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CURRENT POSITION

Development Consultant

PREVIOUS POSITION

Assistant Professor, Department of Social Sciences, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of the Philippines Mindanao, Mintal, Tugbok District, 8022 Davao City.

PROJECT AND RESEARCH AREAS

Disaster Risk Reduction, Poverty and Agrarian Reform, Peace and Rural Development, Social Capital, Gender, Environment, Indigenous Peoples and Human Rights, Community Health and infrastructure. Conception and Organisation of the Poverty Reduction Strategies: Alternate Forum for Research in Mindanao (AFRIM, Inc.). Peace and development initiatives through tripartite engagement with Lumad-Moro-Christian peoples of Mindanao and also LGU-private sector-civil society organisations. Working with the Task Force Detainees of the Philippines (TFDP) in its human rights advocacy work through human rights education, fact-finding missions and campaigns for social justice and meaningful solutions to conflict in Mindanao covering the areas of Western Mindanao, Central Mindanao and Southern Mindanao. Current Research: politics of social change in Mintal (from pre-war 'little tokyo' to the present); Co-Director, Summer Fieldwork BA Anthropology Programme, UP Mindanao.

ACADEMIC DEGREES AND EDUCATION

University of Sussex, Centre for the Study of Culture, Development, and the Environment, School of Social Sciences and Cultural Studies, Falmer, Brighton, United Kingdom, October 2005-2006

MA Rural Development (Development Studies, Graduated with Merit)

Programme Coursework: Concepts in Social Development, Sustainable Development, Theories of Development and Underdevelopment, Critical Debates in Environment and Development, Rural Production Systems and Environmental Management, Geographical Information Systems

Dissertation Title: "Linking Ancestral Domain, Livelihood Strategies and Poverty Reduction: The Case of the Manobo Indigenous Peoples in Southern Philippines"

University of the Philippines, Mindanao, June 1997-2001.

B.A. Social Science Major: Behavioural Studies,

Thesis investigated the role class, power, and social stratification in community organisation in Tugbok, Davao City

Notre Dame University, Cotabato City, June 1989-1990

B.A. Philosophy and English

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2005-2006 Ford Foundation International Fellowship Program

1997-2001 University Scholar, University of the Philippines, Mindanao

1989-1990 Deans List, Notre Dame University, Cotabato, The Philippines

EMPLOYMENT AND RELATED APPOINTMENTS

Consultant, Biodynamic Farming Systems, Go Organic Mindanao (GOM), June-July 2009.

Member, National Council, Ford Foundation-IFP Philippines Alumni, from November 2008

Member, PAHRDF (AusAid) Programme Evaluation Team, Led by Dr. Antonio G. Moran, May-June 2008.

Consultant, Lake Mainit Conservation Project, Compostela Valley Province, September 2007.

Member of the Development Studies Committee, Centre for the Study of Culture, Development and the Environment, University of Sussex, lead by Dr. Don Funnell, October 2005 - September 2006.

Department Coordinator (OIC), Research & Advocacy, Alternate Forum for Research in Mindanao, Davao City, The Philippines, March 2004-June 2005.

Community Development Specialist, Research & Advocacy Department, Alternate Forum for Research in Mindanao, Davao City, The Philippines, January 2003-February 2004.

Member of the Research Team-the Philippines, Institute for Popular Democracy (IPD) and AFRIM, with the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex, lead by Dr. Peter Houtzager and Dr. Jennifer Conroy Franco, on "How the poor make law" (comparative study between Brazil and the Philippines), August 2002 - April 2003.

Researcher-Writer, Policy Advocacy Department, Alternate Forum for Research in Mindanao, Davao City, The Philippines, February 2002-December 2002.

Regional Program Coordinator, Research, Documentation and Information, Task Force Detainees of the Philippines-Western Mindanao (TFDP), Ozamis City, The Philippines, July 1994-June 1997

Unit Staff, Research, Documentation and Information, Task Force Detainees of the Philippines-Western Mindanao, Pagadian City Unit, The Philippines, October 1992-June 1994

GOVERNMENT AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Member, Anti-Sexual Harassment Committee, University of the Philippines Mindanao, Mintal, Davao City,

Member, Gender & Development Committee, University of the Philippines Mindanao, Mintal, Davao City, June 2007 – May 2008.

Staff, Advocacy, Organising and Training, Davao City Disaster Operations Center, Davao City, The Philippines, July 2001 - February 2002.

