decrease) / Increase in tenants advance rental deposit	2,9	213,821	97,868
(Decrease)/ Increase in tenants security and damage and deposit	2,9	427,688	123,477
(Decrease) / Increase in workers retirement fund	2,10	3,758	--
(Decrease) / Increase in workers separation fund	2,10	69,366	(113,513)
Net cash provided by operating activities		293,829	(2,867,434)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Decrease in short term investments	4	146,629	1,853,361
Decrease (Increase) in investments (Non current)	6	(385,592)	1,365,455
Investment income	11	253,959	592,850
Net cash used by investing activities		14,996	3,811,667
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH		308,825	944,233
CASH AT THE BEGINNING		1,670,427	726,194
CASH AT THE END	P	1,979,252	P 1,670,427

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.



## **Accounting Policies and explanatory notes to the financial statements For the year ended 31 December, 2015 and 2016**

### **1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Philippine Social Science Council, Inc. (PSSC) was approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on December 13, 1968 per Registration No. 37048 as a non-stock, non-profit organization with the primary purpose of promoting scientific, cultural and educational purposes. The registered address of the organization is at PSSC Building, Commonwealth Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City.

The PSSC is a Department of Science and Technology accredited, certified non-stock, non-profit, scientific cultural-education organization and is exempt from income tax pursuant to Section 30 of the National Internal Revenue Code and Section 24 of the Republic Act No. 2067 as amended by Republic Act No. 3589, provided no part of the income will inure to the benefit if any individual or stockholder.

Its operation is funded by grants and donations from various civic, educational, scientific, cultural and business organizations.

#### **General Program Secretariat**

The Secretariat acts as the working arm of the council. Operating funds are provided by earnings derived from income of the endowment funds.

#### **Central Subscription Service**

The Central Subscription Service is a program of the council. It was established to assist the council member associations in the publication of their journals and other social science books and monographs through centralized management and distribution.

The financial statements of the organization as at December 31, 2015 were approved and authorized by the Board of Trustees on April 3, 2016.

### **2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Philippine Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities (PFRS for SME's)

The accounts of the organization are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting to insure the observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to the organization. Resources for various purposes are classified for accounting and reporting purposes, into funds established according to their nature and purpose, thus maintaining separate accounts for each fund. The council follows the accrual basis of accounting for its transactions.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash includes cash on hand and in banks. Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with original maturities of three months or less and that are subject to insignificant risk of change in value.

#### **Accounts Receivables**

Receivables are stated at face value, after allowance for impairment, if any. An estimate for doubtful accounts is made when collection of the full amount is no longer probable.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are valued at lower of cost and net realizable value as determined by first-in, first out (FIFO) method.

#### **Financial instrument**

Investments are initially recognized at cost. Subsequent to initial recognition are carried at fair market value in the statements of financial position. Changes in the fair market value of such assets are reported in profit or loss.

#### **Property and Equipment**

Property and Equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and the related accumulated depreciation and amortization are removed from the accounts and any resulting gain or loss is credited or charged to current operations.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Office improvement	10 years	Library books	5 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5 years	Motor vehicle	10 years

## Leases

Lease as classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the leased asset to the lessor. All other leases are classified as operating leases. Under operating lease, the property remains as an asset of the lessor and consequently, the lessor bears all ownership or executory costs such as depreciation of leased property, real property taxes, insurance and maintenance. Periodic rental is simply recognized as rent income.

## Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are liabilities to pay for goods or services that have been received or supplied and have been invoiced or formally agreed with the suppliers and are not interest bearing.

Accruals are liabilities to pay for goods or services that have been received or supplied but have not been paid.

## Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized when it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transactions will flow to the company and the amount of revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue from rent is earned based of term of lease. Revenue from sales of books is recognized upon delivery. Revenue from interest is recognized on a time proportion bases that reflects the effective yield on the asset. Dividend is recognized when the payment is established.

## Income Taxes

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior years are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the tax authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantially enacted at the reporting date.

## 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT

This account consists of the following:

	2016	2015
Petty cash fund	P 22,000	P 22,000
Cash in bank	1,957,251	1,648,428
	P 1,979,251	P 1,670,428

Cash in bank pertains to deposit to local banks which earn interest at the respective bank deposit rates and carried in the statement of financial position at face value. The company reconciles the books and banks regularly as of its monitoring and internal control measures.

## 4. SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS

This account consists of the following:

	2016	2015
Investment in peso time deposit-Secretariat	P 1,131,531	P 1,122,654
Investment in dollar time deposit-Secretariat	3,693,854	3,669,169
Investment in Philam bond - WSF	919,563	859,944
Investment in peso time deposit - CSS	851,798	842,619
Investment in peso time deposit - Forex	--	254,688
Investment in peso time deposit - Eastwest Bank	597,230	591,530
	P 7,193,975	P 7,340,604

The above cash investments are short term in nature with maturity of less than three months but due to management imposed restrictions in their withdrawal, it was categorized as investment and not cash equivalent.

## 5. RECEIVABLES

This account consists of the following:

	2016	2015
Accounts receivables - Sales	P 230,592	P 221,937
BPI receivable	--	744,538
Receivable from tenants (rent/utilities)	426,181	285,534
Advances	4,572	1,581
Publication receivable	10,000	25,000
Accounts receivables - Paypal	3,500	--
	P 674,845	P 1,278,589

## 6. LONG TERM INVESTMENTS

This account consists of the following:

	2016	2015
BPI Investment - Long-term	P 18,187,883	P 17,948,653
Asiitrust Bank investment - Long-term	--	--
UCPB Investment - Long-term	4,076,660	4,032,397
Philam Bond Fund Investment	2,103,758	2,100,000
Metrobank Investment	3,274,827	3,176,487
	P 27,643,129	P 27,257,537

## 7. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consists of the following:

	Office Improve- ment	Library Books	Furniture Fixtures & Equipment	Motor Vehicle	Total
<b>Cost</b>					
Balance at beg. of year	P 4,388,355	P 111,855	P3,620,188	P1,527,176	P9,647,575
Acquisitions	--	--	--	--	--
Balance at end of year	4,388,355	111,855	3,620,188	1,527,176	9,647,575
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>					
Balance at beg. of year	3,904,057	111,855	3,588,263	1,527,176	9,131,352
Depreciation	49,285	--	32,000	--	81,285
Balance at end of year	3,953,342	111,855	3,620,263	1,527,176	9,212,637
Net Book Value 2016	435,013	-	(75)	0	434,937
<b>Cost</b>					
Balance at beg. of year	4,388,355	111,855	3,620,188	1,527,176	9,647,575
Acquisitions	--	--	--	--	--
Balance at end of year	4,388,355	111,855	3,620,188	1,527,176	9,647,575
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>					
Balance at beg. of year	3,778,203	111,855	3,564,17	1,527,176	8,981,351
Depreciation	125,854	--	24,147	--	150,001
Balance at end of year	3,904,057	111,855	3,588,263	1,527,176	9,131,352
Net Book Value 2015	484,298	-	31,925	0	516,223

### *PSSC Building Complex*

On 16 July 1981, a grant was extended by the Government of Japan to the Philippine Government under the exchange of notes signed by both governments, establishing the PSS Center.

On 14 December 1981, a memorandum of agreement was made between the University of the Philippines System and the Philippine Social Science Council, Inc. Whereby the University authorized the PSSC to construct within the University's building complex in an area consisting of 8,018.5 square meters under such terms and conditions mutually agreed by both parties.

The building facilities and equipment of PSSC shall be used for its program and activities for as long as PSSC exists and determines that such buildings, facilities and equipment are needed and thereafter ownership of the same shall be transferred to the university provided that they be used solely for educational purposes.

The building complex was turned over by the Government of Japan to the Center on 21 March 1983.

## 8. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

This account consists of the following:

	2016	2015
Trade payables	P 1,178,042	P 785,891
Accrued expenses	2,397,621	2,445,357
Unrealized income	160,405	58,206
Funds related liabilities	50,000	165,794
Due to publisher/consignor	105,506	412,801
	P 3,891,573	P 3,868,051

## 9. RENTAL AND OTHER DEPOSITS

This account consists of the following:

	2016	2015
Tenants advance rental deposit	P 2,250,347	P 2,036,526
Tenants security and damage deposit	2,495,347	2,067,659
	P 4,745,694	P 4,104,186

## 10. LONG TERM BENEFIT FUND

This account consists of the following:

	2016	2015
Workers separation fund	P 919,563	P 850,197
Retirement Fund	2,103,758	2,100,000
	P3,023,320	P 2,950,197

The board approved in 2005 transfer of P1,552,287.06 from the general fund to the staff retirement fund as recommended by PSSC management and audit committee.

## 11. STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND

	2016	2015
<b>OPERATION INCOME</b>		
Center Rental Income	11,927,707	10,396,682
PSSC Book Center Sales	204,163	187,756
Management Income	375,074	356,560
Membership Fees	390,000	390,000
	12,896,944	11,837,302
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>		
Investment Income	253,959	592,850
Miscellaneous	618,198	394,181
	872,157	987,032
<b>TOTAL OPERATING AND OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>13,769,101</b>	<b>12,824,334</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Salaries and Wages	4,390,757	4,285,674
Utilities	1,644,232	1,955,426
Contracted Services	3,855,990	3,758,221
Depreciation Expenses	81,286	150,001
Employees' Benefits	912,444	1,039,161
Repairs and Maintenance	684,678	307,613
Income Tax	388,715	332,988
Supplies and Materials	71,740	60,817
Administrative Expenses	71,171	54,269
Insurance Expenses	110,379	111,971
Transportation Expenses	51,275	65,221
Communications	32,296	190,167
Miscellaneous/Contingencies	45,864	25,888

	12,340,828	12,789,667
COUNCIL PROGRAM AND SERVICES	1,349,914	1,684,902
TOTAL OPERATING AND RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES	13,690,742	14,474,569
ALLOCATION FUND FOR 2013	(78,359)	(1,650,235)
UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS	-	-
EXCESS OF CURRENT FUND	0	(3,300,470)

## 12. STATEMENT OF SPECIAL PROJECT FUND

This account represents balances of the following projects fund

	YEAR 2016			
	Beginning	Receipts	Expenses	Ending
ICOPHIL	197,107	--	--	197,107
IOM - CMAN Project	(6,216)	329,250	232,034	--
Media Gender	--	--	410	(410)
Most - PMRN	54,882	18,883	45,003	28,761
NSSC VIII	(18,230)	701,227	682,997	--
PAHRODF	56,181	100,000	156,181	--
PCPD	198,961			198,961
Privacy Research Ethics Review	--	--	314	(314)
Research Capacity Building Ombudsman	682,688		682,688	--
UNHCR - web content		30,800	200,000	10,800
	1,165,371	1,180,160	1,910,626	434,905

	YEAR 2015			
	Beginning	Receipts	Expenses	Ending
ASEAN	P15,000.00	P	15,000	P
Ched Digitization Project Phase 1	19,748		19,748	
Ched Digitization Project Phase 2	145,193	40,000	185,193	
CHED Project Development Program	(1,722)		(1,722)	
ICOPHIL	197,730		623	197,107
IOM - CMAN	21,617	548,750	576,583	(6,216)
Most - PMRN	60,599	600	6,317	54,882
NSSC VIII	3,677		21,907	(18,230)
PAHRODF		400,000	343,819	(56,181)
PDCP	198,961			198,961
PMRN - ILO	(4,677)		(4,677)	
Research Capacity Building - Ombudsman		1,117,700	435,013	682,688
	656,125	2,107,050	1,597,804	1,165,371

## 13. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER REVENUE REGULATIONS (RR) 19-2011

On 9 December 2011, the BIR has issued Revenue Regulation (RR) No. 19-2011 prescribing the new income tax reforms to be used effective calendar year 2011. In the case of corporations using BIR Form 1702, the taxpayer is now required to include as part of its Notes to the Audited Financial Statements, which will be attached to the income tax return, schedules and information on taxable income and deductions taken.

Below are the additional disclosures applicable to the company, pursuant to RR 19-2011:

a. Revenues		
	Exempt	Taxable

Central Rental Income	P	--	P 11,927,707
PSSC Book Center Sales		204,013.14	--
Management Income		375,074	--
Membership Fees		390,000	--
Membership Support		271,475	--
Miscellaneous Income		168,094	178,629
		1,408,656	12,106,336

b. Itemized deductions for the year ended December 31, 2016 are as follows:

	Exempt	Taxable
Salaries and Wages	P 219,538	4,171,220
Utilities	234,289	1,409,944
Contracted Services	385,599	3,470,391
Depreciation Expenses	41,091	81,285
Employees' Benefits	182,489	729,955
Repairs and Maintenance	54,861	629,817
Supplies and Materials	--	71,740
Administrative Expenses	--	71,171
Insurance Expenses	--	110,379
Communications	16,148	16,148
Transportation	25,638	25,638
Miscellaneous/Contingencies	22,933	22,933
	P1,182,54,93	P10,810,620

#### 14 Supplementary Information required Under Revenue Regulations 15-2010

##### A. Value Added Tax (VAT)

##### 1. The amount of VAT output declared during the year:

	Tax Base	Output Tax
Vatable gross receipts	P -	P -
Zero rated sales	-	-
Exempt sales	-	-
	P -	P -

##### 2. The amount of VAT input taxes claimed broken down as follows:

	2015
Beginning of the Year	P -
Current years' domestic purchases/payment for:	-
Domestic purchase of goods other than capital goods	-
Importation of goods other than capital goods	-
Domestic purchase of services	-
	-
Claims for tax credit/refund and other adjustments	-
Balance at the end of year	-

##### B. Withholding taxes

	2016
Taxes on compensation and benefits	P 639,055
Creditable withholding tax	149,640
Final withholding tax	-
	P 788,694

C. The company has no tax investigation and tax cases.

## Accomplishment Reports of PSSC Member-Organizations

### REGULAR MEMBERS

• Linguistic Society of the Philippines	40
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## ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

### Monthly Board Meetings

January 24, 2017, University of Santo Tomas  
February 18, 2017, De La Salle University  
May 3, 2017, De La Salle University  
June 13, 2017, Far Eastern University  
July 11, 2017, University of Santo Tomas  
August 8, 2017, De La Salle University  
September 5, 2017, De La Salle University  
September 30, 2017, Ateneo De Manila University  
November 28, 2017, Manila Hotel

### Lectures

*The Br Andrew Gonzalez, FSC, Distinguished Professorial Chair in Linguistics and Language Education*

Speaker: Professor Lawrence A. Reid (University of Hawai'i at Manoa)  
Topic: 'Revisiting the Position of Philippine Languages in the Austronesian Family'  
Date: February 18, 2017 (10:00-12:00 nn)  
Venue: Room 408, Yuchengco Building, De La Salle University, Manila

*The Danilo T. Dayag Memorial Lecture*

Speaker: Dr. Paulina M. Gocheo (De La Salle University)  
Topic: 'Pronominal Choice: A Reflection of Culture and Persuasion in Philippine Political Campaign Discourse'  
Date: Friday, March 17, 2017 (10:00-12:00 nn)  
Venue: Br. Andrew Gonzalez Hall Rm 1703, De La Salle University, Manila

*The Emy M. Pascasio Memorial Lecture*

Speaker: Dr. Margarita Felipe Fajardo (Ateneo de Naga University)  
Topic: 'Tensions in critical literacy pedagogy: Case studies of three college teachers in the Philippines'  
Date: September 30, 2017 (9:00 – 11:00 AM)  
Venue: Ching Tan Room (SOM 111), Ateneo de Manila University

### Special Lectures

Speaker: Dr. Angela Reyes, Hunter College (City University of New York)  
Topic: 'Imagining the Pasts and Futures of Philippine Elite Language'  
Date: January 14, 2017 (11:00-12:30 PM)  
Venue: Room 1403, Andrew Bldg, De La Salle University

Speaker: Dr. Ariane Macalinga Borlongan (Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan)  
Topic: 'A History of the English Verb Phrase: Change and Variation in Asia'  
Date: September 16, 2017, 9:00-11:00 am  
Venue: A1703, Andrew Building, De La Salle University, Manila



## Conferences

### *National Conference: 2017 LSP - National Conference & General Meeting*

Venue and Date: Far Eastern University, April 6-8, 2017  
Theme: “Nurturing Literacy and Learning through Language Research”  
Conference Director: Jesus Federico C. Hernandez (LSP Board)  
Conf. Co-Director: Dr. Philip Jay Alcoberes (Far Eastern University)

#### Plenary Speakers:

Dr. Stefanie Pillai (University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)  
Dr. Ariane Macalinga Borlongan (University of Tokyo)  
Dr. Dennis H. Pulido (Far Eastern University)

### *The 31<sup>st</sup> Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information, & Computation (PACLIC31)*

Co-hosted with: Computing Society of the Philippines – SIG on Natural Language Processing,  
University of the Philippines - Cebu, and National University  
Venue & Date: University of the Philippines, Cebu City, Philippines, November 16-18, 2017

## Publications

The *Philippine Journal of Linguistics* Volume 47 (Dec 2017 issue) will be released before January 31, 2018.

## Future Activities

### *The Bonifacio P. Sibayan (BPS) Distinguished Professorial Lecture in Applied Linguistics*

Speaker: Dr. Melchor Tatlonghari (Philippine Normal University)  
Date: Saturday, February 10, 2018 (10:00 12:00 nn)  
Venue: Philippine Normal University

### *The Br Andrew Gonzalez FSC (BAG) Distinguished Professorial Chair in Linguistics and Language Education*

Speaker: Dr. Aldrin P. Lee (University of the Philippines–Diliman)  
Date: Saturday, February 24, 2018 (10:00 12:00 nn)  
Venue: Br. Andrew Gonzalez Hall Rm 1403, De La Salle University, Manila

### *The Danilo T. Dayag (DTD) Memorial Lecture*

Speaker: Dr. Eden R. Flores (De La Salle University)  
Date: Saturday, March 17, 2017 (10:00 12:00 nn)  
Venue: Br. Andrew Gonzalez Hall Rm 1403, De La Salle University, Manila

### *The 2018 LSP - National Conference and General Meeting*

Co-host: Bataan Peninsula State University (BPSU)  
Date: March 1-3, 2018  
Venue: Crown Royale Hotel, City of Balanga, Bataan  
Theme: ‘Promoting Linguistic Diversity in teaching, Learning, and Research’  
Invited Speakers:  
Keynote: Dr. Ahmar Mahboob (University of Sydney)  
Plenary: Dr. Aiden Yeh (Wenzao Ursuline University of Languages, Taiwan)  
Dr. Diane Dekker (SIL International)  
Dr. Flora Canare (Bataan Peninsula State University)

## INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

### Organizational Structure

The following officers were elected in April 2015:

President	Shirley N. Dita ( <i>De La Salle University</i> ) (Board of Director, 2015-2018)
Vice President	Alejandro S. Bernardo ( <i>University of Santo Tomas</i> ) (Board of Director, 2017-2020)
Secretary	Arceli M. Amarles ( <i>Philippine Normal University</i> ) (Board of Director, 2015-2018)
Treasurer	Camilla J. Vizconde ( <i>University of Santo Tomas</i> ) (Board of Director, 2015-2018)
Immediate Past President	Rochelle Irene G. Lucas ( <i>De La Salle University</i> ) (2015-2018)

Board of Directors	Dennis H. Pulido ( <i>Far Eastern University</i> ) Director for Conferences (BOD, 2017-2020) Leah E. Gustilo ( <i>De La Salle University</i> ) Director for Publications (BOD, 2017-2020) Priscilla T. Cruz ( <i>Ateneo de Manila University</i> ) Director for Membership (BOD, 2015-2018) Eden R. Flores ( <i>De La Salle University</i> ) Director for Professional Meeting (BOD, 2016-2018) Jesus Federico C. Hernandez ( <i>University of the Philippines-Diliman</i> ) Director for Public Relations and Linkages (BOD, 2016-2018) Marlina L. Lino ( <i>Mariano Marcos State University</i> ) Director for Research and Special Projects (BOD, 2015-2018) Tammy B. Ruch ( <i>SIL International</i> ) Director for Training (BOD, 2015-2018)
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### Memberships

As of December 31, 2017, LSP has the following memberships:

Lifetime Members:	154
Honorary Lifetime Members:	24
Institutional Members:	25
Regular Members:	47
Student Members:	30
Total:	260

## FINANCIAL STANDING

LSP remains financially sound.

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## PHILIPPINE ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS, INC.

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### ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

President	Eva P. Ponce de Leon
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### ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

- 6th ASEAN Social Work Consortium Conference  
Mercure Hotel and Convention Center, Ancol Jakarta, Indonesia (July 25-29, 2017)
  - Mr. Rosauro R. Luntayao presented a paper entitled “Capacity Building in the Philippines” which was well received by the audience.
- 24th Asia Pacific Joint Regional Social Work Conference  
“Challenges and Responsibility: Innovative Social Work and Sustainable Development”  
Shenzhen, Republic of China (September 26-29, 2017)
  - PASWI was invited to attend and present a paper in the said event. Dir. Evangeline M. Guinto, PhD. presented a research that contributed to the sustainable development of the social work profession and education. There were more than 30 social workers from all over the country participated.
- International Congress on 60 years of Social Work in Iran (Past, Present, Future)  
Tehran Iran (December 20, 2017)  
The International Congress was attended by social workers, educators and practitioners from 21 countries. Dr. Bagian Aleyssa A. Abdulkarim, PASWI Director, represented the 24th Asian Pacific Joint Regional Social Work Conference as the Philippines delegate her topic was “Opportunities and Challenges of Social Work Practice in the Philippines”.
- Regional Conventions  
10th Regional Convention was conducted in four (4) Regional clusters:
  1. Luzon Cluster  
“Recognizing the Role of Social Workers as Servant Heroes in Today’s Global Challenges”.  
September 20-22, 2017 at Cultural Center of Sta. Cruz, Laguna.  
It was a successful event, participated by 679 delegates from Luzon Island and some parts of Mindanao and the Visayas.
  2. Mindanao Cluster  
“Social Work Competencies and Innovations: Imperatives to Community and Environment Sustainability”. October 4-6, 2017 at Villa Amor, Koronadal City.  
There were 981 delegates; their desire to continually upgrade their knowledge, skills and attitudes as social workers was clearly manifested in the convention. This event poses challenges to locate professional self with theories of social work, social sciences, humanities and indigenous ones without losing the grasp of the realities of the people.

The regional convention also renewed the strength of PASWIMIN Cluster Officers and further proved their excellent leadership and management to its growing chapters all over the island. The organization and mobilization of members from local chapters are notable practice worthy of emulation to all PASWI Chapters in the country.

3. Visayas Cluster”

“Promoting Community and Environmental Sustainability”

October 25-28, 2017 at Grand Xing Hotel, Iznart St., Iloilo City.

The event was held in order to be updated on the latest social work developments/legislations, climate and environment issues, as well as best practices relative to the delivery of social services to respective clients. It also provided a chance to enhance professional competencies and strengthen professional linkages. There were more than 700 social workers who attended.

4. NCR Cluster

“Achieving Sustainability Development Goals: Social Workers’ Contributions, Challenges and Opportunities”. December 1-2, 2017 at Icon Hotel, Quezon City.

It was attended by 200 social workers from government and private nongovernment organizations from Metro Manila and other parts of the Philippines. Activities included plenary sessions, panel discussions, workshops and drafting of a convention statement. Key output was a PASWI NCR Convention Statement highlighting the needs, concerns and issues confronting social workers and their recommendations for action.

## **ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL LINKAGES**

### **Outstanding Professional of the Year (PRC-OPY) Award for Social Work**

Every year, the Philippine Government through the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) recognizes outstanding professionals in various fields in the Philippines. The “Most Outstanding Professional of the Year Award” is the highest award bestowed by PRC upon a professional as recommended by one’s peers for having amply demonstrated professional competence of the highest degree and conducted oneself with integrity in the exercise of one’s profession, participated meaningfully to the advancement of the profession, and contributed significantly to the effective discharge of the profession’s social responsibility through meaningful contribution/participation in socio-related activities.

For this year, the award was given to Dr. Lolita D. Pablo, she is one the pillars of the social work profession in the country and in Asia. As member of accreditation board for social work education, she helped much in strengthening ties with neighboring countries. Through her strong leadership as the former national president of PASWI and as the former national president of NASWEI she advanced further the cause of the profession. Her writings and researches were valuable guide to social work practitioners in the academe, communities or whatever field on how to respond effectively. Her actual involvement during disasters inspired colleagues to vigorously work together for the people we vowed to serve.

### **Trainings**

1. Community-Based Drug Demand Reduction, Treatment, Rehabilitation and After-Care Services held last March 27-29, 2017.

2. Community Based Treatment and Continuum of Care for Drug Use and Dependence held last June 27-29, 2017

Training was held at Royce Hotel, Clark Field Zone, Pampanga. The training addressed gaps in knowledge, skills and value orientation in dealing with drug-related concerns particularly at the community level. Topics discussed are:

- Drug Situationer in the Philippines;

- UNODC Framework; Providing Support (Evidence-based strategies) and Pharmacological Effects of Drug;
  - Testimony of self-confessed drug dependent;
  - Psycho-Social Aspect of Drug Abuse and Community-Based Program;
  - Counselling on Drug Addiction;
  - Salient points of RA 9165;
  - After Care and Follow-up Services and Treatment and Rehabilitation Comorbidity of Drug Addiction.
3. Training of Trainers on the Psychosocial Intervention of Social Workers in the Communities: Philippine Association Social Workers, Inc conducted a training entitled, “Training of Trainers on the Psychosocial Intervention of Social Workers in the Communities “ which was held last November 21-24, 2017 at Ponce De Leon Resort ,Palawan
- The PASWI Board of Directors conceptualized this as a support mechanism to capacitate local government as well as non-government social workers in psychosocial intervention as a model of helping people rooted on Social Work case management. They believed that knowledge and skills in case management and psychosocial intervention are imperative in their practice as a social worker especially because they work directly with people giving technical assistance to new social workers, allied professionals and other para-professionals.
- This aimed to review and appreciate the existing knowledge and practice in Social Work helping process; demonstrate and enhance knowledge and skills in case management practice and psychosocial intervention that can contribute in the provision of technical assistance to other service workers in the field; demonstrate the ability in the different application methods and approaches and perspective in their social work practice; recognize and appreciate the functions and responsibilities of a case manager with discriminating practice in psychosocial intervention; and lastly, to acquire confidence and beginning competency in training other social workers and service providers who need enhancement and capacitation in case management and psychosocial intervention.

### General Assembly

PASWI conducted the General Assembly dated June 26, 2017 at Widus Hotel, Pampanga to active chapter and members with a lecture on Omnibus Rules on Appointments and other related Human Resources Actions by Atty. Vlademir E. Villacorta, Office for Legal Affairs of Civil Service Commission and the issues and concerns on the Continuing Professional Development for Social Workers by Hon. Lorna C. Gabad, Chairperson, PRB –SW. Plans and updates from PASWI was also discussed during the event.

### PASWI Wellness Support for Camp Managers, July 29, 2017, Iligan City

PASWI provided social and emotional support to social workers in Iligan City. It is in trying times that we need to reach out to our colleagues who are in stressful situations. There were 50 social workers beneficiaries in LGU Iligan City were given proper orientation.

### Home Based Internally Displaced Persons from Marawi, October 8-10, 2017

President Eva P. Ponce de Leon lead the gift giving of PASWI and CEU to the home based IDP’s in-coordinating with Mr. Teddy Sabuga-a, CSWDO of Cagayan de Oro; Dir. Evangeline M. Guinto, PASWI Treasurer, former PASWI Board Mrs. Liwayway A. Caligdong and Mrs. Ann Prospero, PASWI President, Cagayan de Oro Chapter. There were 1,000 families who were given Malongs, personal hygiene kits, and 40 families received cooking utensils from the collaborative effort of PASWI and CEU’s Community Outreach Program.

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

PASWI has stable financial status. Much of its income was derived from convention revenues, conferences, seminars, membership fees, and interest from thrust fund. The recently concluded regional convention generated adequate income.

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## PHILIPPINES COMMUNICATION SOCIETY

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### ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

#### PCS Review Journal

The PCS released its 2016 *PCS Review* journal in a launching ceremony held on 8 June 2017. With the theme, “Strategic Communication in Advancing Public Policy, National Development and Social Transformation,” the volume had three main research articles and four essays. The articles tackled a) Treatment of Online Philippine News Sites on LGBTs Coverage, b) Policy on Reproductive Choices in Rural and Urban-Poor Areas, and c) Digital Trolls and Philippines Elections in Social Media.

Harold E. Clavite, Director-General, Philippine Information Agency (PIA) wrote the Foreword of the volume, which Dr. Emelyn Libunao of PIA edited. Meanwhile, Commissioner Lilian delas Llagas of CHED and Deputy Director General Villar of PIA graced the launching ceremony and delivered messages congratulating PCS for the successful launch of the 2016 PCS Review Journal.

The 2017 issue is now on its layout stage and has the theme, Gender and the Media. The issue editor is Dr. Arminda Santiago of the College of Mass Communication, UP Diliman.

#### The Fifth National Communication Research Conference (NCRC)

The PCS participated in the 5<sup>th</sup> National Communication Research Conference (NCRC) as a co-organizer of the Department of Communication Research at the UP College of Mass Communication UP Diliman, as the main organizer. The other partners in the Conference were the College of Arts and Communication of the University of the Philippines Baguio, the University of the Cordilleras, and the University of Baguio.

The Conference was held in Baguio City on 22 to 25 November 2017. With the theme, “Filipino Communicative Experience”, the Conference featured two keynote sessions, seven plenary talks, 72 papers spread over twenty parallel sessions, and nine undergraduate and graduate papers that participated in a competition for the best papers. There were pre and post conference sessions attended by faculty members and students. The pre- and post-conferences featured research dissemination and research design lectures and workshops, respectively.

The PCS Board members served as competition judge, abstract reviewer, session moderators/chairs, masters of ceremony, plenary speaker and resource person.

#### Seminar on “Let’s Get Real on Fake News”

On May 9, 2017, PCS co-sponsored with Philippine Press Institute (PPI) a seminar on “Let’s Get Real on Fake News”. Some 300 faculty members and students from various universities in Metro Manila attended the seminar. Ms Tess Bacala, of PPI, as the resource person, discussed ways in which fake news may be detected. A covenant-signing activity capped the seminar with the participants affixing their signature in the covenant tarp that says, “No to Fake News!”

## INSTITUTIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

### Strategic Planning and Team Building Sessions

On 1 and 2 July 2017, the Board conducted a Strategic Planning Session at the Selah Hotel in Pasay to review its previous accomplishments and craft its future directions. In a workshop, three groups presented their outputs on the proposed vision, programs and services of PCS. Dr. Jose Alagaran, former PCS President, facilitated the Strategic Planning cum Team Building sessions.

### Election of a new set of the Board of Trustees and General Assembly

A general Assembly was held on 9 May 2017 where a new set of PCS Officers was elected. The new Board of Trustees who will serve for a two-year term from 2017 to 2019 are the following:

President	Lourdes Portus (University of the Philippines)
Vice-President	Marge Alvina Acosta (Miriam College)
Secretary	Kriztine Rosales-Viray (Polytechnic University of the Philippines)
Asst. Secretary	Krupskaya Valila (Polytechnic University of the Philippines)
Treasurer	Madeline B. Quiamco (Asian Institute of Journalism and Communication)
Assistant Treasurer	Liza Azarcon (Asian Institute of Journalism and Communication)
Auditor	Joyce Arriola (University of Santo Tomas)
Public Affairs Officer	Gina Lumauig (PEPTarsus, Corp.)
Board Members	Emelyn Libunao, Philippine Information Agency; Arminda Santiago (University of the Philippines) Rissa Silvestre (8 TRI MEDIA) Ma. Rosel San Pascual (University of the Philippines) Ludmila Labagnoy, (Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila) Julienne Baldo-Cubelo, (University of the Philippines)
Ex-Officio	Ariel Sebellino, Philippine Press Institute, Immediate Past President

### Oath-taking Ceremony

Commissioner Lilian A. De Las Llagas of the Commission on Higher Education was invited as the Inducting Officer and administered the official oath-taking of the newly-elected officers of the PCS in a ceremony on 8 June, 2017 at the PIA Auditorium in Quezon City. She congratulated the Board and encouraged them to do more researches on health, she, also being a public health professor of UP Manila.

### Regular BOT Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board were conducted almost monthly to discuss the Strategic Planning, NCRC, Membership Campaign and Expansion, BIR registration, SEC Re-accreditation, PCS General Assembly, PCS Review, Partnerships and Conferences. The meetings were usually capped by bonding and team-building sessions.

### PCS POSTS, Newsletter

Starting this year, the PCS will produce a newsletter entitled, "PCS POSTS". The initial issue, (Issue 1, Vol.1) came out in May 2017. The Newsletter seeks to connect and get closer to its members all over the country by bringing them not only news and stories about PCS but also matters that are of relevance to the enrichment of the communication discipline. The newsletter serves as a venue for PCS members to post their activities, call for papers and publications, announcements and other events.

The PCS POSTS second issue was released in November 2017.

## 6. Facebook page, Brochure and Logo

The PCS continues to maintain its Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PhilippineCommunicators/>, which shares seminars, events, and conferences. Partners from PUP designed a new brochure for PCS, along with a new logo, which was enhanced to make it more alive and pleasing to the eyes.

## MEMBERS ACTIVITIES AND UPDATES

1. Dr. Lourdes Portus, served as resource person at the the community extension service planning workshop of the Cagayan State University on 14 November 2017, held at Microtel, QC. She talked about Communication Planning.
2. Mr. Ariel Sebellino was a Plenary Speaker at the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Media and Culture at the Xavier University in Bhubaneswar, Orissa, India on 7 December 2017. He talked about Social Media's Influence on Culture.
3. PCS Vice President, Margarita Acosta has been appointed Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences of Miriam College, effective June 2017. Prior to this, she served as Chairperson of the Department of Communication of the same college for six years.
4. Prof. Julienne Baldo-Cubelo was a member of the team commissioned by PSSC to study Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Gender Sensitivity in Philippine Media. This was a UNESCO-funded project.

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## PHILIPPINE ECONOMIC SOCIETY

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## ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

### PES Annual Meeting and Conference

The Philippine Economic Society (PES) successfully conducted its 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Conference on 8 November 2017 at the Novotel Manila, Araneta Center, Quezon City. The theme, “Growing Amidst Risk and Uncertainty,” focused on the Philippines’ prospects for long-term economic growth amidst the numerous challenges posed and opportunities provided by the changing political and economic landscapes both in domestic and international settings.

The conference opened with three plenary sessions, the first being the session on Economic and Financial Literacy organized by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA). Speakers from the Department of Labor and Employment and the Philippine Statistics Authority talked about the state of workers in the informal sector in the Philippines—the intended audience of the 2017 Economic and Financial Literacy Week. Meanwhile, faculty members from the University of the Philippines Los Baños presented the results of an initial survey on economic and financial literacy among the youth.

