

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

June 2017 – June 2020

### Science Research Assistant

Institute for Strategic Research and Development Studies, Visayas State University, Baybay City 6521, Philippines

[External Sector Involve](#) Region 8 Climate Change Commission, Philippines  
Philippine Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative BantayKita  
Publish What You Pay Inc.

April 2019 – December 2019

### Volunteer

Leyte Industrial Ecological Zone Network, Institute for Strategic Research and Development Studies, Visayas State University, Baybay City 6521, Philippines

[External Sector Involve](#) Action for Economic Reform  
Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Philippines

July 2017 – August 2017

### Documenter and Data Transcriber

Institute for Strategic Research and Development Studies, Visayas State University, Baybay City 6521, Philippines

[External Sector Involve](#) German Institute for Development Evaluation, Germany

January 2017 – May 2017

### GIS Assistant

Department of Forest Science, Visayas State University, Baybay City 6521, Philippines

[External Sector Involve](#) Landscape Forestry of the Tropics, Thunen-Institut, Germany

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

November 2020 –Present

### Master of Science in Water Management and Governance

UNESCO-Institute for Water Education, Delft, Netherlands

January 2018 – Present

### Master of Science in Development Sociology (Candidate)

#### Minor in Land Administration and Management

Visayas State University, Baybay City, Philippines

2012-2016

### Bachelor of Science in Environmental Management

Visayas State University, Baybay City, Philippines

2014-2015

### Licentiate in Environmental Science

Areas+ Erasmus Mundus Grantee (Student Exchange)  
Universidade do Minho– Campus of Gualtar, Portugal

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Publication

Caparas, M.J. 2017. "The water quality of Salcedo River, Salcedo, Eastern Samar, Philippines". Republic of Moldova: LAP Lambert Academic Publishing.  
Caparas, M. J. (2018, May 2). College of Management and Economics Conducts Seminar on

TRAIN Law. <https://www.vsu.edu.ph/articles/news/11-news-obelisk/1497-cme-conducts-train-law-seminar>

**Caparas, M.J.** (2018, September 5). Visayas State University Celebrates 2018 as Development Policy Research Month. <https://www.vsu.edu.ph/services/11-stories-main/news-obelisk/1578-vs-u-development-policy-research-month-2018>

**Caparas, M.J.** (2019 September 16). Dalit women and water: Availability, access and discrimination in rural India [Article by S. Dutta, I. Sinha, A. Parashar] *Journal of Contemporary Voice of Dalit*, 1-3

#### Presentation

**Caparas, M. J.** 2018. "Eve's Search for Freedom Beyond Academic Truth". *10<sup>th</sup> National Conference of the Women's and Gender Studies Association of the Philippines*. August 22-23, 2018. Ateneo de Manila University. Katipunan Avenue, Quezon City, 1108, Philippines

**Caparas, M.J.** 2019. "Sand and Gravel Operations and the Water-related Guaranteed Rights to Food and Livelihood". *Forum on Sand and Gravel Extraction in the Context of Food and Water Security*. December 11-12, 2019. Institute for Strategic Research and Development Studies, Visayas State University

**Caparas, M.J.** 2020. "Effects of Sand and Gravel Extraction and its Related-Guaranteed Right to Food and Livelihood. E-fluence 2020: *A Virtual Conference on Water and Wastewater*. Philippine Young Water Professional.

**Caparas, M.J.** 2021. "Gendered Labor: Neo-liberalization and Women Representation in the Philippine Water Industry. *12<sup>th</sup> National Conference of Women's and Gender Studies Association of the Philippines, Women Designing the "Better Normal"*. May 26-28, 2021

#### Project

Adhikari, S., **Caparas, M.J.**, Chauruka, M, Hamankolo, M., Nyongesa, D.W. (2020). Whose Water and Whose Water Awareness: The Miami Case. Institute for Water Education, Delft, Netherlands

**Caparas, M.J.** (2021). Monitoring Social Change in Mining Areas Using Remote Sensing. Institute for Water Education, Delft, Netherlands

#### Honors and Awards

- DOST-Foreign Scholarship Awardee
- Areas+ Erasmus Mundus Grantee
- Philippine Youth Ambassador to India during ASEAN-India Student Exchange Program
- Region 8, Province of Leyte Representative on Philippine Conference of the Youth in Climate Action 2018
- Region 8, Province of Leyte Representative on the 12th Philippine National Youth Parliament
- Region 8 Young Parliamentarian Committee Representative on Policy and Research

#### Memberships

- Society of Young Parliamentarians
- Parliament of Youth Leaders Inc.
- Pinoy Erasmus Mundus Association
- Young Southeast Asian Leadership Initiative
- ASEAN-India Exchange Students Association