Member of the Scholarships Committee, University of the Philippines, lead by UP Vice President for Academic Affairs, Professor Maria Serena Diokno, June 2000 – March 2001.

PRIVATE SECTOR APPOINTMENTS

Ford Foundation International Fellow, Centre for the Study of Culture, Development, and the Environment (CDE), School of Social Sciences and Cultural Studies, University of Sussex, Brighton BN1 9SJ, UK

Graduate Student Representative, MA Rural Development (Development Studies), University of Sussex Student Union, University of Sussex, England, UK, October 2005 – June 2006.

CHARITY

Treasurer of the World Lives Foundation: A group of postgraduate students at Sussex with research interests in development, health, and international economic policy. The group was able to raise funds on and off campus as well as arranged with private donors. In 2005-2006, funds raised went to local disaster relief operations in Pakistan and Africa.

Member of the Task Force Detainees of the Philippines (TFDP), 45 St. Mary Street, Cubao, Quezon City 1101

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Faculty Representative, All UP Academic Union, University of the Philippines Mindanao

Member of the Ford Foundation International Fellows-Philippines

Member of the World Lives Foundation, University of Sussex

Member of the Duyog-Ambit Mindanao

Member of the Task Force Detainees of the Philippines

President, University of the Philippines Mindanao Alumni Association

Member of the Development Studies Association, United Kingdom

GRANTS AWARDED

1. Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program (Ford-IFP): Masters Degree at the University of Sussex. Start date: 02 July 2005, 15 months, \$50,000.

2. Professional Enhancement Fund - Grant to attend conferences (Graz, Austria and LSE, London) and research workshops, Ford-IFP, New York: \$2,000.
3. Coordinator of the project "Biodiversity Monitoring within the Manobo Ancestral Domain in Mount Apo" financed by the Friends of the Earth, UK. This project was in cooperation with Ilomavis-Balabag Apo Sandawa Manobo Ancestral Domain Claim (IBASMADC), July 2004 – June 2005: £2,000.

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

1. Pagbabagong-pampamahayan dulot ng migrasyon sa Mindanao: Panimulang pag- aaral sa pamayanang Mintal at mga katabing lugar (Tugbok, Davao City) MJ Paluga at V Clamonte (UP Mindanao) (Working draft)
2. Lessons from ALDA: Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries in Banana Plantations, *Bantaaw socio-economic indicators in Mindanao*, Vol.15, Issue 9-10, June 2002: 1-11.

MIMEOS

Quarterly Human Rights Situationer, Task Force Detainees of the Philippines (TFDP-Western Mindanao Region), Ozamiz City, 1992 – 1997

Fact-Finding Reports in Basilan, Jolo, Ipil and Mount Malindang, (with partner NGOs), During ‘all-out war campaign of the Government of the Philippines in Mindanao, January 1997.

INVITED PRESENTATION

2008 Panel member, ‘*Mindanao Issues and Concerns*’, Ford-IFP Philippines 1st Festival of Activities and Accomplishments, Torre Venezia Hotel, Quezon City, 20-22 November 2008.

2006 Presentation of the paper ‘*Making Native Space(s) and Secure Livelihoods in the Philippines*’ A World beyond Capitalism: 2nd Annual Multiracial Peace and Network Building Conference, Mclvar Park, Portland, Oregon, 26-28 September 2006.

Presentation of the paper ‘*Discourse Narratives in Conservation and Development in the Philippines*’ Leadership for Social Justice Institute Conference, University of Birmingham, 2-7 July 2006.

Lecture on “Development in Practice,” Lecture Series organised by postgraduate students at the Centre for the Study of Culture, Development, and the Environment, University of Sussex, Brighton, UK. 20 January 2006.

2005 Invited Lecture: “Corporate Farms and Plantations in Mindanao,” IDIS, February 2005, Davao City, The Philippines

TRANSLATIONS

“Pangkalibutan nga Taho sa mga Batang Sundalo”, A Global Report on the use of Child Soldiers, Southeast Asia, SEASUCS, Manila, May 2008.

"Coconut Levy Fund", A Primer in Cebuano, AFRIM, Inc., Davao City, 2002.

LANGUAGES

English, Cebuano, Filipino, Ilonggo, Intermediate Spanish (10-Week Intensive Course in Spanish, Sussex Language Institute, University of Sussex, United Kingdom)

REFEREES

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