



# Mindanao International Studies Society Convention (MISSCON) 2025

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February 24-27, 2025  
Pinnacle Hotel and Suites, Davao City





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The study of the international in Mindanao thrives and continues to integrate nascent transboundary trends into our understanding of the world. Imitating the complexity of indigenous textile patterns, doing International Studies in Mindanao is the active interweaving of a worldview that emanates from the island's rich heritage, contemporary positionalities, and hopeful transitions. Emerging from the five-year pandemic-induced hiatus, the Mindanao International Studies Society (MISS) reconvenes to reconnect the IS community of Mindanao by weaving together our histories, current dynamism, and visions for the future. The 2025 MISS Convention (MISSCON) will allow us to trace our common past, accompany each other in the present journey, and together dream of a shared tomorrow.





# Event Participants

The participants for this convention include the students, faculty members, and alumni of the following organizations in Mindanao:

1. **Ateneo International Studies Students Organization** – Ateneo de Davao University
2. **Ateneo Diplomatic Corps** – Xavier University – Ateneo de Cagayan
3. **International Studies Shogunate** – Mindanao Kokusai Daigaku
4. **Licean Consulat Diplomatique** – Liceo de Cagayan University
5. **La Liga Diplomatica** – University of Southern Mindanao – Main Campus
6. **International Studies Organization of Ateneo** – Ateneo de Zamboanga University
7. **Department of Islamic and International Studies** – RC Al Khwarizmi International College Foundation Inc.



# Program Flow

[February 24] Day 0 - Afternoon		Dress Code
2:00 PM	Hotel Check-in	N/A
Day 0 - Evening		
5:00 – 5:30 PM	Call Time and Registration	Organization Shirt
5:30 – 5:35 PM	Preliminaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Prayer</li> <li>• National Anthem</li> </ul>	
5:35 – 5:40 PM	Opening Spiels	
5:40 – 5:45 PM	Opening Remarks  <i>Fr. Karel San Juan, SJ</i> <i>President, Ateneo de Davao University</i>	
5:45 – 6:00 PM	The Genesis of the Mindanao International Studies Society Convention  <b>Fr. Eric Anthony S. Escandor, SJ</b> <i>Chaplain, Ateneo de Davao University – Senior High School</i>	
6:00 – 6:40 PM	Introduction of MISS Member-Schools and their Organizations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ateneo de Davao University</li> <li>2. Ateneo de Zamboanga University</li> <li>3. Liceo de Cagayan University</li> <li>4. Mindanao Kokusai Daigaku</li> <li>5. RC Al Khwarizmi International College Foundation Inc.</li> <li>6. University of Southern Mindanao – Main Campus</li> <li>7. Xavier University</li> </ol>	
6:40 – 6:45 PM	Prayer for the Food	
6:45 – 7:30 PM	Socials Night Dinner	
7:30 – 7:45 PM	Activity	
7:45 – 7:50 PM	Closing Spiels	
7:50 – 7:55 PM	Photo Opportunity	
End of Day 0		

[February 25] Day 1 - Morning		Dress Code
7:15 – 7:30 AM	Event Preparations	Business Casual
7:15 – 7:30 AM	Call Time for Assembly of Delegates	



7:30 – 8:30 AM	Breakfast
9:30 – 9:40 AM	Preliminaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Prayer</li> <li>• National Anthem</li> </ul>
9:40 – 9:45 AM	Opening Spiels
9:45 – 9:50 AM	Opening Remarks  Ms. Krizza Janica B. Mahinay <i>Chair, International Studies Department</i> Ateneo de Davao University
9:50 – 9:55 AM	Introduction to the Plenary Session and Speakers  Day I Theme: Reconnecting Mindanao International Studies
9:55 – 10:25 AM	Plenary Session #1: International Studies from the Periphery: The Past, Present, and Prospects of Mindanao International Studies Programs  Mr. John Harvey D. Gamas, MA <i>Assistant Professor IV, International Studies Department</i> Ateneo de Davao University
10:25 – 10:35 AM	Snacks
10:35 – 11:05 AM	Plenary Session #2: Decolonizing International Studies through Mindanao  Nassef Manabilang Adiong, PhD <i>Director II, Policy Research and Legal Services, BARMM Bangsamoro Transition Authority</i> <i>Professional Lecturer III, Asian Center, University of the Philippines - Diliman</i>
11:05 – 11:35 AM	Open Forum
11:35 – 11:40 AM	Announcements and Closing Spiels
11:40 – 11:45 AM	Prayer for Lunch
11:45 AM – 12:45 PM	Lunch
Day I - Afternoon	
12:45 – 1:00 PM	Call Time for Assembly of Delegates
1:00 – 1:15 PM	Ice Breaker
1:15 – 4:00 PM	Activity: Weaving our Stories Together  Ms. Hazel Meghan Hamille <i>Assistant Professor, Ateneo de Davao University</i>
4:00 – 5:45 PM	Free Time
Day I - Evening	

