

Call for Papers

Disasters in History: The Philippines in Comparative Perspective

The Department of History, School of Social Sciences, Ateneo de Manila University, and the journal *Philippine Studies: Historical and Ethnographic Viewpoints* invite papers to be presented in an international conference-workshop on “Disasters in History: The Philippines in Comparative Perspective” to be held on 24–25 October 2014 at the Ateneo de Manila University, Loyola Heights, Quezon City, Philippines.

The conference aims to gather historians, climate scientists, and other scholars to present and discuss papers based on new research and perspectives in the study of disasters. Papers that are explicitly historical, ethnographic, and/or comparative in orientation are most welcome.

The conference is intended to cover the histories of various disasters brought about by earthquakes, tsunamis, typhoons, volcanic eruptions, drought, and other natural hazards as historically experienced by various groups, classes, and communities in the Philippines and other parts of Asia Pacific. We invite papers that offer comparative perspectives on how different societies with differing levels of vulnerability have prepared for, confronted, experienced, and moved on from disasters in different historical periods. Papers dealing with other parts of Asia Pacific are encouraged to relate the discussion to the Philippines.

The conference aims to foster closer academic and scholarly ties and relationships between and among scholars in the Philippines and Asia who are engaged in similar and parallel projects that study disasters in history.

Selected papers will be included in a special issue of *Philippine Studies: Historical and Ethnographic Viewpoints*. Other publications may also be planned.

Keynote Speakers

The keynote address from a historian's perspective will be delivered by Prof. Greg Bankoff, University of Hull. He is the author of *Cultures of Disaster: Society and Natural Hazard in the Philippines* (2003) and the coedited volume *Flammable Cities: Urban Conflagration and the Making of the Modern World* (2012) and other works dealing with community-based disaster management.

The keynote address from an atmospheric scientist's perspective will be delivered by Dr. Gemma Teresa T. Narisma, Department of Physics, Ateneo de Manila University, whose work is geared toward assessing the potential impacts of climate change (whether due to land use or global warming or both) on society, especially in the Philippines, with the goal of providing science-based support to disaster risk mitigation, climate change adaptation, and sustainable development planning.

Submission Guidelines

Interested paper presenters are requested to submit a 250-word abstract. Panel proposals are also welcome, and should include a brief description of the proposed panel as well as the abstracts of the individual papers in the panel.

The deadline for submission of all abstracts and panel proposals is **25 June 2014**.

Please consult <http://www.philippinestudies.net> for more guidelines regarding submission and other details on the conference.



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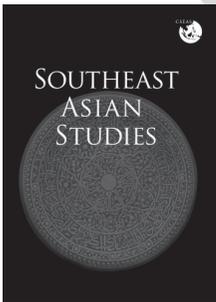
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