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**Dissertation topic:**

Role and Influence of Domestic Actors in the East Asian Island  
Territorial Disputes: Case Study of Japan and Philippines

**Research interests:**

Territoriality, disputed territories and security policy in East Asia

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**Current position**

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**Education**

Oct 2014 – Present      Ph.D. Candidate in International Relations (Security and International Studies), National  
Graduate Institute for Policy Studies  
Sep 2012 – Jun 2014    M.A. in International Relations, International University of Japan  
Jun 2002 – Mar 2006    Bachelor of Arts in Development Studies, Ateneo de Manila University

**Fellowship**

Apr 2018 – Mar 2019    Suntory Fellowship (外国人若手研究者による社会と文化に関する個人研究助成)

**Conferences / Presentations**

Feb 2019                Oxford International History of East Asia Seminar in Oxford University, UK  
April 2018             59th International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, US  
Sep 2016                Joint East Asian Studies Conference in University of London, UK  
July 2015                20th Philippine Studies Forum in University of Shizuoka, Japan

**Selected work experience**

Jul – Sep 2013            Internship at United Nations University, Tokyo Japan  
Mar 2011 – Aug 2012    Community Volunteer for the Apostolic Prefecture of Battambang, Cambodia

**Knowledge of foreign languages**

- English, Tagalog and Ilocano: Native fluency
- Japanese and Khmer: Intermediate level