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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Examining migration as an aspect and component of foreign policy.
- The role of the nation-state in manufacturing identities for its population, and how migration between states influences this identity-making.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in International Relations 2014 – 2018

University of British Columbia, Vancouver BC

- Minor in Asian Canadian and Asian Migration studies

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Liu Lin Ping Memorial Scholarship (\$1,600) 2017

University of British Columbia, Vancouver BC

Trek Excellence Scholarship for Continuing Students (\$1500) 2015

University of British Columbia, Vancouver BC

CONFERENCES

Ferrer, P.M. (June 2018). "Being Colonized Settlers: Unpacking Indigenous-Immigrant Relations in Canada." Critical Ethnic Studies Association Conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver BC, June 24, 2018.

Ferrer, P.M. (March 2018). "Building New Identities and Communities: The Integration of Syrian Refugee Youth into Germany." Individual and Society, Arts Undergraduate Society Humanities and Social Sciences Conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver BC, March 9, 2018.

Ferrer, P.M. (February 2018). "Indigenous Women in Sustainable Development." International Development Week Conference, BC Council for International Cooperation, Vancouver BC, February 10, 2018.

Ferrer, P.M. (March 2017). "The Question of Filipino Identity." Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver BC, March 23, 2017.

Ferrer, P.M. (January 2017). "Filipino Identity and the Diaspora to Canada." Evolution and Identity, Arts Undergraduate Society Humanities and Social Sciences Conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver BC, January 14, 2017.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Ferrer, P.M., and Holmes, A. (2018). Canadian Bill C-16: Decolonizing the Protection of Two-Spirit, Gender Non-Binary and Transgender People. UBC Journal of Political Studies, 20, 13-28.

Ferrer, P.M. (2018). Relations on the Basis of Migration: Philippine Temporary Labour Migration and Canadian Foreign Policy. The SEED: UBC Undergraduate Journal of Canadian Studies, 16, 48-55.

Ferrer, P.M. (2017). Development Ideal versus Reality: The Relationship of Return Migration and Development. Trail Six: Undergraduate Journal of Geography, 11, 5-12.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Independent Supervised Research Project

September 2016 – March 2017

University of British Columbia

- Conducted independent research under the supervision of Dr. Leonora Angeles, on the topic of Filipino/x identity within the context of the diaspora to Canada.
- This research has been presented at the Arts Undergraduate Conference on Humanities and Social Sciences held by the UBC Arts Undergraduate Society, and at the Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference.
- This research was used towards developing a seminar for undergraduate students, focused on the construction of Filipino/x identity and the diaspora to Canada.

VOLUNTEER WORK

Co-President

May 2018 – Present

Asia Pacific Youth Council, Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada

- Working with the Youth Council towards creating a series of events and mentorship program with the aim to engage Canadian youth on Asia, both for academic and professional development purposes.
- In 2017, as the previous Vice President of Event Programming, created a series of events titled the ASEAN Dialogues, which aimed to inform and engage Canadian youth on current issues in Southeast Asia towards demonstrating their significance to Canada.

Editor

November 2017 – April 2018

UBC Undergraduate Journal of International Affairs (JIA)

- Worked in organizing and editing student submissions towards the publication of volume 33 of the JIA.

- Helped to host editing workshops to encourage undergraduate submissions to the journal, with the goal of helping students see the possibilities of the broader implications of their coursework through the journal.

External Relations Director

May 2017 – March 2018

IdeasXChange

- Led the organization's handling of external relations, such as in coordinating event speakers and partners, sustaining partnerships, and expanding our audience base.
- Acted as the lead for an event titled "Building Sustainable Communities: Taking Action," which intended to engage youth and community members towards making Vancouver an environmentally and culturally sustainable city.

Member, Student Research Working Group

January – May 2017

Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada

- Participated in a group research project focused on the topic of mining policy in the Philippines and connections to Canada, with a focus on the political involvement of Philippine Indigenous groups, and final deliverable of a blog tracking news surrounding this topic.
- Won first prize at the working group showcase event, with a \$400 cash prize.

Outreach Director

September 2016 – September 2017

Interfaith Collaboration for Kindness (IC-Kindness)

- Worked in outreach for the organization to create relationships with other non-profit organizations concerned with interfaith collaborations and the promotion of diversity in Vancouver.
- Engaged in research on the impact of interfaith organizations on Vancouver, towards the planning of workshops wherein participants can discuss topics on diversity in Vancouver.
- Organized workshops intended to provide a safe space for students to discuss and address their concerns regarding current events around the world, with one example being a discussion on the "Muslim Ban" put forward by the Trump presidency in the United States.

Transcriber

September 2016 – April 2017

Canada Indonesia Diaspora Society

- Worked with two PhD students and other transcribers on recording stories of Indonesian immigration to Canada, with the goal of understanding patterns of Indonesian migration and the historical background of these movements.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The Question of Filipino identity: Exploring the Diaspora to Canada

January – April 2018

Student Directed Seminar Program, University of British Columbia

- Created and led a senior undergraduate seminar on the topic of Filipino/x identity in the diaspora in Canada.
- This seminar invited students to learn and engage with the Filipino diaspora and communities in Canada, through an investigation and deconstruction of Filipino identity using a transnational theoretical framework to critically analyze the different social constructions of Filipino identity, based on migration, history, colonialism, politics, and other themes.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

UBC Philippine Studies Series

2016 – Present

University of British Columbia

An academic group composed of undergraduate and graduate students of Filipino heritage within different disciplines in UBC. Focused on highlighting academic work, community action and art; providing a venue for the discussion of Philippine issues in Vancouver; contributing to the Filipino community in Canada; and helping sustain to a Vancouver-based network of scholars and community members interested in research on Philippine topics

CERTIFICATES

TCPS 2: CORE (Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans),
Interagency Advisory Panel on Research Ethics

REFERENCES

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