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Gloria Jumamil-Mercado是本校社科院大陸研究所（現更名為「中國與亞太區域研究所」）博士班96級校友，她是本校大陸所第一位取得博士學位的國際生。她在取得博士學位後即返回母國菲律賓，擔任菲律賓國家安全委員會資深顧問與菲律賓國防學院教授，在任內表現積極，很快被拔擢擔任該校發展研究院之資深副校長與公共事務與發展管理研究院院長，並負責政府指派與選任官員之訓練課程。期間她亦曾前往美國哈佛大學甘迺迪政府學院修讀有關女性與國家安全，因長期鑽研國家安全及女性議題，Mercado博士成為了「Women in National Development and Security (WINDS)」的創會主席，倡議包容性、女性及安全等議題，並因特別專精於海峽兩岸等國際關係事務，獲拔擢擔任總統府辦公室內閣秘書處副秘書長職務（Undersecretary/ Executive Director of Performance and Projects Management Office, Office of the Cabinet Secretary, Office of the President of the Philippines）。

Mercado 博士在專業上出色的表現，近二年來陸續獲得各界的肯定及獎勵。2016年8月，獲碩士畢業母校頒發傑出校友獎；2017年3月，在海燕颱風重創菲律賓後，她展現有條不紊的領導能力，帶領所屬有效地救災與重建，榮獲晉升星級，成為菲律賓海軍後備部隊第一位女準將，也是少數跨足發展與安全領域的女性之一；2017年5月時，獲得大學畢業母校San Carlos大學頒予最高榮譽校友獎。



Usec. Gloria Jumamil-Mercado discusses with Cabinet Secretary Leoncio Evasco, Jr the salient features of EO 24, integrating Good Governance and Anti-Corruption in all clusters' policy frameworks.



Usec. Gloria Jumamil Mercado interacts with the Mayors from Region IVB, V and VI to address the inquiries regarding the rehabilitation and recovery programs in the Yolanda Corridor during the Inter Agency Task force Consultation.

Mercado 博士回顧初到中山大學的情景說：「當初來到中山大學大陸研究所時沒有人想要跟我說話。直到我遇到國際處的王意萍與許玉娟（當時國際處規模還很小），對中山才有新的感受。我想我的出現激發了校內國際化的改革。那時還有擔任國際處處長的企管系黃賀教授以及大陸所唯一以英語授課的林德昌教授，我真的很感謝這些人的協助。特別是我的指導教授林德昌博士，我們花了一年時間共同討論研究主題、文獻並建構論文的研究架構。雖然付出許多的心力，但畢業一年後，我收到出版商邀約希望出版我的論文。這本書已出版，現在回首一切都值得。」在談及讓她想在中山做研究的誘因，莫過於這裡的生活環境。山、海、夕陽、繁星、松鼠與猴子，以及那些心地善良的人，成就了名副其實的高品質學生生活，也是校園最美麗的風景。每當她疲於研究，她會到7-11買兩罐啤酒，坐在海邊聆聽海浪濤濤、樹葉簌簌、蟋蟀唧唧，聽著大自然的合音，身心頓時獲得舒緩。

在她這生最引以為傲的是在菲律賓馬尼拉雅典耀大學（Ateneo de Manila University）開設中國研究學程，她說：「在我的國家，高等教育委員會要求開設新學程的規定是必須要有2位具有博士學位的教師。馬尼拉雅典耀大學於2006年與我聯絡要設立中國研究學程，雖然當時我仍在撰寫博士論文的最後階段，很慶幸當時決定與 Ellen Palanca主任共同創辦了該學程，是菲律賓的大學中第一個開設中國研究學位學程的學校。十幾年之後，我仍持續教授『現代中國經濟』課程。現在，『鄭立銘中國研究中心』成為雅典耀大學很熱門的研究中心。」

對於在校學生，她以自身經歷期勉學弟妹說道：「在學校盡量多學，中山大學提供最優秀的老師與最美麗的學習環境，能磨練出最棒的學生。離開母校後，你們就成為母校的品牌形象大使了。」對於外籍國際生，她也提出建議：「居住在外地，你們要大方地與人分享你們的文化，並且擁抱及尊重他人。很神奇地，在離開之後，你們會把中山大學或臺灣視為你們的第二個家，而家就是你心的所在。這也是為什麼我每年都要造訪臺灣，因為我心的一部分就在這裡。」