The second session featured the country’s top economic managers—Budget and Management Secretary Benjamin Diokno, Socioeconomic Planning Secretary Ernesto Pernia, Finance Secretary Carlos Dominguez (represented by Undersecretary Gil Beltran) and Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Governor Nestor Espenilla. The panelists contributed to the discourse on “Growing Amidst Risk and Uncertainty” by discussing key issues that could significantly affect their respective policy arenas.

For the third session, the Philippine Competition Commission (PCC) organized a panel on “Competition, Growth and Uncertainty.” PCC highlighted the role of competition policy in



economic growth and how the Commission's work as a regulatory body minimizes business uncertainty. The session's featured speakers were PCC Chair Arsenio Balisacan, former State Secretary for the German Federal Ministry of Justice Birgit Grundmann and ING Bank Vice President for Legal Alicia Juliet Salita.

In the afternoon, 16 parallel sessions were conducted where 50 papers were presented covering topics such as power economics; fiscal policy; agricultural competitiveness, food safety and resource management; financial markets and economic performance; human capital; forecasting methods; poverty; trade; infrastructure development; climate change and economics of natural disasters; time series and contingent valuation; and public policy. The papers came from different academic, government and private institutions from all over the country.

The closing session featured Supreme Court Chief Justice Maria Lourdes P.A. Sereno as keynote speaker. She talked about the vital role of an independent judiciary in creating an environment that is conducive to economic development.

### Regional conferences

PES conducted two regional conferences in 2017—in Los Baños, Laguna and in Iloilo City. The first one was held on 12 July 2017 at the University of the Philippines Los Baños with the theme “Regional Integration and Philippine Agriculture.” It was co-hosted by NEDA Region IV-A and the Department of Economics of the UP Los Baños College of Economics and Management.

Meanwhile, the regional conference in Iloilo City was held on 22 September 2017 at the University of the Philippines Visayas-Iloilo City Campus with the theme, “The Philippine Economy in the Midst of Economic Integration and Climate Change.” It was co-hosted by NEDA Region VI and UP Visayas. A training was also conducted for economics teachers in secondary schools on 23 September 2017 at the UP Visayas-Miagao Campus.

### Training Workshops

Two pre-conference training workshops were conducted on 7 November 2017 before the annual meeting. Speakers from the Ateneo School of Government and the De La Salle University School of Economics trained participants on basic data analysis and on basic forecasting, respectively. Participants came from the academe, government and the private sector.

### Publications

PES co-publishes the *Philippine Review of Economics* (PRE) with the UP School of Economics. In 2017, PES and UPSE released Vol. 54, No. 1 (2017).

### International Linkages

PES participated at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Conference of the Federation of ASEAN Economic Associations (FAEA) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 5-8 December 2017. Dr. Majah-Leah Ravago, PES Vice President, and Dr. Victor Abola, PES Board Member, represented PES at the conference. PES also accepted the hosting of the 43<sup>rd</sup> FAEA Conference in 2018.

## INSTITUTIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

PES expanded its individual and institutional memberships in 2017. During the annual and regional conferences, PES inducted new members. This ensured the growth of PES's network of affiliated economists in the regions. PES also adopted changes to the payment guidelines for annual membership fees to ensure that members do not feel short-changed by the payment schedule.

PES also organized a dinner-fellowship with its founders, former presidents, advisers and Board members at the NEDA Executive Lounge, Pasig City on 11 August 2017. During the gathering, the attendees were able to share stories and experiences during their time in the

organization. These stories were documented and turned into an organizational history video that was presented during the annual meeting in November.

During the annual meeting, PES also launched the Young Economists Honor Society (YEHS), an annual recognition given to top economics graduates from higher education institutions. Honorees receive a complimentary one-year membership to PES. The first batch of honorees included graduates from the University of the Philippines (Diliman and Los Baños), Ateneo de Manila University and De La Salle University.

PES also ensured that members are kept updated on its projects and activities and other relevant economic events through the PES website and Facebook page.

## ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

President	Jose V. Camacho, Jr. (University of the Philippines Los Baños)
Vice President	Majah-Leah V. Ravago (University of the Philippines Diliman)
Secretary	Ronald U. Mendoza (Ateneo School of Government)
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	Kevin C. Chua (World Bank)
	Lawrence B. Dacuycuy (De La Salle University)
	Rosemarie G. Edillon (National Economic and Development Authority)
	Lawrence S. Fernandez (Meralco)
	George M. Manzano (University of Asia and the Pacific)
	Stella Luz A. Quimbo (Philippine Competition Commission)

## FINANCIAL STANDING

PES remains in good financial standing.

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## PHILIPPINE GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

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## INSTITUTIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

The following were elected as members of the 2018 Board of Trustees during the PGS 2017 Annual Assembly held on November 11, 2017:

President	Emmanuel B. Garcia
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Vice-President for External Affairs	Yany P. Lopez
Secretary	John Ceffrey L. Eligue
Treasurer	Darlene J. Occeña-Gutierrez
Auditor	Maria Khristine O. Alvarez
P.R.O.	Joseph E. Palis
NCGS Coordinator	Lou Angeli Ocampo
2018 PGJ Editor-in-Chief	<i>to be appointed</i>
JPGS Representative*	Herald Pedragosa

\* - Appointed Position

Currently, PGS is concluding its project collaboration with UNICEF Philippines for the second phase implementation of the Child-Centered Participatory Approaches and GIS for

Disaster Risk Reduction (CPAG DRR 2). Together with partner Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), CPAG DRR 2 covers six local government units across the country while making use of complementary methods and tools that address the vulnerabilities of children and highlighting the capacities of the local communities to devise and formulate DRR actions and policies. These methods and tools include (1) Multi-Hazard Child Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping System (MHCVAMS) and (2) a suite of participatory tools comprising of Participatory-3D Mapping (P3DM) and participatory number methods.

The Society recently joined the Disaster Risk Reduction Network Philippines (DRRNetPhils), a national formation of civil society organizations, people's organizations, practitioners and advocates implementing community-based disaster risk reduction and management (CBDRRM). DRRNetPhils is one of the CSO representatives to the National DRRM Council.

Similarly, PGS has also entered into a partnership with the Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF) in an activity to mainstream participation of urban poor communities in Disaster Risk Reduction including Climate Change Adaptation (DRR including CCA). The mainstreaming process makes use of P3DM methodology which proved effective in fostering people's participation in risk assessment.

The society maintains its website, [philippinegeographicalociety.org](http://philippinegeographicalociety.org), as its main publicity tool for promoting its activities.

## **ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES**

PGS is proud to have co-nominated (with the UP Population Institute) Professor Arnisson Andre C. Ortega, PhD who was awarded the 2017 Virginia A. Miralao Excellence in Research Award. Dr. Ortega's book, *Neoliberalizing Spaces in the Philippines: Suburbanization, Transnational Migration and Dispossession* was published in September 2016 and serves as one of the few critical urban geographic work about the Philippines. His publication also touches on critical issues on urban development, transnational urbanism and accumulation by dispossession in the country.

### **2017 National Conference on Geographical Studies (NCGS 2017)**

NCGS 2017 was held on November 10-11, 2017 at the University Hotel, UP Diliman Quezon City with the theme, "Charting Philippine Geographies in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century". NCGS 2017 problematized the role of geography in shaping and in relation to the demands of the (Filipino) Society and aimed to (re)position geography both as a discipline in the education sector and as a framework for actions in the development sector. The 2-day conference featured 2 plenary sessions and a total of 17 panel sessions comprising of 3 round table discussions, GIS workshop and about 50 paper presentations. The society's annual assembly and election of officers concluded the event.

Through its junior partner – the Junior Philippine Geographical Society UP Diliman (JPGS), the society was able to collaborate with various institutions and helped organize one of the former's public lectures:

### **Communities Know Best: How People Respond to Disasters and Communities Recover from Crises - Experiences from Nepal, Japan and the Philippines**

The conference explored the thematic question of how local communities organize themselves in the face of recurring disasters and provided a venue for students and researchers to exchange knowledge in this topic, while comparing the Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) grassroots responses in the Philippines with those of Nepal and Japan. This event was held together with JPGS and the University College London – City Leadership Laboratory on April 21, 2017 at the University of the Philippines Diliman.

In terms of its journal publication, PGS has only been able to release the 2012 issue of the Philippine Geographic Journal (PGJ). The 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016 PGJ issue is concurrently being edited and is expected to be released during the first quarter of 2018.

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## PHILIPPINE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

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### INSTITUTIONAL/ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

#### Officers and members of Board of Trustees

President	Emmanuel F. Calairo, Ph.D. (De La Salle University Dasmaringas)
Vice President and Executive Director	Fernando A. Santiago, Jr., Ph.D. (De La Salle University Manila)
Secretary	Jonathan C. Balsamo (Museo Valenzuela / Polytechnic University of the Philippines)
Treasurer	Evelyn A. Songco, Ph.D. (University of Santo Tomas)
Public Relations Officer	Michael Charleston B. Chua (De La Salle University Manila)
Editor-In-Chief, Historical Bulletin	Ma. Luisa T. Camagay, Ph.D. University of the Philippines Diliman (Retired)
Board Member	Estrellita T. Muhi, Ph.D. (University of the East. retired) Evelyn A. Miranda, Ph.D. University of the Philippines Diliman (retired) Arlene D. Calara, Ph.D. (University of Santo Tomas) Gloria E. Melencio (University of the Philippines Los Banos) James Guidangen (Kalinga State University)

#### Designations

- Dr. Evelyn Miranda as PHA Representative to the PSSC
- Dr. Celestina Boncan as PHA representative to the National Committee on Historical Research of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)

### ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

#### International Conference on the Malay World

PHA hosted the 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the International Council for Historical and Cultural Cooperation-Southeast Asia (ICHCC-SEA), a consortium composed of the Philippine Historical Association (PHA), the Malaysian Historical Society (PSM) and the Society of Indonesian Historians (MSI). The conference held in Manila, from 14-16 September 2017 is the fourth in the series of conferences on the subject of history and culture of the countries of the Malay World - The Philippines, Indonesia, and Malaysia. The series began in Manila from 28th to 29th August 2015, initiated by the Kapisanang Pangkasaysayan Ng Pilipinas, that saw a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed among the three historical societies.

With the theme, "*The Malay World: Connecting the Past to the Present*", the conference had the following objectives:

- Determine the state of historical studies in the Philippines, Indonesia and Malaysia.
- Identify regional trends in historical and related research: methods, topics and perspectives.
- Recognize Filipino historians and scholars doing research on Malaysia and Indonesia, and their interconnections with the Philippines.
- Recognize foreign scholars doing historical research on the Philippines.
- Enrich historical education.
- Provide a venue for collaboration and networking among scholars.
- Make historical research relevant to contemporary needs.

Day 1 of the conference was held at the historic Manila Hotel. Day 2 was designed for paper presentations (parallel sessions) at De La Salle University Manila. There was a cultural tour of the National Museum of the Philippines on Day 3. The conference was attended by around 300 participants. One of the highlights of the conference was the presentation of PHA board to Dr. Zeus A. Salazar recognizing him as the Academic Prime Mover of the Pan-Malayan Identity.

#### *Plenary Speakers*

- Keynote Speech  
Dr. Rene Escalante, Chairman, National Historical Commission of the Philippines
- Literary Recreations of History: New Narratives and Interpretations of the Sulalat Al-Salatin/The Malay Annals.  
Prof Emeritus Dr. Muhammad Haji Salleh (Malaysian Historical Society)
- A New Insight on the Intellectual Islamic Networks between Mindanao and the Malay World in the 19th Century: Sheikh Muhammad Said Manuscript Collection  
Oman Fathurahman (Syarif Hidayatullah State Islamic University, Jakarta/ Society of Indonesian Historians)
- The Southeast Asian Context of the Filipino Struggle for History and the Rise of the PHA”  
Dr. Reynaldo Ileta (Nanyang Technological University, Singapore)
- To Historicize or Historicalize? The Analytical is Political in the Comparative Approach to the Malay World  
Dr. Rommel Curaming (University of Brunei Darussalam)

#### **Journal Writing Workshop**

The PHA conducted a one-day journal article writing workshop last 15 June 2017 at Palma Hall, University of the Philippines Diliman. Lectures were given in the morning session. Dr. Ma. Luisa T. Camagay discussed “Why Write for a Scholarly Journal” and Mr. Joel F. Ariate Jr. talked about “Ethics in Writing and Research”. Dr. Camagay is a professor emeritus at UP History Department and editor-in-chief of *Historical Bulletin*, the official journal of the Philippine Historical Association. Mr. Ariate is a university researcher at the Third World Studies Center, UP Diliman.

The workshop in the afternoon session was facilitated by Prof. Gerardo Los Banos, deputy director of UP Press. Five conference papers were submitted to the workshop for discussion:

- Colonial Vocabularies as Historical Sources: The Concepts of Good Governance in the Early Kapampangan Society by Ian Alfonso (National Historical Commission of the Philippines);
- Bangsa: A Historical And Cultural Discourse On Moro Ethnic Polity, Nationhood And Martial Culture by Jonathan Catubig (Pantukan National High School, Compostela Valley Mindanao);
- Pyesta At Kampanya: Ugnayan Ng Kultural at Pulitikal na Tradisyong Pilipino by Jefferson Sadera (Columban College, Olongapo);
- Iyang Tabing Mong Taluki, O Maria: Ang Tradisyon Ng Pagtataluki At Ang Simula Ng Pagbuo Ng Mga Pamayanang Kristiyano Sa Valenzuela by Danilo Lumabas (DepEd Manila);
- Social Justice in Hindsight: Agrarian Problems in Central Luzon and Government Response During the Commonwealth Era in the Philippines by Fernando A. Santiago, Jr. (DLSU Manila).

#### **Independence Day Colloquium**

In celebration of the 119th Anniversary of the Proclamation of Philippine Independence, the PHA in partnership with the Order of the Knights of Rizal - Sucesos Chapter and Gateway Gallery conducted its annual Independence Day Colloquium with the theme “Controversial

Issues: On the Birth and Name of the Nation” at Gateway Gallery, Quezon City Manila on June 24. The event was attended by about 200 history major students and teachers. The speakers and the titles of their lectures are the following:

Dr. Emmanuel Calairo	“Paglilinaw sa ilang tala sa araw ng kalayaan noong ika-12 ng Hunyo 1898”
Prof. Xiao Chua	“The Myth of the First Eight Provinces (or why we don’t need a ninth ray) and other issues on the Sun of the flag and the name of the Nation.”
Dr. Milagros Guerrero	“Memory and Event as History”
Dr. Ma. Luisa Camagay	Synthesis: Lessons from History

### National Conference on Teaching the Rizal Course

In line with the celebration of Rizal Month by virtue of Proclamation No. 126, s. 2001, the Philippine Historical Association (PHA) organized a national conference on teaching the Rizal Course on 15-16 December 2017 at the National Historical Commission of the Philippines, T.M. Kalaw Street, Manila.

With the theme “Rizal for the 21st Century Learner”, the conference aimed to gather historians, history/social science educators to share ideas, researches and strategies that would enhance the teaching of the Rizal Course as part of the general education curriculum in the higher education level.

The speakers and the titles of their lectures are the following:

Dr. Raul Roland Sebastian (Polytechnic University of the Philippines)	“Ang Dalumat ng Globalisasyon sa Lente ng isang Bayaning Third World”
Dr. Lisandro Elias Claudio (De La Salle University Manila)	“Rizalian Empathy: Liberal Politics, Liberal Education, the Novel, and the Birth of Philippine Human Rights”
Prof. Vicente Angel Ybiernas (De La Salle University Manila)	“Connecting the Past with the Present: Seeing Jose Rizal in the 21st Century Everyday Life”
Prof. Wensley Reyes (Philippine Normal University)	“Paradigm Shift: Teaching Rizal and 21st Century Skills”
Dr. Fernando A. Santiago, Jr. (De La Salle University Manila)	Strategies in Teaching Rizal
Dr. Evelyn A. Songco (University of Santo Tomas)	“Integrating assessment and learning: Core of Outcomes-based Learning”
Prof. Michael Charleston Chua (De La Salle University)	Ang papel ni Rizal sa Paghiraya sa Nasyong Filipino (Isang naglalakad na lektura sa Liwasang Rizal at Pambansang Museo ng Pilipinas)

### FINANCIAL STANDING

The PHA is financially stable and is able to support operational expenses of its board meetings which are held quarterly and as the need arises. The revenues of the PHA come principally from registration fees in the annual conference, membership dues and the sale of the *Historical Bulletin*. The PHA receives financial support from the NCCA and the PSSC for its annual conference. However, the PHA needs to generate funds to support expenses incurred in seminars that it holds for free such as the Pocket Lectures which are for teachers of Araling Panlipunan.

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## PHILIPPINE NATIONAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

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The Philippine National Historical Society took its turn to sit in the PSSC Board of Trustees from March 2016 to March 2018. Effective in January 2017, Asst. Prof. Marcelino M. Macapinlac, Jr. (St. Scholastica’s College Manila) sat as the PNHS Regular Representative in the PNHS Board. Prof. Gil G. Gotiangco, Jr. II (UP Diliman) served as PNHS Alternate Representative.

### PSSC SSERB REVIEW COMMITTEE

The PNHS President presently sits as a Member the Review Committee of the PSSC Social Science Ethics Review Board. Other PNHS Members will eventually join the Review Committee in 2018.

### 38<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LOCAL AND NATIONAL HISTORY

The Philippine National Historical Society is the oldest historical organization in the country, founded on February 2, 1941, by some of the prominent historians of the time, to “encourage and undertake the study of Philippine history.” It is the foremost proponent of local history in the Philippines, which became the thrust of PNHS Conferences from 1978, under the leaderships of Marcelino Foronda and Leslie E. Bauzon during their presidencies.

The 38<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Local and National History was held at Lyceum of Aoparri, Macanaya, Aparri, Cagayan Province on October 19-21, 2017. Fr. Joel M. Reyes, Executive Vice President of Lyceum of Aparri was the Local Co-Convener. The National Commission for Culture and the Arts – Committee on Historical Research (NCCA-CHR) provided partial funding for the conference. The PNHS is accredited to the NCCA-CHR and National Conference is one of the flagship conferences it sponsors annually and also provides funding for the publication of the *Journal of History* which has been updated yearly. *The Journal of History* is published online at and can be accessed at *The Journal of History* E-Journal: <http://ejournals.ph/index.php?journal=TJH>

The Conference theme was the “*History of the Cagayan Valley: Regional History in the Context of National History*” which has been the guiding theme in the PNHS Conference since 1978. The Conference proper took place on October 19 to 20, with three sessions on the first day and four sessions on the second day. A “Lakbay-Aral” trip, optional for Conference participants took place on Saturday, October 22, to important historical sites in this area of Cagayan Province. The Conference concluded with the launching of the *Journal of History 2017*, edited by Rolando O. Borrinaga. The book, *Deciphering Ancient Bisayan Writing and Language, Bibliographic Details*, authored by Rolando Borrinaga was also launched.

Historians and scholars presented researches on the history and culture of the North-eastern Luzon Region.

Day 1	
<i>First session</i>	<i>Researches of the National Museum</i>
Dr. Eusebio Dizon	The Callao Cave Archaeological Project, Peñablanca, Cagayan
Dr. Marian Reyes	The Kalinga Archaeological Evacuation
Dr. Ame M. Garong	Understanding Prehistoric Shellfish Utilization in Cagayan Valley, Northern Luzon
<i>Second Session</i>	
Dr. Anilyn V. Salvador-Amores	Understanding Igorot Life-World from the Ethnographic Collections of the Field Museum of Chicago, USA
Fr. Michael G. Layugan, SVD	The Dying Art of Kalinga Tattooing
Thomas B. Colvin and Domingo Madulid	Botanical Mission to the Island of Luçon in the year 1805: A Journal by William Kerr, King's Gardener, Kew Gardens, England
<i>The third session</i>	
Dr. John N. Crossley	Miscommunication, Misunderstanding, and Misuse in the Early Spanish Philippines from Cebu to Aparri
Dr. Regalado Trota Jose	The Dominicans in the Parish of San Pedro in Aparri, 1650-1898
Dr. Maria Eloisa de Castro	The First <i>Colegios</i> for Women in Northern Philippines: A Critical Review, 1892-1900
Day 2	
<i>Session 4</i>	
Labi Hadji Sarip	Curse of the Tartib and Uma in the Pat a Pengampong ka Ranaw
Riwarung	Islamic Consciousness Reflected in the Contemporary Creative Literature of Sulu
Dr. Calbi A. Asain	
Dr. Stephen Henry S. Totanes	Remembering Alice: Social Engineering in Sorsogon, 1900-1913
<i>Session 5</i>	
Dr. Earl Jude Paul L. Cleope	From Hunter to Prey: The Japanese Account of the Liberation of Negros Island
Dr. Rolando O. Borrinaga	Leyte in Transition 1768-1780: Contextualizing Two Accounts of Fr. Agustin Maria de Castro, OSA, ‘Augustinian Missionary’
Dr. Juan O. Mesquida	Holy Week Procession in the Philippines: A Devotional and Artistic Tradition on the Rise
<i>Session 6</i>	
Teresita Ang See	The Ethnic Chinese in Cagayan and Northern Luzon
Fr. Ferdinand T. Maguidad	The Historico-Cultural Recalcitrance of the Malaueg Tongue: An Introductory Study
Dr. Pedro R. Abraham, Jr.	A Tale of Cagayan—Interesting Trivia of Arguable Value



Session 7	
Dr. Maria Nela B. Florendo	Northern Luzon: Historical Interoperations of Regional Space
Dr. Bernardita Reyes-Churchill	Enhancing the Study/Teaching of Philippine History and Culture in Basic and Higher Education and Creating an Inclusive History—Martial Law (1972-1986) The History of Muslim and Indigenous Peoples (IPs).

On October 21, 2017, at the conclusion of the 38<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Local and National History held at the Lyceum of Aparri, Cagayan Province, the PNHS President formally announced the project to hold Seminar-Workshops in 2018 for the purpose of enhancing the teaching of Philippine History in K to 12 and tertiary education levels that would include the martial law years (1972-1986) and the history of Muslim Filipinos and Indigenous Peoples (IPs) heretofore marginalized in Philippine History. The plan is to conduct these seminar-workshops during the MSA and PNHS Annual National Conferences throughout the year (2018) throughout the country as resources permit.

This seminar-workshop for teachers of history to include the history of the martial law period in the teaching of Philippine history in secondary and tertiary levels has been under discussion between PNHS President and PSSC Executive Director in 2017. PNHS and PSSC, hopefully, can partner in the implementation of this project. PNHS will prepare the syllabus and readings for this history enhancement project.

The **39<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Local and National History** will be convened on **October 25-27, 2018, at Samar State University, Catbalogan, Samar.**

#### **THE PNHS NEWSLETTER, VOLUME 18, OCTOBER 2017 (40 PAGES)**

The 2017 Newsletter was also published and distributed during the conference. [Copies of the *Journal of History* (2017), the *PNHS Newsletter* 2017, and one bound copy of the PNHS Aparri Conference Papers are submitted to PSSC with this Report.]

#### **PNHS Forum Series in History, Historiography and Philippine Studies**

PNHS Fora are held at the UP Village residence of the PNHS President, except for fora held in Washington, D.C., with the Philippine Arts, Letters and Media Council (1987), of which the PNHS President is a member.

- PNHS Forum Series #43 (Series 2017) Philippine National Historical Society, in Washington, D.C., with PALM, Washington, D.C., USA – Hosted by Lyta and Ric Sese.
- Film Screening – “Corregidor: The Road Back” and “Manila 1945: The Rest of the Story,” – March 25, 2017 – Spyron-AV Manila, Writer and Director **Peter** Parsons, with Lucky Guillermo, Assistant Director.
- Film Screening – Collis H. Davis, Jr. – “Headhunting William Jones” – April, 9, 2017 – Resource Person – Patricia O. Afable, Ph.D., Anthropologist, Independent Scholar.
- Film Screening – “Batanes: A Documentary on the Environment in the Philippines” – June 4, 2017 – Directed by Nick Deocampo; Resource Person – Cherubim A. Quizon, Ph.D., Seton Hall University, South Orange, New Jersey, USA.
- PNHS Forum Series #44 (Series 2017) – “The Japanese Propagandists’ Ideology Behind Their Propaganda Slogans and Other Propaganda-Related Work during the Japanese Occupation of the Philippines,” – August 6, 2017 – Motoe Terami-Wada, Ph. D., Historian, Independent Scholar.
- PNHS Forum Series #45 (Series 2017) – “From War to Peace: Some Thoughts on the RP-Japan Relations in the Age of Co-Partnership of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” – September 2, 2017 – Yoshiko Nagano, Ph.D., Faculty of Human Sciences, Kanagawa University, Yokohama, Japan.

- PNHS Forum Series #46 (Series 2017) – “Conversations on Philippine History
- Anything and Everything” – September 16, 2017 – Reynaldo C. Iletto, Ph.D., National University of Singapore, and Vicente L. Rafael, Ph.D., University of Washington Seattle, USA.

## INSTITUTIONAL LINKAGES

The Philippine National Historical Society, through its Board of Trustees, is linked with the following institutions/agencies:

### *National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)- Committee on Historical Research (NCCA-CHR)*

Asso. Prof. Dr. Henry Stephen S. Totanes, PNHS Lifetime Member, serves as PNHS Representative to the NCCA-Committee on Historical Research (NCCA-CHR). Prof. Earl Jude Paul L. Cleope, Ph.D., representing Silliman University, and serves as CHR Vice-Head. The following PNHS Lifetime Members also serve in the NCCA-CHR as Regional Representatives for the term 2017-2020: Prof. Ma. Nela B. Florendo, Ph. D. (UP Baguio) representing Luzon; Prof. Rolando O. Borrinaga, Ph.D. (UP Manila Health Sciences at Palo, Leyte) representing the Visayas; and Labi Hadji Sarip Riwarung (MSU-Marawi), representing Mindanao and Sulu.

The PNHS President, attended the NCCA sponsored the first Conference on Cultural Statistics and Creative Economy at the Manila Pavilion on October 2-3, 2017, where was launched the Philippine Cultural Statistics Framework (PCSF) – a set of methodologies and processes utilized to build cultural statistics as basis for the creation and development of cultural statistics in the country.

### *National Research Council of the Philippines (NRCP)*

As President of the Philippine National Historical Society, the PNHS President attended the following Scientific and Business Meetings Division 8 (Social Sciences), chaired by Prof. Dr. Leslie E. Bauzon:

September 16, 2017 – UST Center for Religious Studies and Ethics with the following presentations: Dr. Allan B. Basas, S. Th.D. – “Towards the Realization of a World Church for the Church in the Philippines: Reaffirming Culture as a *Locus Theologiae*”; Fr. Hermel O. Pama, O.P., Ph.D. – “Writing Local History in the New Ethnography: A Mandaya Case”; and Fr. Leonardo N. Mercado, SVD, Ph.D. – “Understanding *Buot-Loob-Nakem*,”

November 8, 2017 – DLSU Taft, with presentations on Ethics in Research by Dr. Isidro C.Sia (UPM College of Medicine) – “Ethnologic studies in drug discovery and development: ethnos, ethos, and pathos”; Dr. Ma. Cecilia T. Medina (UPD Asian Center) – “Ethics in Social Science Research involving Indigenous Peoples”; Dr. Leonardo D. de Castro (UPD CSSP) – “The Philippine Health Research Ethics Board (PHREB): Regulating Health and Health Related Research”; and Dr. Amaryllis T. Torres (PSSC) – “The Social Science Ethics Review Board: An Introduction.”

### *National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP)*

The PNHS has partnered with the NHCP (formerly the National Historical Institute/ NHI) in several programs and projects since 1994. PNHS is presently accredited as a member of the Local Historical Committees Network (LHCN) created by NHCP in 2013. PNHS Board Members participated in the WWII International Conference convened by NHCP at the Holy Angel University in Angeles, Pampanga.

### *Manila Studies Association (MSA)*

The PNHS President serves as President *emeritus* of the Manila Studies Association (formally established in 1989) and remains Board of Trustees Member. The PNHS works very closely with the Manila Studies Association and some PNHS Board Members also serve in the MSA Board.

The MSA held its 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Manila Studies Conference on August 16-17, 2017 at Tanghalan Leandro V. Locsin, National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), General Luna Street, Intramuros, Manila, with Dr. Lorelei DC de Viana, MSA Incoming President and Dean of the Institute of Architecture and Fine Arts of the Far Eastern University, serving as convener. PNHS co-sponsored the MSA Conference, along with the NCCA-Committee on Historical Research. The conference opened with messages from the NCCA Board Chair, National Artist Virgilio S. Almario (Rio Alma) and a Photo Exhibit – “*The Arrabales of Manila*” – featuring vintage photographs of the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century from the collection of the PNHS President. Launched at the Conference was *Manila, Selected Papers of the 2016 Manila Studies Association*, edited by Marya Svetlana T. Camacho (MSA Board Secretary) and the book *Regulating Colonial Spaces (1565-1944)*, by Gerard Lico and Lorelei D.C. de Viana.

#### *Philippine Association for Chinese Studies (PACS)*

The PNHS President is a founding member of the Philippine Association for Chinese Studies (1987), presently an Associate Member of PSSC. The PNHS President participated in the Conference on the 600<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Sultan of Sulu’s Voyage to China (November 24-25) serving as Panel Chair; and the PACS 30<sup>th</sup> Founding Anniversary Conference on December 2, 2017.

#### *Commission on Higher Education (CHED)*

**Technical Committee for History (TCH)** The PNHS President served as Chair of the CHED Technical Committee on History until December 2017. As a Member of the CHED Technical Panel for Social Sciences and Communication, the TCH Chair has been involved in working on the educational reforms as envisioned in the K to 12 Program of the Department of Education, as well as in the revisions of undergraduate and graduate programs in history into Outcomes Based Education Programs (OBE). CMO No. 38, Series 2017 (Revised BA History Curriculum 2017) is now officially approved for implementation in all HEIs offering the History Program.

#### *Philippine Studies Association (PSA)*

The PNHS President currently serves as PSA President *emeritus*. In that capacity, she served as Co-Convener with NCCA Board Chair/Commissioner, Komisyon ng Wikang Filipino (KWF) National Artist Virgilio S. Almario of the Pandaigdigang Kongreso sa Araling Filipinas sa Wikang Filipino, the first such international conference in Filipino, on August 204, 2017, held at the National Museum.

The PNHS President (then also PSA President), since October 2012, has chaired the International Council for Philippine Studies Conferences (ICOPHIL), the international body which has convened both the ICOPHIL and EUROPHIL Conferences. The 11<sup>th</sup> ICOPHIL Conference will be convened by the ICOPHIL Council Chair in Alicante, Spain in 2020.

#### *Philippine Studies Group (PSG), Association for Asian Studies (AAS), USA*

The PNHS President serves as a Member of the Board of PSG Advisory Council and chairs the PSG Travel Grants Committee. The PNHS President attended the Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies held in Toronto, Canada, on March 16-19, 2017.

#### **PNHS FINANCIAL STANDING**

The overall financial standing of the Philippine National Historical Society is quite good and it has been able to carry out various activities in 2017 – 38<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Local and National Conference in Aparri, Cagayan, publication of the *Journal of History 2017* and the *PNHS Newsletter 2017*, PNHS Forum Series 2017, and regular Board of Trustees Meetings, drawing from savings accumulated through the years as well as other funding sources. Membership fees as well as the sale of publications have been major and regular sources of income for PNHS.

PNHS is also fortunate in that it has been able to tap funding sources from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts – Committee on Historical Research (NCCA-CHR), academic institutions and government agencies which have served as hosts for the PNHS Annual Conferences, and the regular conference grant from PSSC, being a member of good standing for many years now.

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## **PHILIPPINE POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION**

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### **ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES**

#### **Public Lectures and Forum**

The PPSA co/organized several international lectures and forums on various topics with distinguished local and international speakers, which include but are not limited to the following:

- Beyond Politics and Spectacle: Studies on Crime and Punishment Conference, PSSC Auditorium, Quezon City, March 15-16, 2017
- How to Publish in International Journals by Ralph Brower (Florida State University, USA), Ateneo de Davao University, March 8, 2017
- Democracy at Work: Moving Beyond Elections to Improve Well-Being by Brian Wampler (Boise State University, USA), De La Salle University, February 23, 2017
- Innovation Bureaucracy by Wolfgang Drechsler (Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia), De La Salle University, April 23, 2017

#### **Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA) Distinguished Leadership Award and Lecture Series**

The PPSA presented the PPSA Distinguished Leadership Award to the living pillars of the discipline of Political Science in the country. This was held side by side with the PPSA Distinguished Awardees Lecture (public lecture) series held in different venues and universities.

- UP Professor Emeritus Felipe B. Miranda received the award and delivered a lecture last 22 March 2017 in the GT Toyota Asian Cultural Center Auditorium, UP Diliman campus
- DLSU Professor Emeritus and University Fellow Dr. Wilfrido Villacorta received the award and delivered a lecture last March 1, 2017 at the Henry Sy Hall, DLSU Manila campus
- Dr. Temario Rivera received the PPSA Distinguished Leadership Award May 12, 2017 during the 2018 PPSA Annual International Conference in the Waterfront Hotel, Lahug, Cebu City
- UP Professor Emeritus Dr. Carolina G. Hernandez received the award and delivered a lecture last April 20, 2017 at the Faculty of Civil Law Auditorium, University of Sto. Tomas

#### **PPSA Annual International Conference 2018**

- The 2018 Annual Conference last May 11-12, 2018 at Waterfront Hotel, Lahug Cebu City.
- From approximately 150 participants in the 2015 Conference in Dipolog City and around 300 participants in the PPSA Conference in Legazpi City in 2016 the conference attendance in the PPSA 2017 Conference in Cebu City increased to at least 420 participants.
- The official membership of PPSA for 2017 also increased to 335 members.
- The PPSA successfully held the General Assembly and held elections for the members of the Board of Trustees for 2017-2018.

## **INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES; AND**

### **Media and Social Media Engagement**

- TV guesting of the 2017 PPSA in ABS CBN News Channel program *Talkback* last May 8, 2017
- From 300+ followers in 2016, the official PPSA Facebook page reached more than 5,000 followers by May 12, 2017

### **Internationalization**

- MOA signing for cooperation in research and other activities with the Korea Association for Policy Studies (KAPS), one of the largest professional associations in South Korea, last May 12, 2017 in Waterfront Hotel, Lahug Cebu City

### **Regional Activities**

- Forum. University Belt Political Science in the Midst of Change: Navigating the labyrinth of the K-12, November 23, 2017. This is the first time that the heads of various Political Science Departments in the university belt convened in an event organized by PPSA.

