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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- 2024–present Ateneo de Manila University School of Law (Juris Doctor)
Makati City
- 2nd Honors
 - 1st semester, A.Y. 2024-2025
 - 2nd semester, A.Y. 2024-2025
 - 1st semester, A.Y. 2025-2026
 - Rank 24 in the batch (as of 1st semester, A.Y. 2025-2026)
 - Track: Dispute Resolution (*to be formally signified*)
 - Grantee, Full aid upon admission
- 2019—2024 University of the Philippines Diliman
Quezon City
- Bachelor of Science in Physics
 - Thesis: Evaluating the 2022 Philippine Senate Election voting patterns extracted using hyperspectral unmixing
 - Supervisor/adviser: May T. Lim, Ph.D.
- 2017—2019 Ateneo de Naga University Senior High School
Naga City
- Track: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)
 - 2nd Honors
 - Recipient, Academic Distinction in STEM
 - Recipient, Outstanding Achievement in Campus Journalism
 - Recipient, “Onra Atenista” Award
- 2013—2017 Basud National High School (Junior High School)
Basud, Camarines Norte
- With High Honors
 - Rank 2 in the batch
- 2007—2013 Daet Elementary School
Daet, Camarines Norte

VOLUNTEER WORK AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Ateneo Human Rights Center (Resident Intern, 2025—present)

Ateneo de Manila University

- Served as paralegal for the Center's legal aid clinics or activities
- Prepared affidavits and managed case folders for the cases handled by the Center
- Interviewed clients regarding their case, and reported the recommendations to the supervising lawyer
- Supported projects relating to indigenous people's rights, access to justice, anti-impunity, and media freedom
- Participated in capacity-building trainings (*e.g.*, trauma-informed client interview, documentation and scoping)
- Conducted focus group discussions and key informant interviews for a year-long research project

Philippine Collegian (Editor-in-chief, 2022-2023)

The official weekly student publication of the University of the Philippines Diliman

- Covered the issues affecting the university, human rights, and the budget, while occasionally writing opinion pieces
- Led a newsroom consisting of 40 persons and produced monthly magazine issues
- Managed and evolved the publication's online presence by maximizing social media and search engine optimization tools
- Capacitated and professionalized the news room by instituting policies and workflows to optimize the writing, editing and presswork
- Trained and developed multiple writers
- Engaged with various sectors, cause-oriented groups, and stakeholders for press coverage

UP Ugnayan ng Pahinungod (Volunteer)

Volunteer service program of the University of the Philippines

- Administered mock UPCAT exams in two high schools in Tarlac province
- Introduced the University of the Philippines's academic programs to high school students in far-flung villages
- Handled some administrative and internal concerns regarding the volunteer program

CXTeam, Instrumentation Physics Laboratory (Undergraduate researcher, 2021-2024)

National Institute of Physics

- Analyzed and modelled sociotechnical systems that are rich in empirical data
- Handled and processed real-world datasets and signals in collaboration with graduate students and the principal investigator
- Served in some of the internal committees of the laboratory

Human Rights Violations Victims' Memorial Commission (Intern, 2021)

- Indexed Martial Law survivors' sworn statement of claims for reparation (under R.A. No. 10368)
- Read and summarized the decisions of the Human Rights Victims' Claims Board in denying or granting those claims

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

2025 Philippine Space Agency Space Policy and Law Essay Writing

- First Prize: "Where do we draw the line? Defining and delineating outer space in Philippine law"

9th University of Sto. Tomas National Campus Journalism Award

- Special jury citation: "The Board of Regents Faces a Confidence Crisis of Its Own Making"
- Special jury citation: "The Transportation Crisis Is an Affront to Our Right to Live"

Life Updates, a UP systemwide literary contest

- Consolation Prize: "What happens when a physicist goes on AWOL" (short story category)

2021 Lasallian Scholarum Awards

- Finalist: "Hundreds of CHED scholars may lose stipends due to mass promotion"

2019 National Schools Press Conference

- Champion: Column Writing

SOME CREATIVE WORKS

Above the Fold: Pages of the Philippine Collegian Under Marcos Regime

- Lead Curator
- Partnered with the University Archives and crowdsourced from the alumni to obtain and complete the publication's archive of issues (from 1920's to present)
- Secured funding from the UP Office of Initiatives for Culture and the Arts, in partnership with the UP Bulwagan ng Dangal Museum to implement the program

Points of Contact: The 2021 Philippine Collegian literary anthology

- Contributed an essay for the literary anthology dealing with the value of distance and space amid the COVID-19 pandemic
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KALAZine, a literary and arts journal published by Kalasag

- Contributed a prose poetry (Vol. 1, No. 3)

Philippine Daily Inquirer

- Contributed two essays for the paper's regular segment, *Young Blood*

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