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## EDUCATION

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University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
Ph.D., Political Science  
Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Theory

Expected May 2029

University of Maryland, College Park  
B.A., Government and Politics, *High Honors*  
Minor, Asian American Studies

May 2021

## ARTICLES

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“Stepping Stone of Empire: On the Failures of Philippine Nationalism in the South China Sea Disputes.” 2022. *Hemispheres: The Tufts University Journal of International Affairs*.

“Dictatorship of the Vengeful: The Rise of Civic Authoritarianism in Rodrigo Duterte’s Philippines.” 2021. *The Yale Review of International Studies*.

## WORKING PAPERS

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“Seeing Counterinsurgency: Propaganda and Witness in the Philippine Drug War.” (first author, with Qian Qian Ng).

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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“Authoritarian Shadows in Indonesia and the Philippines.” (first author, with Dan Slater).

“Memory From Below: Exposing the Violence of Bongbong Marcos.”

## PUBLIC WRITING

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“A Mass Killing in the Philippines Sparks Rare Scrutiny over Counterinsurgency Violence—but no Wider Reckoning” May 2026. *The Conversation*.

“Waiting for the Real Philippine Opposition.” July 2025. *Rappler*. (with Arjan Aguirre).

“Dynasty Slayers’ Gained Ground in Philippine Midterms.” June 2025. *The Diplomat*.

“Duterte at The Hague.” March 2025. *New Mandala*.

“Don’t Believe Marcos: The ICC is Needed for Drug War Justice.” December 2024. *New Mandala*. (with Michael Tiu).

“Fear and Loathing in Duterte’s Philippines: An Interview with Vicente Rafael.” March 2022. *Foreign Policy in Focus*.

“Spectacles of Amnesia: YouTube Populism and the Rehabilitation of the Marcoses.” December 2021. *Foreign Policy in Focus*.

## FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

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Matthew K. Smith Award, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan (2026)  
Yolles Graduate Fund for Research on Humanitarianism, International Institute, University of Michigan (2025)  
Mark Tessler Fellowship, Center for Political Studies, University of Michigan (2025)  
Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, Southeast Asia Research Group, Duke University (2025)  
Non-Resident Visiting Fellowship, Center for Asian Studies, Ateneo de Manila University (2024-present)  
Graduate Student Research Grant, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Michigan (2024)  
Rackham Merit Fellowship, Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan (2023-2029)

Legislative Fellowship, Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies (2021-2022)

## CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

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2026

Consortium for Southeast Asian Studies in Asia Conference, Nanyang Technological University (Singapore)

2025

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Vancouver, Canada)  
Center for Southeast Asian Studies Roundtable, University of Michigan (virtual)  
Southeast Asian Studies Graduate Workshop, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Madison, WI)  
Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Seattle, WA)  
Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting (Columbus, OH)  
Memory and Activism Working Group, Memory Studies Association (virtual)

2024

Southeast Asia Research Group Annual Meeting (Boston, MA)  
Asian/Pacific/American Institute Graduate Student Working Group, New York University (New York, NY)  
International Network of Genocide Scholars Annual Conference (Los Angeles, CA)  
Harvard-Yale Southeast Asian Studies Graduate Conference (Cambridge, MA)  
Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI)  
Intra-Student Faculty Forum, Department of Comparative Literature, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI)

## TEACHING

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POLSCI 347 – Politics and Society in Latin America (Graduate Student Instructor with Edgar Franco Vivanco)	Winter 2026
POLSCI 140 – Introduction to Comparative Politics (Graduate Student Instructor with Brian Min)	Fall 2025
POLSCI 389 – Political Institutions and Economic Development (Graduate Student Instructor with Cesi Cruz)	Winter 2025
POLSCI 101 – Introduction to Political Theory (Graduate Student Instructor with Lisa Disch)	Fall 2024

## HONORS & AWARDS

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### Academic

Western Political Science Association Best Paper Award (nominated, 2025)  
Philippine Studies Group Conference Award, Association for Asian Studies (2025)  
Mikiso Hane Prize for Best Undergraduate Paper, Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs (2023)  
Outstanding Undergraduate Paper Prize, Southeast Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (2023)  
Best Undergraduate Paper Award, Northern Illinois University Southeast Asia Student Conference (2022)  
Research Semi-Finalist to the Philippines, U.S. Fulbright Program (2022)  
Philippine Human Rights Award, Bulosan Center for Filipinx Studies, UC Davis (2021)  
Winston Award for Best Honors Thesis, Honors College, University of Maryland (2021)  
High Honors (highest grade), Department of Government and Politics honors thesis defense, University of Maryland (2021)  
Dean's List, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, University of Maryland (2018-2021)

### University & Public Service

Program Assistant, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Michigan (2023-2025)  
Profiles of Young Leaders Award, Pan Pacific American Leaders and Mentors Organization (2022)  
Senior Marshal, Office of the President, University of Maryland (2021)  
Vera Cruz-Kochiyama Leadership Award, Office of the President, University of Maryland (2021)  
Student Impact Award, Asian American Studies Program, University of Maryland (2021)  
Student Representative, American Studies Program Faculty Search Committee, University of Maryland (2021)  
Asian American Studies Program Representative, Undergraduate Dean's Student Advisory Board, University of Maryland (2020-2021)  
Major General Antonio Taguba Profiles in Courage and Leadership Scholarship, Asian American Studies Program, University of Maryland (2020)  
Linh-Thong Huu Nguyen Memorial Scholarship, Asian American Studies Program, University of Maryland (2019)

## SERVICE

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Co-Coordinator, Interdisciplinary Workshop on Comparative Politics	2025-2026
Peer Mentor, Graduate Education and Training in Southeast Asia Consortium	2025
Co-Coordinator, Southeast Asia in Social Science Group	2024-2025

## PROFESSIONAL & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Legislative Assistant, Rep. Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan Legislative Fellow, Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies U.S. House of Representatives	2021-2023
Research Assistant, <i>Foreign Policy in Focus</i> Institute for Policy Studies	2021-2022
Lead Research Assistant, Bulosan Center for Filipinx Studies UC Davis	2020-2021
Undergraduate Honors Thesis “Empire in Retreat: Rodrigo Duterte and the Challenge to American Liberalism” Advisors: Margaret Pearson, James Glass	2020-2021

## REFERENCES

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