### **Board Meetings and Highlights**

- June 14, 2017
  - Election of the new set of PPSA Officers for 2017-2019. The 7 elected PPSA officers came from 6 different universities from Luzon (4), Visayas (1), and Mindanao (2) and is easily the most diverse PPSA board in terms of university and regional representation. Three of the 7 Board Members are women and 4 are men.
- September 9, 2017
  - Drafting and approval of the 2017-19 PPSA Strategic Plan and 2-Year Budget. This is the first 2-year strategic plan and budget of the PPSA in recent history.
  - The Vision-Mission of the PPSA for the years 2017 to 2019 are as follows: “The Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA) shall serve as a professional and inclusive epistemic community of academic scholars and practitioners in the field of political science and allied disciplines dedicated to the study of politics in the Philippines and beyond.
  - Planning of UNDP-funded regional workshops on “Bringing Local Politics Back In.”
  - Updates on the plans for the 2018 PPSA International Conference in Davao City under the theme “Multilevel Governance in the 21st Century”
- December 5, 2017
  - Finalization of plans for regional conferences (Luzon, Mindanao), recruitment drive, and the 2018 PPSA International Conference in Davao City.
  - Planning of the PPSA Methods School and continuation of the Distinguished Leadership Award for 2018.
  - Dialogue with officials from the Commission on Higher Education to re-consider the inclusion of the “Philippine Politics, Government and Constitution” as a mandatory course in the general education curriculum of higher education institutions
  - Discussion of the possible revival of the PPSA Committee on Constitutional Continuity and Change with the aim of clarifying issues concerning the ongoing developments on constitutional reform

## **FINANCIAL STANDING AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017**

The Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA) is in good financial standing with the following assets, namely, 8,338.94 USD savings account (as of 29 December 2017), PHP150,518.19

checking account (as of 20 December 2017), and PHP813,111,54 savings account (as of 29 December 2017). The PPSA has no liabilities.

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## PHILIPPINE POPULATION ASSOCIATION

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This report summarizes the activities of the Philippine Population Association (PPA) for 2017. It is divided into three parts: academic/scholarly activities, institutional or organizational development initiatives, and the organization's financial standing.

### ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

#### PPA Annual Scientific Conference

The Philippine Population Association held its Annual Scientific Conference in Silliman University, Dumaguete City on 25-27 January 2017 with the theme: "Improving Human Capital through Good Governance". A total of 146 participants from various sectors including local and international academic institutions, national and regional government agencies, and non-government organizations attended the conference.

The first day of the conference (25 January) featured four workshops:

- *Introduction to SPSS* by Ruzzel Brian Mallari (Center for Health Solutions and Innovations [Philippines], Incorporated) and Jeofrey Abalos (Australian National University);
- *Analyzing Qualitative Data* by Florio Arguillas, Jr. (Cornell Institute for Social and Economic Research);
- *Research Methods* by Nimfa Ogena (University of the Philippines Population Institute); and
- *Writing Journal Articles* by Elma Laguna (University of the Philippines Population Institute) and Judith Rafaelita Borja (University of San Carlos Office of Population Studies).

Rev. Mark B. Augusto of Silliman University led the invocation. Afterwards, Dr. Jane Annette Belarmino, Vice President for Development of Silliman University welcomed the participants to the workshops. PPA Vice President Sonny Bechayda also welcomed the participants in behalf of PPA.

Co-sponsored by Silliman University the workshops were held at Guy Hall in Silliman University. The workshops were attended by forty (40) individuals, including representatives from the academe, the Commission on Population (POPCOM), and local population officers from surrounding areas.

The scientific conference was held in the 26-27 January which featured the plenary sessions, parallel sessions, and poster presentations.

The events for the morning of 26 January were held at Silliman Hall. Dr. Ben S. Malayang III, Silliman University President, delivered the welcome address in behalf of Silliman University. Dr. Marie Joy Arguillas, PPA President, delivered her opening address, wherein she introduced the theme of the conference and welcomed the different organizational and individual participants. This was followed by the keynote speech by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Assistant Secretary Carlos Bernardo O. Abad Santos, in behalf of Director-General Ernesto Pernia.

The plenary session entitled *Improving Human Capital through Investments in Nutrition* was held in the morning of 26 January. This session featured a presentation by Dr. Alejandro

Herrin of the University of the Philippines School of Economics entitled “Putting Prevention of Childhood Stunting into the Forefront of the Nutrition Agenda: A Nutrition Sector Review”. Another plenary session on *Improving Human Capital through Investments in Health and Poverty Programs* was held in the afternoon of 27 January, featuring a presentation on “Philippine Health Agenda” by Dr. Charl Andrew Bautista of the Department of Health (DOH)’s Health Policy Development and Planning Bureau.

The 2017 PPA Annual Scientific conference included a total of 37 papers on various topics grouped thematically into twelve (12) parallel sessions. Each panel session ran for about one and a half hours divided into two phases. The first phase is the paper presentation by authors of selected papers while the second phase is devoted to the open forum. The sessions had 2 to 4 paper presentations and attended by about 40 conference participants each. It is worth noting that the audience in all sessions actively participated during the question and answer sessions.

The conference would not have been successful without the support and assistance of PPA members and collaborating institution including the University of the Philippines Population Institute (UPPI), the Demographic Research and Development Foundation (DRDF), Commission on Population (PopCom), the University of San Carlos Office of Population Studies (USC-OPS) in Cebu City, and Dr. Enrique Oracion of Silliman University.

The 2017 PPA Scientific Conference Committee was chaired by Sonny Bechayda, Vice President of the PPA, along with Grace Cruz and Marie Joy Arguillas as members of the committee.

The conference also received financial support from the following organizations: Silliman University, the Provincial Government of Negros Oriental, POPCOM, UPPI and DRDF, USC-OPS, Philippine Social Science Council (PSSC), and Philippine Center for Population and Development (PCPD).

### Philippine Population Review (PPR)

Three papers are currently being reviewed for a special edition on the Cebu Longitudinal Health and Nutrition Study (CLNHS). One paper is still awaiting submission for this volume. The editor for this special PPR volume is Josefina Natividad of UPPI.

Apart from the special edition on the CLNHS, PPR is also accepting papers for its regular editions. In 2017, the editor has received two papers for the regular volume of the journal.

### INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

The General Assembly and election of the Board of Trustees (BOT) was held on the first day of the conference. Three (3) BOT members were elected as new trustees: Elma Laguna and Maria Paz Marquez of UPPI and Chona Echavez of Xavier University’s Research Institute for Mindanao Culture. Two (2) institutional members were also elected, UPPI and POPCOM. A brief BOT meeting took place after the General Assembly to elect the officers for 2017. The elected officers are as follows: Sonny Bechayda of USC-OPS as President, Maria Paz Marquez of UPPI as Vice-President, Antonio Tamayao of Cagayan State University as Secretary, and Christian Joy Cruz, the UPPI institutional representative, as Treasurer. Ms. Cruz tendered her resignation as UPPI representative to the PPA BOT in March 2017, thus rendering the Treasurer position vacant. With Ms. Cruz’s resignation, UPPI designated Josefina Natividad as the new UPPI representative to the PPA BOT. Grace Cruz of UPPI was elected as Treasurer in the PPA BOT meeting held in 23 May 2017.

The Mercedes B. Concepcion (MBC) Grant for Population Research is ongoing, with the three grantees nearing completion of their research projects. The three grantees are Eric Julian Manalastas of UP Diliman Department of Psychology, Jennifer Josef of UP Baguio Department of Social Anthropology and Psychology, and Racine Denise Maniego of UPPI. With funding support from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), this research grant aims to

encourage and support graduate students and young researchers to conduct research on key UNFPA programme areas which include Reproductive Health and Rights, Population and Development, and Gender Equality.

The PPA currently has 153 individual members and 5 institutional members.

## FINANCIAL STANDING

The organization remains financially stable but while it is able to support its financial requirement with regard to its day-to-day expenses, it needs to generate funds to support its activities through registration fees, membership fees and grants. The PPA is grateful for the financial support to the conference given by the organizations mentioned earlier.

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## PHILIPPINE SOCIETY FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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This report presents the accomplishments and activities of the Philippine Society for Public Administration (PSPA) for the year 2017. Through the years since its establishment in 1981 as the professional association dedicated to advancing the study and practice of public administration in the Philippines, the PSPA has actively promoted and advocated the professionalization of administrative institutions in the country. The PSPA has also pursued its commitment to strengthen the linkages between the academe, the civil service, civil society organizations and the private sector.

In this respect, it has organized and hosted international conferences annually to serve as venues for exchanges and discussions on public administration and good governance. It has also endeavored to establish working relationships with its counterparts from other countries. Thus, it continued to help improve the competencies and capacities in the discipline, its practice and the profession. It has likewise engendered initiatives in promoting professional growth, as well as the development of networking, partnership building, and shaping the country's public administration and governance research agenda and policy advocacies. This Report provides, along these lines, the activities of the PSPA for the year 2017.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE CONDUCTED

For 2017, the PSPA International Conference was held from November 16-18, 2017 at the BSA Twin Towers Hotel, Ortigas Center, Mandaluyong City. The theme of the Conference, which coincided with the celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ASEAN and thus was also captured in the this theme, was "Innovations in Public Sector Reforms in ASEAN and in Asian Communities: Forging Knowledge Co-Creation, Linking Societies and the Foundations for Democracy, Peace and Sustainable Development."

This Conference also presented the 2017 PSPA Achievement Awards to three foreign distinguished academics and practitioners in Public Administration: Dr. Pan Suk Kim, currently Minister of Personnel Management in the Republic of Korea, incumbent President of the Asian Association for Public Administration (AAPA) and former Dean of the College of Government and Business of Yonsei University; Dr. Prijono Tjiptoheranto, presently Commissioner of the Indonesian Civil Service and Professor at the University of Indonesia; and Dr. Evan **Berman**, Professor of Public Management and Director of Internationalization, School of Government, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand.

As in past Conferences, the 2017 PSPA International Conference invited government officials and academics from the Philippines and from abroad to share their experiences towards the



forging of good governance practices in collaboration with academic institutions and government institutions. Faculty members, researchers and students of academic institutions, officials and staff of national agencies and local government units, civil society organizations, international organizations and representatives from the private sectors participated to share their insights and perspectives on innovations in public sector reforms in the Philippines, ASEAN countries and Asian communities.

The Conference brought together academics and practitioners as speakers from Brunei, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States as well as national and local government officials, presidents of State University and Colleges (SUC) and academics and civil society participants from the Philippines. A total of 64 papers were presented in simultaneous panel sessions. Over 250 participants attended the Conference.

## PSPA PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

The PSPA also endeavored to pursue and strengthen networking and linkages with Public Administration associations in Asia following its participation in Conferences in 2015 and 2016 which included establishing Memoranda of Understanding and Cooperation with various public administration associations of other countries.

Dr. Alex B. Brillantes Jr. represented the PSPA in the International Conference of the Asian Association for Public Administration (AAPA) held April 13-14, 2017 in Astana, Kazakhstan, with the theme “*New Challenges for Public Administration and Governance in Asia: Harnessing Opportunities Within the Context of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)*.”

Dr. Brillantes, Jr. was also elected as Vice President of the Asian Association for Public Administration (AAPA) for 2017 during the AAPA International Conference in Kazakhstan.

The PSPA also organized a panel led by Dr. Alex B. Brillantes, Jr. at the International Conference of the Philippine Political Science Association held last May 11-12, 2017 in Cebu City with the theme “*Democratic Governance with the Vortex of Change*.”

Dr. Alex B. Brillantes, Jr. also participated and represented the PSPA in the International Conference of the Taiwan Association for Schools of Public Administration and Affairs (TASPAA) held June 2-3, 2017 in Kaohsiung, Taiwan with the theme, “*Public Administration Innovations and Reforms*.”

The PSPA also participated and contributed paper presentations to the 2017 International Conference of the National College of Public Administration and Governance (NCPAG), NCPAG@65 held in Pasig City, Metro Manila. In celebration of its 65th Anniversary, the Conference was held August 22-25, 2017 with the theme, “*Public Administration: New Norms and Sustainable Reforms in Changing Times*.”

Dr. Danilo DLR Reyes participated and presented a paper on the PSPA's Rapid Field Analysis Study in the 2017 Siziwan International Conference from Nov. 30 – Dec. 3, 2017. The Conference had the theme, “*Challenges to Local Politics in the Asia-Pacific Region*” and was held at the National Sun-Yat Sen University, Kaoshiung, Taiwan.

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION ASSOCIATIONS

The PSPA further strengthened its ties and working relationships with the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) in Tokyo Japan, and the National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) in Bangkok as well as with other universities in Thailand.

The PSPA explored opportunities for cooperation and joint projects with public administration associations abroad. This is based on existing Memoranda of Understanding and Cooperation entered into between the PSPA and the Taiwan Public Governance Research Center represented by Dr. Tsai-Tsu Su who is also the President of the Taiwan Society for Public Administration, with the Indonesian Association for Public Administration headed then by Dr. Eko Prasajo, and

presently by Dr. Agus Pramusinto of Universitas Gadjah Mada, and with the Korean Association for Public Administration (KAPA) headed by Dr. Hengsuk Choi of Korea University and the Public Administration Association of Thailand.

## INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

A Research Agreement was entered into between the National Graduate Institute of Policy Studies (GRIPS) of Tokyo, Japan and the Philippine Society for Public Administration (PSPA) last 2013, which was concluded in 2015. The Agreement was renewed and extended again in 2017. The GRIPS has been commissioned by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) to conduct a study titled, “Research Project on Leadership and Management Development in Asian Countries.”

The PSPA was also represented in the High Level Forum held in GRIPS, Tokyo last April 24 to 26, 2017 which was organized to provide updates on policy proposals of the PSPA-GRIPS Project under JICA. Dr. Brillantes, Jr. again headed the PSPA Team.

A Core member meeting was again held last Oct. 26-27, 2017 in GRIPS, Tokyo, Japan for follow-up discussions of the Leading Asia Project.

Last October 17-27, 2017, the PSPA endorsed the participation, and which was accepted, of Dean Ed Tapia of the University of Makati and Ms. Pilar Lorenzo to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Organizational Development Seminar Workshop at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) in Tokyo, Japan.

## INNOVATIONS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

The PSPA also released the findings of the Rapid Field Appraisal (RFA) of the Local Government Code of 1991 which was launched in the Vigan Conference in 2015.

Sixteen regions were included in the RFA Study which mobilized academics and professionals from each region. The RFA Report has been finalized and selected reports were included for presentation in the 2016 PSPA International Conference at Hotel Benilde, Malate, Manila. The full Report of the RFA Project was completed in 2017. Limited copies are now available.

***Philippine Governance Digest*** – a quarterly magazine on public administration The Philippine Society for Public Administration (PSPA) in cooperation with the Center for Leadership Communication and Governance (CLCGi) came up with a publication of the first Public Administration magazine in the Philippines, the Philippine Governance Digest. The Philippine Governance Digest features various articles on good governance and other aspects of public administration. It is released quarterly to reach as many of its target audience as possible, which include local government officials and employees, national civil servants, the academe (professors and students alike), businesses, civil society groups, international partners, and the general public.

The PSPA also entered in July, 2017 into a Memorandum of Agreement with GRIPS, as commissioned by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), in the conduct a project titled “Leadership Enhancement and Administrative Development for Innovative Governance Project in Asia.”

The Proceedings of past PSPA Conferences have also been printed and limited copies are now available.

## MEMBERSHIP

To date there are more than six hundred PSPA members from all over the country. Notably, there is also a growing collaboration with the higher education institutions. The association’s financial standing is stable to support its various activities (i.e. research and publication).

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## PHILIPPINE SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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In 2017, the Philippine Sociological Society (PSS) continued to fulfill its primary mission to represent, promote, and advance the intellectual and sociological interests of its members through various projects and activities.

### PROFESSIONALIZING PSS

As a professional organization, the PSS is duly-registered as a non-profit organization with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC Reg. No. CN 201417446). Its finances are duly-audited and fulfils obligations with the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR).

### ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

PSS is an inclusive social science organization. It implemented various academic activities dubbed as *Socio-Caravans* ranging from lectures, forum, and book-launching; maintained online presence thru PSS E-news, website, and social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter and YouTube; sustained network as regular members of the Philippine Social Science Center (PSSC) and the International Sociological Association (ISA), and as partners to other social science organizations, universities and agencies; continued publication of two issues of our official journal, the *Philippine Sociological Review* (PSR); convened general membership across social science disciplines through the 2017 PSS National Conference, known this year as #PSSCebu2017; elected a new set of 2018 PSS Board of Officers, and introduced new innovative projects.

### ORGANIZATION MATTERS

As stipulated by our PSS By-Laws (amended October, 2015), a new set of board members are elected every year.

For 2017, the elected PSS Board of Officers are composed of the following:

President	Clarence M. Batan
Vice-President	Mario J. Aguja
Secretary	Septin John A. Calamba
Treasurer	Jayeel S. Cornelio
Board Members	Nicole C. Curato Nimfa L. Bracamonte Phoebe Zoe Maria Sanchez

The Board, apart from constant online communications, conducted four organizational meetings on the following dates:

December 16, 2016 (Manila)	February 4, 2017 (Cebu)
July 28, 2017 (Manila)	October 5, 2017 (Cebu)

As of December 2017, the total number of members who duly-paid membership dues are 156.

The board passed eight resolutions in 2017. These were the following:

- Approval of official bank signatories
- Appointment of members of the PSR Editorial Board composed of Filomin C. Gutierrez, Nicole C. Curato and Jayeel S. Cornelio
- Approval of PSR handbook
- Grant of honorary membership to distinguished members, Gelia T. Castillo, Mercedes B. Concepcion, Belen T. Medina, and Mary H. Racelis

- Grant Filomin C. Gutierrez authority to represent PSS in the PSSC Executive Board and ISA representative
- Approval of the contract service of student intern Maria Frances Faye R. Gutierrez
- Appointment of the Committee on Elections (COMELEC) composed of Mercedes Camille B. Ocampo as Chair, and members, Louie Benedict R. Ignacio, Jade Harley Bretaña; and Ma. Gretchen A. Abuso
- Appointment of the Scientific Committee for the PSS National Conference at UP Cebu composed of Nimfa L. Bracamonte as Chair, and members, Jay Rey G. Alovera, Mario J. Aguja, Septrin John A. Calamba, Nicole C. Curato, Regletto Aldrich Imbong, and Phoebe Zoe Maria Sanchez.

Accordingly, the obligatory submission of General Information Sheet (GIS) to SEC and filing of annual tax return to the Bureau of Internal Revenue were secured. Financially, the accounts of PSS were duly-audited and the organization remains in good financial condition.

### **SOCIO-CARAVANS, BOOK LAUNCHES & #PSSCEBU2017**

As a continuing project, the PSS Socio-Caravan has travelled to three institutions. These were at the following:

- UP Cebu on February 3, 2017
- UP Los Baños on April 20, 2017
- University of Cebu on two occasions, August 16, 2017 and October 4, 2017.

Invited resource persons who shared expertise were:

- Jayeel S. Cornelio (sociology of religion)
- Clarence M. Batan (sociology of youth)
- Zona Hildegarda S. Amper (island sociology)
- Phoebe Zoe Maria U. Sanchez (political sociology/sociology of labor)
- Praksis A. Miranda (sociology of gender)
- Enrique G. Oracion (sociology of disasters)

Partner organizations in the implementation of these activities were College of Social Science, UP Cebu; UP Alliance of Students Unified for Sociology; and University of Cebu. Additionally, the PSS co-sponsored with the Mindanao State University–General Santos City a regional forum and book launch of Randolph S. David's *Understanding Culture, Society and Politics* (2017, Anvil) on February 21, 2017.

From October 5-7, 2017, the successful *2017 PSS National Conference* dubbed as #PSSCebu2017 held at UP Cebu gathered 300 participants from various international and national institutions. The conference theme, *The Sociology of Justice*, generated substantive and critical discussions from plenary speakers former Philippine Chief Justice Hilario G. Davide, Jr., and Michel Chossudovsky of the University of Ottawa (Canada) as well as more than 120 paper presentations.

The conference also highlighted a tribute plenary session on *The Life and Works of Gelia T. Castillo*, National Scientist (rural sociology) with panel discussants, Emma E. Porio, Nina T. Castillo-Carandang, and Mercedes B. Concepcion, national scientist (demography).

Also, a special plenary session focused on *Marawi Crisis* was one of the conference highlights with panel discussants Mark Anthony Torres of the Institute for Peace and Development in Mindanao (MSU-IIT), and Samira Gutoc-Tomawis of Ranao Rescue Team.

The conference also launched books of PSS members. These were:

- *A Duterte Reader: Critical Essays on Rodrigo Duterte's Early Presidency* (2017, Ateneo Press), edited by Nicole C. Curato
- Two books of Arnold P. Alamon, *Nation in Our Hearts: Essays on Mindanao* (2017, UP Press), and *Wars of Extinction: Discrimination and the Lumad Struggle in Mindanao*

(2017), a commissioned research work by the Mindanao Interfaith Institute on Lumad Studies.

This conference also awarded 2017 PSS Travel Grant to Christopher Joseph An.

## INNOVATIONS

This year, the PSS launched the first volume of E-news starting June 2017 using email-based MailChimp platform released bi-monthly. Since its launch, it has released a total of 14 issues.

Aside from maintaining official website, [www.philippinesociology.com](http://www.philippinesociology.com), the PSS utilized various social media platforms such as Gmail ([philippinesociology@gmail.com](mailto:philippinesociology@gmail.com)); Facebook (@PhilippineSociology), Twitter (@PSS\_SociologyPH), and YouTube (Philippine Sociology) to sustain online presence and communication among members and network.

## NETWORKS

As regular member-organization, the PSS actively engaged with the PSSC and the ISA through its designated representative, Filomin C. Gutierrez, former PSS President (2012-2016), and elected PSSC Board Vice-Chair. Through the PSSC representation of Filomin, PSS partnered with the *Philippine Criminal Justice Researchers Society (PCJRS)* on two conferences held last March 15-16, 2017 at the PSSC, and on June 27-29, 2017 at the University of Cebu. She was also instrumental in crafting the guidelines and establishment of PSSC's Social Science Ethics Review Board. Through PSS' endorsement, two members-in-good standing, Dennis S. Erasga and Leslie V. Advincula-Lopez were awarded PSSC's *Travel Assistance Program (TAP)*. PSSC also endowed conference grant to #PSSCebu2017. The PSS also endorsed the *Organization of Social Science Teachers in the Philippines* to be PSSC Associate Member.

Our continued engagement with the ISA as national association was also facilitated by Filomin who also served as elected ISA Executive Board member. She represented the PSS in international meetings and introduced initiatives particularly on providing assistance to early career sociologists worldwide.

The PSS as an academic organization has also continued at providing expert assistance of select members to the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED). Of special interest here is the final approval and release of the CHED Memorandum Order 40 Series of 2017 – *Policies, Standards, and Guidelines for the Bachelor of Arts in Sociology* last May 12, 2017, where the PSS played an active role during the consultation and development process of this PSG in the last six years.

## PHILIPPINE SOCIOLOGICAL REVIEW

For 2017, the PSS released two journal issues of the *Philippine Sociological Review* Volume 65. Both the regular issue, and the special issue on *imagined democracies* were edited by Nicole C. Curato.

## AWARDS

Early this year, the ISA approved *Website Development Grant* in the amount of €380 to provide assistance in the further development of PSS website ([www.philippinesociology.com](http://www.philippinesociology.com)).

Also, the PSS celebrated the recognition of Jayeel S. Cornelio, current PSS Treasurer, as *2017 Outstanding Young Scientist (Sociology)* awarded by the National Academy of Science and Technology Philippines (NAST PHL) last July 13, 2017 at Manila Hotel.

In addition, a new grant project, *The Gelia T. Castillo's Research In Community Engagements*, to be known as RICE Grants, was initially launched during the #PSSCebu2017 conference. The family of Gelia T. Castillo through her daughter, Nina T. Castillo-Carandang chose the PSS as organization grantee of a total of Php 200,000.00 to commemorate Gelia's life and works in the field of rural sociology.

## PSS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

On October 6, 2017, during the #PSSCebu2017 conference, through the facilitation of designated-PSS COMELEC, three new board members were elected for a two-year term (2018-2019). These were Enrique Niño P. Leviste, Enrique G. Oracion, and Zona Hildegarda S. Amper. With the other remaining board members serving their last year term in office (2017-2018), Clarence M. Batan, Mario J. Aguja, Septrin John a. Calamba, and Phoebe Zoe Maria U. Sanchez, a new set of officers were elected.

The 2018 PSS Board of Officers are composed of the following:

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Vice President	Mario J. Aguja
Secretary	Septrin John A. Calamba
Treasurer	Enrique Niño P. Leviste ()
Board Members	Phoebe Zoe Maria U. Sanchez Enrique G. Oracion Zona Hildegarda S. Amper

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## PHILIPPINE STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

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The Philippine Statistical Association, Inc. (PSAI) has assiduously promoted the statistics profession, the growth and development of practitioners in the discipline, and the pursuit of its many advocacies.

### ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

#### Publications and Information

The scientific journal *The Philippine Statistician (TPS)* remains indexed in the Scopus, a research database arm of Elsevier, Inc. and with it comes a Level A accreditation from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED). The CHED accreditation and endorsement of the PSAI scientific journal makes the publication more accessible to students and professionals, and encourage and support higher education institutions to place subscriptions to *The Philippine Statistician*. Subscriptions to *The Philippine Statistician* is handled by the Central Subscription Service of the Philippine Social Science Council (PSSC). Regular subscribers include more than 35 academic institutions.

As in the past, full version of the papers/articles published in the last three years are available online with a moving wall of three years while online release of the latest issue (July 2017), is limited to the abstracts. Online availability of the full version of the papers encouraged researchers to benefit from more citations which is expected to speed up compliance with required citations. These accomplishments are under the Publications and Information Committee chaired by Dr. Erniel B. Barrios from 2010 to 2017.

#### Conference

The PSAI Annual Conference was held in Bacolod City on September 27-29, 2017 under the theme “*Statistics in Support of the Local Economy*”. The GEODATA Systems Technologies and the Philippine Statistics Authority co-organized the event with a total of 349 participants in attendance. Participants came from various regions of the country, noted as follows:

CAR - 12, II - 14, III - 22, IVA - 27, IVB - 14, V - 12, VI - 40, VII - 40, IX - 7, X - 13  
XI - 11, XII - 5, XIII - 7, ARMM - 12, NCR - 100

On September 27, 2017, four (4) parallel short courses were conducted by various Resource Speakers on the following topics perceived to be most responsive to the needs and interests of development stakeholders and partners at the local level. All training resource speakers waived their honoraria.

- Implementation and Monitoring of Financial Inclusion for Good Local Governance with Deputy Director Teresita B. Deveza
- Statistical Methods for Project Monitoring and Evaluation with Dr. Dennis S. Mapa/ Prof. Manuel Leonard F. Albis;
- Statistics Using Geographic Information Systems with Mr. Dennis Dizon; and,
- Statistics and Probability for K-12 Teachers of Statistics with Dr. Josefina V. Almada

Once again, former NSO Administrator Carmelita N. Ericta chaired the Annual Conference Committee. Co-Chairpersons were Regional Director Ariel E. Florendo of then PSA Negros Island Region, who headed the Local Organizing Committee with Provincial Statistics Officer Joely M. Cabarles of PSA Bacolod City. Dr. Joselito S. Magadia of the UP School of Statistics chaired the Sub-Committee on Scientific Program.

The following institutions provided generous support:

- Co-Organizers: GEODATA Systems Technologies, Inc.  
Philippine Statistics Authority
- Sponsors: ABS-CBN Broadcasting Corporation  
De La Salle University  
Land Bank of the Philippines  
Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute
- Patron: Manila Electric Company  
San Miguel Corporation
- Donor: Government Service Insurance System  
UP Statistical Center Research Foundation
- Conference Grant: Philippine Social Science Council

The 2<sup>nd</sup> PSAI Student Best Paper Competition was also held and winners were recognized and awarded their cash prizes during the Closing Ceremonies, as noted under PSAI Advocacies.

Online registration of participants to the Annual Conference that enabled pre-registration and identification of preferred training choices in the short courses was made possible with the help of Mr. Ferdinand Co of the BSP, who has been instrumental in the improvement of the PSAI Website.

## Training

The PSAI Training Committee, chaired by Asst. Prof. Josefina V. Almada of UPSS conducted the training on *Univariate Time Series Analysis with Applications to Finance* from April 24 to 27, 2017 with Dr. Dennis S. Mapa and Asst. Prof. Manuel Leonard F. Albis as Resource Speakers. Seventeen (17) participants completed the course. A training on *Statistics and Probability for K-12 Teachers* was conducted by Prof. Almada from May 15 to 19, 2017 with 9 participants in attendance. In addition to this, four (4) short courses were conducted on September 27, 2017 in Bacolod City as a pre-conference activity. Thus, a total of six (6) training courses/seminar were conducted during the year.

## Advocacies

In keeping with the advocacies of the PSAI, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Student Paper Competition was held and the following were recognized during the Closing Ceremonies of the PSAI Annual Conference:

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize P25,000.00	<p><i>“Investigating the Presence of Regional Economic Growth Convergence in the Philippines from 1990 to 2016: Local Government Units as Pillars of Economic Linkages”</i></p> <p>Patricia Rose B. Donato and Hannah Guia Gomez UP School of Statistics, Diliman, Quezon City</p>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize P15,000.00	<p><i>“Elucidating Harmful Algal Blooms (Red Tides) in Coastal Waters through Phytoplankton Cell Count Analysis Using Physico-chemical Factors”</i></p> <p>Rosa Jean Gonzaga and Gio Vincent Roque UP School of Statistics, Diliman, Quezon City</p>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize P10,000.00	<p><i>“Environmental Kuznets Curve Analysis in the Philippines”</i></p> <p>Joseph Erickson Alcantara Atento UP Institute of Statistics, UP Los Baños, Laguna</p>

## **INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES**

### **Membership**

As of December 2017, newly approved individual members are noted as regular members, life members, and Chapter members from Regions 1, 2, 6, 7, and CAR. We are pleased to welcome the GEODATA Systems Technologies, Inc., among our esteemed institutional members. Total membership in the PSAI is as follows: Individual Members (207); Life Members (4); Regular members (115); Members from regional chapters (88)

- Student Affiliate Organizations - 4 (most of the student affiliates/members have graduated and have become regular individual members of PSAI  
2 from the School of Statistics, University of the Philippines (UPD)  
1 from the Rizal Technological University (RTU)  
1 De La Salle University (DLSU)
- Institutional Members – 61  
Government institutions (23); Private sector/institutions (14); Academe (24)
- PSAI Regional Chapters –10  
CAR; Region 1; Region 2; Region 4-A Calabarzon; Region 6; Region 7; Region 8; Region 10; Region 11; SOCCSKSARGEN

The PSAI attributes growth in the membership to the untiring efforts of Ms. Virginia N. Gañac and Ms. Cynthia C. Vallesteros, Chair and Co-Chair of the PSAI Membership Committee, respectively. With the resignation of Ms. Ganac, Prof. Leonard Manuel Albis assumes chairmanship of the Membership Committee effective October 2017.

The PSAI is indebted to Mr. Ferdie Co of the BSP for the ongoing improvements in the PSAI membership data base.

### **Awards**

The Search and Awards Committee chaired by BSP Director Rosabel M. Guerrero, recognizes and confers prestigious awards to members with exceptional contributions to the discipline and to the PSAI. Unfortunately, the Committee has not received nominations for the awards.

### **Institutional Development**

Survey initiatives to get the insights of members on how to ensure the sustainability of the PSAI is a work in progress.

### **Nomination and Election Committee**

The PSAI online voting that was initiated by the team of Ms. Ludy Gador with the help of



the technical staff of the PSA in 2015 (Donna and Maia) continue to evolve with the new features developed with the help of Mr. Ferdie Co of the BSP.

## **FINANCIAL STANDING**

The PSAI President waived his honoraria as Resource Person in the two (2) PSAI Training Courses that conducted during the year.

The PSAI finances remain in good shape with the unfailing help of individual and institutional members, the friends of PSAI, and the many other special contributions that enabled the PSAI to meet various needs and to pursue advocacies.

Although membership and registration fees in regular activities have remained frozen for years, growing membership remain to be the main source of receipts for PSAI. Likewise, with the continued trust placed by partner institutions, the PSAI looks forward to the growth of the Association funds.

## **PLANS AND PROGRAMS**

In addition to its usual regular activities, the PSAI leadership hopes to pursue the development of the discipline through cooperative engagements with various PSAI Regional Chapters and academic institutions in the regions in the coming year.

The PSAI President conveyed his sincerest thanks and gratitude for the generous support and unfailing cooperation of individual and institutional members, partner institutions and friends for helping the PSAI in pursuing its activities and advocacies.

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## **PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES**

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In 2017, the Psychological Association of the Philippines (PAP) continued to provide assistance and support to the Professional Regulatory Board of Psychology, the PAP being the Accredited and Integrated Professional Organization (AIPO) designated by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) since October 2015.

## **ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES**

### **Conferences**

The 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the PAP Junior Affiliates was held on January 20-21, 2017 on the theme “The Importance of Mental Health in Philippine Society.” Over 7,000 psychology students from all over the country converged on MOA-SMX Convention Center in Pasay and DLSU, Letran, and Mapua to attend lectures and workshops and participate in competitions.

The PAP hosted two Professional Summits—the first was held in Dumaguete City May 25-26, 2017 and the second in Davao City November 29-30, 2017. Both were envisioned to provide members a venue for learning sessions, especially if they are unable to attend the annual convention. This project is expected to be a regular activity of the PAP.

The 54<sup>th</sup> Annual PAP Convention was held at the SMX Convention Center in Bacolod City, September 20-22, 2017, co-hosted by the University of St. LaSalle on the theme “Philippine Psychology in Challenging Times.” The convention was keynoted by the Assistant Secretary of Health, Maria Francia M. Laxamana, and the 2017 PRC Outstanding Professional in the field of Psychology, Lourdes K. Ledesma. Plenary speakers included Dr. June Lopez, prime mover of the Mental Health Bill, and Dr. Claudette A. Agnes, Chair of the CHED Technical Committee for

Psychology. Over 1700 psychology professionals attended the presentations of over 200 papers, symposiums, and learning sessions. There were poster presentations and post-convention workshops were held at the USLS campus. Five new members of the Board of Directors were elected. In a subsequent Board meeting, Margaret U. Alvarez was reelected president of the PAP, to serve until October 2018.

### Continuing Professional Education

The seven divisions (Clinical, Counseling, Assessment, Social, Developmental, Educational, and Industrial-Organizational Psychology) of PAP and its special interest groups (MHPSS, Teaching Psychology, LGBT, and Sports and Exercise Psychology) worked tirelessly throughout the year providing continuing professional activities (i.e., lectures, seminars, workshops) for PAP members in various places in the country. The Assessment Psychology division, in particular, held “One in Psychology”, a consultation forum for licensed psychometricians at DLSU in December 2017, also envisioned to be a continuing activity.

