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CONTACT INFORMATION
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EDUCATION
• BA HISTORY University of the Philippines Diliman 2016 • MA HISTORY University of the Philippines Diliman 2023
PROFILE: Aaron F. Viernes is an Assistant Professor at the University of the Philippines Department of History. He teaches Kasaysayan 1 (Philippine History), Kasaysayan 2 (Asia and the World), Kasaysayan 100 (Introduction to World Civilizations), and Kasaysayan 112 (Contemporary Philippines). He is also active in different initiatives of both the Department and the University that focus on the commemoration of Martial Law and the Marcos Dictatorship. He previously served as a consultant for the Human Rights Violations Victims' Memorial Commission (HRVVMC) and has facilitated several oral history workshops for the Commission. He is the Coordinator for the Office of Student Affairs of the College of Social Science and Philosophy. He has also been part of several book projects, including <i>The Brethren III: The Craft Under the Republic</i> (2018), <i>Philippine History Source Book: Annotated Compilation of Selected Philippine History Primary Sources and Secondary Works</i> (2020), and <i>Identity and Independence: Filipino Women in Times of War and Peace</i> (2021). His most recent work is an online research publication, <i>The Dilemma of Philippine History Textbooks</i>, co-authored with Prof. Maria Serena I. Diokno. Aaron finished his BA and MA in History from the University of the Philippines. His research interests are Martial Law studies, human rights, and sports history.
RESEARCH INTEREST: Martial Law studies, human rights, and sports history
TEACHING
• TEACHING PORTFOLIO: Learning Resources Developed

- **Member of Research team and Contributor**, National Commission for Culture and Arts' (NCCA) "Annotated Compilation of Selected Primary Sources and Secondary Works in Electronic Format." Project duration: August to December 2020, sourcebook launch date: August 31, 2021.
- **Development of Course Pack for KAS 100**, First and Second Semester, Academic Year 2023-2024
- **Development of Course Pack for KAS 112**, First, Academic Year 2024-2025

Courses Taught

- **Kasaysayan 1** (Ang Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas)
- **Kasaysayan 2** (Ang Asya at Daigdig)
- **Kasaysayan 100** (Introduction to World Civilizations)
- **Kasaysayan 112** (Contemporary History of the Philippines)
- **National Service Training Program – Civic Welfare and Training Service**

RESEARCH WORK

• PUBLICATIONS

- "Kabihug: Kasaysayang Bayan sa Sining Audio-Biswal" (2017). In *SALIKSIK E-Journal* 6, 1 (May 2017): 335-343.
- The Brethren III: The Craft Under the Republic. Edited by Ma. Luisa dL. Bolinao. Manila, Philippines: The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in the Philippines.
- Philippine History Source Book: Annotated Compilation of Selected Philippine History Primary Sources and Secondary Works in Electronic Format. Manila, Philippines: National Commission for Culture and the Arts. Media Edition
- Identity and Independence: Filipino Women in Times of War and Peace. Edited by Ma. Bernadette L. Abrera and Neil Martial R. Santillan. Quezon City, Philippines: Philippine Veterans Affairs Office.
- The Dilemma of Philippine History Textbooks. Edited by Ma. Serena I. Diokno. Manila, Philippines: FEU Public Policy Center. <https://publicpolicy.feu.org.ph/the-dilemma-of-philippine-history-textbooks-a-review-of-select-grades-5-and-6-araling-panlipunan-textbooks/>

• RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Team/Project Member. FEU Public Policy Center (FPPC) History Project: "The Dilemma of Philippine History Textbooks"; Launched on September 27, 2022; Project head: Prof. Maria Serena I. Diokno. (Diokno, Maria Serena I., Kerby C. Alvarez, Francisco Jayme Paolo A. Guiang, Dondy Pepito G. Ramos II, and Aaron F. Viernes. "The Dilemma of Philippine History Textbooks." FEU Public Policy Center. September 27, 2022. <https://publicpolicy.feu.org.ph/the-dilemma-of-philippine-history-textbooks-a-review-of-select-grades-5-and-6-araling-panlipunan-textbooks/>.)

- Team/Project Member. Ateneo de Manila University's Martial Law Library Digitization Project; Launched on April 8, 2024; Project head: Prof. Vina Lanzona. (Lanzona, Vina, Miguel Paolo P. Rivera, Vernon Totanes, Veronica Alporha, Tommy Dela Cruz, Francisco Jayme Paolo A. Guiang, Lorenzo Jose Martinez, Oliver John Quintana, Vicente Rafael, Mark Sanchez, Lila Ramos Shahani, and Aaron Viernes. Martial Law Library. April 8, 2024. <https://library.martiallawmuseum.ph/>).

