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**COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**



**MEMORANDUM FROM THE CHAIRPERSON**

**FOR :** ALL CHED CENTRAL AND REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTORS  
ALL PRESIDENTS / HEADS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HIGHER  
EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIs)

**SUBJECT :** PARTICIPATION IN THE "PHILIPPINE POLITICAL SCIENCE  
ASSOCIATION (PPSA) TRAINING SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL  
SCIENCE RESEARCH METHODS" TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER  
19-23, 2018 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SAN JOSE - RECOLETOS

**DATE :** September 19, 2018


In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act (R.A.) 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994", this Office hereby endorses the above undertaking organized by the Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA) for the support and participation of all concerned.

This activity is open to all interested participants from Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

Participation of officials, employees and students from private higher education institutions shall be VOLUNTARY. Officials and employees of State and Local Universities and Colleges (SUCs and LUCs) who will participate in this activity should obtain prior approval from the President/Head of their respective institutions and are hereby reminded to observe proper use of government funds in accordance with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) National Budget Circular No. 563 and Budget Circular No. 2017-5.

For registration and further information, you may coordinate with the organizers via email at [ppsa.methods@gmail.com](mailto:ppsa.methods@gmail.com) or through telephone number (02) 524-4611 local 570.

Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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## **PPSA Training School for Social Science Research Methods**

The Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA) is pleased to announce the launching of the PPSA Training School for Social Science Research Methods (Methods School) from **November 19 to 23, 2018** in partnership with the **University of San Jose–Recoletos in Cebu City**, which will host and provide the venue for this activity. This is in line with the thrust of the association to support the development of capacities in research and the teaching of research in Political Science, allied disciplines, and the social sciences. It provides an opportunity for university and senior high school faculty members, researchers, graduate students, and professionals in the regions to avail class-intensive but practical training from highly qualified mentors in the various social science research methods at a reasonable rate and at an accessible venue.

The Methods School include basic and advanced courses held over the course of five (5) days under the tutelage of highly qualified mentors. Courses are designed to be intensive and practical and will enable participants to immediately apply what they learned at the end of the module. Unlike other local training programs that tend to be heavily lecture-oriented, Methods School classes prefers workshops. The daily schedule is comprised of three (3) hours of lecture, workshops and demonstration, one (1) hour of coaching, and at least four (4) hours of independent practice and application. The outputs are immediately discussed the following day so that everyone can keep track of their progress.

To maximize learning and interaction between the participants and the mentors, Methods School courses are deliberately kept small with no more than 20-25 students per class. The courses will be handled by highly qualified mentors trained in some of the best institutions in the Philippines and abroad and with excellent track records of research and publications in reputable international peer reviewed and high impact journals indexed by Scopus and the Social Science Citation Index. For a well-rounded program, the mentors are not limited to Political Scientists but will also include Social Scientists with diverse professional and academic backgrounds.

The Methods School offers both basic and advanced research methods courses to cater to participants with a diverse range of backgrounds and level of research proficiency. Graduate students, beginning researchers, and academics can take basic courses while more advanced researchers can take the more advanced and specialized courses. Advanced courses are dedicated to learning a very specific methodology and is suited for more advanced participants. Courses will be offered based on confirmed demand; only courses with at least 15 participants will proceed. Participants will be evaluated to ensure that they are placed in the courses appropriate for their level.

### **Basic Courses**

- Introduction to Quantitative Research
- Introduction to Qualitative Research

### **Advanced Courses**

- Ethnography
- Comparative Method
- Discourse Analysis
- Linear and Logistic Regression
- Case Study



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## REGISTRATION FEES

Fees for the Methods School courses is **PHP 14,000.00 per 5-day course for non-PPSA members and a discounted PHP 12,000 per 5-day course for registered PPSA members for the year 2018-2019**. On a per day basis, this is more affordable than the fees offered by other domestic training institutions in the country and approximately 60% lower than fees offered by such institutions as the International Political Science Association-National University of Singapore (IPSA-NUS) in their Summer School held at the NUS campus in Singapore. The fees are inclusive of materials, certificates, and coffee/refreshments during the morning lecture/workshops session. It is not inclusive of transportation, meals, lodging, or accommodations.

Participants paying the full fee of PHP 14,000 per course can register for free, for a one-year membership in the PPSA and avail of subscription to its official journal, the Philippine Political Science Journal published by Taylor and Francis and indexed by Scopus and the Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI) for no additional fee. All participants are also eligible to attend free seminars or workshops to be held during the same week as the Methods School but outside of the class schedule.

Participation for the Methods School is on a strict pre-registration basis only. Participants are strictly required to register and confirm their payment three (3) weeks before the Methods School begins. This is to ensure that courses will meet the minimum number which is currently at 15 paying participants per course. Courses that fail to meet the minimum number of participants will automatically be dissolved and fees will be refunded. Participants of courses dissolved for failure to meet the minimum number of participants may also transfer to another course.

