



Organized in early 1977, the Ugnayang Pang-Aghamtao, Inc. (UGAT) is the national organization of anthropologists in the Philippines, drawing most of its members from anthropology students, researchers, teachers, and other individuals interested in the discipline.

The objectives of UGAT are: to promote, develop, and disseminate anthropological knowledge; to deepen the knowledge, understanding, and participation of and among different ethnolinguistic groups in working towards an integrated national consciousness and development; to forge linkages among anthropologists and others doing related work within and outside the country; and to uphold professional ethics.

UGAT is a regular member of the Philippine Social Science Council (PSSC), and is affiliated with the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES).

CODE OF ETHICS

An anthropologist must be scientifically objective (truthful) and relevant to national and community goals; sincere to this host community and obliged to explain to them the objectives and implications of his research; to listen to criticism by his host community of the research he has conducted; and eventually to provide them a copy of his work, ideally in their language, for the host community is the final arbiter of the validity of his work.

An anthropologist doing research has the obligation to make available the results of host research data not only to the host community, but also to the larger community.

The anthropologist has the right and the obligation to criticize unethical practices of fellow anthropologists and other individuals and institutions that affect the practice of anthropology.

(Article II Section 2 of UGAT Constitution and By-Laws 1978)