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May 18-20 & 23-26, 2022
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PROGRAMME

Hotel Sta. Monica
UNIVERSITY OF SAN AGUSTIN

Day 01 – 18th May (Wednesday)

Philippine Time

8:00 -8:30 Registration

8:30 -9:30 Opening Ceremony

Invocation
Philippine National Anthem
National Anthem of Spain
University of San Agustin Hymn

Welcome Messages

Seminar Overview

Introduction of Guests from Partner University

Message

Reading of the Seminar House Rules

USA Troubadours

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9:30 – 11:00

Seminar 1. Prof. Fernando Wulff Alonso

Introduction: The historiographic currents of global history. Human beings in the world.

1. *Main historiographic currents of global history.*
2. *The context of human self-conscience entailed in these currents.*
3. *The confluences of global history and ecology.*
4. *The main human developments before history as examples of interaction with the planet.*
5. *The homo sapiens occupation of the world.*
6. *New relationship with nature after the invention of agriculture and sedentarism.*
7. *Societies and ecological success or failure: Jared Diamond's debate as an example.*
8. *The strange place of man*

11:00 – 11:30

Open Discussion

11:30 – 13:00

LUNCH BREAK

13:00 – 14:30

Seminar 2. Prof. Fernando Wulff Alonso

Urban Revolutions in the Eurasian Continent and Africa. Main processes in a planetary view

1. *Major processes of urban society developments between Greece, Egypt and China (3000-1000 B. C.). Common bases.*
2. *The human drive to complex societies and urbanization. The case of America as an isolated world which gives place to similar phenomena. New dimensions of power, social hierarchies and inequalities, organization and social communication*
3. *The other side of urbanization. Nomads and other societies without state. The case of James C. Scott on Upland Southeast Asia as a resistance zone to urbanization.*
4. *The new dimensions of contact and cultural changes and exchanges. The expansion of urban revolutions. The spheres of knowledge and writing. The generation of common spaces and worlds. Coins as example.*
5. *Looking at the future. The great cultural focuses. West Asia and the Persian Empire.*

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Egypt. Unified Qin and Han China.

14.30 – 15:00 Open Discussion

Day 02 – 19th May (Thursday)

9:00 – 10: 30 Seminar 3. Part 1 – Prof. Fernando Wulff Alonso

The first globalization around the change of era.
Universal religions. (Part 1)

1. *The constitution of a globalized world in the Eurasian continent around the change of era. The Silk Road, Rome, China, India (Kushans). From the Mediterranean Sea to the South China Sea.*
2. *Routes, exchanges, interactions. East Asia in perspective.*

10:30 – 11:00 Open Discussion

11:00 – 13:00 LUNCH BREAK

13:00 – 14:30 Seminar 3. Part 2– Prof. Fernando Wulff Alonso

The first globalization around the change of era.
Universal religions. (Part 2)

3. *Universal religions. Buddhism, Hinduism, mystery religions, Christianity in a global world.*
4. *The perception of universality: travellers, peregrines, and geographers.*
5. *Inheritances and continuities. Greece and Rome. Roman law as an example. Han China and Chinese model and culture in East Asia.*

14:30 – 15:00 Open discussion

Day 03 – 20th May (Friday)

9:00 – 10: 30 a.m. Seminar 4. Prof. Fernando Wulff Alonso

East Asia from a Global Perspective

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The Philippines in History

1. *Rivers and trade routes and generation of states in East Asia.*
2. *New states in Northeast Asia (Japan and Korea) and the Chinese influence.*
3. *New states in SouthEast Asia and the Indian influence: rivers and commercial networks. "Indianization" and the "Sanskrit community" (Pollock).*
4. *Hinduism and Buddhism.*
5. *Continental Asia complexities: the case of the multicultural Tang China. The role of Central Asia and the example of the Turks.*
6. *Origins and spread of Islam. From West Asia to Spain and the South China sea. Merchants and pilgrims in the creation of new networks.*
7. *The Philippines as a contact space and as a border space.*

10:30 – 11:30

Introduction of Speaker: Dr. Claribel Concepcion
Talk: Fr. Antonio de Castro, S.J.

The history of Christianity in the Philippines, nationalism, and the concept of 'global citizenship'

11:30 - 12:00

Open Discussion

Day 04 – 23rd May (Monday)

13:00 – 14:30

Seminar 5. Prof. Fernando Wulff Alonso

The second globalization (XIII-XV).

Human developments in a multipolar world

1. *Societies and cultural developments before European world hegemony. A world system of regional states and cultural variations. China, SE Asia. NE Asia, Central Asia, Africa and Europe.*
2. *The two corners of the Eurasian continent. Europe: cities and states between the "age of Cathedrals" and the Renaissance. China between the Mongols and the Ming.*
3. *Multipolar transmission of ideas, inventions, vegetables, animals and... plagues.*



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4. *Routes and contacts. Maps and technology (astrolabes, compasses, navigation charts)*
5. *Travellers and their writings as examples of multipolarity and of the conscience of a shared world. Marco Polo, Ibn Battuta, Ibn Khaldun, Zheng He.*
6. *A final view from the Philippines*

14.30 – 15:00 Open Discussion

Day 05 – 24rd May (Tuesday)

9:00 – 10: 30 Seminar 6. Prof. Antonio Calvo Maturana

An introduction to Early Modern and Modern World System: Structures and Processes