**The deadline for registration and payment is on October 19, 2018.** Participants may register by filling up the forms at <http://tinyurl.com/ppsamethods> . Payments can be made in cash, check, or bank deposit at any BDO branch. Please deposit the conference fee to the following:

Bank: BDO  
Account Name: Philippine Political Science Association  
Account Number: 8658002864  
Account Type: Current  
Swift Code (for International Depositors Only): BNORPHMM

Participants may also deposit payment through GCash. Just go to any GCash Partner Outlets, including Globe Stores, Puregold, SM Business Center, Cebuana Lhuillier, Villarica Pawnshop, Tambunting Pawnshop, RD Pawnshop, and 7-Eleven Cliqq Kiosks, and deposit your payment to:

GCash Account Name: Mr. Kevin Nielsen Agojo  
GCash Mobile Number: 09776835929

Participants should send the copy of the bank deposit slip or official receipt to Kevin Nielsen Agojo, PPSA Research Assistant, at [ppsa.methods@gmail.com](mailto:ppsa.methods@gmail.com). They can also check our PPSA website (<http://philpolsci.org>) and Facebook page (<https://facebook.com/ppsa.philpolsci>) for complete details and updates on the organization and the Methods School.



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## COURSES AND FACULTY INFORMATION

All mentors for Methods School courses have doctorate degrees from reputable institutions in the Philippines and abroad. All of them have taught at the graduate level and demonstrated expertise in their area of specialization as evidenced by their excellent track record of research and publications in reputable peer reviewed and high impact international journals indexed by Scopus and the Social Science Citation Index (SSCI). In alphabetical order, they are as follows:

### COMPARATIVE METHOD

This intensive 5-day course on Comparative Methods introduces the key concepts, themes, and approaches in the study of comparative politics. As a sub-field of political science, comparative politics is framed to understand how societies are organized and how to build explanations about politics by probing the relationship between social, economic, and political factors in a variety of cases and contexts.

#### *Faculty Profile*



**Dr. Julio Teehankee** is currently the President of the Philippine Political Science Association. He is a Full Professor of Political Science and International Studies at De La Salle University (DLSU). He finished his B.A. in Political Science and Ph.D. in Development Studies at DLSU and his M.A. in Political Science at the University of the Philippines. He completed his postdoctoral studies at the Graduate Schools of Law and Politics at the University of Tokyo under a Japan Foundation fellowship. His works are published in journals such as the *Journal of Democracy*, *Regional and Federal Studies*, *Journal of Developing Societies*, *Journal of Current Southeast Asian Affairs*, *Asia Pacific Social Science Review*, and the *Philippine Political Science Journal*. He specializes in the comparative analysis of institutional politics and development in East and Southeast Asia, with particular focus on elections, party politics, democratization and governance. He has written and published papers on elections, party politics, and political dynasties in the Philippines and Japan. Dr. Teehankee is also the incumbent Executive Secretary of Asian Political and International Studies Association; Regional Manager for Northeast and Southeast Asia of the Varieties of Democracy; and Associate Editor of the Philippine Political Science Journal.





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### **CASE STUDY RESEARCH DESIGN (with nVIVO)**

This intensive 5-day course on the practical significance of a case study research design covers Dr. Villa's extensive exposure while doing his study and fieldwork in Japan. With reflections from the fundamental work of Yin (1984) and Stake (1995), Dr. Villa's lecture will cover the following outline: 1) how to define the case being studied, 2) how to determine the relevant data to be collected, and 3) what should be done with the data, once collected. The lecture will also include a special workshop on NVivo for data analysis using a case study research design.

### **Faculty Profile**



**Dr. Anderson V. Villa** received his doctoral degree at the Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (Japan) in 2015 through a *Monbukagakusho* Doctoral Scholarship Grant (Ministry of Education) wherein he utilized a Case Study research design for his dissertation on Filipino irregular migrants in Japan. He obtained his MA in Health Social Science at the De La Salle University (DLSU-Manila) in 2007 under a study grant from Ford Foundation. He finished his MA in Applied Social Research and AB Political Science at the Ateneo de Davao University (ADDU). Dr. Villa is an Associate Professor at ADDU International Studies Department. He also teaches at the Political Science and History Department (ADDU). He is currently the Mindanao Representative to the Board of Trustees of the

Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA). Dr. Villa is a 2018 Visiting Scholar at the Hoover Institution Library and Archives in Stanford University, California, USA.

### **DISCOURSE ANALYSIS**

This intensive 5-day course on Discourse Analysis is designed to equip participants with the necessary knowledge and skills to synthesize arguments into critical discourse analysis and political discourse analysis, respectively. It is intended to ground political perspectives where in deliberation, decision, and action are essential in the process of analysis. This course aims to integrate the analysis and evaluation of the arguments into an organized critical approach.

### **Faculty Profile**

**Dr. Edsel Sajor** is an Associate Professorial Lecturer of Political Science at the De La Salle University - Manila and the School of Environment Resources and Development, Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand where he taught as Associate Professor. Dr. Sajor obtained his MA and Ph.D. in Development Studies at the International Institute of Social Studies of Erasmus University, Rotterdam. He co-authored the book *Bio-Innovation and Poverty Alleviation* and his research has been published in journals such as the *Habitat International*, *Development and Change*, *Impact Assessment Review*, *Urban Studies*, *International Migration*, *International Development Planning Review*, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, *International Journal of Public Administration*, *Environmental Earth Science*, *Environment, Development and Sustainability*, and *The Journal of Environment & Development*. His research areas include urban environmental management, climate change adaptation, environmental policy and governance, poverty reduction strategy, and sustainable development.