對於獲得106學年度傑出校友，她感謝這一路協助她的貴人，而她永遠保持能伸能屈的精神與一顆勇敢的心，盡全力持續在國際間貢獻所學的精神，足為後進的典範。

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Undersecretary Gloria Jumamil-Mercado is currently the Deputy Cabinet Secretary of the Office of the President, Republic of the Philippines. She is the first international student admitted to NSYSU. She received Ph.D. from the Institute of Mainland China Studies (renamed in 2008 as the Institute of China and Asia-Pacific Studies, ICAPS). Before working at the Office of the President, she was the Senior Vice President and Dean of the Graduate School of Public and Development Management at the Development Academy of the Philippines—the school of the bureaucracy for senior appointed and elective official.

Right after schooling at NSYSU, Dr. Mercado was invited as Senior Adviser at the National Security Council and Professor at the National Defense College of the Philippines. She was also the founding Chairperson of Women in National Development and Security (WINDS), an organization that advocates for inclusive security after studying Women in Security at Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

This year was a triple recognition for her – In March, she was promoted to star rank, making her the first woman Commodore of the Philippine Navy. It is in recognition of her leadership during the relief and reconstruction during the worst disaster of the country – Typhoon Haiyan. In May, she was conferred Semper Fidelis award for VIRTUS, the highest alumni award by the University of San Carlos where he graduated Magna Cum Laude for her Bachelor's Degree in Economics; and, last August, she was also awarded the Distinguish Alumni Award by the National Defense College of the Philippines where she finished Silver Medalist in her Master in National Security Administration. She is one of the few women who seasoned in the field of development and security.

It is very difficult to say most memorable person only but persons. When I first came to NSYSU no one wanted to talk to me at the former Institute of Mainland China Studies. So refreshing indeed to find Kurby and Tanya (that time the International Affairs Office was a small one). I guess my presence triggered radical reforms in the internationalization program of NSYSU. Then there was Jason of course and Dr. Lin, who was the only Professor who agreed to teach his classes in English.

In my country, the Commission on Higher Education requires at least two PhDs in the discipline to open a new program. When Ateneo de Manila University wanted to open the Chinese Study Program in 2006, they contacted me and that time I was still in the homestretch of my dissertation writing. It was the first Chinese studies degree program offered in a university. Now more than ten years after, with pride that we started it with Director Ellen Palanca, I continue to teach one course - Modern Chinese Economy, but the Ricardo Leong Chinese Studies Center is now much sought after in Ateneo.

Stories to share – I have endless stories to share of NSYSU but I think the quality of life during my stay lived life prints that I always encourage my academically inclined staff to study there. The tapestry of academic rigors amidst the mountains, ocean, beautiful sunsets, bright stars, squirrels and monkeys, and the kind hearted people make the quality of student life veritable. When tired with research at late night, I used to run up to 7-11 to buy 2 light beer and loosen up at the seaside while listening to the sound of the waves, the rustling leaves from the mountain wind with the chorus line of the crickets. I tell you they make a musical mix that soothes my tired mind and body.

Learn as much while in school. NSYSU will hone your best brains by giving you the best teachers/mentors and the most beautiful learning environment, seize those moments. When you leave the portals of our Alma Mater, you become the branding of the school and the Ambassadors of Goodwill as well.

If there is one part of our graduate schooling that needs to be given much of our brains and passion, it is our thesis or dissertation. I call it our academic tombstone. It is the “memory” you leave behind and researchers will continue to revisit it. I spent a year with my ever patient adviser – Professor Tehchang Lin crafting my problem statement, review of related literature and developing my theoretical and research framework. But it was well worth it because a year after graduation I received a letter from a publisher offering me to publish my dissertation, so it is now a book. So give your best to your academic papers.

For international students, share your culture and while living here, but also embrace and respect theirs. You will be amazed, once you leave, you will refer to Taiwan or NSYSU as your second home. And home is where your heart is. That is why, I came here annually, because a part of my heart is here.

NSYSU education brings out your best brains, deepens your spirit and educates your heart to make a difference for humanity.

I am resilient in spirit and bravest in heart as I continue to serve the global community in ways that I can do best!



Usec. Gloria Jumamil-Mercado discusses the amendments introduced by Executive Order No. 24 (s. 2017) which reorganized the Cabinet Cluster System.