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RE: MINDANAO PEACE STUDIES CONFERENCE (MPSC5)

Father Saturnino Urios University (FSUU) will hold a Conference on November 19-20, 2019 in Father Saturnino Urios University CBE Function Room, Butuan City with a theme "Continuing, Conversing, Carrying On, with Peace".

Relative to this, researchers are invited to submit papers that address the conference theme, and authors of accepted papers shall present during break-out sessions. Interested participants may attend on official time only as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith.

Attached are the letters from the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research of FSUU for your reference. For further details, you may call these numbers 342-1830 local 1661,1662 or 4102 or thru 0917-705-6597.

For your information and guidance.

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September 6, 2019

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Dear Dir. Bringas:

Greetings!

In continued advocacy for peacebuilding, Father Saturnino Urios University will once again hold the **Mindanao Peace Studies Conference (MPSC5)** with the theme **Continuing, Conversing, Carrying On, with Peace** on **November 19-20, 2019** in FSUU CBE Function Hall, Butuan City.

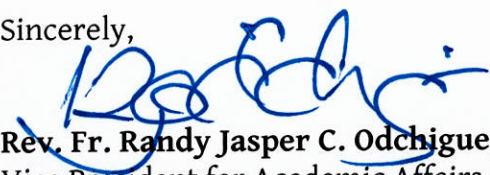
This year, being its fifth installment, the conference will look into the struggles and movements in existing efforts to build peace and become a common ground for peacebuilders in various disciplines. We also believe that your good office is an important stakeholder to peacebuilding. Thus, we would like **to invite you or your representative/s** to participate in this event. We have also invited Ms. Rufa Cagoco-Guiam, Convener of the Independent Working Group on Transitional Justice from General Santos City as one of this conference's keynote speakers.

We also welcome the submission of papers that address the conference theme, with authors of accepted papers during break-out sessions allotted 20 minutes for their presentation. Attached is a copy of the Call for Papers for the detailed information, together with the endorsement from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for your reference.

For further inquiries, you may contact us at any of these numbers: (085)342-1830 local 1661, 1662 or 4102, or thru 0917-705-6597/0917-702-7529 or thru email at mpsc@urios.edu.ph.

We look forward to your participation and be one with us in this hope for peace.

Sincerely,

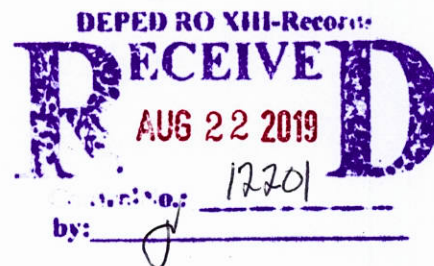

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Dear Dir. Bringas,

Warm greetings from FSUU!

It is with great gratitude that we acknowledge your office's support on the Mindanao Peace Studies Conferences for the last four years. Knowing that peace-building is an on-going enterprise we are organizing again, we would like to seek once more your office's endorsement of the fifth installment of the **Mindanao Peace Studies Conference (MPSC5)** with the theme *Continuing, Conversing, Carrying On, with Peace* which will be held on **November 19-20, 2019** in **Father Saturnino Urios University, Butuan City**.

This year's peace conference will look into continuing motivations, struggles, and movements in existing efforts to build peace, with the hopes to become a common ground for peacebuilders in various disciplines.

Please see the attached call for submission of an academic paper for your reference. If you have any queries, please contact **085-3421-830 local 4102** or email us at **mpsc@urios.edu.ph**.

We look forward to your positive response to this request.

Sincerely,


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MINDANAO PEACE STUDIES CONFERENCE 5 CALL FOR PAPERS

Theme: Continuing, Conversing, Carrying On, with Peace



When the Mindanao Peace Studies Conference (MPSC) was first held on November 2015, it hoped to create a space within the academe for discussions on Peace. Aware of its tedious position and limitations, it sought to focus on Peace in Mindanao, to be talked about in an institution firmly grounded in the Caraga region.

In the succeeding conferences, the MPSC explored Peace's intersections with the subjects of Development, of Culture, and of Politics. The MPSC grew by interrogating the notion of Peace in other places, beyond Mindanao, and across timeframes. It was observed that of the many threads holding all four conferences together, one was apparent from the start: Peace can only be a continuing and consistent effort. There can be no peace if it is not one that lasts.

Being the fifth MPSC, this year's peace conference will look into continuing motivations, struggles, and movements in existing efforts to build peace. As a conference which broke ground during the Aquino administration, and one that carries through to the Duterte presidency, MPSC 5 welcomes discussions on change and/or its absence in government. Likewise, it hopes to become a common ground for peacebuilders in various disciplines to share their assessments and reassessments. MPSC 5 wishes to ask its prospective presenters: How have their views on and, correspondingly, their strategies for Peace been altered in their respective journeys?

With the theme "Continuing, Conversing, Carrying On, with Peace" MPSC V also aims to provide a space for internally displaced peoples (IDPs) by opening rooms for discussions on the idea of IDP as a social and political label; IDPs and their means of survival in geographies outside their own, or legal spheres/structures outside their own, their stories of resilience, and colloquiums on the reasons behind, and possible solutions to, their varied plights. Scholars, academics and other professionals from government or non-government organizations, are invited to present their papers which discuss how their respective disciplines/lines-of-work have played a part in the narrative of IDPs and/or of other persons/groups affected by conflict.

On the on-going strife between armed forces, of particular interest will be perspectives from/on peace negotiators and peacebuilders from the sides of government, of groups resisting State control, of religious actors, and of other non-State entities. Representatives from various Lumad groups will be attending the conference, as the MPSC has traditionally done since its second installment. Papers which would historicize the Bangsamoro Basic Law's (BBL) progression/regression for specific segments will be a valuable contribution to the conference. Likewise, topics which tackle movements in communications and media—mass, mainstream, alternative, and social media—which aided, or had been detrimental, to the agenda of peacebuilding will be considered for the conference.

As the MPSC has done in the past four conferences, more room will be allocated for discussions on/with minority groups and victims (e.g. women and children, discrimination, physical violence, etc.). Likewise, since the MPSC is a relatively young academic conference, it seeks to listen to voices and researches which might lead to possible avenues for Peace, especially on budding practices and disciplines (e.g. mental health, therapies through the arts, disaster resilience, legal assistance for indigenous peoples, education and applied theology, etc.).

Interested presenters are requested to send abstracts (250-300 words) to mpsc@urios.edu.ph on or before September 20, 2019. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance after their submission.

Accepted proposals will be delivered in the breakout sessions on the 19th and the 20th of November, 2019 at the FSUU CBE Function Hall. First-time paper presenters will be accommodated in the Junior Scholar's Forum on the first day of the conference. Speakers are allotted 20 minutes (approx 2500 words) each and an open forum follows. A limited burse is available to cover the transportation and accommodation costs of the paper presenters. Priority will be given to early proposals.

Please contact 085-342-1830 loc. 4102 for personal inquiries or email us at mpsc@urios.edu.ph. For further information please visit us at www.urios.edu.ph.

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