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### **ETHNOGRAPHY**

This intensive 5-day course will introduce the various approaches and strategies for conducting ethnographic researches with focus on the proper acquisition and critical analysis of the data gathered from fieldwork. This course will also introduce participants to the technical, practical, and philosophical issues that may arise when in the process of data collection. The course will also comprehensively discuss the process of acquiring data from an ethnographic method, which ranges from proper fieldnote-taking, writing data based on observations, induction, hypothesis- and theory-building, to understanding emotions, and the like. This can be helpful especially to researchers inclined in conducting studies using micro-analytical lens.

#### ***Faculty Profile***

**Dr. Christianne France Collantes** is an Associate Professor at the De La Salle University - Manila and is currently the Undergraduate Thesis Coordinator of the Political Science Department. She finished her Ph.D. in Gender Studies at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. Her recent works are published in the *Critical Asian Studies* and *South East Asia Research*, and her book *Reproductive Dilemmas in Metro Manila: Faith, Intimacies, and Globalization* was published by Palgrave MacMillan UK. Her research areas include gender politics, reproduction, globalization, and global political economy.



### **INTRODUCTION TO QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH**

This course introduces participants to the fundamentals of designing and doing quantitative research in political science, public administration, and other social sciences. As an introductory course, it covers the basics of quantitative research design and provides an overview of the various techniques used for summarizing, describing, analyzing and presenting univariate and multivariate quantitative data collected through polls, questionnaires and surveys or by making use of pre-existing datasets. A practical and hands on approach will be adopted and participants will be walked through the process of designing a simple quantitative research study from developing the research problem, to establishing the theoretical/ conceptual framework, to designing the methodology, to analyzing data, and interpreting the results.

#### ***Faculty Profile***

**Dr. Ador Torneo** is the National Secretary of the Philippine Political Science Association. He is an Associate Professor Teaching Political Science and Development Studies and the incumbent Director of the Jesse M. Robredo Institute of Governance both in De La Salle University - Manila. He received his B.S. in Community Development and Master of Public Administration degrees from the University of the Philippines - Diliman, and his Ph.D. in Public Administration from Konkuk University in South Korea. Dr. Torneo has extensive experience in capacity building, monitoring and evaluation, and public policy research. His research has been published in Scopus and SSCI journals, including the *Philippine Political Science Journal*, *Asia-Pacific Social Science Review*, *Asian Politics & Policy*, *International Journal of Technology, Policy, and Management*, *International Migration*, and *Public Performance Management Review*, among others.





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### INTRODUCTION TO QUALITATIVE RESEARCH

This intensive 5-day course introduces participants to the basics of designing and doing qualitative research in political science and other social sciences. As an introductory course, it provides an overview of selected qualitative research designs and methods for analyzing qualitative data. Approaches include participant observation (of various forms and levels), content analysis, doing interviews, and conducting focus group discussions. A practical and hands on approach will be adopted and participants will be walked through the process of designing and implementing a simple qualitative research study.

#### *Faculty Profile*



**Dr. Marilou F. Siton-Nanaman** is a Full Professor at the Political Science Department of Mindanao State University – Iligan Institute of Technology. She earned her B.S. in Foreign Service at the Lyceum of the Philippines, M.A. in Political Science at the University of the Philippines, and Ph.D. in Peace and Development at the Notre Dame University. Her fields of specialization include gender and peace building, environmental politics, and gender studies. Her research has been published by the *Journal of Government and Politics*. She was also one of the researchers in a research project sponsored by the World Bank Post Conflict Fund and made possible

by the collaborative effort of the Community and Family Services International, Mindanao State University-Iligan Institute of Technology, and Notre Dame University Research Center. Dr. Siton-Nanaman is currently a Board Member of PPSA.

### LINEAR AND LOGISTIC REGRESSION

This intensive 5-day course will introduce participants to the use of linear and logistic regression as tools for social science research. Regression analysis is a statistical measure used to predict an outcome (dependent variable) using predictors (independent variables), which are arrived at through a sound theory, past studies, or a survey of literature. Regression analysis likewise investigates both the significance and strength, or magnitude, of these predictors. It is an important research tool as it equips scholars with the tools necessary to explore causality and the strength of the relationships between variables.

#### *Faculty Profile*



**Dr. Alejandro Christian D. Soler** is an Associate Professor of Political Science at De La Salle University-Manila. He obtained his Ph.D. and M.A. in Political Science and International Relations from the University of Delaware in the United States. He also has a Master in Population Studies degree from the University of the Philippines-Diliman, and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in European Studies-International Relations from Ateneo de Manila University. He has co-authored a chapter on the relationship between race and the election of President Barack Obama, as well as published in the *Malaysia Journal of International Relations and International Journal of Political*

*Science and Development*. His research interests include International Political Economy, Political Geography, and world cities in global politics.