### Public Interest and Advocacy

The PAP Public Interest Committee published in the *Inquirer* a position statement on the Death Penalty, works with the Juvenile Justice Welfare Council (JJWC) on the welfare of the CICL, was much involved in the finalization of the Mental Health Bill, and has been consulted by congressional committees on Human Rights.

A Task Force for Drug Recovery and Community Support, created in October 2016, conducted numerous workshops on *Katatagan Kontra Droga* in various places in the country, partnered with the Quezon City local government and other LGUs on projects related to this topic, and subsequently was given a Merit Award for its work by the Philippine Council of Associations and Association Executives in November 2017. Task Force members and other practitioners in the PAP participated in a 10-Day Walk-Through Training on the Universal Treatment Curriculum for Substance Use Disorders facilitated by Colombo Plan International at UST in July 2017 and the 1<sup>st</sup> Conference of the International Society of Substance Use Professionals-Philippine Chapter in November 2017 in Quezon City. Members of the Task Force are now in the process of applying to the PAP to convert the task force into a Special Interest Group of the PAP.

The PAP fully sponsored the annually held Creative Fun Camp in May 2017 in Kapangan, Benguet in partnership with the St Louis University- Sunflower Children’s Center.

When the Marawi Siege occurred in May 2017, the PAP Board immediately created a Task Force to respond to the Marawi Crisis and partnered with the Center of Psychological Extension and Research Services (COPERS) of the Ateneo de Davao University Psychology Department in this endeavor. The task force presented their terminal report to the PAP in November 2017.

### ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

The PAP Board of Directors (BOD) held a strategic plan review in June in Baguio; a Committee for Review and Amendments to the By-Laws was created and this committee has held a number of consultations across the country in preparation for ratification of a Revised By-Laws by 2018. Proposed projects involve providing more venues for some 15,000 members’ continuing professional development through possibly division conventions, regional conferences, and encouraging the creation of more regional chapters.

The Professional Regulatory Board of Psychology has adopted the PAP Code of Ethics for Psychological Practitioners.

### *Philippine Journal of Psychology (PJP)*

The PAP publishes the PJP bi-annually. The June 2017 issue was an open-themed issue and the December 2017 issue was sponsored by the Social Psychology Division.

## Internationalization

The PAP continues to participate in the ASEAN Regional Union of Psychological Societies (ARUPS) whose president, Dr. Maria Caridad H. Tarroja, is a PAP member, and the Asian Association of Social Psychology (AASP) whose president is Dr. Allan Bernardo. PAP participated in the ARUPS Executive Committee meeting in March 2017 in Cavite, and PAP members presented papers at the AASP Conference in New Zealand in August 2017 and at the 1<sup>st</sup> Southeast Asia Regional Conference of Psychology (RCP 2017), November 28-December 1, 2017 in Hanoi, Vietnam.

In addition, the PAP President attended the 125<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association in Washington, DC, August 2-5, 2017 upon the invitation of the APA President Antonio Puente to participate in the “President’s Initiative”—a dialogue with national psychology presidents about the future of psychology from an international perspective.

## FINANCIAL STANDING

The PAP has maintained its very good financial standing. This is due to tight financial control on expenditures, careful financial planning for key organizational activities, revenue from increased membership, convention net income, and workshop earnings. The PAP maintains several accounts: two peso accounts, one USD account, and three accounts in time deposit. One account is dedicated for PayPal online payments for conferences.

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## **UGNAYANG PANG-AGHAMTAO, INC.**

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### ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

1. UGAT held its 39th Annual Conference on the theme “The Struggle for Rights: Anthropological Reflections on What Is, and, What Ought to Be” at Capitol University, Cagayan de Oro City, on November 9-11. The plenary sessions included the Keynote by Atty. Ryan Quan, from the Commission on Human Rights; Distinguished Lectures by Br. Karl Gaspar (on the history of the Lumad struggle) and by Dr. Carol Sobritchea (on platforms for women’s rights advocacy); and a special talk on the current status of the ‘Moro struggles’ by

Moro Islamic Liberation Front representative Mohagher Iqbal. A highlight of the conference was the significant and active presence of some 50 IP participants as speakers, moderators, and reactors in the program, which enabled them to directly voice their struggles (rather than merely being the typical subjects of anthropology conference papers) and provided distinct perspectives on anthropology and human rights. The conference was opened by a Higaonon rite performed on the grounds of Capitol University and also featured an IP-Anthropology solidarity ‘campfire’ wherein IP elders registered aspects of their struggles for rights and reflected on the role of anthropology while representatives of different generations of anthropologists responded with their own reflections. The program was packed with parallel sessions (8 sessions with 4 panels each or 32 in all) and also included 2 special symposia – on the Marawi situation and on ‘Islam and Social Justice’; a 3-panel series on ‘insurgent scholarship’, as well as 2 film fora presenting recent documentaries. The participation of IPs was made possible by a grant from GIZ Coseram. Other sponsors of the conference included the National Commission for Culture and the Arts for the plenary speakers, and the PSSC.

2. Vol.25/2 of *Aghamtao*, UGAT’s official academic journal was launched. The issue has the theme “Dagat ug Kinabuhi: Maritime Cultures, Spaces and Networks”.

## **INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

1. UGAT is participating in the World Council of Anthropological Association’s (WCAA) Global Survey on Anthropological Practice (GSAP). GSAP is an international survey of anthropologists and contemporary anthropological practice around the world. Its aim is to collect information about the demographic characteristics of anthropologists, their qualifications and employment status, the nature of their work, and the thematic and regional focus of their expertise. The online survey will close on January 31, 2018.

As a member of the WCAA, UGAT is also now part of the newly founded World Anthropological Union (WAU) whose two chambers are comprised of the WCAA and the International Association for Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES). The WAU facilitates the community of anthropology across the globe and is expected to be able to respond to requests on issues arising from world events where global anthropological commentary is appropriate and in the discipline’s interest.

2. UGAT was represented in several workshops organized by the National Commission for Indigenous Peoples toward its envisioned Philippine Indigenous Peoples’ Ethnographies (PIPEs) flagship project. The PIPEs project aims to describe IPs from the perspectives of the IP themselves: locate where they are situated; present a count of population; and describe their socioeconomic conditions. It would function as a mechanism for coordination with those key government agencies that has programs, activities, plans and activities within the ancestral domains and with the IPs. There is a proposed Memorandum of Understanding between government agencies, NGOs (including UGAT), and individual anthropologists (including several UGAT members) and the NCIP in support of the PIPEs project.
3. The Policies, Standards and Guidelines for BA/BS Anthropology of the Commission for Higher Education (CHED) were presented to the public at the National Public Orientations for Sociology and Anthropology on November 2017. UGAT members have been participating in its formulation through the CHED Technical Committee for Anthropology.

## **FINANCIAL STANDING**

UGAT remains in good financial standing.

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## CENTER FOR CENTRAL LUZON STUDIES

### Central Luzon State University

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#### ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

The Center for Central Luzon Studies is mandated by the University to study and promote the rich and diversified history, culture and society of Central Luzon. Created and established through CLSU Board of Regents Resolution No. 48-1986, the Center's flagship entity is the CLSU Agricultural Museum – considered one of a kind in the country, where rare collection of artifacts used in agriculture and inland fishing in the rural areas are housed. This 2017, the Museum was visited by hundreds of visitors, mostly students, teachers, researchers, graduate students, artists and other professionals coming from other parts of the Philippines and even abroad. Notable visitors include artists Heber Bartolome, Elito “Amangpintor” Circa, national officers of Asosasyon ng mga Dalubhasa at May Hilig sa Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas (ADHIKA), personnel from the Department of Agriculture, Philippine Rice Research Institute and the Nueva Ecija Local Tourism Council.

Last March 13, 2017, the CLSU Agricultural Museum hosted an Indigenous Visual Art Exhibit entitled “Sharing the Light of History and Heritage” with indigenous art advocate Elito “Amangpintor” Circa as guest artist. The exhibit lasted for two weeks where the works of Circa, including the famous Duterte and Pacquiao blood paintings were put on display. Corollary to this activity was the conduct of “Seminar on Basic Museology” given to anthropology students jointly sponsored by the Center and of the PhilRice Rice Science Museum.

The Center through its Director was also one of the lead persons in the planning and management of the 110th Founding Anniversary of the Central Luzon State University held last April 17 – 21 where various unprecedented and festive activities were organized. Among the activities organized by the Center were the symposium on federalism entitled “Keeping the Torch of Change Burning: Forum and Discussion on Federalism” on April 18 where representatives from the Department of the Interior and Local Government discussed the topic. Attended by students, faculty, staff and other members of the community, the symposium aimed to educate the community on the benefits and advantages as well as the possible disadvantages of shifting from centralized form of government to federal system.

On May 16, 2017, the Center organized the first-ever “Sagala” in the CLSU campus. The event dubbed as “2017 Flores de CLSU: Sagala para sa Inang Pamantasan” was participated by campus beaus and gathered much support and accolade from the University official and members of the CLSU community. It will now become an annual activity of the Center.

The Center also serves as venue for research and inquiries pertaining to local history and culture of the province and of the region as well. The Center's Library is housed to various materials like books, magazines, journals and pamphlets on local history, politics, museology and anthropology.

#### RESEARCH

The Center is at the forefront of three on-going researches, one is locally-funded, the other two are funded by the national government through the CHED-Salikha Research Grant. The research entitled “Life History of Vivencio Saulong”, a documentary research on the life of a local war hero of CLSU was considered for funding by CLSU beginning 2018 while “Understanding Araquio: Tracing the Steps, Music and Visuals” and the other research pertaining to the compilation and mass recordings of “oyayi” (lullabies) in Central Luzon have been approved by CHED-Salikha Research Grant also in 2018.

## **INSTITUTIONAL/ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES**

The CCLS has standing collaborations for development to various agencies and organizations like the Philippine Rice Research Institute through its Rice Science Museum, the Central Luzon Association of Museums (CLAM), the Asosasyon ng mga Dalubhasa at May Hilig sa Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas (ADHIKA) and the Nueva Ecija Provincial Government through the Nueva Ecija Historical and Cultural Council. Likewise, the Center through its Director or his designated representative attended and actively participated in various meetings and seminars like the Annual PSSC General Membership Meeting, quarterly meeting of the Central Luzon Association of Museums, among others.

In terms of physical development, the CLSU administration approved in principle the renovation and improvement of the Reimers Hall, a prewar building inside the 658-hectare campus reservation and considered to be the oldest building in CLSU. Upon completion of the renovation which will cost P15 million, the CCLS office and the Agricultural Museum will be relocated there.

## **FINANCIAL STANDING**

The Center's budget is lumped with the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs of CLSU. Expenditures for personnel, travel, supplies and materials are administered and approved by the Vice President for Academic Affairs. With this set up, the Center is considered to be financially healthy.

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## **DCAV RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE** **Manuel S. Enverga University Foundation**

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For Academic Year 2017-2018, the DCAV Research and Knowledge Management Institute (DCAVRKMI) of Enverga University implemented research projects and activities that would add up to the growing number of research accomplishments of MSEUF. This is in keeping with the mission of the DCAVRKMI to produce, disseminate, and utilize new knowledge for growth and development.

### **I. INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**

#### **Completed Faculty Research Projects with Grants from the Institutional Research Fund (IRF) for 2017**

Research projects with research grants from the MSEUF Institutional Research Fund (IRF) were completed in 2017. These research projects were approved for funding based on the MSEUF Unified Research Agenda 2012-2018 which is anchored on the Mission-Vision of the MSEUF and several research agenda such as the National Higher Education Research Agenda II (NHERA II) of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), the National Unified Health Research Agenda (NUHRA 2011-2016) of the Philippine Council for Health Research and Development (PCHRD), and the National Integrated Basic Research Agenda (NIBRA) of the National Research Council of the Philippines (NRCP). These research projects are as follows:

College of Computer Studies / College of Arts and Sciences	
A Mobile-based Monitoring System for Poultry Farm ROSELYN A. MAAÑO / RODRIGO C. BELLEZA JR. / DR. PEDRO JOSE L. DE CASTRO	
College of Engineering	
Development of a Monitoring System based on Pervasive Computing for Apiaries and Meliponaries ROSELYN A. MAAÑO / ENGR. RONALDO C. MAAÑO / DR. PEDRO JOSE L. DE CASTO College of Computer Studies / College of Engineering / College of Arts and Sciences	
Design and Development of Digital IC Tester for CETD Laboratory ENGR. RONALDO C. MAAÑO / ENGR. HANNAH SHAMIRA A. PRIETO / ENGR. MELISSA R. SERRANO	Development of a DC Power Supply from a Discard Computer ATX Power Supply: An Application of Green Computing ENGR. RONALDO C. MAAÑO / ROMEO G. TAGULINAO / ENGR. MELISSA R. SERRANO
College of Arts and Sciences	
Survey and Documentation of Quezon's Local Dances and Folk Songs: Basis for Creating a Course Book JAHZEEL L. SARMIENTO / DR. MARIA AZELA L. TAMAYO / JOSE AMADO C. AMORADO	Varayti ng Wikang Tagalog sa mga Piling Lugar sa Quezon GINA R. CATALIG / MA. JENNIFER E. MATIAS
Survey and Documentation of Quezon's Local Heroes: Basis for Creating a Course Book REMEDIOS S. SALAZAR / OLIVIA B. PALANCA / CRESENCIO C. JABALLA	Development of Sustainable Poverty Alleviation Program for Least Developed Municipalities of Quezon Province DR. FELIXBERTO M. MERCADO / DR. CLAUDIA ODETTE J. AYALA / MILAGROSA A. LAWAS
Pang-Tribong Gobyerno at Pamamahala ng mga Badjao sa Lungsod ng Lucena: Implikasyon sa Pagsunod sa mga Batas Pambansa MILAGROSA A. LAWAS / CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH M. TAKEDA	Traditional Remedies Used for Sexual Problems and Allied Diseases in Quezon Province DR. PEDRO JOSE L. DE CASTO
Organic Farming: Pagpapanatili ng Natural na Pamamaraan at Kaalaman sa Malusog na Kinabukasan DR. ELIZABETH M. GARCIA / RECHELLE THEA G. RAMBOYONG / MARIA CECILIA M. JALBUENA	Tayabas Labor Map and Working Set-Up: Basis for Livelihood Policy Proposal BEVERLIE H. GARCIA / CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH M. TAKEDA / EDJIESON B. HACHASO
College of Arts and Sciences / College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences	
TayaBasCo – Lusugan: Assessment of the Health Delivery Services in the Rural and Urban Areas ENGR. RENATO M. VERGARA / MARIA ELIZABETH D. OABEL / ISMAEL C. LAGRAZON	Health Behaviors of Indigenous People and Its Implication on Maternal and Infant Mortality in Quezon Province ESTEVE ADRIAN Z. ESTIVA / RALEEN CORTEZ / DR. PEDRO JOSE L. DE CASTO
College of Arts and Sciences / College of Criminology and Law Enforcement	
Awareness and Attitudes on Disaster Preparedness: An Analysis of the Adaptive Capacities of Tayabas Bay Communities in Lucena City MARIA ISABEL D. GRANADA / DENNIS ALBERT N. GONZALES	
College of Business and Accountancy	
Rehabilitation of Pagbilao Mangrove as a Sustainable Eco-Tourism Destination DR. FLORMANDO P. BALDOVINO / ROMERICO A. ALVAREZ / CATHERINE D. LIMJUCO	
University Libraries	



Digitization and Organization of the Collection of MSEUF University Museum MYRNA MACAPIA-CASIPIT / JOHN ERBEN S. RENIGADO / GEOBERT DELOS REYES	Educational Media Resource Center (EMRC) Collection Assessment and Return of Investment GERALDINE M. EUSTAQUIO / MARISA C. MAHIYA / ROGER T. IBIAS
An Assessment of Print Materials and Usage of MSEUF Library: Basis for Collection Development Plan CHARLYN SALCEDO / CAROLINA ENGAÑA / RYAN JOSEPH BALMACEDA	Assessment of DOST STARBOOKS Usage in Quezon Province SHERYL C. FARQUERABAO / MAY C. ANYAYAHAN / BUENAFE DELA PUERTA
Disaster Preparedness and Management of Academic Libraries in CALABARZON DR. ROSARIO VILLAMATER / LIBERATO ALBACEA / MARIETTA ENVERGA	To do or not to do Research?: Reexamining Research Capabilities of Quezon Librarians AISA CASTRO / ZOREN ALCANTARA
College of Architecture and Fine Arts	
Assessing the Awareness of Local Government Units of Lucena City in the Development of Green Buildings CHRISTOPHER MIRASOL / MELBA F. SARDEA / GENESIS R. MERANO	

## Ongoing Research Projects with Grants from the Commission on Higher Education for AY 201-2018

### *Year 2*

- Investigating the Teaching and Learning of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Agriculture-Fisheries and Mathematics) in Philippine Higher Education Institutions towards Development of a Lifelong Learning Framework for STEAM Faculties and Students  
Principal Investigator: Dr. Felix M. Mercado

### *Year 1*

- DARETO (Discovery Applied Research and Extension Trans/Inter-Disciplinary Opportunities) Grant-in-Aid  
Design, Development, and Validation of Interactive Multimedia Modules for S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Agri-Fisheries, Mathematics) Education
- IDIG (Institutional Development and Innovation Grants)  
Strengthening and Sustaining the Quezon Studies Center of MSEUF (aka MSEUF Banyuhay Kalilayan Studies Program)

### *Year 2*

- IRSE (Instruction, Research, Sectoral Engagement) Grant
  - Development and Validation of Interactive Multimedia Modules (IMMs) for Teaching English for Academic and Professional Purposes to Senior High School Students  
Dr. Felix M. Mercado and Dr. Maria Cecilia G. Cantos
  - Development and Validation of an Instructional Material for Teaching Oral Communication in Context to Senior High School Students  
Dr. Claudia Odette J. Ayala
  - Instructional Delivery: Its Efficiency and Effectiveness in the Creation of the Standard Procedures in Teaching Trainees in RTS IV  
Dr. Monette G. Tenorio

- Perceived Impact of PNP “Project Tokhang” as Anti-Illegal Drugs Campaign: Implications to the Image of Lucena PNP and to Peace and Order Situation in Lucena City  
Dr. Henedina A. Lagumen
- Reading Aid: An Adaptive Reading Proficiency Enhancement System for Grade School Students  
Raymond S. Bermudez

#### Year 2

- Sectoral Engagement Grants (SE Grants) in the K to 12 Transition Program  
Milagrosa A. Lawas

#### Newly approved (SALIKHA)

#### Ongoing Research Projects Funded by the MSEUF Institutional Research Fund (IRF) (Proposals for 2017) Based on the MSEUF Research Agenda

MSEUF Research and Development Program for Indigenous Knowledge in Climate Change Adaptation	
Kaugnayan ng Pagbabago ng Panahon sa Kalusugan at Kaisipan ng mga Katutubong Grupo DR. ELIZABETH M. GARCIA / RECHELLE THEA G. RAMBOYONG / GRENAND COBRADOR	Indigenous Agricultural Knowledge on Different Yam Species Used by Ayta for Climate Change Adaptation Strategies DR. PEDRO JOSE L. DE CASTRO / DR. CLAUDIA ODETTE J. AYALA / DR. MA. AZELA L. TAMAYO
Rural Research and Community Development Program of MSEUF	
Accelerating Rural Development in Tayabas Bay Communities: The Role of Nonstate Sectors MA. ISABEL D. GRANADA/DR. ROGEL L. LIMPIADA	Corporate Social Responsibility Practices of Family Owned Businesses in Lucena City ALBERT C. ROCES / RAISA MARIZKA R. VER/ LEAH Q. ALVA
A Tracer Study of CBA Graduates from AY 2011-2015 RAISA MARIZKA R. VER / MINNIE M. PITAHIN / DR. FLORMANDO P. BALDOVINO	Community Extension Service of the Business Administration Department of MSEUF – Lucena City: Impact to Beneficiary’s Quality of Life DR. FLORMANDO P. BALDOVINO / ANGLITA C. TAN / CARMEN A. ALDOVINO
The Operations and Performance of Credit Cooperatives in Municipalities along Tayabas Bay REMEDIOS S. SALAZAR / OLIVIA B. PALANCA / JUSTINIANO L. PALANCA	Community Needs Assessment Study of Municipalities along Tayabas Bay MILAGROSA A. LAWAS / NIKKO R. DEL MORO / CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH M. TAKEDA
Mangrove Growing and Reforestation Program: Its Social, Economic and Environmental Impact GILBERT H. GARCIA / CRESENCIO C. JABALLA / EDDSON A. GUERRA	Investigation on the Utilization of Indigenous Materials in the Production and Community Farming in the Municipalities along Tayabas Bay GILBERT H. GARCIA / CRESENCIO C. JABALLA / JENNIFER N. TADIOSA
Level Awareness, Access and Application of Meteorological Phenomena by Indigenous Communities ENGR. RENATO M. VERGARA / MA. ELIZABETH D. OABEL / MA. JENNIFER E. MATIAS	Heograpikal na Baryasyon ng Dayalektong Tagalog GINA R. CATALIG / MA. JENNIFER E. MATIAS

MSEUF Research and Development Program for Integrating Green Architecture in School Plant and Facilities	
Green Building Assessment of MSEUF Facilities: Basis for a Master Campus Development Plan MELBA F. SARDEA / GENESIS R. MEARNO / ar. cyril r. hermosa	
MSEUF Research and Development Program for Information Technology and Analytics Solutions	
Development of Web-based System for the MSEUF Institutional Quality Indicators for Instruction and Delivery Support Services (MSEUF InsQIIDSS) DR. FELIX M. MERCADO / DR. MA. CECILIA G. SANTOS / RAYMOND S. BERMUDEZ	A Smart Wireless Sensor Network of Indoor Environment Monitoring System ROSELYN A. MAAÑO / ENGR. RONALDO C. MAAÑO / SU8SANA C. DE CASTRO
BeeGIS: A Beekeepers' Geographical-based Information System for CALABARZON ROSELYN A. MAAÑO / DR. MA. CECILIA G. CANTOS / DR. PEDRO JOSE DE CASTRO	Development of a Reservation and Management System for Travel Lab at CTHRM Sheryl Mae M. Drio / Rodrigo c. Belleza jr. / Engr. Ronaldo C. Maaño
MSEUF Research and Development Program for Maternal and Infant Health and Control of Infectious and Communicable Diseases	
Knowledge, Attitude, and Practices in HIV/AIDS among Young Men who Engaged in MSM in Quezon Province RALEEN CORTEZ / ESTREVE ADRIAN Z. ESTIVA	Knowledge, Attitude, and Practices in HIV/AIDS among Young Men who Engaged in MSM in Quezon Province MA. CORAZON B. VALDEAVILLA / ISMAEL LAGRASON / NHELLY ILAGAN
Criminology, Public Safety Services and Community Sustainability Research and Development Program of MSEUF	
Problems Encountered by BADAC Members as Force Multiplier of the PNP in Combatting Drug-related Activities ELLAINE A. CONCEPCION / Fergelyn J. Canonigo	
SuRE and Green Physical Plant and Facilities Research and Development Program of MSEUF	
Development of Interactive Module for Ergonomics Course (ERGO COURSE WARE) ENGR. JAMES LOUIE R. MENESES / DR. JOSE B. TAN jr. / ENGR. LUZVIMMINDA SINAPILO	Four Classroom Extension (Second Floor) of CET 121 to 124 ENGR. EVANGELINE L. CONSTANTINO / DR. GUILLERMO M. RAGO / ENGR. CIELITO V. MALIGALIG
MSEUF Research and Development Program for Developing Quezon Province as Sustainable and Investor-Friendly Community	
Issues and Challenges of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in Lucena City: Inference to Strategic Management Plan MA. TERESA M. HIDALGO / ROMERICO A. ALVAREZ / CATHERINE D. LIMJUCO	
Center for Education and Education Management Research	
The Quality of Life of Teacher Retirees in the Second Congressional District: Basis for a Proposed Geriatric Care Program DR. ROGEL L. LIMPIADA / ESPERANZA P. MARIBAO / JOSE M. GIRON, JR	Proposed Management Program for School Administration in Quezon Province Based on the School-Based Management (SBM) System DR. DIVINA J. GLIFONEA / DARRIOS VIRREY/HELENA ILAO

Assessment of Research Competences of Teachers and Students: Basis for Capacity Building Activities DEXTER S. VILLAMIN / DENLYN JOY HALILI/ DR. ROGEL L. LIMPIADA	District Spending on Instructional Materials Versus Average Teacher Perceived Effectiveness HUBERT P. LORESTO / DEXTER S. VILLAMIN/ DR. ROGEL L. LIMPIADA
Technological, Pedagogical and Content Knowledge of the Teachers in the Junior High School Based on the First Three Years of the Rollout Implementation of the Enhanced Basic Education Curriculum JOSEPHINE L. BELEN / MARY GRACE M. JASOLIN/ARLENE P. CARMONA	The Research Capabilities of Selected Senior High School Teachers in the Division of Lucena City: Towards Developing Lesson Exemplars MA. CECILIA M. JALBUENA/DR. MA. AZELA L. TAMAYO / JAHZEEL L. SARMIENTO

### Papers Presented in Research Conferences

Faculty researchers of MSEUF participated and presented papers in various national and international research conferences.

Paper and Author	Title of Conference Date and Venue
CALABARZON Gastronomic Tourism: A Basis for Development of Marketing Plan for Community Progress and Employment Opportunities Dr. Jennifer B. Reyes	International Higher Education Research Forum “Creating New Pathways through Research for Higher Education Competitiveness” August 23-25, 2017 New World Manila Bay Hotel, Manila
A Data Mining Approach on MSEUF Student Records: A Foundation for the Development of an Analytics-Based Student Classification System RODRIGO C. BELLEZA JR.	
Assessment of Campus Security Practices among Public and Private HEIs in CALABARZON: Implication to the Development of a Campus Safety and Security Program DR. MONETTE G. TENORIO	
Improvement of Proofing Process at Foodland Company ENGR. JAMES LOUIE R. MENESES	
Prototype Development of Blended Concrete Roof Tiles ENGR. RAMELA B. RAMIREZ	
An Analysis on the Level of Political Participation of Indigenous People in the Local Governance of Quezon Province CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH M. TAKEDA	2017 International Conference of the Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA) May 11-12, 2017 Cebu City, Philippines
Organization and Development of Gastronomic Tourism Business in the CALABARZON Region: Basis for a Proposed Strategic Management Interventions DR. JENNIFER B. REYES	2nd International Tourism and Hospitality Annual Research Convention” March 16-18, 2017 Bayleaf Hotel, Cavite
Farm Tourism Practices in CALABARZON: Basis for Proposed Community-based Model in the Philippines DR. MARICEL D. HERRERA	
Effectiveness of Collaborative Learning as an Approach in Developing the Writing Skills of Students DR. MARIA AZELA Z. TAMAYO	13th Annual CamTESOL Conference on English Language Teaching February 16-20, 2017 Phnom Penh, Cambodia

## Refereed and Published Research Papers

Eight research papers were published as peer reviewed research articles in the *MSEUF Research Studies*, the institutional research journal of MSEUF which is published once a year by the DCAVRKMI. The MSEUF Research Studies is also published online via the Philippine E-journals, a platform of academic journals and is hosted by the C and E Publishing.

- Dr. Benilda n. Villenas, Dr. Rogel I. Limpiada, and Reina V. Pasumbal. “Grounded Model for Creating and Sustaining Research Culture in Higher Education Institutions in Region IV-A (CALABARZON)”.
- Raymond S. Bermudez, Carina R. Mogol, and Eddson A. Guerra. “Development and Validation of an Interactive Learning Package in Teaching Rizal’s Life, Works, and Writings”.
- Dr. Pedro Jose L. De Castro, Dr. Maria Cecilia G. Cantos, and Maria Elizabeth D. Oabel. “Development and Validation of a Web-Based Self-Assessment Tool in General Chemistry for College Students”.
- Dr. Monette g. Tenorio, David Eric S. Oreta, and Dennis Albert N. Gonzales. “Development and Validation of an Interactive Teaching Module for Teaching Industrial Security Management”.
- Engr. Evangeline I. Constantino, Engr. Roselyn a. Maaño, Engr. Erwin P. Ellazar, and Engr. Dhon Nino B. Canela. “Development and Validation of an Interactive Teaching Module for Statics of Rigid Bodies”.
- Maria Corazon B. Valdeavilla, David Eric S. Oreta, Dario R. Sumande, and Richard m. Escritor. “Development and Validation of Interactive Teaching and Learning Module in Anatomy and Physiology”.
- Dr. Maria Azela L. Tamayo, Dr. Jose B. Tan jr., Jahzeel L. Sarmiento, and Jake Gates B. Ricablanca. “Development and Validation of an AI-based Courseware for Teaching English Enhancement Skills”.
- Rodrigo c. Belleza, jr., Raymond S. Bermudez, and Engr. Roselyn a. Maaño. “A Data Mining Approach on MSEUF Student Records: A Foundation for the Development of an Analytics-based Student Classification System”.
- Dr. Pedro Jose L. De Castro, Engr. Ronaldo c. Maaño, and Susana C. De Castro. “A Microcontroller-based Honey Moisture Content Monitoring and Control System”.
- Dr. Maria Cecilia G. Cantos and Leah T. Salas. “A Web-Based Prediction of Student Courses Selection: An Advising System”.
- Dr. Flormando p. Baldovino, Paz L. Bobadilla, Angelita c. Tan. “Determinants of Locality of Choice for Investment: The Case of Healthcare Industry”.
- Dr. Maricel d. Herrera, Sheryl Mae M. Drio, and Rodrigo C. Belleza, jr. “Usability of an Interactive Tour Instructional Material in Teaching Tour Guiding Course”.
- Engr. Renato m. Vergara and Maria Elizabeth D. Oabel. “Environmental Compliance of Hospitals in Lucena, Quezon Province, Philippines”.

## Research Conferences Hosted by the DCAVRKMI

### *MSEUF Research and Innovation Day (Research Colloquium Series 23)*

The MSEUF Research Colloquium is an annual academic gathering where completed research projects of faculty and staff are presented. It also serves as a venue for disseminating and evaluating research outputs. The MSEUF Research and Innovation Day (Research Colloquium Series 23) was held 12-13 May 2017 at the University MSEUF Gymnasium, Lucena City.

## EXTERNAL LINKAGES AND AFFILIATIONS OF THE DCAVRKMI

The DCAVRKMI has signed a memorandum of agreement with the Health Research and Development Consortium Region IVA for health research collaborations. The Institute continues to maintain its external linkages and affiliation with the following research organizations and professional associations:

- Philippine Social Science Council (PSSC)
- CHED-CALABARZON Research Council (CRC)
- Philippine Council for Health Research and Development (PCHRD)
- Philippine Association of Institutions for Research (PAIR)
- National Research Council of the Philippines (NCRP)
- Linguistic Society of the Philippines (LSP)
- National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)
- Philippine Association for Graduate Education (PAGE)
- Southern Tagalog Consortium for Industry and Energy Research and Development (STCIERD)
- Regional Research Council – NEDA IVA
- OPRKM – Commission on Higher Education

The DCAVRKMI continues to do its mandate to take the lead in research and innovation initiatives of MSEUF in its continuing journey on the road of excellence.

### **FINANCIAL STANDING**

The DCAV Research and Knowledge Management Institute has an approved budget of PhP11,184,229.00 (OpEx P11,084,473 and CapEx P99,756) for its operations in 2017. This does not include research grants from external research funding agencies.

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## **GOWING MEMORIAL RESEARCH CENTER**

### **Dansalan College Foundation**

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The Year 2017. The year is marked with the major tragic incident. On May 23, 2017 the Marawi Siege erupted! And Dansalan College, the mother organization of the Peter Gowing Memorial Research Center, became the first victim of the acts of terror led by the Maute Group and the Abu Sayaff Group led by the Maute brothers and Isnilon Hapilon respectively. Both terror groups are alleged to be affiliated to the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS)

Elements of the Maute group forcibly entered the premises of Dansalan College. They burned the administration building, Science Hall, Speech Laboratory, and other academic and residential buildings.

It was the week of enrollment so the teachers were mostly on campus except for some who were attending seminars elsewhere. During the assault on the campus, the teachers, staff and some family members were able to secure a place in one of the buildings. After a while, many decided to leave. The twenty five (25) teachers who remained in the building were able to escape the next day. Among those who left, forty two (42) were kept safe by a Muslim family but seven (7) were taken as hostages. As fighting escalated, the 42, hungry and sick remained trapped in their hiding place. They were rescued by Philippine Marines weeks after. Unfortunately, the 7 are still held hostage, their whereabouts unknown.

In the ensuing days, the Maute group used Dansalan College as their stronghold, its high structures as machine gun nests and snipers' vantage point. All the remaining structures were vandalized, and because of their presence, the buildings became the target of military airstrikes.

#### *The Hostages*

Seven Dansalan College staff and teachers are held hostage. They are Erlinda Saguin,

Principal; Noelita Cusap, Student Affairs Officer; John Rey Bugacia, Robie Brizal and Lordvin Acopio, teachers; Archilly Abao, Bookkeeper; and Dyna Sheen Bernaldez, Secretary to the President. Per recent video posted on social media yesterday they are with Bishop Fr. Chito Suganob and his staff of the St. Mary's Parish, Marawi City. In the video clip, Fr. Chito claimed there are more than 200 hostages being held. These are mostly laborers and house helpers.

### *The Trapped*

Those who were living in the 8-Unit Yellow Apartment, the Parsonage, and 2 children from the Van Vactor Hall, jumped over the fence to escape from fire. And the families that live in Heffington Building scuttled for safety in the neighborhood. These are the ones who remain trapped in the neighbor's house up to the present.

The trapped include the following: Gracia Dando, Rocky Johns Rellita, Leo Orobala, Leonides Tubio, Marlibeth Mayordo, Karen Munasque, Cyril Poblador, Johnny Relion, Regene Apao, April Rapista, Felma Joy Silla, Sheanna Mae Jimenez, Jerona Sedrome, Jane Rose Sedrome, Aljo Catedral, Amor Habagat, Marie Louise Kilem, Lorilyn Ganuhay, Ariel Ellare, and 2 unnamed applicants from Iligan City, teachers; Darwin Cacdac, Pearl Marianne Apilan, Rizeda Auditor and Julio Lasola, staff; Jerome Lasola, Anthony Lasola, Anuar Alamada and Mohammad Edris Alamada, Grade school pupils; Farida Lasola, wife of Julio with their 3 children and a 2-month old baby; Loloy Dando, husband of Gracia and their son Brian. With them are unnamed workers in households, etc. This is the 8th day of their ordeal. No food, no water and no clothing.