5:45 – 6:00 PM	Call Time for Delegates	Conference Shirt
6:00 – 6:05 PM	Opening Spiels	
6:05 – 6:15 PM	Message/s of Support  <i>Faculty/Guest Speaker</i>	
6:15 – 6:20 PM	Prayer for Dinner	
6:20 – 7:20 PM	Socials Night Dinner	
7:20 – 8:05 PM	Presentations per School  1. Xavier University 2. University of Southern Mindanao – Main Campus 3. RC Al Khwarizmi International College Foundation Inc. 4. Mindanao Kokusai Daigaku 5. Liceo de Cagayan University 6. Ateneo de Zamboanga University 7. Ateneo de Davao University	
8:05 – 8:10 PM	Photo Opportunity	
End of Day I		

[February 26] Day 2 – Morning		Dress Code
7:15 – 7:30 AM	Event Preparations	Business Casual
7:15 – 7:30 AM	Call Time for Assembly of Delegates	
7:30 – 8:30 AM	Breakfast	
9:00 – 9:10 AM	Preliminaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Prayer</li> </ul>	
9:10 – 9:15 AM	Opening Spiels	
9:15 – 9:20 AM	Introduction to the Plenary Session and Speakers  <b>Day 2 Theme: Reconnecting with the Global Realities, Uncertainties, and Frontiers</b>	
9:20 – 9:50 AM	Plenary Session #3: Regional and Global Security Trends and Outlook  <b>Mr. Lucio Blanco Pitlo, III, MA</b> <i>President, Philippine Association for Chinese Studies</i> <i>Research Fellow, Asia-Pacific Pathways to Progress Foundation</i>	
9:50 – 10:00 AM	Open Forum	
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Plenary Session #4: Gender and International Security	

	<b>Atty. Archill Niña Faller-Capistrano</b> <i>Assistant Professor</i> University of the Philippines - Cebu	
10:30 – 10:40 AM	Open Forum and Snacks	
10:40 – 11:10 AM	<b>Plenary Session #5: International Relations and Social Media</b>  <b>Dr. Manuel R. Enverga III</b> <i>Director of European Studies Program</i> Ateneo de Manila University	
11:10 – 11:20 AM	Open Forum	
11:20 – 11:25 AM	Prayer for Lunch	
11:25 AM – 12:45 PM	Lunch	
Day 2 - Afternoon		
12:45 – 1:00 PM	Call Time of Assembly for Delegates	
1:00 – 1:15 PM	Ice Breaker	
1:15 – 4:00 PM	<b>Activity</b>  <b>Ms. Hazel Meghan Hamille</b> <i>Assistant Professor, Ateneo de Davao University</i>	
4:00 – 5:30 PM	Free Time	
Day 2 - Evening		
5:30 – 5:45 PM	Call Time of Assembly for Delegates	National Costume
5:45 – 5:50 PM	Opening Spiels	
5:50 – 6:00 PM	Message/s of Support  <i>Faculty/Guest Speaker</i>	
6:00 – 6:05 PM	Prayer for Dinner	
6:05 – 7:05 PM	Social Nights Dinner	
7:05 – 7:35 PM	Awarding Ceremony	
7:35 – 7:45 PM	Turn-Over of MISSCON Hosting	
7:45 – 7:50 PM	<b>Closing Remarks</b>  <b>Ms. Hannah Nicole Bitana</b> <i>Executive Director, Mindanao International Studies Society Convention (MISSCON) 2025</i>	
7:50 – 8:00 PM	Photo Opportunity and Egress	
End of Day 2		
[February 27] Day 3 - Morning		Dress Code
11:00 AM	Hotel Check-out	N/A



# Registration Fee

Earlybird Registration (Nov. 5, 2024 – Jan. 15, 2025)	Live-in (Shared)	Live-in (Solo)	Live-Out
	Php 12,000	Php 16,500	Php 7,500
Regular Registration (Jan. 16 – 31, 2025)	Live-in (Shared)	Live-in (Solo)	Live-out
	Php 12,500	Php 17,000	Php 8,000

## Live-in Inclusions:

- Accommodation
- Function Room
- Breakfast, AM Snacks, Lunch, PM Snacks, Dinner
- Delegate Kits

## Live-out Inclusions:

- Function Room
- AM Snacks, Lunch, PM Snacks, Dinner
- Delegate Kits

The mode of payment for the registration fee is through the bank only. The details are as follows:

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