1. *The third globalization as conducted by Europeans.*
2. *East Asia before the West. The Sinocentric system: A Confucian view of the world. Chinese soft power and tributary embassies. Asia in Western eyes. The so-called “Age of Discovery”. European trade and evangelization. The image of China in Europe. Great Britain in India.*
3. *The Columbian Exchange: A biological globalization. The ecosystem before and after 1492: Jared Diamond’s Guns, Germs and Steel.*
4. *Hobsbawm’s Ages of Revolution and Empire. Industrial and liberal revolutions. The Chinese Downfall. The I World War. Russian Revolution.*
5. *Hobsbawm’s Age of Extremes. The rise of Fascism and the II World War. A bilateral world: The Cold War. Decolonization and the “third world”. The end of the Cold War and new perspectives in a globalized world. The return of China and East Asia and the recovery of a multipolar world.*
6. *The world nowadays: the fourth globalization. The world wide web. Post-truth politics. The Asiatic counterbalance. The role of the Philippines in the region.*

10:30 – 11:00 Open Discussion

11:00 – 13:00 LUNCH BREAK

13:00 – 14:30 Seminar 7. Prof. Antonio Calvo Maturana

The Hispanic Monarchy: A global Empire (XV-XIX)



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1. *The World before America and America before the World. From Ptolemy to Vespucci.*
2. *Columbus' Dream: Providentialism and Anthropocentrism in a man between two Ages. Bulls of Donation: a religious legitimation for a New World Order.*
3. *Evangelization and forced labor: The inner organization of the Empire. The Colonial Compact.*
4. *The role of the Philippines in a global Empire. The "tornaviaje". Manila galleon. A remote colony.*
5. *Alternative empires: Portuguese, British, Dutch, French, Ottoman and Russian constructions. Their presence and activities in South East Asia.*
6. *The XIX Century downfall of the Hispanic Empire in the context of imperialist expansions. American Independence: A creole (and white) process. Ex uno plures and e pluribus unum: Two key concepts.*

14.30 – 15:00 Open Discussion

Day 06 – 25th May (Wednesday)

- 9:00 – 10:30 Seminar 8. Part 1 - Prof. Antonio Calvo Maturana
Humanity. Part 1.
1. *Otherness and selfhood in a global word (XV-XIX). The concept of otherness/alterity. A world of infidels: monotheism or the only true religion. The myth of the good savage. The "barbarians of Luzon": A case study.*
 2. *A global debate on human rights (XV-XVIII). The cry of Montesinos (1511) and its consequences. Las Casas: Protector of the Indians. A Short Account on the Destruction of the Indies (1542). The School of Salamanca and the law of nations. Francisco de Vitoria. The New Laws (1542).*
- 10:30 – 11:00 Open discussion
- 11:00 – 13:00 LUNCH BREAK
- 13:00 – 14:30 Seminar 8. Part 2-Prof. Antonio Calvo Maturana
Humanity. Part 2.
3. *The so-called Spanish "Dark Legend". International criticism against Spain and its conquest of the New World.*



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Columbus revisited: the 12th of October under the spotlight.

4. *Slavery in Early Modern and Modern World. Triangular trade.*
5. *The resonance of these debates in the Philippines.*

14:30 – 15:30 Talk: Prof. Felino S. Garcia Jr.

“Levantado del Olvido”: Una Traducción de Los Pajaros de Fuego A La Lengua Filipina

15:30 - 16:00 Open Discussion

Day 07 – 26th May (Thursday)

9:00 – 10:30 Seminar 9. Prof. Antonio Calvo Maturana

Imperialism and its consequences

1. *Nationalism, Capitalism and Imperialism: a triple paradigm.*
2. *European distribution of the World. Gunboat diplomacy. The Opium Wars. The Berlin Conference (1884-85). Consequences of these arbitrary borders today.*
3. *Asia, Africa and America are under exploitation. A plantation economy. Colonies and protectorates. China under the unequal treaties. The counterexample of Japan.*
4. *The rise of the United States of America. Three fundamental concepts to understand it: Manifest Destiny, Monroe Doctrine and Big Stick ideology. The Southern contrast: Galeano's Open Veins of Latin America.*
5. *Southeast Asia processes and the Philippine exceptionality. The Spanish 1898 and the Philippines. The last of the Philippines. The role of the USA.*
6. *Identities and empires: destructions and constructions.*

10:30 - 11:30 Talk: Atty. Raphael Perpetuo M. Lotilla

Preliminary notes on the legal aspects of Spanish acquisition of sovereignty over the inhabitants of the Philippines

11:30 - 12:00 Open Discussion



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12:00 – 13:00

LUNCH BREAK

13:00 – 14:30

Seminar 10. Prof. Antonio Calvo Maturana

Crossed views

1. *Imperialism and Kipling's white man's burden. Progress, evolutionism and sense of superiority.*
2. *Kipling's critics. Voices against imperialism, from Tolstoi and Mark Twain to Gandhi. Democratic countries with colonies: a paradox.*
3. *Orientalism. Said's theory. Exoticism and backwardness in Romantic mentality.*
4. *A Postcolonial world: elites and identities. Political and social contradictions behind speeches of independence and freedom.*
5. *The new place of globalization and new ways of understanding identities in the context of a world heading to multipolarity. History as the human intellectual instrument to think past and present. Global processes and global history today.*
6. *Philippine identity: a nation amongst empires in the context of Southeast Asia. A last view of historical processes.*

14:30 – 14:45

Introduction of Speaker: Dr. Claribel Concepcion
Talk: Ms. Ma. Christina A. Cañones, MA

The colonial designs and local constructions in the making of a Spanish town: The case of Zamboanga, 1719-1919

14:45 - 15:00

Open Discussion

15:00 - 15:30

Closing Programme

Distribution of Certificates to Speakers and Participants

Response from a Participant

Closing Remarks - Dr. Claribel Concepcion

For more information:

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