All the buildings and structures in the campus were destroyed by fire and airstrikes. After over a month, Dansalan College was liberated by government forces, but its buildings were already reduced to empty shells. Many families sought refuge in Iligan City, which is only 31 kilometers away from Marawi City. The evacuees included the teachers and students of Dansalan College.

### *The Situation*

During our second visit to Marawi on November 25, we were able to enter the DC campus. Marawi was a ghost city. No sign of life. The devastation was horrible. Using words to describe the total wreckage is extremely inadequate!

Our military escorts paved the way for us to ensure that there were no more booby traps, unexploded bombs and IEDs (improvised explosive bombs) on the grounds and inside the buildings we were to enter into in the campus.

All buildings were destroyed. Valuable properties were stolen. Trees which were planted for sustainability were hit by airstrikes and died. The ambulance was peppered with bullets. The hauling truck was wrecked. Traces of the acts of terror were prominent. The campus demonstrated a desolate scene! The reflect human depravity! Anyone who sees it cannot help but ask: "Can Dansalan College Foundation rise again?"

### *What had been done*

1. Informed/Notified the Board of Trustees, all concerned authorities, church leaders friends, partners in mission and service, institutional associations and organizations in which Dansalan College is a member, DC alumni and other concerned persons that the school was under attack. Pleaded for their help to mobilize all means of transport, even the use of a chopper if logical, to rescue all.
2. Employees and students were instructed to grab the first opportunity to get out of the situation; to seize the critical moment for escape. Text messages were sent. Vehicles (school's and of the neighbor's) stood by to transport them.
3. Urged DC folks to escape via school transport, neighbor's cars, by staying in their students' home and other possible ways for their safety. Unfortunately, some were taken. Many got trapped.

4. Solicited help from military friends and friends with military connections, alumni, students and their parents, friends of DC, to intervene for the safety of all DC folks and their affiliates.
5. Met and engaged the support of persons who are involved in peace process and in dealing with crisis situations
6. Conducted a brief meeting with UCCP General Secretary Bishop Ruel Marigza, Institutional Program Ministries Head Rev. Rannieh Mercado, CREATE\_UCCP Executive Director Edna Orteza, General Assembly Chair Pio Baconga, DC alumni, NGO worker, and other concerned persons. After the meeting in the Office we moved to other venue where we met Dr. About Linga who was involved in MILF negotiating Panel, Ms. Elizabeth Padilla and Ms. Arlene S. Molde.
7. Took maximum caution in answering unknown calls and messages for the safety of all the trapped and the taken. Kept in utmost confidentiality the exact location of the trapped. However, it shared this information to the responsible persons and authorities who are to rescue them.
8. Petitioned rescue teams to provide food and water to the Trapped. A 2-month old baby is among the trapped.
9. Stormed the doors of heaven for mercy and love through prayer brigades
10. Took care of the evacuees and their families. Enjoined help from church and other non-government organizations.
11. Mobilized all possible means to save life. It did all it could to ensure their safety and protection from harm. Dansalan College loves all workers in the vineyard of God. And with the supporters, it continues to search ways to rescue them until the last drop of sweat dries up and the will to care is extinguished!

### *The Million Dollar Questions*

Buried in this deep crisis resulting from the Marawi City Siege are questions that are difficult to answer. Will the school continue to operate? Will it re-open this school year? Will there be teachers and staff daring and courageous enough to go back and serve there? Like sphinx, Dansalan College will rise from its ashes! But how much and how long will it take to rebuild the destroyed buildings, other physical facilities? Or the acquisition its library collection and other instructional facilities?

If we opt not to continue its operation, can we afford to lose the several gains and legacy that the school has done in educating the learners; improving the economic lot of several poor, the underserved, the less privileged; advocating harmonious Muslim-Christian relations and making the “Billions” speak per Dr. Franck Laubach vision be put to naught? Where will the 2,000 more or less children and youth go for their education? Thus far, about 1,000 students had already enrolled.

### **Possible Options for Dansalan College to Operate**

In its Special Meeting in May 2017, the DCFI Board voted to continue its ministry in the education service. In accord with this action, the administration decided to operate in the Lambaguhon facility to respond to the needs of the displaced students. Mainly, the facility in Iligan is intended for the Research Center activities and programs, short term courses for post secondary and tertiary level students. But because of the siege, the facility has to be used to accommodate basic education students who did not enroll in other schools but had waited for its operation. While it is inadequate in term of space and academic resources, it is good enough to use for the urgent need.



As we look forward to the School Year 2018-2019, we need to plan how the school could continue its operation. Per information from reliable sources, the rebuilding and rehabilitation work in Marawi City may take 3-5 years yet. And it is not even determined when the work could commence when safety and resources are taken into consideration.

For DCFI, the following possibilities can be discussed to choose the logical option:

1. Expedite the implementation of the Development Plan of the Lambaguhon campus. The campus is starting to be known by people in the City but may need further advertisement. The place is far from the heart of Iligan and may constrain students from enrolling here. And the Plan does not include lodging facilities for the students. A student dormitory may be added if it is considered feasible.
2. Start constructing the initial school building in the main campus in preparation for the coming school year, if allowed by the military to re-occupy the area. The DC campus is in the main battle area. Thus, the military has the say if the area is already safe for any activity.
3. Use the Agricultural Center farm as the school venue. The area is more than 10 hectares and is duly fenced. However it is under litigation because it was grabbed by unscrupulous individuals. This was reported to the Board in the past years. The school's agricultural farm is far from the battle area.
4. Lease an area near Sagonsungan, a barrio used as temporary residential area of the Marawi residents. The area presented by a proponent is only 3,000 square meters. Lease is P14,000 per classroom. Dansalan College has to advance the rent for two years in order for the owner to construct the temporary classrooms. The proponent believes that the temporary DC venue has to be accessible to the students.

There are pros and cons to the possibilities being mentioned above. Our conversation this morning can hopefully result to a good option that DC can implement.

- Dansalan College is in Ground Zero.
- The 7 hostages remain at large as of this date since May 23.
- Twenty-five faculty and staff who hid inside the campus were able to evacuate to Iligan on May 24 with the help of the parents of students. Others escaped individually with Maranao Friends via Malabang or Sultan Naga
- Forty-one trapped employees that included family members, friends, teacher applicants had escaped from their hiding place in Marawi during a 4-hour ceasefire that was brokered and a peace corridor was opened on June 3
- The campus was retaken by the Scout Rangers after 10 days of heavy fighting. Terrorists were flushed out, but 3 rangers died in the process.

#### Time to Move On

1. The Board voted to continue the operation of Dansalan College in Marawi City and in Lambaguhon, Iligan City. Marawi campus will require a long-range plan for reconstruction in rehabilitation.
2. The Dansalan College Annex can respond to the immediate needs of the students.
3. As claimed, clearing of war gadgets and sanitizing the City may take at least 6 months or more. While the reconstruction and rehabilitation of the structures will take years.
4. DCF Board of Trustees and the Administration decided to hold classes for all levels in the Dansalan College Annex in Lambaguhon, Iligan City as soon as possible.
5. Psychosocial intervention and Trauma Healing and Stress Management Seminar on July 20-22 sponsored by Silliman University.
6. Rebuilding human trust, easing out of tensions, values development, etc.

7. Redefining concepts of extremism, Islam, jihad, conflict resolution and reconciliation.
8. Strengthening peace building and peace-making efforts.
9. Determining interventions to prevent the vulnerable youth and children from getting recruited to violent extremism.
10. Understanding the role of religion, spirituality and education in shaping peace loving citizenry.
11. Proper governance.
12. The Marawi Siege caused a major setback to the development efforts to provide quality service

### Dansalan College to Rise from the Rubble

Those who were rescued found themselves confronted with various other issues brought about by forced displacement and sudden unemployment. Homelessness, malnutrition, hunger and illnesses are but among the resultant problems. Those who have families elsewhere decided to leave, but most of them stayed in Iligan City hoping to be resettled and employed as soon as DCFI opens classes.

Some initiatives have been taken to deal with the crisis, among them:

1. Creation of a crisis management team
2. Assessment of the situation
3. Crisis intervention
  - Consulted with experts to analyze the situation and come up with strategies and possibilities to rescue those trapped in Marawi.
  - Coordinated with local government units to find ways to deal with the crisis.
  - Arranged transport and facilitated the rescue of personnel.
  - Attended to the evacuees and their families.
  - Enjoined churches, organizations and groups to lend support.
  - Coordinated with institutions to provide psycho-social intervention/conduct trauma healing sessions with survivors/evacuees.
4. Meetings/Consultations
  - With the Board of Trustees to determine steps to be taken
  - With faculty, parents and students to provide update on the situation and possible steps to be taken
  - With the Department of Education for permit to open the Iligan campus and to negotiate late opening of classes
5. Assessment/Planning
  - Assess needs
  - Draw up plan
  - Set priorities
  - Determine steps to be taken
6. Resource Generation
7. Networking

### *DCF Iligan City Campus*

Three years ago, Dansalan College started the construction of a structure in Iligan, fulfilling a longtime dream to establish a campus in the city.

The first to be moved were the documents and resources of the Research Center. Started by the historian Dr Peter Gowing, it remains as the richest repository of resources on Christian-Muslim relations and continues to bring in researchers and scholars from many countries around the world. The center aims to contribute to the easing of tensions and the promotion of peace and justice among Christians, Muslims and people of other faiths.

### *Moving forward*

The plan is to rehabilitate Dansalan College, restore operation and enable it to fulfill its ministry in formal education in a multi-faith, multi-cultural context and more significantly, to continue serving an interfaith community in spite of historical conflicts.

### *Acts of Solidarity*

We are grateful for the varying expressions of love and solidarity from churches, alumni, individuals and groups all over the world – phone calls, text messages, FB posts, prayers, letters of concern and support, visits, facilitating the release and transport of those who were trapped in Marawi, concerts in Geneva, dinner in Davao, food and other relief items for evacuees.

Through the United Church of Christ in the Philippines, partners in the United States, Canada, and in other countries have committed support. Global Ministries and United Evangelical Mission (UEM) sent immediate assistance. In the Philippines, churches and educational institutions, associations and networks have extended support, not only financially, but also through forms of psycho-social intervention. All these helped ease the pain and the great sense of loss, insecurity and vulnerability, and inspired us to move forward and continue with the ministry entrusted to us.

### *Typhoons Vinta and Agaton*

The year ended with the havoc created by typhoons Vinta and Agaton. The man-man and natural calamities prominently made the year a time of tragic occurrences in the life of the Dansalan College of which the Gowing Memorial Research is part of its ministry and educational service.

## **SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES**

The Director and other staff participated in different seminars, consultations, and conferences as facilitators and/or as attendees during the year. In January 2017, the Director served as facilitator and discussant among the educational leaders in Mindanao Association of Christian schools and a paper presenter on Mindanao Teachers' Program on Accreditation as a Tool in enhancing quality education in Cagayan de Oro City. Also, she participated in the following:

- August 24/17 - Public Forum on ASEAN issues in Davao City
  - This event is part of the joint publication-cum-outreach initiative of the Philippine Government and ERIA to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) this year. It aims to enhance the understanding of ASEAN people about the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) as well as to generate insights and recommendations on how to strengthen and move the ASCC into 2025 and beyond.
  - Ultimately, the objective of the symposium is to let ASEAN people have a better understanding and appreciation of, greater emotional attachment to, and deeper engagement with ASEAN and the region.
  - As part of the event, there were a series of panel discussion on (1) building ASCC and nation building; (2) what does ASEAN mean to ASEAN people; (3) networking, innovation.
- Psychosocial intervention and Trauma Healing and Stress Management Seminar on July 20-22 to be sponsored by Silliman University and education as foundation of building ASCC for the future; and (4) toward a more resilient and sustainable ASEAN. Invited panelists are some of the most prominent academics, researchers, and government officials as well as key ASEAN Secretariat officials. Psychosocial intervention and Trauma Healing and Stress Management Seminar on July 20-22 to be sponsored by Silliman University.

**INSTITUTE OF PHILIPPINE CULTURE**  
**Ateneo de Manila University**

The Institute of Philippine Culture (IPC) is a multidisciplinary research organization of the School of Social Sciences of the Ateneo de Manila University. Founded in 1960 by Frank Xavier Lynch, SJ, an anthropologist, it seeks a better understanding of culture and society in the Philippines and other Asian countries, an improved quality of life for disadvantaged groups, and a more peaceful, just, and equitable national and global society.

The fulfillment of the IPC’s goals is anchored on research, the major focus of its activities. Two other principal areas of competence emanate from this knowledge base: capacity building and networking, and knowledge dissemination.

**RESEARCH**

With Ford Foundation grant funds, the Institute of Philippine Culture finances and conducts theoretically grounded studies on topics it deems of interest. It also carries out externally-funded studies on various research topics on Philippine culture and society, in response to the knowledge and field-level needs of national and local government, nongovernment organizations, and international agencies. The following sixteen IPC research projects were either initiated, completed, or were ongoing in calendar year 2017:

Title of Research Project	Partner Organization (if any) and Project Duration
Urban Resettlement of Filipino Informal Settler Families and Children – Roots, Dynamics, Impacts	Funded by Save the Children Philippines (SCP) (initiated in November 2017; ongoing)
eHealth Analytics for Data-driven Decision-making (eHATID2)	Funded by the Philippine Council for Health Research and Development (initiated in September 2017; ongoing)
Ateneo de Manila as a Global Hub for Research on the Philippines	Funded by the Commission On Higher Education (initiated in July 2017; ongoing)
COMPETEN-SEA (WP5) ] Capacity to organize massive public educational opportunities in universities of Southeast Asia	Funded by the Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education (initiated in October 2016; ongoing)
Lessons Learned on the Life Skills Plus Program - A Participatory Study	Funded by the Consuelo Zobel Alger Foundation (Consuelo Foundation) (initiated in July 2017; ongoing)
Community Profiling Research in eight communities covered by the Lao Foundation	Funded by the Lao Foundation Inc. (initiated in April 2017; ongoing)
‘Mas Masahol Pa sa Hayop’: The Discursive Production of LGBT Identities in the Philippines after Pacquiao” (an IPC Merit Research Award granted to Dr. Mira Alexis P. Ofreneo)	Funded by the IPC (initiated in June 2017; ongoing)
Examining the Path of Information and Intent from Scientists to People: Yolanda Warnings and Audiences (an IPC Merit Research Award granted to Dr. Dr. Maria Inez Angela Z. Ponce de Leon)	Funded by the IPC (initiated in June 2017; ongoing)
Data Governance in eHealth Programs: Understanding the Interaction of Health Technologies and Decision-making in the HATID ASEAN projects of the Philippines, Thailand and Indonesia (HATID GOV)	Funded by the IPC (initiated in June 2017; ongoing)

Mainstreaming Gender and Diversity in the Loyola Schools: Perspectives, Practices, and Prospects	Funded by the IPC (initiated in June 2017; ongoing)
Opportunities for social innovation in public spaces of the Global South: towards sustainable leisure consumption practices and wellbeing for all	Funded by the IPC (initiated in January 2017; ongoing)
Vote of the Poor 2016: Bottom-up Perception of Electoral and Political Strategies	Funded by the IPC (initiated in January 2016; ongoing)
Inventory of the Architectural Heritage of Manila and the Rest of Metro Manila: 1571-1960	Funded by the Society for the Preservation of Philippine Culture, Inc. (initiated in May 2008; ongoing)
The Ateneo Cultural Laboratory: Fostering Pride of Place	Funded by the IPC and managed by the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Ateneo de Manila University (initiated in May 2011; ongoing)
Growing Social Development Institutions: A Manual for Transforming Communities	Co-funded by the Office of the President, Ateneo de Manila University (initiated in November 2012; ongoing)
Armed Conflict, Natural Disasters, Urban Development, and Population Displacements in the Philippines: Generating Knowledge for Understanding and Action	Co-funded by the Center for Coordination of Research, International Federation of Catholic Universities (initiated in May 2012; ongoing)

In 2017, the Institute of Philippine Culture also hosted nine Visiting Research Associates from seven countries—Australia, Mexico, Japan, Spain, Germany, and the USA. Their topics of study include: Philippine history; urban change; disaster risk, climate change, and the environment; agriculture; political systems; migration; and linguistics.

## CAPACITY BUILDING AND NETWORKING

The following activities were conducted under the IPC’s Capacity Building and Networking Programs in 2017:

- Panel presenter at the International Conference marking the Centennial of Philippine Anthropology held at the University of the Philippine, Diliman, and the Philippine Sociological Society National Conference held at the University of the Philippines, Cebu;
- Financed the Ateneo Cultural Laboratory or ACL (a three-week, six-unit summer course administered by the Department of Sociology and Anthropology for AdMU students and external professionals focused on the study, observation, and promotion of cultural heritage of particular Philippine cities or towns), and
- Trained over 426 cities and municipalities, 23 provinces and one regional government (ARMM) in the Philippines for eHealth capacity.

## KNOWLEDGE DISSEMINATION

### Research Results Presentations/Public Lectures/Conferences

In calendar year 2017, the Institute of Philippine Culture disseminated the results of IPC research projects in a round table discussions held at the Ateneo de Manila University. It sponsored five public lectures of IPC Visiting Research Associates Program of the institute.

## FINANCIAL STANDING

In calendar year 2017, the Institute of Philippine Culture had a Total Revenue of Php

2,967,709.00. With Total Expenses for 2016 at Php 2,859,347.00. The IPC remains in very good financial standing because of its substantial Current Assets (e.g., cash in bank) and Current Investments (e.g., time deposits).

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## KAISA PARA SA KAUNLARAN

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### RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

- See, Teresita Ang (2017). *Ties that bind: The Saga of Sulu Sultan to China*.
- *Tulay Fortnightly*, Chinese-Filipino Digest continues to roll out to subscribers every other Tuesday. This publication, which first came out in 1988, is now on its 28th volume. To this day, it maintains its role to provide a “bridge of understanding between two cultures and two generations.” The publication gives a regular roundup of news and events, as well as issues and concerns that affect the Chinese-Filipino community and the mainstream society. Below are the 2017 highlights in *Tulay*:
  - See, Teresita. “Chinese in the Philippines: New studies, current issues, future directions.” March 21- April 3, 2017. Vol. XXIX No. 20.
  - Yu, Anson. “Schoolyard Archeology.” April 4- 24, 2017. Vol. XXIX No. 21
  - Wu, W. H. “The rise and fall of Chinese textile business in Iloilo.” April 25- May 8, 2017. Vol. XXIX No. 22.
  - See, Teresita. “Strong Filipinas heroines of the revolution.” May 23- June 19, 2017. Vol. XXIX No. 24.
  - Tulay Staff. “Filipinas we don’t know.” May 23- June 19, 2017. Vol. XXIX No. 24.
  - See, Teresita. “Qing archives yield treasures of Philippine history.” July 18- 31, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 4.
  - Yu, Anson. “Dreamer, adventurer, explorer.” Aug. 1 - 14, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 5.
  - Garcia, Cristina Roces. “Unearthing our history.” Aug. 15 - Sept. 4, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 6.
  - See, Teresita. “Bulacan cradle of revolution, Chinese mestizo leaders.” Sept. 19- Oct. 9, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 8.
  - Yu, Anson. “Malolos the historical city.” Sept. 19- Oct. 9, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 8.
  - See, Teresita. “Kaisa 30 years legacy of bridge-building” Sept. 5-18, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 7.
  - Digo, Jamaica Mae. “Volunteer power.” Nov. 21 - Dec. 4, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 12.
  - Dela Cruz, Eduardo. “Waiting at the resting place.” Dec. 5-18, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 13.
  - Hong, EngMuy translated by DE LA CRUZ, Eduardo. “In search of overseas relatives.” Dec. 5-18, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 13.
  - Father Sim, Benjamin. “The privilege and joy of empowering the youth.” Dec. 19- Jan. 16, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 14.
  - Abatayo, Ardilyn. “Reaching the unreachable.” Dec. 19- Jan. 16, 2017. Vol. XXX No. 14.

*Integration* (Yong-Hap), the Chinese-language counterpart of *Tulay*, is a weekly supplement published in the Chinese-language daily, *World News*. The full-page supplement discusses issues affecting the Chinese community, analyzes the Chinese role in addressing the concerns Philippine society, and provides insights about Filipinos and the Philippine nation for the benefit of the older generation Chinese. It is now on its 1487TH issue. Chinese-language speaking researchers have always cited the articles in the supplement in their work on Chinese overseas.

## Chinben See Memorial Library

A total of 54 visitors came to Chinben See Library for various research topics and interests. This topic by local and international researchers ranges Chinese in the Philippines, Overseas Chinese, Mandarin Chinese and Tulay articles and publications.

### ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

Paper presentations, participation in local and international conferences, lectures and workshops conducted

Presentation Title/ <i>Resource Person</i>	Event Title/ Organizer
A Journey in Strengthening Philippine-China Relations: The Saga of Sultan of Sulu in China <i>Teresita Ang See</i>	The Philippine Foreign Policies under the Duterte Administration: Prospect and Challenges organized by Polytechnic University of the Philippines. 10 May 2017
Speakers on Who Am I? : What It Means To Be A Filipino-Chinese in the 21st Century <i>Meah Ang See and Richard Chu</i>	Event organized YMCA Youth. 7 January 2017
The Philippines in Ancient Chinese Records <i>Meah Ang See</i>	Chinese in the Philippines: New Studies, Current issues, future Directions Conference; co-organized by Kaisa and the Ricardo Leong Center for Chinese Studies. 14-16 January 2017
From Sangley and Intsikto Huarenand Tsinoy— Ethnic Identity Formation and Transformation <i>Teresita Ang See</i>	
Shifting Paradigms: Reforming Chinese language education in the Philippines (Sharing the experience of Philippine Cultural College) <i>Sining Marcos-Kotah</i>	
The Chinese in the Philippines during the Japanese Occupation: A story of Courage, Struggle, and Survival <i>Teresita Ang See</i>	75th Anniversary of World War II in the Philippines organized by Holy Angel University, Pampanga. July 17-19 July 2017
The Ties that Bind -- the Saga of Sultan of Sulu in China <i>Teresita Ang See</i>	The Voyage of the Balangay organized by The Book Stop Project. July 22, 2017
Speaker on the 38th National Conference on National and Local History <i>Teresita Ang See</i>	Event organized by the Philippine Historical Studies Association. 19-21 October 2017
New Chinese Migrants in the Philippines: Exploring Non-Economic Factors in Migration Decisions <i>Teresita Ang See</i>	ISSCO 2017 Nagasaki 17-19 November 2017
Sources on the Philippines in Ancient Chinese Maps, Books and Records	
Philippine Chinese Language Education in Transition <i>Sining Marcos-Kotah</i>	
The Ties that Bind -- the Saga of Sultan of Sulu in China <i>Teresita Ang See and Meah Ang See</i>	600th Commemoration of Sulu Sultan Paduka's Voyage to China; co-organized by Kaisa, Confucius Institute and Department of History of Ateneo de Manila University, Institute of Islamic Studies, Philippine Association for Chinese Studies, and Dezhou University. 24-25 November 2017

Cemeteries, Burials, and Tombstones as Sources of Primary Historical Information on the Philippines and the Ethnic Chinese Community <i>Teresita Ang See</i>	PACS at 30 Conference organized by The Philippine Association for Chinese Studies 2 December 2017
Kaisa Para sa Kaunlaran and Kaisa Heritage Center as Agencies of Social Change <i>Ang Chak Chi</i>	

**Bahay Tsinoy Exhibits and other KAISA activities**

4 March 2017	BOOK FREE: More than 250 teachers came to Kaisa to “shop” for books for free. Close to 4,000 titles were given away to public school teachers and public libraries.
9 June 2017	600 years of Enduring Friendship: beyond borders beyond time exhibited at Bahay Tsinoy
August – December 2017	600 years of Enduring Friendship: beyond borders beyond time traveled to various schools in the country: Philippine Cultural College, Tiong Se Academy, Chiang Kai Shek College, Philippine Institute of Quezon City, Northern Rizal Yorklin High School, Hope Christian High School, Philippine Academy of Sakya, Paco Citizens Academy, Malabon Cultural Institute, University of Sto. Tomas, Chung Hua Institute, Ilagan, Isabela
4 November to 10 December 2017	600 years of Enduring Friendship: beyond borders beyond time was installed for exhibition at the Guangdong Overseas Chinese Museum, Guangzhou, China
23 December 2017	Bahay Tsinoy Museum received more than 100 institutions/ groups comprising of 24,594 persons as of Dec 23
April 23, 2017	Book Fiesta: World Book Copyright Day 2017 at the Quezon Memorial Circle
April 25-26, 2017	Daluyan 2017: Job and Volunteer Fair

**Social Development Work**

- Alay Medisina:Running for 29 years, Alay Medisina volunteers continue to distribute medicine to patients at the Philippine General Hospital every Tuesday. A total of P743, 657.91 was spent to serve 350 patients. As well, Kaisa contributed 100 packs of goodies to PGH’s annual Christmas gift giving event.
- Dugomo, Buhay ko:Annual blood donation drive in partnership with the Philippine Red Cross. This event is Kaisa’s way of celebrating its anniversary in August, and has been ongoing since 2001.
- Other charitable donations:Kaisa continues to receive donations of old clothes and houseware, which are kept until such time that they are needed e.g.
- Goods worth P226,167.00 were contributed to the Marawi mission of Community and Family Services International
- Other housewares, beddings, towels were donated to Pangarap Foundation, Pasay City and Sigla Tala Foundation (a half-way house for street children)

**FINANCIAL STANDING**

Kaisa remains financially stable in 2017, with funding coming from various sources.



## **ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES**

Consistent with its mandate to promote and improve Social Work Education in the Philippines, NASWEI continuously engaged itself in various research, training, and other scholarly activities as follows:

### **Research and Publication**

NASWEI completed its study “A Challenge in Upholding Standards in Social Work Practice in Meeting Human Rights and Extra-Judicial Killings (EJK). This project is a collaborative work of NASWEI and the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) a US-based human rights organization primarily aimed at providing a face to EJK and the war on Drugs. The final output of the project is the publication of the book “The Human Costs of the Philippine War on Drugs”, which was launched during the Human Rights Day last December 10, 2017. The book features 19 cases that describe compelling real-life stories of the victims and those left behind. NASWEI is planning to reprint copies for wider dissemination.

Integration of Gender and Gender Responsive Case Management in the Undergraduate Curriculum. As a follow up of the curriculum developed in 2016 where GRM was integrated, NASWEI with UNFPA proceeded further to develop a monitoring and evaluation tool to check on the member’s extent of implementation of the GRM integration in the curriculum. To date, the M and E tool was developed and ready for pre-testing and implementation starting CY 2018.

### **Training and Capacity Enhancement Sessions**

*Gender Responsive Case Management (GRM)*. NASWEI in partnership with DSWD and UNFPA conducted five trainings on GRM to member schools, social workers, and DSWD Employees. The training was conducted to capacitate faculty members of NASWEI member schools on gender and gender responsive case management. This is to ensure that the implementation of the BSSW curriculum where gender responsive case management is integrated will succeed. Other than the faculty of member schools NASWEI was also able to train employees of the Department of Social Welfare and Development on GRM. The GRM Training were as follows:

- GRM Training for NASWEI members in Visayas and Mindanao, April 3-7, 2017 at Apo View Hotel, Davao City.
- GRM Training for NASWEI members in NCR and Luzon, May 22-27, 2017 at Azurro Hotel, Angeles, Pampanga. This was granted 41.75 CPD units.
- GRM Training for DSWD Employees (Non-Social Workers) at Hotel Pontefino, Batangas City on October 9-13 and 23 to 27, 2017.
- GRM Training for Social Workers of the DSWD Protective Services Bureau at Hotel Pontefino, Batangas City last November 13-17, 2017. This was granted with 40.25 CPD points.

*Social Work Research Training for members*. As part of strengthening the capability of members, NASWEI conducted a 5-day training on Quantitative and Qualitative Research Approaches last October 16-20, 2017 at the Ateneo de Davao University, Davao City. Thirty participants from NASWEI member schools all over the country attended the said training. This training earned the participants 38.25 CPD points.

Making Development More Inclusive, Making Development More Disability Responsive: With the new partner, the Philippine Coordinating Center for Inclusive Development (PCCID), NASWEI conducted a training to provide educators a new lens and perspective in helping

individuals, groups and communities, that is inclusive and disability responsive. This was conducted last October 10-12, 2017 at Sequoia Hotel, QC with 16.25 CPD points.

Community Resiliency Model Basic Training and Training of Trainers. NASWEI continue to promote CRM-TRM by sharing this with social workers and service providers handling persons in substance abuse situation in Davao City. Two batches of CRM training were conducted with DSWD region 11 employees and two batches with the service providers and partners of Ateneo de Davao University in Community Based Rehabilitation and After Care programs. A training of trainers was also conducted among selected practitioners to increase the pool of trainers on CRM.

*Human Rights Awareness and Advocacy.* NASWEI came up with a statement against Human Rights violation and EJK. This statement was published in social media and was also sent to the Office of the President. Last December 10, 2017, NASWEI also conducted a forum on Challenges for Social Work in Human Rights Practice with Ms. Evelyn Balais Serrano, RSW as resource speaker.

### Local and International Partnerships

NASWEI is one of the original members of the Philippine Social Work Consortium, an organization composed of social work organizations in various settings. The same consortium represents the Philippines to the ASEAN Social Work Consortium. Last July 27-29, 2017, NASWEI with other members of the consortium attended the 6th ASEAN Social Work Conference in Jakarta, Indonesia. The theme of the conference is “Growing Cooperation, Solidarity and Quality Social Service in the ASEAN.”

The Workshop on Development Cooperation among Educators, Practitioners, Students and Schools of Social Work in the ASEAN, September 10-16, 2017, Ambassador Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand. Four officers of NASWEI attended the workshop on ASEAN cooperation hosted by the Thailand Association for Social Work Education. This cooperation workshop provided a venue for schools of social work in the ASEAN to share programs and discuss issues and concerns with regards Social Work Education in the ASEAN. The participants also visited Schools of Social Work in Thailand as well as social welfare agencies to explore possible linkages and exchange programs.

NASWEI signed a Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) with Dr. Hassan Mosavi Chalak, the President of the Iran Association of Social Workers along with seven other countries. The MOC has seven-point agenda which the Philippine Association of Social Workers Inc (PASWI) and the National Association of Social Work Education Inc. (NASWEI) will be actively involved in. The signing was witnessed by Dr. Rory Truell, the Secretary-General, and CEO of the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW), where the Philippines is an active member and Dr. Mariko Kimura, the President of APSWE. Partnership undertakings will commence starting the year 2018.

NASWEI through its member schools continues to be an active member of the Asia Pacific Association for Social Work Education (APASWE).

Existing partners of NASWEI includes UNFPA, PCCID, UUSC, DSWD and UNICEF. Recently, NASWEI also sent representatives to the conference on “Ako si Bata” organized by UNICEF.

### INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

NASWEI's strength is its members hence, NASWEI through its Vice President per cluster ensure that NASWEI chapters are organized and are fully functional. Regular meetings and monitoring were done by the VPs. At present, NASWEI has at least 15 fully functioning chapters nationwide.

The membership is increasing with almost a hundred member schools and with applications from members still being processed and deliberated on. A directory of member schools is now being consolidated and finalized.

NASWEI also actively sits in the PRC CPD council and regularly coordinates with the PRC-PRB for Social Work for concerns related to the Licensure Examination and promotion of the Social Work Profession.

NASWEI's Board of Directors/Officers regularly holds quarterly meetings.

## **FINANCIAL STANDING**

NASWEI's primary source of income comes from the institutional and individual membership dues and registration fees in training/conferences and conventions. Administrative fees from projects also add to the income of the association. Training and other scholarly activities are usually supported through a cost-sharing scheme with partners.

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## **NATIONAL TAX RESEARCH CENTER**

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### **ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES**

For 2017, the NTRC conducted basic studies on taxation supportive of national goals and priorities, including the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN), the first package of the Comprehensive Tax Reform Program which was eventually passed into law as Republic Act (RA) No. 10963 on December 19, 2017. The NTRC completed the following major studies in support of the TRAIN which include, among others, (1) Proposed Reforms on Estate Tax; (2) Proposed Reforms on the Excise Taxation of Petroleum Products; (3) Proposed Reforms on Philippine Personal Income Tax; (4) Proposed Imposition of Excise Tax on Sugar-Sweetened Beverages in the Philippines; (5) Proposed Reforms on Value-Added Tax; (6) Tax Administration Reforms Proposals Under the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion. Other completed studies include: (1) Taxation of Political Advertisements; (2) Junk Food Tax; (3) Comparative Organizational Structure of ASEAN Revenue Authorities; (4) Proposed Imposition of Casino Entrance Fee; (5) Proposed Foreign Tourist Tax; (6) The Road Tax or Motor Vehicle User's Charge in Selected ASEAN Member-Countries; (7) The Proposed ATM Card Transaction Tax; (8) Highlights of RA 10963; and (9) Comparative Matrix under Present Tax System and RA 10963.

The NTRC evaluated 104 Senate and House Bills and other tax proposals coming from other government agencies and the private sector and attended public hearings relative thereto. It assisted in shepherding the approval of the TRAIN. It provided technical assistance during the bicameral committee hearings.

As Secretariat to the Task Force on the Revision of Fees and Charges, the NTRC monitored the compliance of national government agencies (NGAs) in the revision of fees and charges pursuant to Administrative Order (AO) No. 31 s. 2012. It prepared the Report on the Collection from Fees and Charges of NGAs; Update on the Compliance of NGAs with AO 31; Revenue Performance and Status of Revision of Top Fee Collecting Agencies. It provided technical assistance in TESDA's Rationalization of Fees and in the revision of fees and charges of various government agencies.

As consultant to the Executive Committee on Real Property Valuation pursuant to Department of Finance Order No. 6-2010 (March 12, 2010) and BIR Revenue Memorandum

Order No. 41-2010 (April 23, 2010) in the review and revision of zonal values of real properties for tax purposes, the NTRC has attended public consultations/hearings in coordination with the BIR in the revision of zonal values in various Revenue District Offices (RDOs) in the country. For 2017, there were 19 RDOs that had revised their zonal values in their respective jurisdictions. These were, among others: RDO 92 (Pagadian City), 113A (West Davao City), 113B (East Davao City), 4 (Calasiao, West Pangasinan), 47 (East Makati City), 45 (Marikina City), and 30 (Binondo, Manila).

As Secretariat to the Fiscal Incentives Review Board (FIRB), the NTRC processed and evaluated the applications for tax subsidy by government-owned and controlled corporations (GOCCs) and commissaries for consideration of the FIRB Technical Committee and the Board Proper. The Board issued Certificates of Entitlement to Subsidy (CES) and FIRB Resolutions to the National Food Authority (NFA) and Armed Forces of the Philippines Commissary and Exchange Services (AFPCES).

The NTRC also provided technical support to the Working Group of the Development and Budget Coordination Committee/Executive Technical Board (DBCC/ETB) and DOF Gender and Development (GAD).

