Philippine Studies Group Travel Award (2015)

In support of excellence in scholarship on the Philippines, and to increase the participation of junior scholars, the Philippine Studies Group (PSG), a committee of the Southeast Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies, is pleased to announce the Philippine Studies Group Travel Award for the second year.

The PSG invites applications from individuals who will present a paper on the Philippines at the 2015 AAS Annual Conference in Chicago. This year, up to three (3) awards of $200-$300 will be given to assist eligible individuals in defraying travel costs to the conference. Applicants must personally deliver their presentations at the conference to receive their award. The PSG Travel Fund committee will select awardees using the following criteria:

- **Excellence**: peer review/acceptance of the paper by AAS Conference Committee. Excellence is prioritized over financial need; accepted works that are part of organized panels are also prioritized over individual papers. Applicants may indicate additional measures of scholarly merit such as a related publication/exhibition/other media not otherwise indicated in the paper abstract.

- **Philippine themes/topics/issues**: The entire paper or a significant portion must be devoted to Philippine material, regardless of discipline. For comparative works/case studies/multiple foci, the Philippine dimension must be evident, as demonstrated by title and abstract published in the AAS program.

- **Impact**: the award should not be relied upon to cover all participant costs of travel but help defray customary conference expenses. Applicants are asked to briefly state other funding sources applied for and received, if applicable (such as the AAS Graduate Student Stipends, AAS LDC awards, own institutional or grant support, etc.). Awards are not normally expected to exceed AAS Graduate Student Stipends (currently pegged at $200 in 2014-2015) but unlike the AAS, has less restrictive residence requirements. No financial report is required.

Applicants are invited to send an email to the PSG country chair Cherubim Quizon (Seton Hall University) quizonch@shu.edu by February 21, 2015. In your email, please include your name, paper title, a copy of the abstract and panel information (session number, date and title), and use the email subject line “PSG Travel Award 2015.” Award decisions will be announced March 1st and will be acknowledged during the PSG Section Meeting.

On behalf of the PSG Travel Fund Committee’s chair Belinda Aquino (University of Hawaii at Manoa) and its members Bernardita R. Churchill (University of the Philippines) and Megan Thomas (University of California at Santa Cruz), thank you for your interest and support!

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