• CONFERENCES

International

- Presenter, "The Killing Fields of Samar: Counterinsurgency and Human Rights Violations Under the Marcos Dictatorship," 6th Conference on Human Rights: Indigeneity and Human Rights in Asia and the Pacific Towards a Just Society: Challenges and Opportunities, Sydney Southeast Asia Center, 24-26 October 2023
- Presenter, "The Araneta Coliseum as a Site of Memory: Memorialization, Nation-building, and Sporting Celebration," Public Sport History and Community Sport Symposium, Macquarie University, 5 December 2023
- Presenter, "Nation-building and Sport Nationalism in Postcolonial Southeast Asia: The Philippine Basketball Teams in the Asian Games, Asian Basketball Championship, and the FIBA World Championship, 1954-1978," 13th Congress of the European Association for Southeast Asian Studies (EuroSEAS), EuroSEAS, 23-25 August 2024

National

- Presenter, Textual Disparities and Historical Misconceptions: The Spanish Colonial Period as Discussed in Selected Grade 5 Textbooks, Philippine Studies Association (PSA) 2021 National Conference: 500 years of Christianity, PSA, 25-27 August 2021
- Presenter, "Samar's Killing Fields: Narratives of Killings in Can-avid and Paranas during the Marcos Regime," CONTEND Annual Conference 2022: Martial Law @ 50, CONTEND, 11-12 August 2022
- Presenter, "Textual Representations of Philippine Nationalism: The 19th Century, Secularization Movement, and the Gomburza as Discussed in Selected Grade 5 and Grade 6 Textbooks," Philippine-Spanish Friendship Conference, Department of History, October 2022
- Presenter, "Batayang Katotohanan sa Batas Militar: Marahas at Malawakan ang Paglabag sa Karapatang Pantao sa Panahon ng Rehimeng Marcos," 2022 UP System GE Conference, 3-4 October 2022
- Presenter, "Textual Disparities and Historical Misconceptions: The Peopling Process of the Philippine," Islands and Early Philippine Societies as discussed in Grade 5 Textbooks - 44th UGAT Annual Conference, UGAT, 26-28 October 2022

- Presenter, "Dekada '70 at Desaparesidos: Representasyon ng Pang-aabuso sa Karapatang Pantao sa Dalawang Nobelang Pangkasaysayan," Panitikan ng Panumduman: Klima, Kwerpo, Kronika – National Committee on Literary Arts (NCLA), 24-25 March 2023
- Presenter, "Strengthening the Body: Physical Education and Public Health in American Colonial Philippines," 10th National Social Science Congress (NSSC X), Philippine Social Science Council, 27-29 July 2023
- Presenter, "Pagsisiyasat sa Historyograpiyang Muslim sa Pambansang Kasaysayan: Isang Preliminaryong Pag-aaral sa mga Piling Akda ni Samuel Tan," Sangkapilipinuhan: Restrospections on Independence and Nationhood – PHA Annual Conference, Philippine Historical Association, 31 August – 1 September 2023
- Presenter, "The Chinese on Philippine History Textbooks: Representation, Misconception, and Silencing," 2024 Tsinoy Conference, Philippine Association for Chinese Studies, 27-28 January 2024
- Presenter, "In Pursuit of Truth and Justice: An Interrogation of Human Rights Documentation during the Marcos Dictatorship," Kasaysayan ng Kasaysayan: Mga Historiograpiya ng Kasaysayang Pilipino mula 1955, Philippine Historical Association, 19-21 September 2024

PUBLIC SERVICE AND EXTENSION

• SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

Resource Speaker

- Resource Speaker, "Twisted Truths: The Dilemma of Philippine History Textbooks" organized by the Far Eastern University Public Policy Center on January 25, 2022 via Zoom.
- Resource Speaker, "Boto ng Marista: Boto sa Katotohanan, Para sa Kinabukasan," Marist School Marikina, April 2022
- Resource Speaker, "Unfolding the Past: Dark Times under Martial Law," UP SANDIWA, October 2022
- Resource Speaker, "Martial Law @50: Musings on the Marcos Regime and Historical Distortion," Marist School Marikina, October 2022
- Resource Speaker, "Humanities Festival 2022 - Truth or Consequence: A Call to Critical Thinking and Positive Action," Philippine Science High School, December 2022