The NTRC published the NTRC Tax Research Journal on a bimonthly basis (January-February Issue, March-April Issue, May-June Issue, July-August Issue, September-October Issue and November-December Issue for 2017); and The Philippine Public Finance and Related Statistics. It also prepared the 2016 NTRC Annual Report which has been uploaded in the NTRC website.

## **INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES**

The NTRC continues its information and communications technology programs aimed at improving its technical and administrative support and service delivery. It has upgraded its internet facilities to fiber optic internet which provides more reliable internet infrastructure and enhance protection of its data integrity. It also ensures security in the database management system of the Office.

Also, NTRC officials and employees attended various seminars/workshops to keep them abreast of the latest trends and developments on taxation. As part of its mission to provide continuing staff development, one Chief Tax Specialist attended the Comparative Tax Policy and Administration Program at the Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education in Massachusetts, USA, on August 21 to September 2, 2017.

The NTRC has implemented its Quality Management System (QMS) that conforms to ISO 9001:2015 principles and requirements to demonstrate its commitment to consistently provide quality products and services that exceed client expectations.

The NTRC received an award as one of the Most Outstanding Accounting Offices in Government given by the Association of Government Accountants of the Philippines (AGAP) held at the Waterfront Cebu City Hotel, Cebu City on October 17 to 21, 2017. It also received recognition from the Civil Service Commission (CSC) for obtaining Maturity Level 2 on Recruitment, Selection and Placement as a result of its determination and invaluable efforts to promote excellence in its agency for efficient and effective public service delivery.

## **FINANCIAL STANDING**

The NTRC is a national government agency (NGA) with an approved budgetary appropriation for FY 2017 under the General Appropriations Act (GAA) in the amount of PhP51.203 million and with total personnel complement of eighty-five (85) as of December 31, 2017.

**OFFICE OF RESEARCH**  
University of San Agustin

ACTIVITIES	PERSON/S INVOLVED	DATE
Appointment of Research Management Group Coordinators (RMG)	Dr. Ma. Delsa P. Gange (CLASE) Mr. Jay Michael L. Cordero (CLASE) Mr. Jose G. Perez Jr. (CHAMP) Ms. Maria Rosalie Zerrudo (COT) Ms. May Osano (COC)	June 1, 2017 until March 31, 2018
Dr. Jeffrey V. Ocaj Recommended as Coordinator of Villanova Institute	Mr. Jeffrey V. Ocaj	June 2017
Best Research Paper Award “Freedom in Prison: Prison in Freedom” at the 4th National Research Conference, Philippine Sociological Society, Cebu City	Ms. Ma. Rosalie Zerrudo	June 28, 2017
Research Seminar Series No. 15 “Culture of Reading: Reading of Culture” given by Mr. Randy Magdaluyo to the Fine Arts Program of the College of Technology	Mr. Manuel M. Vergara, OSA Dr. Jonel P. Saludes Dr. Felicidad N. Altalaguire Ms. Ma. Rosalie Zerrudo Ms. Christine A. Villanueva Ms. Ma. Cristina Tamon Mr. Jeric Javellana Fine Arts Faculty & Students	July 3, 2017
2017-2018 Philosophy Lecture Series No. 1, On Writing Philosophy Papers, Graduate School Multipurpose Room	Mr. Jay Michael Cordero Faculty Members AB Philosophy Students	July 7, 2017
Research Seminar Series No. 16 “What Is Critical Theory” given by Dr. Jeffrey V. Ocaj to the AB Philosophy Program of the College of Liberal Arts Sciences and Education	Fr. Manuel M. Vergara, OSA Dr. Jonel P. Saludes Dr. Isidoro Cruz Mr. Jay Michael Cordero Ms. Christine Villanueva Ms. Cristina Tamon Mr. Jeric Javellana AB Philosophy Faculty & Students	July 21, 2017
Philosophy Lecture Series No. 3, Graduate School Multipurpose Room	Mr. Jay Michael Cordero Dr. Sanley Abila Faculty Members AB Philosophy Students	July 28, 2017
4th Lecture Series “Augustine’s Philosophy of Unity”	Mr. Jay Michael Cordero Faculty Members AB Philosophy Students	August 23, 2017
17th Annual SEAAIR Conference 2017 Singapore, Republic of Singapore	Dr. Ma. Cecilia D. Alimen	September 6-8, 2017
17th Annual SEAAIR Conference 2017 Singapore, Republic of Singapore	Ms. Cynia P. Mirasol	September 6-8, 2017
4th International Conference of the International Council	Atty. Niel Sinco Dr. Sonia Daquila	September 14- 15, 2017
Media Mindset 2017 with the Theme: “Media, Meaning, and Millenials (Hugot, Hashtag, Atbp)”	Ms. Rhoda Campillan Mr. Gordon Q. Guillergan AB Communications Students	September 15, 2017

PAP 5th National Convention	Mr. Noel Basan Sr. Gemma Labestre	September 20-22, 2017
25th Asia Media Information and Communication Centre Annual Conference	Ms. Rhoda G. Campillan Ms. Rose Forsa Ms. Pamela Padios	September 27-29, 2017
Focus Group Discussion Ateneo de Davao	Dr. Jeffrey V. Ocay	October 25, 2017
7th Social Ethics Society Conference, Pearl Farm Beach Resort, Samal Island	Dr. Jeffrey V. Ocay	October 26-27, 2017
Case Writing Workshop on “How to Conduct Case Study as a Research Method”	BA Academic Supervisor/RMG Coordinator COC Faculty Members	November 17-18, 2017
Meeting with Fr. Harold Rentoria, OSA	Dr. Jonel Saludes	December 6, 2017
Professorial Chair Grant Research Paper “Freedom in Prison: Prison in Freedom”	Ms. Ma. Rosalie Zerrudo	December 12, 2017

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**PALAWAN STUDIES CENTER**  
Palawan State University

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#### **ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES**

- April 27-28, 2017. Affiliate Researchers from the PSC participated in the week long training and workshop in preparation for the research collaboration with the Ateneo de Manila University Institute of Philippine Culture at the ADMU Campus in Quezon City.
- August 17-19, 2017. Attended the International Conference on the 75th Anniversary of World War II organized by the National Historical Commission of the Philippines at the Holy Angels University Angeles City, Pampanga.
- September 15, 2017. Presented a paper entitled “Harun Narrazid: Paragua’s Last Sultan of Sulu” at the Fourth International Conference of the International Council for Historical and Cultural Cooperation Southeast Asia (ICHCC-SEA) with the theme, “The Malay World: Connecting the Past to the Present,” at the Manila Hotel.
- September 27-29, 2017. The PSC Director was invited to be Resource Speaker on Division Training Workshop on Project Teach-P by the Palawan-Department of Education (Palawan-DEPED) held at the A and A Plaza Hotel, Puerto Princesa City. Topics presented was focused on Palawan’s History and the preparation of teachers’ lesson plans.
- October 4-6, 2017. Participated on the “Basic Research Methodology Training” conducted by the MIMAROPA Health Research and Development Consortium (MHRDC) at the The Linden Suites Hotel, 37 San Miguel Ave., Ortigas Center, Pasig City. The DOST-MIMAROPA advocated through the training a more social science based framework for conducting researches on health and technology.
- October 30, 2017. Headed the first meeting of the Technical Working Group that will design the teacher and trainers module for the proposed Palawan Studies (Palawan History and

Culture) Elective Subject a part of the new mandatory General Education elective of the New General Education Curriculum prescribed by the Commission on Higher Education.

- December 2-3, 2017. The PSC attended the 100th year Anthropology Conference of the Department of Anthropology of the College of Social Sciences and Philosophy (CSSP) at UP Diliman, which included the article presentations and the official launching of the book “Modernizing Frontier: Chemical Transformation of Young People’s Minds and Bodies in Puerto Princesa” which was co-published by the Palawan Studies Center.
- December 2017. Submitted to the Ateneo De Manila University-Institute of Philippine Culture (ADMU-IPC) the data collected for the research study collaboration funded by the Department of Health on the “Health Facility and Household Survey on Access to and Use of Medicines in the Philippines.”

### **INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

- August 18, 2017 Attended the Annual General Assembly of the National Historical Commission of the Philippines-Local Historical Committees Network (NHCP-LHCN) at the Holy Angels University in Angeles City Pampanga.
- December 3, 2017. Meeting with Dr. Anita Hardon of the University of Netherlands for the preparation of proposed programs and possible interventions as a result of the findings of the Chemical Youth Program in Palawan. The event also laid down the groundwork for the second part of the Chemical Youth research book co-published by the PSC together with the University of Netherlands.
- Expanded in 2017 the PSC’s roster of affiliate researchers from 6 to 12 members coming from the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, College of Teacher Education, and the College of Arts and Humanities.
- Trained selected BSED Social Studies students from the College of Teacher Education with on basic research skills to capacitate them as student research assistants in current and future research projects of the PSC.
- Conducted preliminary talks with the Pilipinas Shell Foundation Incorporated (PSFI) with the possibility of utilizing the PSC researchers to conduct an evaluation of the Malaria Program of the PSFI in key affected municipalities of Palawan using Focus Group Discussion (FGD)
- November 21-24, 2017. Participated as resource speaker/trainer in the Environmental Education and Awareness Program: Trainers Training organized by the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD) together with the Department of Education-Palawan (DEPED-Palawan) and the Pilipinas Shell Foundation Incorporated (PSFI).
- December 3, 2017. Meeting with the Chairperson of the Department of Anthropology of the CSSP of the UP-Diliman for possible research and program linkages.

### **FINANCIAL STANDING**

The Palawan Studies Center is one the units under Palawan State University’s Office of the Vice President for Research and Extension (OVPRE), its yearly operational expenses is sourced from the overall budget of the University Research Office.

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## PHILIPPINE ASSOCIATION FOR CHINESE STUDIES

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### ACADEMIC AND/OR SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

#### PACS 30th Anniversary Conference

The Philippine Association for Chinese Studies celebrated its 30th founding anniversary with the year-long theme, Cultivating Community, Knowledge, and Nation: 1987-2017.

The celebration culminated in the 2017 PACS Conference, held at Joy-Nostalgy Hotel and Suites Manila, Pasig City on 2 December 2017. The conference highlighted bilateral economic relations, while not discounting other aspects of Philippines-China relations and China/Chinese Studies in the Philippines. Members of the academe, government, civil society, media, and the diplomatic community attended the conference. Socioeconomic Planning Secretary Ernesto Pernia and Philippine Ambassador to China Chito Santa Romana were the keynote speakers.

#### PACS 30th Anniversary Seminar Series

##### *Seminar 1. China and North East Asia: A Colloquium for Beginning Scholars*

PACS, in cooperation with the University of the Philippines Third World Studies Center, organized a forum on China and North East Asia: A Colloquium for Beginning Scholars. It was held on 10 May 2017 at the UP Palma Hall.

This seminar featured the work of young scholars as they interrogated themes on revolution, identity, pop culture, leadership, economic cooperation, and the environment. PACS facilitated exploration of China in context of the multi-faceted dynamics of North East Asian region. This initiative sought to encourage next generation thinkers in their path as China/North East Asia watchers.

##### *Seminar 2. Friendly Needles and Traditional Chinese Medicine*

In cooperation with the Ateneo de Manila University Ricardo Leong Center for Chinese Studies, PACS organized a seminar on Traditional Chinese Medicine, which was held on 17 June 2017 at the Ateneo de Manila University.

The resource speaker was Dr. Cho Chiong Tan, a respected expert in Traditional Chinese Medicine, Neurology, and Psychiatr. Dr. Cho Chiong Tan practices at Metropolitan Medical Center.

##### *Seminar Series 3. Philippine-China Economics Forum: Towards Philippine Inclusive Growth*

PACS partnered with the Integrated Development Studies Institute (IDSI) in organizing a Philippine-China Economic forum held on 6 November 2017, in Makati City. The forum facilitated discussion with industry leaders and economic experts to discuss practical strategies for Philippine-China relations in aid of contributing to inclusive growth and development.

##### *Conference: 600th Anniversary of the Commemoration of Sulu Sultan*

“Paduka’s Voyage to China: Historical Ties and Enduring Connections of the Philippines-China Relations”

In commemoration of the Sulu Sultan’s historic voyage, the international conference promoted research and discussion on Philippines-China relations. The event was held on 24-25 November 2017 in Makati City and was organized by the Ateneo de Manila University Confucius Institute with PACS as one of the co-organizers.

### INSTITUTIONAL/ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

#### Board Meetings

Three board meetings were held on 11 February at the KAISA Heritage Center, 13 May and 4 November at Mario’s Restaurant, Tomas Morato, Quezon City.



## General Assemblies

PACS General Assemblies were held on 11 February and 2 December 2017. The former coincided with the Chinese New Year celebration. The second assembly coincided with the 30th Anniversary conference at Joy-Nostal Hotel and Suites Manila, Pasig City. It is worth noting that the General Assembly held on 2 December was especially memorable as it had a ceremony to honor four distinguished experts for their life's work in China/Chinese Studies: Atty. Florencio Mallare, Amb. Carlos Chan, Amb. Wilfrido Villacorta, and Amb. Chito Santa Romana.

## Breakfast Roundtable with International China/Chinese Studies Experts

Cognizance of China/Chinese Studies initiatives in different parts of the world is important in understanding emerging directions and programs in the field. PACS members had a fruitful discussion at the Oracle Hotel on 30 September 2017 with four international sinologists: Shih Chih-yu of National Taiwan University, Tanigaki Mariko of University of Tokyo, Prapin Manomaivibool of Chulalongkorn University, and Haryanto Aryodiguno of University of Indonesia.

## PACS Journal

PACS has started the planning of several issues of the organization's journal, Chinese Studies Journal. While the publication is a scholarly activity, the planning process reflects institutional development in regard to research and dissemination, developing new practitioners, and widening networks. PACS seeks to produce several issues featuring a commemorative issues that spans works in the past 30 years, a conference issue, and a special issue on Chinese in Mindanao.

## Development of the PACS Website

In 2017, PACS launched its official website, [www.pacs-phcn.org](http://www.pacs-phcn.org). This platform was launched in aid of disseminating organizational information, including details on events, publications, and membership affairs.

## FINANCES

2017 finances drew from renewals of membership, new membership, and conference sponsorship. The Philippine Association for Chinese Studies has a stable financial foundation and positive financial standing.

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## PHILIPPINE STUDIES ASSOCIATION, INC.

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## THE "MAARAM" PROJECT

The PSA is presently collaborating with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) for the project, "Documentation of Vanishing Traditional and Indigenous Forms of Cultural Heritage". Given the title Maaram (inspired by the seminal work of Kinaray-a anthropologist Alice Magos), the project seeks to document, using multi-media formats, selected cultural traditions of indigenous communities that are in danger of extinction, or re-emerging in new forms, expressions, and channels. The process of documentation hopes to tease out the historical, economic, political, and cultural contexts that undermine or enable the continuity and revitalization of these cultural traditions. The project's outputs will be five educational

documentaries with viewing guides and photographs. These outputs will be packaged as educational resources for the K to 12 program of the Department of Education. Implementation started June 2017, and the scope has been narrowed to the following five cultural traditions:

Cultural tradition	Ethnolinguistic group	Location
Lingling-o	Ifugao	Banawe, Ifugao; Kiangan, Ifugao
Tepo mat weaving	Sama	Tandubas Island, Tawi-tawi
Ambahan and Dapay-Dapay	Panay Bukidnon	Valderrama, Antique
Binakul and Binetwagan Weaving	Ilocano	Bgy. Mindoro, Vigan, Ilocos Sur; Santiago, Ilocos Sur
Kutyapi	Maguindanaon	Mamasapano, Maguindanao

### Pandaigdigang Kongreso sa mga Pag-aaral Hinggil sa Filipinas sa Wikang Filipino

The Philippine Studies Association, together with the Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino (KWF), co-convened the Pandaigdigang Kongreso sa mga Pag-aaral Hinggil sa Filipinas sa Wikang Filipino last August (2-4), 2017 at the National Museum of the Philippines. Aiming to foster the intellectualization of Filipino, the congress tackled such themes as, “Kultura at Kaligiran”, “Iba’t ibang dulog sa pagbasa sa panitikang rehiyonal”, “Retorika ng Tradisyong Pampanitikan”, “Mga usapin sa pananaliksik at pagtuturo ng wika”, and “Pagpopook sa mga Metodo sa Araling Filipino”. Presentations by local and foreign participants were featured during the congress which was attended by representatives from public and private educational institutions.

### PSA National conference

Preparations are in full swing for the PSA National Conference this coming September (26-28), 2018 with the general theme: “The Reshaping of Philippine Studies: Contending Viewpoints, Voices, and Knowledges”. A Facebook page has been set-up for the conference where the Call for Papers is featured (<https://www.facebook.com/2018psanaccon/>) and a PSA website will soon be activated that will, among others, support the communication needs of the forthcoming conference. Finally, the National Museum of the Philippines administration has already agreed to support the conference, with the museum serving as venue.

### The Filipinas journal

The PSA is now actively working towards the launching of its academic journal, *Filipinas: A Journal of the Philippine Studies Association*. Selected papers from the last ICOPHIL (ICOPHIL 10) conference are now in various stages of review and manuscript preparation. The journal is under the stewardship of an Editorial Committee made up of Dr. Bernardita R. Churchill who serves as Executive Editor, Ms. Victoria Cayton who is Managing Editor, and Dr. Elizabeth Enriquez and Dr. Clement C. Camposano as members.

### FINANCIAL STATUS

At the close of the year 2017, the Philippine Studies Association Inc. finds itself in a healthy financial position. Income generated from the last ICOPHIL conference and the NCCA project discussed above constitute substantial financial reserves from which the association can draw to support its programs and planned activities. The association also continues to enjoy the support of institutional partners such as the National Commission for Culture and the Arts and the National Museum of the Philippines.

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**POPULATION INSTITUTE**  
**University of the Philippines Diliman**

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The University of the Philippines Population Institute (UPPI) was founded on November, 1964 by Dr. Mercedes B. Concepcion through an initial grant from the Ford Foundation. As an academic unit of the University of the Philippines, it is mandated to carry out three basic functions – teaching, research and extension service. The UPPI is currently a part of the College of Social Sciences and Philosophy.

In 2017, the UPPI has seven (7) full time faculty members, two (2) lecturers, two (2) university researchers and three (3) administrative staff.

### TEACHING

UPPI holds the distinction of being the only academic institution in the Philippines that offers graduate courses leading to a Master of Arts degree in Demography (MADEM) and the Master in Population Studies (MPOPS). For the school year 2017-2018, it accepted ten (10) new graduate students, majority of whom have been given fellowship grants or tuition support. In the second semester of AY 2016-2017, one student graduated with an MPOPS degree. Table 1 below shows the number of students enrolled by degree program for second semester of academic year 2016-2017 and first semester of academic year 2017-2018:

Table 1. Number of enrolled students for by degree program:  
second semester, AY 2016-2017 and first semester, AY 2017-2018

Degree Program	No. of Students	
	Second semester AY 2016-2017	First semester AY 2017-2018
MA in Demography (MADEM)	17	20
Master in Population Studies (MPOPS)	17	22
TOTAL	34	42

In 2014, the UPPI Alumni Book Award, renamed in 2017 to the UPPI Academic Excellence Award, was established as part of its 50th anniversary, through the generous donation of some alumni. The award is given to the student enrolled in at least 9 units who got the highest general weighted average. Ms. Denise Hyacinth Joy Musni was the awardee for the second semester of academic year 2016-2017. As awardee, she received a certificate of recognition and a cash award of \$100. She was also the previous semester's awardee.

### RESEARCH

UPPI continues its major role in implementing cutting-edge research in population and related fields. In 2017, the UPPI conducted four research projects (see Table 2). In addition, the faculty and staff were also involved in other research in collaboration with the Demographic Research and Development Foundation as summarized in Table 3.

Table 2. List of research projects by UPPI, 2017

Title of Research Project	Duration of the Project	Partner Organization/s
Assessment of the Modified Conditional Cash Transfer Program for Indigenous Peoples in Geographically Isolated and Disadvantaged Areas (MCCT-IPs in GIDA)	May 2016 – June 2017	United Nations Children’s Fund Department of Social Welfare and Development
UP Wellness Initiative for Seniors and Elders (UPWISE)	January 2017 - ongoing	Institute of Aging, University of the Philippines – Manila

Table 3. List of research involvements of UPPI Faculty and Staff in collaboration with the Demographic Research and Development Foundation (DRDF), 2017

Title of Research Project	Other Partner Organization/s Duration of the Project
Mortality Study of Filipino Older Persons based on Death Registration Data: Follow up of the 2007 Philippine Study on Aging (PSOA)	Demographic Research and Development Foundation October 2016 – December 2018
UNFPA Longitudinal Study on the Boy-Girl Child (Baseline Data Collection Survey- Quantitative)	United Nations Population Fund; and USC Office of Population Studies, Inc. October 2016 – February 2017
UNFPA Longitudinal Study on the Boy-Girl Child (Baseline Data Collection Survey- Qualitative)	United Nations Population Fund; and USC Office of Population Studies, Inc. July - December 2017
Impact Study of the Magna Carta of Women (R.A 9710) Implementation to the Situation of Rural Women	Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) September - December 2017
Access of Adolescents to Adolescent’s Sexuality and Reproductive Health Program on Selected Cities	Zuellig Family Foundation (ZFF) October - November 2017
Dual Cohort Prospective Study of Obesity	US National Institute of Health through the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) and University of San Carlos Office of Population Studies November 2016- September 2017

The faculty and researchers of UPPI are actively involved in the dissemination of their research outputs as reflected in awards, publications and attendance in various international and local conferences as paper or poster presenters and resource speakers. Below is the list of awards, publications and presentations in international conferences in 2017.

#### Awards

- Arnisson Andre C. Ortega – “Philippine Social Science Council (PSSC) Virginia A. Miralao Research Excellence Award”
- Arnisson Andre C. Ortega – “International Fellowship, Urban Studies Foundation, Glasgow, Scotland with placement at the City Institute, York University, Canada”
- Christian Joy P. Cruz – “University of the Philippines Diliman Office of the Chancellor Gawad Tsanselor Para sa Natatanging REPS (Research, Extension and Professional Staff)”
- Maria Paz Marquez, Maria Midea Kabamalan and Elma Laguna – “2017 DHS Fellowship Award”

## Publications

- Castro-Palaganas, E. , Spitzer, D.L. , Kabamalan. M.M.M, Sanchez M.C. , Caricativo, R., Runnels, V. , Labonté, R., Murphy, G.T. and Bourgeault, I.V. (2017). An examination of the causes, consequences, and policy responses to the migration of highly trained health personnel from the Philippines: the high cost of living/leaving—a mixed method study. *Human Resources for health* 15(1), 25.
- Marquez, M.P., Kabamalan, M.M., and Laguna, E.P. (2017). Ten years of traditional contraceptive method use in the Philippines: Continuity and change. Demographic and Health Surveys Working Paper No. 130. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF.
- Ortega, A.A.C. (2017). Transnational suburbia: Spatialities of gated suburbs and Filipino diaspora in Manila's periurban fringe. *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*, 107: 5).
- Reyes, M., Pangalangan, E.A. and Ogena, N.B. (2017). *Updates to modules for UP Institute of Human Rights' training seminar: Promoting the human right to reproductive health. In Adolescent Reproductive Health (ARH) Modules for High School Students: A Guide for Teachers and Guidance Counselors*. Manila: Reproductive Health, Rights and Ethics Center for Studies and Training. Diliman, Quezon City: UP Institute of Human Rights.

## International Conference Papers

- Cruz, G. T., Cruz, C. J. P., and Saito, Y. (2017). Educational differences in mortality among older Filipinos. Paper presented at the Comparative Workshop on Adult Mortality Determinants in Low and Middle Income Countries, University of California, Berkeley, USA.
- Manalastas, E. and Cruz, C. J. P. (2017). Alcohol use disparities for lesbian, gay, and bisexual youth in a Southeast Asian context: Evidence from the Philippines. Poster paper presented at the 2017 Population Association of America Conference, Chicago, Illinois, USA.
- Marquez, M. P. N., G. T. Cruz and Bequillo, R. (2017). Prevalence and patterns of nonconsensual sexual initiation among Filipino youth. Paper presented at the 9th Asia Pacific Conference on Reproductive and Sexual Health and Rights, Halong Bay, Vietnam.

The following UPPI faculty and researchers obtained new knowledge and developed new skills after attending international workshops:

- Maria Paz N. Marquez, Maria Midea M. Kabamalan, Elma P. Laguna  
2017 DHS Fellows Data Users Workshop; March 6-17, 2017, Bangkok, Thailand; and  
2017 DHS Fellows Report Writing Workshop; April 25-May 4, 2017, Bali, Indonesia
- Grace T. Cruz, Christian Joy P. Cruz, Klarriness P. Tanalgo  
Asian MetaCenter Hands-on Workshop on Modelling and Projecting Subnational Population Trends; April 7-11, 2017, Shanghai, China
- Nimfa B. Ogena  
4th KOSTAT-UNFPA Summer Seminar on Population (Workshop 3 on Migration Analysis)  
held in Seoul, Republic of Korea from July 23 to August 12, 2017.
- Maria Paz N. Marquez  
Workshop on Demographic Analysis with Applications to Aging Societies; November 20  
–December 1, 2017, Bangkok, Thailand.

## EXTENSION SERVICES

As part of its mandate, UPPI continues to provide technical advisory services to government agencies such as the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) and the Department of Health on

matters related to population. Its faculty also serves as judge and test formulator for the annual national population quiz jointly organized by the Department of Education and Commission on Population; as well as for the regional level in Metro Manila. The Director of the Institute also serves as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Population. UPPI also provides workshop/training services for other institutions/organizations. Several UPPI faculty members served as trainers and resource persons in the 2017 National Demographic and Health Survey Task Force Training conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority in June 2017.

In partnership with the United States Census Bureau (USCB) and the Asian Development Bank, the UPPI organized a 10-day International Workshop for Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) Operations and CSPro Programming for Android Users. The workshop was held at the UPPI on October 9-20, 2017. The University of the Philippines System provided partial financial support. Trainers were from the United States Census Bureau while participants came from Malaysia, Vietnam, India, Laos, Sri Lanka and the Philippines. Specifically representing these countries were technical staff from the Department of Statistics Malaysia, General Statistics Office of Vietnam, Office of the Registrar General of India, Laos Statistics Bureau, Department of Census and Statistics Sri Lanka and from local organizations namely the UPPI, Demographic Research and Development Foundation, Inc., Research Institute for Mindanao Culture, Scalabrini Migration Center, and USC-Office of Population Studies Foundation Incorporated.

As part of the faculty exchange under the Erasmus Plus International Credit Mobility program, Dr. Grace T. Cruz gave a series of lectures on Demography with special focus on Philippine Demography to graduate and undergraduate students at the University of Namur (UNamur) in Belgium in February 15 to 24, 2017.

Dr. Nimfa B. Ogena served as a lecturer to the CIFAL Philippines Workshop: Migration Data for Sustainable Development Quezon City Migration and Development Council (MDC) on August 30-31, 2017 where she gave an introductory lecture on definitions, concepts, and parameters in international migration, as well as possible sources of data on migration, milestones for improving migration statistics, and challenges to the use of such data.

A training on the use of a qualitative data analysis software (Atlas.Ti) for UPPI faculty, staff and UPWISE project staff was held in UPPI on February 3, 2017. It was conducted by Dr. Florio Arquillas of the Cornell Institute for Social and Economic Research, Cornell University.

Table 4 shows the other training and workshops conducted by the UPPI-DRDF and Table 5 lists the lectures and paper presentations by the UPPI faculty.

Table 4. List of training/orientations conducted by the UPPI in 2017 in collaboration with the DRDF, Inc.

Training	Date/Location	Participants
Training on Techniques of Demographic Analysis	January 9-13	Philippine Statistics Authority staff
DHS as Data Source for Research and Teaching: An Orientation Seminar	April 17	UP Diliman faculty, researchers and students; as well as those from UP Los Baños and Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila
Training on Data Analysis using IBM-SPSS	May 30- June 2	Philippine Statistics Authority Social Sector Statistics Service (PSA-SSSS) staff
Training on Data Analysis using IBM-SPSS	July 11-14	Various offices
Workshop on Survey Research	October 24-27	Occupational Safety and Health Center (OSHC) staff

Table 5. Lecture Series and Paper Presentations

Name of Lecturer/ Presenter and Office	Title of Lecture/Presentation	Date
Michael Dominic del Mundo	Generating period life table calculations from events and exposure data and period ASFR/TFR/MAC calculations from fertility survey data using R Studio	October 26
Nimfa B. Ogena	Overview of ARH in the Philippines. Lectures conducted during the Promoting the Human Right to Reproductive Health: Training Seminar for Public School Teachers and Guidance Counselors at the Institute of Human Rights, UP Law Center	Various dates in August to December

## FINANCIAL STANDING

The UPPI derives financial support from the UP system.

### PULSE ASIA RESEARCH INC.

Pulse Asia Research Inc. (PAR Inc.) conducted four Ulat ng Bayan surveys in the year 2017. These quarterly surveys probed into the public's appreciation of the national administration and trust ratings of officials and institutions. The quarterly surveys also elicited the public's stance on critical issues that include the anti-illegal drugs campaign, extra judicial killings, death penalty, and martial law in Mindanao. As has always been practiced, PAR Inc. released to the public data retrieved through the quarterly surveys and its academic fellows presented and clarified the results in various media appearances as well as in seminars/fora.

Aside from the quarterly Ulat ng Bayan surveys, PAR Inc. also conducted rapid assessment study of sugar-sweetened beverage consumption in the country for the Department of Health. The findings of the study were used to help assess the Filipino consumers' SSB consumption and purchasing behaviors, their perceptions and attitudes in consuming SSBs, and their acceptance of multisectoral strategies to reduce SSB consumption.

PAR Inc. also conducted commission surveys, specifically Ulat ng Pamayanan surveys, or assessments of the performance of select local government units in the country.

PAR Inc. maintain its financial viability in 2017.

### SCHOOL OF STATISTICS University of the Philippines Diliman

## ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

For the Academic Year 2017 – 2018, number of enrolling undergraduate students remained low due to the implementation of K to 12 with only 4 freshmen and 19 shiftees and transferees as new students. Despite the low enrollment in the undergraduate program, the graduate program

remains to have a steady increase in the number of new students with a total of 40 new graduate students for AY 2017 – 2018. Additionally, the number of students who graduated from the programs remains to be high with a total of 109 and 26 for the undergraduate and graduate programs, respectively.

In 2017, there were two Visiting Professors: Dr. Alexander de Leon of University of Calgary and Dr. Simon Ellis of UNESCO. Dr. de Leon offered an elective for graduate students on Analysis of Mixed Data while Dr. Ellis held colloquiums on Cultural Statistics. Dr. Lisa Grace S. Bersales continue to serve as the National Statistician and Civil Registry General of the Philippine Statistics Authority. Additionally, Dr. Josefina V. Almeda was appointed as the Executive Director of the Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute.

Francisco de los Reyes, John Carlo Daquis, Joyce Raymond Punzalan and Wendell Campano continue with their PhD Program at the UPSS, while Iris Ivy Gauran and Michael Lucagbo continue with their PhD programs at the University of Maryland Baltimore County. Kevin Carl Santos has graduated from his PhD Program at the UPSS and will holding a research fellow post at The University of Hong Kong for his post – doctoral studies. Moreover, Peter Julian Cayton has returned from Australian National University upon submission of his dissertation and is expected to receive his PhD by June 2018. Similarly, three junior faculty members, namely Jessa Lopez, Ruzzel Ragas and Paolo Redondo graduated from their master’s degrees at UPSS and were promoted to the rank Assistant Professor.

Dr. Dennis S. Mapa, Dr. Joseph Ryan G. Lansangan and Dr. Joselito Magadia received the One UP Professorial Chair awards, while UPSS College Secretary Dr. Josefina V. Almeda and Assistant Professor Michael C. Lucagbo received One UP Faculty Grant awards. For the professorial chairs, the following faculty members were awarded:

- Dr. Dennis S. Mapa – BSP Sterling Professor of Government and Official Statistics
- Prof. Genelyn Ma. F. Sarte – Rosario Chew Professor of Statistics
- Dr. Josefina V. Almeda – Angeles Buenaventura Professor of Statistics
- Prof. Francisco de los Reyes – Sun Life Brilliance Professor of Statistics
- Dr. Kevin Carl Santos – UPSCRFI Professor of Statistics
- Prof. Manuel Leonard F. Albis – BSP UP Centennial Professor of Statistics
- Prof. John Eustaquio – Robert Coyiuto Professor of Statistics
- Prof. Stephen Jun Villejo – PSAI Professor of Statistics

#### Publications in refereed International Journals

- S. Villejo, E. Barrios, J. Lansangan (2017), Robust Estimation of a Dynamic Spatio-Temporal Model with Structural Change, *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, 87(3):506-519.
- J. Eustaquio, E. Barrios, (2017), Nonparametric Hypothesis Testing in Clustered Survival Model, *Communications in Statistics-Computation and Simulation*, 46(8)\_\_\_.
- I. Gauran and E. Barrios (2017), Nonparametric Modeling of Clustered Customer Survival Data, *Communications in Statistics-Simulation and Computation*, 46:603-618.
- C. Manalaysay and E. Barrios (2017), Semiparametric Principal Components Poisson Regression on Clustered Data, *Communications in Statistics-Simulation and Computation*, 46(2):1547-1557.
- R. Guilatco and E. Barrios (2017), Nonparametric Estimation of a Switching Regression Model, *Communications in Statistics-Simulation and Computation*, 46(2):840-854.
- K. Santos and E. Barrios (2017), Improving Predictive Accuracy of Logistic Regression Model Using Ranked Set Samples, *Communications in Statistics-Simulation and Computation*, 46:78-90.
- M. Cervo, D. Mendoza, E. Barrios, L. Panlasigui, (2017), Effects of Nutrient-Fortified Milk-Based Formula on the Nutritional Status and Psychomotor Skills of Preschool Children,



Journal of Nutrition and Metabolism, Volume 2017, Article ID 6456738, 16 pages.

- J. Lansangan, E. Barrios, (2017), Simultaneous Dimension Reduction and Variable Selection in Modeling High Dimensional Data, Computational Statistics and Data Analysis, 112:242-256.
- Y. Perera, M. Ren, J.B. Punzalan, C. Rudinsky and A.R. de Leon (2017), Binocular sensitivity and specificity of screening tests in cross-sectional diagnostic studies of paired organs, Statistics in Medicine.
- D. Feliciano, C. Suarez, M. Bueno, A. Malvar, R. Cua, B. Sales, M. Ong, S. Aycardo, R. Chan, and F.N. de los Reyes (2017). Effect of Collagen Hydrolysate as Adjuvant Treatment to Exercise for Knee Osteoarthritis, PARM Proceedings (Official Journal of the Philippine Academy of Rehabilitation Medicine), 9(1):4-17.
- D.S. Mapa and M.L.F. Albis (2017). Bayesian averaging of classical estimates in asymmetric vector autoregressive models, Communication in Statistics - Simulation and Computation, Volume 46, Number 3.
- D. Feliciano, C. Suarez, M. Bueno, A. Malvar, R. Cua, B. Sales, M. Ong, S. Aycardo, R. Chan, and F.N. de los Reyes (2017). Comparison between Sonographic Longitudinal-Sagittal Technique and Transverse-Axial Technique in Sonographic Evaluation of the Articular Cartilage in Knew Osteoarthritis, PARM Proceedings (Official Journal of the Philippine Academy of Rehabilitation Medicine), 9(1):18.
- M. Mojica and D.S. Mapa (2017). An Index of Financial Inclusion in the Philippines: Construction and Analysis, The Philippine Statistician, Volume 66, Number 1.
- S. Garcia, C. Uy, C. Ngelangel and F.N. de los Reyes (2017). Association between Tumor Response and Change in EQ5D-3L Quality of Life among Cancer Patients, Archives in Cancer Research, Vol.5 No.2:142.

The colloquium series were able to mount lectures not only by the faculty and graduate students but also of visiting professors and practicing professionals. The list of lectures delivered in 2017 follows:

- Jimmy de la Torre, A Sequential Cognitive Diagnosis Model for Polytomous Responses”
- Ian M. McKeague, Stein’s Method and Quantum Theory
- Roberto S. Mariano, High–Mixed Frequency Forecasting of GDP and Inflation in the Philippines
- Jesus Sarol, Epidemiology: Application of Statistics in Epidemiology
- Manuel Leonard F. Albis, Employment Correlates of Multidimensional Poverty in the Philippines
- Erniel B. Barrios, Effect of Rural Infrastructure and Capacity-Building on Agricultural Production and Agricultural Prices
- Alexander R. de Leon, Likelihood analysis of Gaussian copula distributions (GCDs) via a parameter-expanded Monte Carlo EM (PX-MCEM) algorithm
- Jimmy de la Torre, Three–Step Estimation of Cognitive Diagnosis Models with Covariates
- Miguel A. Sorrel, Two–Step Likelihood Ratio Test for Model Comparison in Cognitive Diagnosis Models
- Simon Ellis, Measuring the Cultural and Creative Economy
- Simon Ellis, Measuring Cultural Identity
- Kevin Carl Santos, An Overview of the G-DINA Model Framework and the G-DINA R Package
- Carl Dominick Calub, PBA Play Style Archetypes
- Manuel Leonard F. Albis, Sharing and Matching Hypothesis: Reasons for Agglomeration in the Philippines

Additionally, faculty members presented papers in both local and international conferences. Local presentations include presentations in UPSS 2017 Colloquium on the Statistical Sciences,

2017 Philippines Statistical Association Inc., Annual Conference, 10th Conference of IASC – ARS, 10th International Conference of the ERCIMWG on Computational and Methodological Statistics, 11th International Conference on Computational and Financial Econometrics, 61st ISI World Statistics Congress, 38th Annual Conference on the International Society for Clinical Biostatistics, National Council on Measurement Education 2017 Annual Meeting, National Council on Measurement Education, and 2017 International Meeting of Psychometric Society.

### **Institutional or organizational development activities**

Through the UPSCRFI, the following modules were offered as public trainings: Basic Statistics with EDA, Applied Statistical Forecasting, Statistics for Market Segmentation and Predictive Modeling, Advanced Time Series Analysis, Advanced Regression Analysis, Econometric Methods for Impact Evaluation, and Financial Risk Modeling. Likewise, two new modules were developed, these are: Communicating Statistics Through Infographics, and Business and Customer Analytics. The faculty also conducted mentoring sessions on the application of statistics in business, industry, and in the generation of official statistics.

UPLB Institute of Statistics in collaboration with the UP School of Statistics and the Philippines Statistical Research and Training Center organized the 18th Faculty-Student Conference on the Statistical Science. The conference aimed to develop the culture of disseminating results of researches by faculty and students. Student paper from UPSS won 1st Place in the Best Undergraduate student paper, entitled “Understanding Micro-level Factors Influencing the Ideal Number of Children and Contraceptive Intention and Practice of Filipino Women: A Call for Attention on Women with Unmet Fertility Preference” by Isabelle Benabay and Patricia Rose Donato.

The School officially transferred in the new building last January 25, 2017 and the second phase is expected to be opened by the 1st week of February 2018.

Dr. Lisa Bersales and Dr. Josefina Almeda emerged as the top two choices as Individual Members to the Board of Directors (BOD) in the Philippine Statistical Association Inc. They will serve in the PSAI BOD for the Calendar Years (CY) 2018 to 2020.

### **FINANCIAL STANDING**

The School of Statistics is supported through the budget from the University of the Philippines System, as approved in the General Appropriations Act.

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## **SCHOOL OF URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING**

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The UP School of Urban and Regional Planning (UP SURP) has been at the forefront of the country’s development efforts, upholding its four-fold mandate of graduate education, research, training and development. The Accomplishment Report encompasses all activities of the School in 2017.

### **ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES**

#### *Graduate Studies*

The School’s Diploma, Masters, and Doctoral programs in Urban and Regional Planning, follows a ladderized structure. The international joint program or the Spatial Planning for Regions in Growing Economies (SPRING-Asia) conferred by the University of the Philippines

and the Technical University of Dortmund (TU Dortmund) in Germany is offered as the Masters in Science in Regional Development Planning (MSc RDP) program.

Students enrolling under the various programs of the school may choose to specialize in any of (4) fields of specialization designed to respond to the current practice of planning: Estate Planning, Public Works Planning, Transportation Planning, and Environmental and Natural Resources Planning.

### *Enrolment*

The following table shows the enrolment in the various academic programs of the School for Academic Year (AY) 2016-2017, and for the first semester of AY 2017-2018:

Program	Enrolment (First Sem.)AY 2016-2017			Enrolment (Second Sem.)AY 2016-2017			Enrolment (First Sem.)AY 2017-2018		
	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total
PhD in Urban and Regional Planning (PhD URP)	25	22	47	31	29	60	30	25	50
MA in Urban and Regional Planning (MA URP)	184	149	333	198	154	352	199	166	365
MSc in Regional Development Planning (MScRDP)	3	1	4	6	1	7	3	2	5
Diploma in Urban and Regional Planning (DURP)	31	26	57	42	28	73	34	22	56
Non-degree (Exchange student)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL ENROLMENT (AY 2016 to 2017 and First Semester 2017 to 2018)</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>481</b>

### *Graduates*

In AY 2016-2017, a total of fifty-six (56) students graduated from the School, and the breakdown according to degrees is as follows: Of the total number, thirty-six (36) graduated from the DURP, while fourteen (14) students finished under the MAURP. Around six (6) students received their degrees under the Master of Science in Regional Development Planning (MScRDP).

### *Scholarships*

Students have a list of scholarship programs to choose from at the school, such as the UP SURP and UP PLANADES Thesis/Dissertation Grant, the Dr. Byong Gyu Park Tuition Fee Scholarship, and the Sinclair Knight Graduate Scholarship. These may come in the form of tuition fee scholarships, research grants, and thesis grants.

### **Training and Extension Services**

The Training and Extension Services Division carried out the following trainings in 2017:

- “Special Course on Urban and Regional Planning: A Basic Course in Urban and Regional Planning (SCURP: ABC in URP)”, 6 to 10 March 2017, 3rd Floor, Cariño Multi-Purpose Hall, UP SURP (Course Director: Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales)
- “Special Course on Urban and Regional Planning: A Basic Course in Urban and Regional Planning (SCURP: ABC in URP)”, 8 to 12 May 2017, 3rd Floor, Cariño Multi-Purpose Hall, UP SURP (Course Director: Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales)

- “Special Planning and Implementation Course for Iriga City (SPICE Iriga)” Phase 1, 13 to 18 March 2017, Iriga City (Course Director: Prof. Ernesto M. Serote)
- “Quezon City Executives and Legislators and Planning Course” (Batch 1), 23 March – 07 July 2017, 3rd Floor, Cariño Multi-Purpose Hall, UP SURP (Course Director: Prof. Ernesto M. Serote)
- “Special Planning and Implementation Course for Iriga City (SPICE Iriga)” Phase 2, 24 to 26 April 2017, Iriga City (Course Director: Prof. Ernesto M. Serote)
- “Quezon City Executives and Legislators and Planning Course (Batch 2)”, 03 August to 15 September 2017, 3rd Floor, Cariño Multi-Purpose Hall, UP SURP (Course Director: Prof. Ernesto M. Serote)

## Research and Publications

### *The Journal in Urban and Regional Planning (JURP)*

The Journal in Urban and Regional Planning (JURP) serves as the school’s primary platform devoted to publishing scholarly work on sustainable practices in environmental, urban and regional planning, as well as innovative knowledge and practices in environment, urban and regional planning. Launched in 2013, the journal’s Third Issue will be made available online early in 2018, along with a limited number of print copies.

### Research Projects

- Project Title: PSSC Memorandum of Agreement on the Digitization of the Philippine Planning Journal  
Partner Institution: Philippine Social Science Center (PSSC)
- Project Title: PIDS Memorandum of Agreement on the Socio-Economic Research Portal for the Philippines  
Partner Institution: Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS)

### Researches/Publications of Faculty/Staff

Title of Research/Publication	Faculty/Staff Involved Duration
“A Geographic Information System for Rural Accessibility: Database Development and the Application of Multi-Criteria Evaluation for Road Network Planning in the Rural Areas” to be published in the International Journal on: The Academic Research Community Publication (For publication to ARChive Journal and to be applied to Springer)	Prof. Jun T. Castro February to August 2017
“Development of a Geospatial Visualization System for Local Development Planning” (on-going research)	Prof. Jun T. Castro (co-author) September 2017 to 2019
““A Study on the Provision of Bicycle Facilities to Increase Bicycle Commuting at Central Business Districts in Metro Manila, Philippines” published in the Conference Proceedings of the Urban Transit and Sustainable Networks (For publication to ARChive Journal and to be applied to Springer)	Prof. Jun T. Castro (co-author) January to August 2017
““Spatio-Temporal Analysis of Quezon City Informal Settlements: Towards a QC Informal Settlements Growth Model published in the Conference Proceedings of the World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty	Prof. Jun T. Castro Prof. David Leonidas T. Yap (co-authors) January to March 2017
““Spatio-Temporal Analysis of Quezon City Informal Settlements:	Prof. Jun T. Castro Prof. David Leonidas T. Yap May to August 2016

Title of Research/Publication	Faculty/Staff Involved Duration
“Sustainable Cities and Communities in the Philippines: Challenges and Strategies”	Asst. Prof. Carmeli Marie C. Chaves April to July 2017
entitled “Participatory resettlement planning in a post-disaster coastal city in the Philippines”	Asst. Prof. Carmeli Marie C. Chaves August to May 2017
“Urban Development Strategies to Manage Migration and Rapid Urbanization in the Philippines”	Asst. Prof. Carmeli Marie C. Chaves July 2016 to May 2017
“Formulation of the Pasig River System Strategic and Integrated Masterplan”	Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes January to December 2017
“Establishment of the First UNESCO Global Geopark in Bohol Island”	Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes January to June 2017
“Establishment of a National Virtual Reality Innovation and Application Center for Smarter Urban and Regional Planning: A Feasibility Study”	Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes July 2017 to June 2022
“Waste not! Community actions for greener and cleaner environs” published in the Social Science Journal 3(2): 53-62	Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes May 2016 to April 2017
“The Influence of Rainfall on Mode Choice and Departure Time of Commuters: The Case of Ortigas CBD Workers” for publication in the EASTS Journal / Asian Transport Journal	Prof. Crispin Emmanuel D. Diaz November 2016 to September 2017
“Designing Employee Shuttle Service Program for Employees in Makati Central Business District” for publication in the EASTS Journal / Asian Transport Journal	Prof. Crispin Emmanuel D. Diaz December 2016 to September 2017
“Planning for Barangay Resilience in the Philippines” (First draft accepted for publication in Consilience: Journal for Sustainable Development, University of Columbia)	Nicasio B. Espina, Jr. May to December 2017
“Urbanizing Southwards: Planning Development Possibilities for Mindanao, the Philippines, in an Integrating ASEAN Region”	Assoc. Prof. Jose Edgardo Gomez, Jr. April 2017 to February 2018
“Pathways to a Low Carbon Economy: The Evolving Role of the University of the Philippines” published as chapter in the book entitled Higher Education Institutions in a Global Warming World: The Transition of Higher Education Institutions to a Low Carbon Economy	Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Gamboa, Asst. Prof. Kristine F. Aspiras and Annlouise Genevieve M. Castro February to August 2016
“Logit Model Estimation of Public Transportation Mode Choice in Metro Manila” published in the proceedings of the Proceedings of the Eastern Asia Society for Transportation Studies 2017	Nelson Doroy, Prof. Hussein S. Lidasan, Mark Richmond De Leon, and German Avengoza February to October 2017
“Logistics Capacity Assessment (LCA) of Surigao del Norte”	Asst. Prof. Carmelita R.E.U. Liwag February to November 2017
“Smallholder Organic Farming: An Entrepreneurial Strategy in Harmony with Nature” (in the process of review being reviewed for publication to the International Journal of Environmental Sciences and Sustainable Development)	Assoc. Prof. Dina C. Magnaye July to September 2017
“Climate Smart Agriculture Edu-tourism: A Strategy to Sustain Pro-Biodiversity Entrepreneurship in the Philippines”	Assoc. Prof. Dina C. Magnaye February to July 2017

Title of Research/Publication	Faculty/Staff Involved Duration
“Inquisitive Gaze on the Multi-Dimensional Poor towards Prioritizing the Determinants of Human Capability Poverty for Local Economic Development Planning”	Assoc. Prof. Dina C. Magnaye February to July 2017
“Fragmentation of Community Bonds in Urban Housing? Evolving Philippine Socio-Spatial Norm and Building Typology”	Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales June to December 2017
“Estimating Housing Discrimination towards Same-Sex Couples in Diliman, Quezon City (A Philippine Case Study)”	Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales June to December 2017
“Divergence in Philippine Housing Typologies in the Context of Settlement Growth: History, Culture and Urbanization Imprints on Residential Spaces and Forms (The case of Metropolitan Manila) “ Southeast Asian Houses: Embracing Urban Context” (ed. Seo Ryueng Ju), Chapter 4 officially launched at UIA 2017 Seoul World Architects Congress; the book is now sold online via: <a href="http://www.amazon.com">www.amazon.com</a> and <a href="http://www.seoulselection.com/bookstore">www.seoulselection.com/bookstore</a>	Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales
“Service Characteristics of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) and Conventional Taxis in Metro Manila, Philippines” published in the EASTS Conference Proceedings 2017	Asst. Prof. Ma. Sheilah G. Napalang (co-author) January to September 2017
“Factors that influence women’s participation in public bicycle-sharing programs: A critical review” published in the EASTS Conference Proceedings 2017	Asst. Prof. Ma. Sheilah G. Napalang (co-author) February to July 2017
“Audit of Women’s Challenges in Public Transportation Usage in the Philippines: Considerations in Public Transportation Development”	Asst. Prof. Ma. Sheilah G. Napalang March to July 2017
“Transboundary Planning for Key Biodiversity Areas”	Asst. Prof. Jose M. Regunay January to February 2017
“Forest Habitat Fragmentation Analysis of Selected Key Biodiversity”	Asst. Prof. Jose M. Regunay January to February 2017
“The Natural Region (NR) as Fundamental Framework for Restructuring and Governance Reform”	Asst. Prof. Jose M. Regunay January to October 2017
“Tracing the Routes: Humanitarian Logistics Management in Eastern Visayas, Philippines during 2013 Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan)”	Arlene D.R. Santiago October to December 2017
“Demand Metrics of Urban Green Spaces: Establishing the Tenets of Urban Landscape Biodiversity Planning towards Human Settlements Resiliency”	Geomilie S. Tumamao-Guittap March to September 2017
Extension to revise and rewrite: “Hydro-Meteorological Risk Assessment Guided Demand Forecasting in Humanitarian Logistics Management: the case of Tacloban City in the Philippines” published in the Conference Proceedings of the Urban Transit and Sustainable Networks (For publication to ARChive Journal and to be applied to Springer)	Geomilie S. Tumamao-Guittap and Prof. Jun T. Castro November 2016 to June 2017
“INTERFACE-New typologies of productive public space in urban areas in the Philippines and their impact on the well-being of urban citizens”	Prof. David Leonides T. Yap September 2017 to January 2019

## UP SURP Website

The UP SURP website undergoes regular updating of announcements and information for the students, faculty and staff members, alumni, SURP networks, and the general public.

## INTERNATIONAL AND LOCAL EXCHANGE AND LINKAGES

The School continues to foster strong linkages with international and local institutions and organizations by holding international conferences and seminars, in cooperation with various academic institutions and international organizations. In 2015, the following activities

wear conducted by UP SURP in collaboration with international and local institutions and organizations

### Conferences/Seminars/Public Lecture/Forum

The University of the Philippines School of Urban and Regional Planning (UP SURP), in partnership with the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology and the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, hosted the “Travelling Conference on Sustainable Urban and Mobility Planning” with the theme “Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning—Experiences from Germany and the Philippines” last 24 February 2017 at the Cariño Hall, 3F SURP Bldg., E. Jacinto St., UP Diliman Quezon City. The traveling conference took place in three Asian countries: China, the Philippines and South Korea. Among the partner institutions were the Beijing University of Technology, SungKyunKwan University in the Republic of Korea and the University of the Philippines.

This event discussed fields of common interest between German and Asian researchers, seeking possibilities of common research projects which focused on sustainable urban planning and urban mobility field. The overall objective of the Conference was to get to know the expertise of both partners and to identify possible topics and activities for further collaboration. The conference was attended by various stakeholders, particularly experts in the field of sustainable urban planning and urban mobility.

The school hosted the Consultation and Training Workshops on Water and Urban Initiative last 2 and 3 March 2017, and again from 24 to 26 October 2017 in collaboration with the United Nations University-Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS). Implemented in selected Asian cities, WUI is a four-year research project that aims to contribute to sustainable urban development by creating scientific tools to forecast the future state of urban water environments. The workshop was attended by researchers and practitioners from national government agencies, research organization of various academic institutions, and the local governments of Antipolo, Valenzuela, Pasig and Quezon City.

The Kuehne Foundation’s HELP Logistics AG and the University of the Philippines School of Urban and Regional Planning (UP SURP) co-hosted the training entitled “Certificate in Applied Humanitarian Logistics Management” last 10 to 13 October and again 13 to 15 December 2017 at the Audio Visual Room, Graduate Continuing Education Building, University of the Philippines Iloilo Campus, Iloilo City.

The training aimed at teaching firm and practical Logistics and Supply Chain Management knowledge by providing detailed picture of humanitarian system in emergency relief as well as long term development context. The course also held discussions on strategic and innovative topics such as Cash and Voucher programs and Disaster Management in Urban Context.

The training was attended by a mixed group of participants from different organizations and sectors who work in supply chain relevant functions such as program, finance, procurement, transport and warehousing.

The school, in partnership with the University of Stuttgart, hosted the Manila Leg of the Travelling Conferences entitled “EleCity: The Electrified Cities – Sustainable Cities in the context of Energy Transition” last 10 November 2017 at the Cariño Multi-Purpose Hall, 3F SURP Building, E. Jacinto St., UP Diliman, Quezon City.

The event covered common fields of interests, particularly on the intelligent linking of the electricity, heat/cold, and transport sectors through the development of digital and smart processes, services and products, the framework of which revolves around energy transition and the concerns on climate change, air pollution, and the potential governance for these processes. The Travelling Conferences served as a platform for exchange among academics, practitioners, and policy makers, and took place in three Southeast Asian countries: the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam. Among partner institutions are the Clean Energy and Sustainable Development (CleanED) at University of Science and Technology of Hanoi, the Joint Graduate School of

Energy and Environment (JGSEE) at the King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT) in Bangkok, Thailand.

The School holds regular public lectures to provide a venue for discussing contemporary issues in urban and regional planning education and practice. In 2016, a total of six (6) were conducted, and they are presented below:

- "U.N. Sanctions on Accessibility And Universal Design For Urban Planning" by Arch. Erico Abordo, UAP, AFA (11 October 2017)
- "Integrating Short-Term and Long-Term Coastal Hazard Resilience in an Island State Context: Lessons Learned from the County of Kauai, Hawaii" by Atty. Michael A. Dahilig, J.D. Esq. (20 February 2017)
- "Weighing in on the Land Conversion Moratorium Policy" co-organized with Center for Housing and Independent Research Synergies (CHAIRS) (21 February 2017)

## INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

### Faculty and Staff Trainings/Conferences/Seminars

The table below reflects the trainings, conferences, and seminars attended by the UP SURP Faculty and Staff members either as participants, or as keynote speakers and paper presenters.

Date and Venue	Activity/ Faculty/Staff Involved
1 to 2 December 2017 Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand	"Methods for Mainstreaming Climate Change Adaptation and DRRM into Comprehensive Development Planning: A Case Example of UP SURP's Planning Process (Plan 210) Class" presented at the Mainstreaming Resilience and Disaster Risk Reduction in Education <i>Asst. Prof. Kristine F. Aspiras - Presenter</i>
1 to 2 December 2017 Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand	"Shifting Paradigms: Enhancing Academic Researches through Mainstreaming Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction" presented at the Mainstreaming Resilience and Disaster Risk Reduction in Education <i>Ms. Annlouise Genevieve M. Castro - Presenter</i>
25 to 26 October 2017 University of Palermo, Sicily, Italy	Paper entitled "A Geographic Information System for Rural Accessibility: Database Development and the Application of Multi-Criteria Evaluation for Road Network Planning in the Rural Areas" presented at the Urban Planning and Architecture for Sustainable Development 2nd Version <i>Prof. Jun T. Castro - Presenter</i>
25 to 26 October 2017 University of Palermo, Sicily, Italy	Paper entitled "A Study on the Provision of Bicycle Facilities to Increase Bicycle Commuting at Central Business Districts in Metro Manila, Philippines" presented at the Urban Planning and Architecture for Sustainable Development 2nd Version <i>Prof. Jun T. Castro - Presenter</i>
18 November 2017 German Ambassador's Residence, Makati City	Research entitled "Sustainable Cities and Communities in the Philippines: Challenges and Strategies" presented at the Alumni Sustainability Talk: Agenda 2030: One Goal, One Path <i>Asst. Prof. Carmeli Marie C. Chaves - Presenter</i>
17 to 19 May 2017 University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark	Presentation entitled "Participatory resettlement planning in a post-disaster coastal city in the Philippines" presented at the Second Northern European Conference on Emergency and Disaster Studies <i>Asst. Prof. Carmeli Marie C. Chaves - Presenter</i>
26 to 30 June 2017 Sofitel Plaza, Manila	Research on "Urban Development Strategies to Manage Migration and Rapid Urbanization in the Philippines" presented at the R and D Congress on Sustainable Urbanization in the Course of ASEAN Economic Integration <i>Asst. Prof. Carmeli Marie C. Chaves - Presenter</i>
1 to 2 December 2017 Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand	"Research and Innovation for DRR in the ASEAN" discussion panel at the Mainstreaming Resilience and Disaster Risk Reduction in Education <i>Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes - Panel Presenter and Discussant</i>



10 November 2017 3rd Flr Carino Multipurpose Hall, UP SURP, Diliman, Quezon City	“Sustainable Cities in the Philippines – status quo and challenges” presented at the EleCity: The Electrified City - Sustainable Cities in the Context of Energy Transition Travelling Conference co-organized with the University of Stuttgart, Germany <i>Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes - Presenter</i>
9 November 2017, Seda Vertis North Hotel, Quezon City	“Metro Manila’s road and transport infrastructure planning in the context of cities and possible solutions developed by academia” presented at the Road Safety for Sustainable Cities: A Multi-Stakeholder Conference <i>Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes - Presenter</i>
21 July 2017, National Center for Transportation Studies University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City	“Improving Quality of Life through Inclusive Transportation - Invited presentations and reactions from DOTr, DPWH, Private Sector and Academe” discussion panel at the Improving Quality of Life in Urban and Rural Areas through Inclusive Transportation, 24 Annual Conference of Transport Science Society of the Philippines <i>Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes - Panel Presenter and Discussant</i>
May and October 2017 3rd Flr Carino Multi-Purpose Hall, UP SURP, Diliman, Quezon City	Research entitled “Pasig River System Strategic and Integrated Masterplan” presented during the Consultation-Workshop on the Proposed Strategic Framework for Pasig River Restoration <i>Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes - Presenter</i>
April 2017 MetroCenter Hotel, Tagbilaran City, Bohol	Research entitled “Establishment of the First UNESCO Global Geopark in Bohol Island” presented at the Bohol Geopark Project Workshop <i>Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes - Presenter</i>
24 February 2017 3rd Flr Carino Multipurpose Hall, UP SURP, Diliman, Quezon City	“Estimating Traffic and Emissions for Various Scenarios of Freight Vehicle Restrictions in Metro Manila” presented at the Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning – Experiences from Germany and the Philippines Travelling Conference co-organized with the Karlsruhe University of Applied Sciences, Germany <i>Dean Mario R. Delos Reyes - Presenter</i>
18 to 21 September 2017 Sheraton Hotel, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam	Study entitled “The Influence of Rainfall on Mode Choice and Departure Time of Commuters: The Case of Ortigas CBD Workers” presented at the 12th International Conference of the Eastern Asia Society for Transportation Studies (EASTS) <i>Prof. Crispin Emmanuel D. Diaz - Presenter</i>
18 to 21 September 2017 Sheraton Hotel, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam	Study entitled “Designing Employee Shuttle Service Program for Employees in Makati Central Business District” presented at the 12th International Conference of the Eastern Asia Society for Transportation Studies (EASTS) <i>Prof. Crispin Emmanuel D. Diaz - Presenter</i>
18 to 20 September 2017 Columbia University, NYC, USA	Research entitled “Planning for Barangay Resilience in the Philippines” presented during the International Conference on Sustainable Development <i>Nicasio B. Espina, Jr. - Presenter</i>
24 to 26 July 2017 Jakarta, Indonesia	Presentation on “Urbanizing Southwards: Planning Development Possibilities for Mindanao, the Philippines, in an Integrating ASEAN Region” presented at the 3rd Humboldt Kolleg <i>Assoc. Prof. Jose Edgardo A. Gomez, Jr. - Presenter</i>
21 to 24 August 2017 Kyoto, Japan	Study entitled “Social Acceptability of Micro Hydropower in Laguna, Philippines” presented during the Final Project Meeting on RIHN Research Project on “Human-Environmental Security In Asia Pacific Ring of Fire: Water-Energy-Food Nexus <i>Assoc. Prof. Karen Ann B. Jago-on - Presenter</i>
September 2017 Sheraton Hotel, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam	Paper entitled “Logit Model Estimation of Public Transportation Mode Choice in Metro Manila” presented at the 12th International Conference of the Eastern Asia Society for Transportation Studies (EASTS) <b>Prof. Hussein S. Lidasan (co-author)</b>
24 November to 2 December 2017 Aristotle University Thessaloniki, Greece	Paper entitled “Climate Smart Agriculture Edu-tourism: A Strategy to Sustain Pro-Biodiversity Entrepreneurship in the Philippines” presented at the “International Conference on Cultural Sustainable Tourism” <i>Assoc. Prof. Dina C. Magnaye - Presenter</i>

21 to 22 August 2017 University of Malaya Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Paper entitled “Inquisitive Gaze on the Multi-Dimensional Poor towards Prioritizing the Determinants of Human Capability Poverty for Local Economic Development Planning” presented at the “International Conference on Applied Economics and Policy” <i>Assoc. Prof. Dina C. Magnaye - Presenter</i>
May and September 2017 UP School of Urban and Regional Planning Diliman, Quezon City	Research on “Merging Research with Architectural and Community-City-Region Interrelations: Harnessing Theoretical and Practical Dimensions in Consideration with Natural and Built Environments” presented during the Quezon City Executives and Legislators Planning Course (QC EXCEL) Batches 1 and 2 <i>Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales - Lecturer</i>
4 to 6 September 2017 COEX Convention Center and Dongdaemun Design Plaza (DDP), Seoul, Republic of Korea	Study entitled “Fragmentation of Community Bonds in Urban Housing? Evolving Philippine Socio-Spatial Norm and Building Typology” presented at the UIA 2017 Seoul World Architects Congress <i>Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales - Presenter</i>
4 to 6 September 2017 COEX Convention Center and Dongdaemun Design Plaza (DDP), Seoul, Republic of Korea	“Estimating Housing Discrimination towards Same-Sex Couples in Diliman, Quezon City (A Philippine Case Study)” presented at the UIA 2017 Seoul World Architects Congress <i>Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales - Presenter</i>
1 to 2 December 2017 Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand	Presentation on “Using Art to Mainstream DRR via Livelihood Opportunities in Open Space Network Systems: A Resiliency Mainstreaming Workshop in UP-SURP’s Project Planning and Development (Plan 205) Class” presented at the Mainstreaming Resilience and Disaster Risk Reduction in Education <i>Asst. Prof. Mark Anthony M. Morales - Presenter</i>
18 to 20 September 2017 Sheraton Hotel, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam	Research entitled “Service Characteristics of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) and Conventional Taxis in Metro Manila, Philippines” presented at the 12th International Conference of the Eastern Asia Society for Transportation Studies (EASTS) <i>Asst. Prof. Ma. Sheilah G. Napalang (co-author)</i>
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18 to 20 September 2017 Sheraton Hotel, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam	Research entitled “Audit of Women’s Challenges in Public Transportation Usage in the Philippines: Considerations in Public Transportation Development” presented at the 12th International Conference of the Eastern Asia Society for Transportation Studies (EASTS) <i>Asst. Prof. Ma. Sheilah G. Napalang - Presenter</i>
February 2017 Microtel, UP Technohub, University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City	Research on “Transboundary Planning for Key Biodiversity Areas” presented at the Project Board Meeting, Biodiversity Partnerships Project <i>Asst. Prof. Jose M. Regunay - Presenter</i>
February 2017 Microtel, UP Technohub, University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City	Research on “Forest Habitat Fragmentation Analysis of Selected Key Biodiversity” presented at the Project Board Meeting, Biodiversity Partnerships Project <i>Asst. Prof. Jose M. Regunay - Presenter</i>
15 to 20 December 2017 Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand	Paper entitled “Tracing the Routes: Humanitarian Logistics Management in Eastern Visayas, Philippines during 2013 Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan)” presented at the Consortium for Southeast Asian Studies in Asia (SEASIA 2017 Conference) <i>Arlene D.R. Santiago - Presenter</i>

<p>August 2017 SEAMEO Innotech</p> <p>10 to 13 October 2017 Casa Real, Ilo-ilo</p>	<p>Paper “Development of Alternative Temporary Shelter (ATS) Solutions for Select Vulnerable Communities along Tullahan River, Philippines” presented at the National Conference on Urban Resilience and Sowing the Seed of Resilience: Towards Planning for and Managing Disasters (UAP Emergency Architects Panay Caravan)</p> <p><i>Geomilie S. Tumamao-Guittap - Presenter</i></p>
<p>01 August 2017 SEAMEO Innotech</p> <p>10 to 13 October 2017 Casa Real, Iloilo</p>	<p>“Demand Metrics of Urban Green Spaces: Establishing the Tenets of Urban Landscape Biodiversity Planning towards Human Settlements Resiliency” presented at the 15th International Convention of the East Asian Economic Association (EAEA)</p> <p><i>Geomilie S. Tumamao-Guittap - Presenter</i></p>
<p>25 to 26 October 2017 University of Palermo, Sicily, Italy</p>	<p>Paper entitled “Hydro-Meteorological Risk Assessment Guided Demand Forecasting in Humanitarian Logistics Management: the case of Tacloban City in the Philippines” presented at the Urban Planning and Architecture for Sustainable Development 2nd Version</p> <p><i>Geomilie S. Tumamao-Guittap - Presenter</i></p>
<p>10 to 13 October 2017 Casa Real, Iloilo</p> <p>13 December 2017 Teatro Arkitekto, United Architects of the Philippines Headquarters</p>	<p>Presentation on “Hydro-Meteorological Risk Assessment Guided Demand Forecasting in Humanitarian Logistics Management: the case of Tacloban city in the Philippines” presented during the Sowing the Seed of Resilience: Towards Planning for and Managing Disasters (UAP Emergency Architects Panay Caravan) and National Architecture Week (NAW) 2017 Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Talk</p> <p><i>Geomilie S. Tumamao-Guittap - Presenter</i></p>

## INSTITUTIONAL LINKAGES

The school continues to maintain its institutional linkages and seeks to forge new relations with agencies, academic institutions both here and abroad, and with international organizations, as reflected below:

The school maintains its ties with the Technical University of Dortmund (TUDo) in implementing the SPRING-Asia Program. The exchange program involves academic exchange and cooperation between UP SURP and the Faculty of Spatial Planning of TUDo, featuring the joint offering of the M.Sc. program in regional development. It also includes exchange of faculty and students, and the conduct of joint researches and study projects, among other activities.

The school likewise maintains a Memorandum of Understanding with the Catholic Academic Exchange Service (KAAD), which supports the academic programs for foreigners providing scholarship for the Master of Science in Regional Development Planning (MScRDP) under the SPRING Asia Program jointly awarded by both the TUDo and UP SURP.

UP SURP maintains an ongoing partnership with Seoul National University National University of Science and Technology (SeoulTech) Graduate School of Housing which includes the hosting of students and faculty exchange, among other academic activities.

The school also has an ongoing partnership with the University of Newcastle (UoN), Australia where various academic activities, such as faculty, staff, and student exchanges, collaborative researches, lectures, and exchanges of academic information, among others, will be carried out. The UP SURP is currently working with UoN on the joint supervision of master’s thesis and research projects under University of Newcastle’s Master of Disaster Risk Reduction (MRR) Program.

Likewise, the School maintain linkages with the Tokyo University of Maritime Science and Technology (Japan), in developing academic cooperation and promoting mutual understanding between both universities through the following activities: exchange of faculty, researchers and other research, administrative staff and students; collaborative research projects, lectures and

symposia; and the exchange of academic information and materials.

The School launched a Joint Academic Program with the UP Visayas College of Management, where the Master of Arts in Urban and Regional Planning (MAURP) Program is offered as part of the Regional Academic Program of the School.

The UP SURP also maintains linkages with national and local government institutions and offices through its involvement in government's various planning-related projects and programs. Through these collaborative efforts, the school likewise seeks to promote and establish UP SURP's expertise on climate change and disaster risk management, among others.

### **UPGRADE TEACHING AND RESEARCH FACILITIES**

The School continually upgrades its teaching and research amenities as part of its efforts to improve the school's physical facilities. Construction of the new International Center for Urban and Regional Planning (ICURP) Building is well on its way, and is expected completion in the 2nd quarter of 2018.