Work to Popularize the Field

- Program Host, Throwback Kasaysayan Season 4 (2021), Quarantalk Media
- Program Host, Throwback Kasaysayan Season 5 (2022), Quarantalk Media
- Program Guest, On Point (Historical Revisionism), DZUP 1602, 22 September 2020
- Program Guest, UP Atin 'To (Martial Law in Classroom), DZUP 1602, 23 September 2022
- Program Guest, Katok-Tahanan, Radyo Veritas, 8 March 2023
- Program Guest, UP Atin 'To (Martial Law History, Paano Ipaaaintindi sa GenZ), DZUP 1602, 18 September 2024
- Co-producer of BroadKasaysayan, the official radio program of the UP Department of History, DZUP 1602, 2018 – 2024
- Researcher, Day of Remembrance 2024 Outdoor Exhibit, UPD Office for Initiatives in the Culture and the Arts (OICA), September 2024

Training Programs and Workshops

- Workshop Organizer, National Training-Seminar for Teachers of Philippine History: Tulong-Guro sa Remote Learning, UPD Department of History, August 2021
- Workshop Organizer, National Training-Seminar for Teachers of Philippine History, UPD Department of History, August 2022
- Workshop Facilitator, Archival Research and Oral History (College of Social Sciences and Philosophy's Extramural Training Program), UPD College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, August 2023
- Workshop Facilitator, CSSP@40: Pagpapanibagong-lungsad Tungo sa Bagong Paglilingkod, UPD College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, November 2023

Organizer/Coordinator of Conferences

- Forum Organizer, EDSA People Power Lectures and Book Launch, UPD Department of History, February 2023
- Conference Organizer, 21st Philippine-Spanish Friendship Day Conference, UPD Department of History, October 2023
- Conference Organizer, 22nd Philippine-Spanish Friendship Day Conference, UPD Department of History, October 2024
- Conference Organizer, The 15th Conference of the SIEF Ritual Year Working Group, CSSP Folklore Studies Program, December 2024

- Forum Organizer, Book Talk on “Emplacing East Timor: Regime Change and Knowledge Production, 1860 – 2010,” UPD Department of History, 27 August 2024
- Forum Organizer, Gunita ng Pakikipagtunggali: Mga Akda at Sinupan sa Panahon ng Diktadura, UPD Department of History, 1 October 2024
- Forum Organizer, ALMÁ/ALMA Mga Lektura para sa Seskwisentinaryo ni Rafael V. Palma, UPD Department of History, 24 & 29 October 2024

• **SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY**

Membership in University-level Committees

- Secretariat, UC Committee on Campus Policies and Issues, UPD, June 2023 - December 2023
- Secretariat, UC Committee on Campus Policies and Issues, UPD, January 2024 - December 2024

Membership in College-level Committees

- Committee Member, CSSP Extension Committee, CSSP, August 2024 - December 2024

Membership in Department-level Committees

- Committee Head, Department Enlistment Committee, Department of History, January 2020
- Committee Head, Student Development Committee, Department of History, 2022-2023
- Coordinator, Department Extension Committee, Department of History, 2024
- Program Adviser, UPD Department of History, 2021-present

Administrative Position

- Coordinator, CSSP Office of Student Affairs, CSSP, July 2023 - December 2024

• **VOLUNTEER WORKS**

Volunteer Work

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **ATTENDANCE TO TRAINING WORKSHOPS**

- Participant, Obras Arquitectonicas en Ultramar: Arquitectura Mestiza and the Built Environment in the Philippines - The Filipino Element: Architecture in Manila between 1571 and 1800, 19 March 2021
- Participant, Obras Arquitectonicas en Ultramar: Arquitectura Mestiza and the Built Environment in the Philippines - Regulating Colonial Spaces, 26 March 2021
- Participant, Mythbusting the Marcos Years: Unravelling Disinformation, November 2020
- Participant, Kagitingang: The PVAO Historical Webinar Series - Bayanihan: Kwentuhan ng Kabayanihan, March 2021
- Participant, When Lives are as Cheap as Chickens, Department of History, September 2024
- Participant, Participant, "Rafael Palma and Transformational Learning, NHCP and UP Department of History, 24 October 2024
- Participant, The 15th Conference of the SIEF Ritual Year Working Group, CSSP Folklore Studies Program, December 2024

- **ATTENDANCE TO TRAINING WORKSHOPS**

- Sports and Society, Duke University (thru Coursera), December 2020
- Méthodologies de recherches et Asie (Research Methodologies and Asia), University of Montreal and University of the Philippines Diliman, July 2023