### **FINANCIAL STANDING**

The School receives allotment from the University of the Philippines for its Management and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE). In addition, the School's foundation, the UP Planning and Development Research Foundation, Inc. (UP PLANADES), also extends financial assistance and support for the School's programs, projects and initiatives. Research Funding is also awarded to the school via the Office of the Chancellor and the UP PLANADES.

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## **SILLIMAN UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

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The Silliman University Research and Development Center (RDC) represents the research component of the University's FIRE (Faith strengthening, Instruction, Research, and Extension) thrust. The research director reports to the academic vice president. All academic units have a research point-person, but all research-related activity of faculty and staff is coursed through their respective deans to the office of the VPAA who then forwards these to the office of the RDC.

### **INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES**

Silliman University constituted in 2016 a University Research Ethics Committee (UREC)—an independent body from the RDC that reports directly to the VPAA. The committee is still seeking accreditation with the Philippine Health Research Ethics Board (PHREB); the committee is operational and its members have undergone training with PHREB. All research proposals by faculty and staff and students (including undergraduate research) are reviewed by the UREC.

All academic units revised their curricula in preparation for 2018 when the first batch of senior high school graduates entering college will be enrolled in new general education courses. Institutional courses already in place at Silliman University (e.g., Old and New Testament, and Christian Ethics) will continue to be included in new curricula university-wide.

The College of Mass Communication has an OIC-Dean, Ms. Melita C. Aguilar, upon the retirement of member of the CHED Technical Committee for Communication Rosario M. Baseleres. Faculty members of the history and political science department Earl Jude Paul Cleope, Carlos M. Magtolis, Jr., and Regan P. Jomao-as attended the Dumaguete Historical Summit on May 27, 2017 at the SU Assembly Hall, being members of the Dumaguete City Heritage Council.

The SU RDC director participates in all meetings and conferences of PHERNet-PHREB and the CVCHRC. Upon the initiative of the DOST, Silliman University joined administrators of the three other universities in Dumaguete City in forming the Innovation Consortium of Oriental Negros (ICON).

## ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

At the School of Mass Communication, SU Research and Environmental News Service (SU Renews) continues to produce news and features and these stories see print in national, regional and local newspapers. MassComm staff attended a seminar-workshop entitled “Uncovering the Courts: Media Training on Monitoring the Judiciary in Bacolod and, in cooperation with the Philippines Press Institute, the college sponsored a Forum entitled “Let’s get real on fake news” on December 11, 2017.

Chair of the psychology department, Michele Joan D. Valbuena was resource person on Media Literacy at Foundation University, Dumaguete during their Guidance Week in February, 2017; on Applying Peace Education Concepts and Approaches for the DSWD in July, 2017; on Sport Psychology in Action with the Ateneo de Davao University and San Pedro College, August 15, 2017; on Reflective Practice in Sport Psychology at the University of Bohol in September; and “Mga Sikolohiyang Guro na Sumusuporta sa studyanteng LGBT” during the 42nd Pambansang Kumprerensiya sa Sikolohiyang Pilipino” on November 16-18, 2017 in Dumaguete City. Dr. Valbuena was also a trainer on Leadership and Skills for UCCP Workers in Iligan City in September, 2017. She was one of three finalists for the Victorian International Education Awards 2017; these are awards given to students, alumni, and academic scholars from all over Victoria, Australia. Dr. Valbuena presented her research in Melbourne on October 30, 2017.

Graduate School Dean, Anthropologist Enrique G. Oracion presented the paper “Natural Disaster, Law and Local Politics: How the Alleged Calamity Fund Misuse Becomes Politically Disastrous?” during the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) Core to Core Program on Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia organized by the Institute of Islamic Understanding Malaysia (IKIM) and the Center for Integrated Area Studies (CIAS) and the Center for Integrated Area Studies (CIAS), Kyoto University (Japan), May 1-5, 2017 and on “Weekend Flood: Social Media as Discourse Platform in Natural Disaster” during the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) Core to Core Program on Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia organized by Center for Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS), Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan, August 4-5, 2017. He was also resource speaker during the Philippine Sociological Society Socio-Caravan Visayas 2 held at the University of Cebu, August 16, 2017; the Philippine Sociological Society Socio-Caravan Visayas 3 held at Customs Administration Building, University of Cebu, Cebu City, October 4, 2017; on “Marine Protected Area as Contested Space in Pursuit of Conservation Justice” during the National Conference of the Philippine Sociological Society, University of the Philippines, Cebu City, October 6-7, 2017; on “Displacement and Rights over Traditional Fishing Grounds: Reflecting on the Morality of Marine Conservation” during the 39th Annual Conference of the Ugnayang Pang-AghamTao, Capitol University, Cagayan de Oro City, November 9-11, 2017; on “Reminiscing the Anthropological Tradition of Silliman University in Negros Island” during the UP Anthropology@100: International Conference Marking the Centennial of Philippine Anthropology at the National Institute for Science and Mathematics Education Development, University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City, December 1-2, 2017; during the 2017 PACRE (Philippine Association of Catholic Religious Educators, Inc.) Research Conference with the theme “Responding to the Challenges of Catholic Education” at the President’s Hall, University of Negros Occidental-Recoletos, Bacolod City, December 9, 2017; and, during the seminar-workshop on “Ethnographic Research” Colegio San Agustin-Bacolod City, December 18-19, 2017.

College of Arts and Sciences Dean, history professor Earl Jude Cleope presented papers on “Southern Negros: The Achilles Heel of the Japanese Occupation” during the International Conference on the 75th Anniversary of World War II in the Philippines, August 17-19, 2017 at Holy Angels University, Angeles City, sponsored by the National Historical Commission of the Philippines; “From Hunter to Prey: The Japanese Account of the Liberation of Negros Island” during the 38th National Conference on local and National History, October 19-21, 2017 at Lyceum of Aparri, Cagayan, sponsored by Lyceum of Aparri, Philippine National Historical Society, National Commission for Culture and the Arts, Philippine Social Science Council, and National Historical Commission of the Philippines.

Publications and research presentations from Silliman University faculty in 2017 included the following: Oracion, E.G. 2017. Revisiting Tensions and Successes of Marine Protected Areas in a Visayan Municipality, *AghamTao* 25 (2): 285-306; Cleope, Earl Jude Paul, The Visayas: Islands in the Seas, A Historical Perspective (Series 7), *The Journal of History* (Philippine National Historical Society, January-December 2017); published in *Convergence* (A Multidisciplinary Journal of the Silliman University College of Arts and Sciences (2017): Cleope, Earl Jude Paul L., “History of the Parish of San Nicholas de Bari, Siaton Negros Oriental,” Indab, Jojema D., “Turncoatism in Philippine Politics,” and Jomao-as, Regan P., “Of Bicycles and Horse Dung: Capitalist Colonialism and the Notions of Agency, Modernity and Gender.”

#### **PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS**

Silliman University Department of Psychology faculty attended and presented papers at the 54th Annual Convention of the PAP in Bacolod, September 20-22, 2017 and co-hosted with the Pambansang Samahan sa Sikolohiyang Pilipino the 42nd Pambansang Kumprerensiya sa Sikolohiyang Pilipino on November 16-18, 2017 in Dumaguete City. PAP President, associate professor and RDC Director Margaret Alvarez attended the 125th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association in Washington, DC, August 2-5, 2017 upon the invitation of the APA President Antonio Puente to participate in the “President’s Initiative”—a dialogue with national psychology presidents about the future of psychology from an international perspective.

#### **FINANCIAL STANDING**

The SU Research and Development Center receives an annual budget from the university for operation and for small research grants for regular faculty who have not yet availed of this grant. The fund—the Faculty Development Grant for Research—has a budget allocation this year of PhP250,000.

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### **SOCIAL RESEARCH, TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE** Ateneo de Davao University

The Social Research, Training and Development Office (SRTDO) is under the University Research Council for the direction and agenda setting and it still remains as the research arm of the Social Science Cluster. It is tasked to a) help promote the culture of research in the cluster as well as in the University; b) undertake researches using Social Science and or interdisciplinary approaches; c) initiate and or support trainings meant to enhance capabilities in the conduct or research and in the realization of identified development objectives.

## ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

The SRTDO has conducted four researches for the year. The City Wide Social Survey – Series 7 and 8 were commissioned by the Office of the University President thru the University Research Council.

The following are the SRTDO Research Projects for the year 2017:

Title of Research	Funding Support/ Status
Locating the IP Communities of Mindanao in the throes of Migration and Human Trafficking: Profiles and cases of IPs in Transition	Philippine Center for Population and Development (On-going)
Urban Morphology: Locating the Informal Sectors in Davao City	Ateneo de Davao University – University Research Council (On-going)
Beyond the Numbers: A Glimpse of the Quality of Life in Davao City	Ateneo de Davao University – University Research Council (On-going)
Geo-Mapping and Land Sustainability Assessment for Climate Change Resilient Mindanao Communities	Ateneo de Davao University – University Research Council (On-going)
City Wide Social Survey – Series 7	Ateneo de Davao University – University Research Council (Completed)
City Wide Social Survey – Series 8	Ateneo de Davao University – University Research Council (Completed)

## INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

True to its mandate to propagate robust research, SRTDO has conducted a number of activities to inspire teachers and researchers to conduct research in their chosen field.

The following are SRTDO's Activities for the year 2017:

Date	Activity	Speaker/s
February 22, 2017	Research Forum on Looking at Society through a Spatial Lens: GIS in Social Sciences	Mr. Glenn D. Depra
March 6, 2017	Research Dissemination on Learning from Social Research: Issues, Dynamics and Challenges in Contemporary Society	Dr. Gina R. Lamzon Mr. John Harvey D. Gamas
April 25, 2017	Round Table Discussion on Rethinking Migration and Diaspora Studies in the Philippines-Japan Migration Stream	Dr. Keiko Yamanaka
June 9, 2017	Research Dissemination on City Wide Social Survey – Series 7	Dr. Christine S. Diaz Ms. Mildred M. Estanda Dr. Cleofe A. Arib
August 7, 2017	Indigenous Peoples Exhibit and Research Colloquium Co-sponsor)	Bro. Carlito M. Gaspar, Ph.D, CSsR Mr. Hadji A. Balajadia Dr. Rhodora S. Rananan
August 14 - 17, 2017	Geographic Information System (GIS) and Open Source Statistical Package (R Studio) Training	Dr. Jonald P. Fenecios Mr. Glenn D. Depra
September 8 – 9, 2017	NVivo Training 2017	Dr. Nicamil K. Sanchez
December 11 – 13, 16, 18, 2017	Training on Spatial Data Management and Statistical Analysis	Mr. Glenn D. Depra

## FINANCIAL STANDING

The SRTDO has been supported by the University and it has remained in good financial standing as of 2017. The office receives five percent share of the income earned from the research projects it is commissioned to conduct.

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## SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTER

### De La Salle University-Manila

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## ACADEMIC/SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

Several research dissemination presentations, fora and workshops were conducted/participated in by researchers of the Social Development Research Center in 2017. These were:

- A presentation on “Writing Proposals for Social Science Research” made by SDRC Director Dr. Maria Caridad H. Tarroja on January 18, 2017 at the European Documentation Center of the Henry Sy, Sr. Hall. Sponsored by the University Research Coordination Office (URCO), the three-hour forum focused on processes, issues, challenges and practical guidelines in the development of research proposals. It was attended by graduate students majoring in Psychology and from the College of Education as well as members of the Liberal Arts faculty.
- A presentation of results of the study “Understanding the Context of Lack of Interest among Out-of-School Youth” held on December 9, 2016 at the Orchid Garden Suites in Manila. Led by SDRC Director Dr. Maria Caridad H. Tarroja with team members Dr. Abdul Jhariel Osman and Ms. Klarizze Valdoria, the presentation was delivered before a gathering of stakeholders which included special guest Br. Armin Luistro, former Department of Education Secretary and current head of the DepEd Superintendent Leadership Training Program. The presentation of results focused on the concept of “lack of interest,” which is often not understood because it has no clear explanation. To address this problem, the research team consulted with faculty of DLSU who were experts in terms of scale development, and created a risk assessment tool that is preventive in nature, helping to identify students when red flags are up, and to determine when intervention programs can be implemented.
- A presentation entitled “Digital Emotional Intelligence: Is There a Space for Today’s Curriculum?” presented by SDRC Director Dr. Maria Caridad H. Tarroja during the Child Online Protection Summit hosted by the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) in partnership with the Inter-Agency Council Against Child Pornography (IACACP) and other child protection advocate organizations on November 23-24, 2017 at the AG New World Manila Bay Hotel. With the theme “Enabling Dynamic Partnerships: The role of everyone to protect children and young people safe and secure online,” the Summit primarily aimed to provide a platform to discuss challenges and identify solutions related to adopting various approaches on child online safety.

In addition, SDRC’s research fellows were recognized in the following areas:

- DLSU University Fellow Dr. Exaltacion E. Lamberte was appointed as the first Scientist-in-Residence at the Social Development Research Center by Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation Dr. Raymond Girard R. Tan. The appointment engages Dr. Lamberte as an independent consultant whose responsibilities include collaborating with faculty research fellows in the production of publications, mentoring faculty researchers and research apprentices based at the Center, and acting as a consultant/adviser/reviewer to research fellows and associates pursuing project development activities. Dr. Lamberte retired as Full



Professor of Sociology and Health Social Science of DLSU's Behavioral Sciences Department in January 2012. During her 35 years of service at the University, she occupied a number of administrative positions, including Director of the University Research Coordination Office (URCO), Director of SDRC, and Dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

- During the Faculty and Students' Research Recognition Ceremonies for 2016, hosted by the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation and the University Research Coordination Office on October 6, 2017 at Henry Sy, Sr. Hall, a number of SDRC research fellows and associates were cited. Among the list of awardees who published with local and international collaborators in Scopus, ISI, or CHED-listed journals were DLSU Scientist-in-Residence and SDRC Senior Research Fellow Dr. Exaltacion Lamberte, and fellows and associates Dr. Rechel Arcilla, Dr. Arnulfo Azcarraga, Dr. Mitzie Irene Conchada, Dr. Marlon Era, Dr. Dennis Erasga, Dr. Adrianne John Galang, Dr. Raymund Habaradas, Dr. Melvin Jabar, Dr. Roberto Javier, Jr., Dr. Romeo Lee, Dr. Arturo Pacificador, Ms. Cristina Rodriguez, Dr. Maria Guadalupe Salanga, Dr. Marites Tiongco, Dr. Dennis Trinidad, and Dr. Lars Raymund Ubaldo. The Center's new doctoral apprentice Ms. Patricia Simon was among the student awardees for this category.
- Awardees who completed externally funded projects included SDRC Director Dr. Maria Caridad Tarroja, senior research fellows Dr. Ma. Elena Chiong-Javier, Dr. Jesusa Marco and Dr. Lamberte, and research fellows and associates Dr. Abdul Jhariel Osman, Dr. Arcilla, Dr. Era, Dr. Habaradas, Dr. Jabar, Dr. Pacificador, and Dr. Tiongco. Former research associate Mr. Graeme Ferdinand Armechin and former doctoral apprentice Mr. Crisanto Regadio were likewise awarded in this category.
- Ms. Ethel Ong, member of SDRC's National Online Sexual Abuse and Exploitation of Children in the Philippines (OSAEC) study research team, was commended for accumulating over 10 Scopus papers, while Dr. Galang and Dr. Trinidad were commended for accumulating over 5 Scopus papers.
- Dr. Salanga was among the faculty members awarded for the most cited works in Scopus for 2016 for the study "Cross-Cultural Differences in a Global 'Survey of World Views'" in a 2015 issue of the Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology.

## **INSTITUTIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES**

The Social Development Research Center hosted the first consultative meeting of the South East Asia Researchers' Network on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SEARN – SRHR) project on March 20, 2017 at the DLSU Faculty Center. The meeting was convened by former SDRC research associate Dr. Loyd Brendan Norella, SEARN Project Coordinator for the Hivos South East Asia Hub. The project will provide a formal venue for the exchange of information and collective decision making among researchers towards providing inputs to policy and program interventions, both at the local and regional levels. It seeks to promote the sharing of SRHR researches, and to support access to SRHR researches through the development of a website where people can download researches. Made possible through a grant from the Dutch organization Humanist Institute for Cooperation or Hivos, major activities being undertaken by SEARN – SRHR are local and regional meetings of researchers, meetings of researchers in the South East Asian region, the creation of a website for the SEARN e-library, and support for SRHR researches in various modalities (networking). The four countries involved in the initiative are Indonesia, Malaysia, Timor Leste, and the Philippines, where consultative meetings have been held in Mindanao and the Visayas.

Over 20 experts from across Europe and Asia met in Colombo, Sri Lanka in March 2017 to launch CABARET (CApacity Building in Asia for Resilience EducaTion), a new project funded by the European Union Erasmus+ program to foster regional cooperation for more effective multi hazard early warning (MHEW) and increased disaster resilience among coastal

communities. DLSU-SDRC was represented at the kick-off meeting by Dr. Marlon de Luna Era, who has been appointed as the Country Coordinator of the CABARET Project, and by Dr. Maria Caridad Tarroja, SDRC Director. The aim of CABARET, a 36-month action project, is to build capacity for international and regional cooperation between Higher Education Institutes (HEIs) in Asia (Region 6) and Europe, and among Asian HEIs themselves. The project will strengthen the ability of partner HEIs to respond to their research needs in disaster resilience. It further seeks to empower individuals and organizations with the skills, competencies and credentials needed to continue to pursue research, and to lead research at institutions in partner countries that is aimed at reducing the impact of disasters.

Division VIII of the National Research Council of the Philippines and De La Salle University held the inter-quarter meeting of the NRCP Social Sciences Division, focusing on Ethics in Research, on November 8, 2017 at the Br. Andrew Gonzalez Hall Multipurpose Room. This year's meeting sought to identify the lasting solutions needed to address the Philippines' social, educational, political and cultural problems. Four scientific presentations were delivered during the meeting: "Ethnologic Studies in Drug Discovery and Development in the Philippines: Ethnos, Ethos, and Pathos" by Dr. Isidro C. Sia of the UP College of Medicine Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology; "Ethics in Social Science Research Involving Indigenous Peoples in the Philippines" by Dr. Ma. Cecilia T. Medina of the UP Asian Center; "Regulating Health-Related Social Science Research: The National Ethics Guidelines" by Dr. Leonardo D. De Castro of the UP College of Social Sciences and Philosophy Department of Philosophy and the Philippine Health Research Ethics Board; and "The Social Science Ethics Review Board: Organization and Procedures" by Dr. Amaryllis T. Torres, Professor Emeritus of the UP College of Social Work and Community Development and Executive Director of the Philippine Social Science Council.

SDRC was visited on December 7, 2017 by child protection specialists of UNICEF and a crew from Sveriges Television or SVT, the Swedish national public broadcaster, for a feature on the Center and its initiatives in addressing the situation of child sex trafficking in the Philippines. In an interview with SDRC Director Dr. Maria Caridad Tarroja, who is also project director for the "National Study on Online Sexual Abuse and Exploitation of Children (OSAEC)," factors affecting child sex trafficking, bureaucratic obstacles involved and efficient action to help in addressing the problem, and what the greatest needs are in solving the situation were discussed. The feature will be televised at a public venue in Sweden to generate awareness and support for efforts toward eliminating child exploitation in the Philippines.

## **FINANCIAL STANDING**

SDRC continues to be financially viable. While the University provides an annual budget for the Center's regular expenses (such as for meetings, transportation, communications, repairs and maintenance, and its annual workshop/teambuilding), the Center earns from its various externally-funded projects.

Total administrative earnings for 2017 are estimated to be PHP 5,581,740.00, which is about a 48% increase from the previous year's earnings.

Project funding from the various organizations has ranged from PHP 390,000.00 to PHP 16,400,000.00.

## SOCIAL WEATHER STATIONS

### ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Surveys Conducted

##### *Social Weather Report (SWR) Program*

Date	Coverage	Sample Size	Respondent
First Quarter (Mar 25-28, 2017)	PH	1,200	Adults
Second Quarter (Jun 23-26, 2017)	PH	1,200	Adults
Third Quarter (Sep 23-27, 2017)	PH	1,500	Adults
Fourth Quarter (Dec 8-16, 2017)	PH	1,200	Adults

##### *Other Surveys*

Date	Coverage	Sample Size	Respondent
Mar 28-31, 2017	One city	300	Registered voters
Jun 9-13, 2017	PH	1,200	Members of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP)
Jun 17-21, 2017	PH	1,200	Adults
Jul 2-5, 2017	PH	1,200	Adults
Jul 12-23, 2017	Mindanao	1,584	Adults
Jul 16-22, 2017	PH	1,000	15 year olds and above
Jul 28-31, 2017	PH	1,200	Adults
Nov 11-17, 2017	PH	1,000	Adults
Nov 20-Dec 31, 2017	11 cities	9,500	Household members
Nov 25-Dec 9, 2017	24 provinces	1,590	Household members

#### SWS Knowledge Center

The SWS Knowledge Center was inaugurated on August 17, 2017, with Guest of Honor Chief Justice Hon. Maria Lourdes P. A. Sereno.

The Knowledge Center now houses the Philippines' most comprehensive collection of survey data on well-being, governance and democracy.

#### SWS Survey Archives and Library

##### *Archive*

As of December 2017, the SWS Survey Archives and Library (SAL) collection has grown to 581 Philippine datasets, consisting of 287 national surveys and 294 sub-national surveys encompassing 904,847 interviews. More than 107,029 survey questions can now be searched in the Questionnaire Database.

#### Newly available local survey datasets

The following local survey data, with embargoes lifted as of December 2017, are now available in the SWS Library:

Survey period	Area	Survey period	Area
Feb 2014	Makati City	Sep 2014	Davao City
Jun 2014	NCR	May 2012	Manila

## International archive network updates

1. January 2017: SWS renews its status as Data Provider for the Roper Center for Public Opinion Research.
2. March 2017: The International Social Survey Programme (ISSP) at the GESIS Data Archive (<http://www.gesis.org/issp/>) published the first partial data of the ISSP 2015: Work Orientations IV (ZA6770\_v1.0.0), containing data from 24 countries across the world, including the Philippines.

SWS, represented by its Vice-president Linda Luz Guerrero, has been a member of ISSP since 1990, and of ISSP's Standing Committee from 2011-2015. It is currently a member of ISSP's Methods Groups on Demography and Weighting, and the Drafting Committee for the ISSP 2019: Social Inequality V module.

3. April 2017: The Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES) published the Fourth Advance Release of CSES Module 4 at the CSES website (<http://www.cses.org/>).

SWS has been a CSES Collaborator since September 1998, and has submitted 4 rounds of Philippine data.

## Fellows News

1. Dr. Ricardo Abad, Professor Emeritus and Chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the Ateneo de Manila University (AdMU) and SWS Fellow, delivered a professorial lecture called "Citizenship Participation in the Philippines: Selected Results From a 2014 SWS National Survey," held at Faber Hall of the Ateneo de Manila University, Katipunan Avenue, Quezon City, on March 30, 2017.
2. Prof. Michael Charleston "Xiao" B. Chua became an SWS fellow in November 2017. Prof. Chua teaches history at the De La Salle University-Manila, and is one of the most active historians on Philippine television.

## International Citations

- ISSP Research Group (2016): International Social Survey Programme: Citizenship II - ISSP 2014. GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA6670 Data file Version 2.0.0, doi:10.4232/1.12590
- ISSP Research Group (2017): International Social Survey Programme: Work Orientations IV - ISSP 2015. GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA6770 Data file Version 2.1.0, doi:10.4232/1.12848

## ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

### Kapihan sa SWS

- Dr. Reynaldo Iletto, on Philippine history, May 2, 2017.
- Dr. Edilberto "DJ" De Jesus, on Philippine history and conduct of public opinion surveys, May 8, 2017.
- Dr. Vicente Paqueo, "Unintended Consequences: The Folly of Uncritical Thinking", May 19, 2017.
- Dr. Juanita Salvador-Burris, on community development May 22, 2017
- Dr. Niceto Poblador, "Western Capitalism at the Crossroads", July 7, 2017
- Dr. Mahar Mangahas, "Little History", August 9, 2017
- Mr. Manolo Quezon, "How Government and Media Use Surveys", September 8, 2017
- Atty. Hector Soliman, "Justice Reforms", October 13, 2017
- Dr. Clarissa David, "Who votes for Dynastic Candidates? Evidence from Public Opinion Surveys", October 26, 2017
- Dr. Gemino Abad, "Reading and Literature", November 29, 2017

## Seminars and Public Presentations

1. The 2017 SWS Survey Review, by Mahar Mangahas, at the Asian Institute of Management, Makati City, on January 31, 2017.
2. The 2017 SWS Survey Review – Diliman Edition, by Leo Laroza, at the Philippine Social Science Council (PSSC) Annual General Membership Meeting at the Philippine Social Science Center, Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City, on March 17, 2017.
3. Trends in the Socioeconomic Issues of Local Government Units, by Vladymir Joseph Licudine, for the first module of the national fellowship program entitled “LEAP: Leaders for Excellence and Public Service Mayor’s Fellowship Program,” held at the Microtel by Wyndham, UP Technohub, Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City, on March 11, 2017.
4. SWS Indicators of Crime Victimization and Public Safety, by Gerardo “Jay” Sandoval, for the conference, “Beyond Politics and Spectacle: Studies in Crime and Punishment”, held at the Philippine Social Science Center, Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City, on March 15-16, 2017.
5. Change has Come? (Surveys on Governance and the Quality of Life), by Mahar Mangahas, for the forum, “Change Has Come? A Briefing on the First Year of Duterte’s Administration,” held at the Ateneo Professional Schools Building, Rockwell Center, Makati City on June 22, 2017.
6. SWS Scoping Study on International Migration Statistics in the Philippines, by Ma. Alcestis Abrera-Mangahas, September, 15, 2017.
7. What Filipinos Say About Pres. Rodrigo Duterte’s Drug on War, by Vladymir Joseph Licudine, October 11, 2017.
8. The Validity and Reliability of Detailed and Crude Measures of Occupation in ISSP 2009, by Dr. Harry Ganzeboom of VU University Amsterdam, at the SWS Knowledge Center on October 20, 2017.

## Publication

1. Surveys on Public Opinion on Constitutional Amendments: A Compilation of Findings from Social Weather Survey of 1986-2017. Released April 2017.
2. SWS Scoping Study on International Migration Statistics in the Philippines in CD-ROM. It contains 1) the full report of the recently completed project, “SWS Scoping Study on International Migration Statistics in the Philippines”, which explains the underlying framework of the data compilation, 2) the assessment and recommendations on migration data gaps and needs, and 3) the International Migration Almanac (IMA), a systematically organized collection of the Philippines’ extensive database on international migration. Released December 2017.

## Conferences, Networking, and Presentations

1. Regional Outlook Forum held at Institute of South East Asian Studies (ISEAS) Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore, January 9-10, 2017. Attended by Mahar Mangahas, who presented “The Duterte Administration: More change than continuity.”
2. Gallup World Poll Meeting at Hyatt Regency Kathmandu, Nepal, January 10-14, 2017. Attended by Iremae Labucay and Jingle Foronda.
3. International Social Survey Programme Drafting Group Meeting held at Umea University, Stockholm, Sweden, February 15-19, 2017. Attended by Linda Luz Guerrero.
4. 2017 Annual Meeting of International Social Survey Programme at Umea University,

- Stockholm, Sweden, April 30-May 3, 2017. Attended by Linda Luz Guerrero, Iremae Labucay, and Gianne Sheena Sabio. Sabio presented, “Who Says Love Is Blind? Patterns of Assortative Mating Across Countries.”
5. International Association for Social Science Information Services and Technology (IASSIST) 2017 Conference at University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, USA, May 23-26, 2017. Attended by Josefina Mar.
  6. Asian Barometer 2017 Planning Meeting at Taipei, Taiwan, July 6-9, 2017. Attended by Linda Luz Guerrero.
  7. Asian Conference for Political Communication 2017 held at Shangri-La Hotel, Singapore, September 4-5, 2017. Attended by Leo Laroza, who presented, “Do polls influence election?”
  8. Asian Barometer 2017 Planning Meeting at Taipei, Taiwan, September 8-9, 2017. Attended by Linda Luz Guerrero.
  9. Surveys for Countering Violent Extremism held at Dusit Thani, Bangkok, Thailand, September 26, 2017. Attended by Gianne Sheena Sabio and Josefina Tayactac.
  10. 15th International Society for Quality-of-Life Studies (ISQOLS) Conference at University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria, September 28-30, 2017. Attended by Mahar Mangahas, Linda Luz Guerrero, Gerardo Sandoval, and Vladymir Joseph Licudine. Papers presented were “Public Opinion of Filipinos on the Philippine Drug War” by Licudine, and “Monitoring Quality of Governance in the Philippines from the Public’s Lens, 1986-2016” by Sandoval.
  11. Seminar on Surveys in the Philippine National Elections held at the Institute of Sociology, Czech Academy of Sciences, October 2, 2017. Attended by Linda Luz Guerrero, Gerardo Sandoval, and Vladymir Joseph Licudine. Papers presented were “Monitoring Voter Preferences in Pre-election Surveys” by Licudine, “Tracking voter sentiments and behavior using panel mobile surveys” by Sandoval, and “Reporting election surveys during day-of-election poll” by Guerrero.

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## **WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES**

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The Association, formerly known as Women’s Studies Association of the Philippines, has evolved to promote women’s and gender studies in the Philippine education system. It supports indigenous and organic feminist orientation in women’s studies, gender studies including pedagogical and research approaches, techniques and processes. Its membership includes individuals actively engaged in teaching, research, training, advocacy and development work on women’s studies/gender studies or women’s and gender issues, women’s advancement and empowerment, and gender equality; and commitment to promote the goals and objectives of the Association; and actualize the program of action of the Association.

1. WSAP sits as member in the CHED Technical Panel on Gender and Women’s Studies, represented by its president, Dr. Maria Helen F. Dayo. Former WSAP presidents, Prof. Aurora Javate-de Dios, Dr. Caroline I. Sobritchea (Chair of TPWGS), Sister Mary John Mananzan are also members of the Technical Panel.
  - a. ASEAN member-countries regional meeting with counterpart universities represented by:

- Prof. Aurora Javate-De Dios
  - Dr. Odine Maria de Guzman
  - Dr. Maria Helen F. Dayo
  - Dr. Caroline I. Sobritchea
- b. Development of Policies, Standards and Guidelines for Graduate Studies Program for Women and Gender Studies (Masters Degree)
- Dr. Caroline I. Sobritchea
  - Dr. Inday Ofreneo
  - Sister Mary John Manansan
  - Dr. Marietta Sumagaysay
  - Dr. Zenaida Q. Reyes
  - Prof. Arce Ligo
  - Prof. Aurora de Dios
  - Maria Helen F. Dayo
- c. Consultative meeting with WSAP members re MWGS
2. Invited by the Embassy of Canada to a roundtable conversation on the status of women's rights organizations (WROs) in the Philippines. The activity was held 27 November 2017 at the ESI Conference Room, Miriam College, Katipunan Avenue, Loyola Heights, Quezon City.
3. National Women's Summit in partnership with PCW , March 30-31 2017 held at PICC. WSAP members participated as facilitators, moderators
- Dr. Becky Marquez, St. Scholastica's College
  - Prof. Archie Ligo, St. Scholastica's College
  - Dr. Inday Ofreneo/Natsy Verceles, UPD
  - Prof. Oyie de Dios, Miriam College
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  - Dr. Zenaida Reyes, PNU
  - Prof. Tessa de Vela, Miriam College
  - Dr. Carol Sobritchea, UPD
  - Dr. Maria Helen F. Dayo, UPLB
4. Scientific Forum
- a. 17th Conference of the Science Council of Asia (SCA) 14-16 June 2017 held at PICC  
Paper presentors: Dr. Caroline I. Sobritchea, Dr. Amaryllis T. Torres and Dr. Maria Helen F. Dayo
- b. SOUTHEAST ASIAN WOMEN'S SUMMIT 50 Years of ASEAN: What's in it for women and why women are in it? Held November 7 – 9, 2017 / Miriam College, Quezon City  
Organized by: Miriam College- Women and Gender Institute (WAGI)  
Paper presentors: Dr. Caroline I. Sobritchea, Prof. Aurora Javate-De Dios, Dr. Maria Helen F. Dayo, and Prof. Stella Marquez
5. Networking and Collaboration
- Catholic for Reproductive Health (CARH)*
- Reproductive rights and Stigmatization
  - Resource person on topics: Diaspora

## Board of Trustees Resolutions

- 17-01-01 APPROVED the setting up of a Social Science Ethics Review Board (SSERB) and the hiring of a coordinator to define the structure of the board, establish the application and review procedures, and promote the services of the board.
- 17-01-02 ACCEPTED the application of the Philippine Criminal Justice Researchers Society Inc. for PSSC associate membership.
- 17-01-03 APPROVED the proposed 2017 budget.
- 17-06-01 APPROVED-IN-PRINCIPLE the SSERB documents defining the structure of SSERB, describing the procedures for review, and outlining ethical principles and guidelines. The BOT members shall send their final comments/inputs on or before 9 June 2017.
- 17-06-02 RESOLVED that due to the unstable financial condition of the PSSC, the salary of the Executive Director will have a 2.5% increase effective the renewal of her contract from 1 February 2016 to 31st January 2019. Any subsequent increase shall be determined by the Executive Committee and subject to the approval of the Board.
- 17-06-03 RESOLVED that effective 3 June 2017, a 7.5% allocation from the net earnings of PSSC projects shall be given to the Executive Director (2.5%) and her staff (5%, sharing scheme to be determined by the Executive Director in coordination with the Program Development and Management Section).
- 17-06-04 RESOLVED that, effective immediately, any expenses beyond the approved 2017 budget shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee or the Board.
- 17-10-01 APPROVED the proposed P500/sqm base rental rate for PSSCenter office spaces beginning 2018.
- 17-10-02 APPROVED the implementation of a 5-percent rental increase per annum beginning 2018.
- 17-12-01 ACCEPTED the applications of the Cavite Studies Center-De La Salle University, Dasmariñas and the Organization of Social Studies Teachers in the Philippines, Inc. for PSSC associate membership.



## Executive Committee Resolutions

- 17-05-01 APPROVED the Research Award Program applications of the following: Balgos, Anne Richie G.; Esquejo, Kristoffer R.; Pinzon, Mary Jannette; Placino, Pryor Aldous; and Tarrayo, Veronico N.
- 17-05-02 APPROVED the reallocation of the remaining RAP funds for the production of the publication, *Doing Social Science Research: A Guidebook*.
- 17-05-03 APPROVED the travel grant application of Janet Oab.
- 17-09-01 APPROVED the travel grant applications of the following: Leslie Advincula, Angela Nalica, Ruzzel Ragas and Richelle Verdeprado.

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