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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Forest Economics and Management, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi, 2003.

Minor: Agricultural Economics

Dissertation: An Analysis of Forestry Investment Behavior of Nonindustrial Private Forest Landowners in Mississippi

M.S. in Forest Resources Management, University of the Philippines, Los Banos, Laguna, Philippines, 1998.

Minor: Environmental Science

Thesis: Economic Valuation of the Callao Caves National Park, Philippines

B.S. in Forestry, University of the Philippines, Los Banos, Laguna, Philippines, *Magna cum laude*, 1995.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Forest Economics

West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, August 2010-present.

Assistant Professor, Forest Economics

West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, 2004-2010.

Postdoctoral Research Associate

Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi, January-August 2004.

Graduate Research Assistant

Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi, 1999-2003.

Guest Lecturer, International Forest Resource and Trade

Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi, Fall 2003.

Research Fellow

Political Economy Research Center, Bozeman Montana, May-August, 2002.

Teaching Associate

University of the Philippines, Los Banos, Laguna, Philippines, 1995-1998.

Volunteer Worker, Survey on Wood Supply and Demand, Philippines

Orient Integrated Development Consultants, Inc., Manila, Philippines, 1994.

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journals

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- Montague, I., **K.A. Gazal,** J. Wiedenbeck, and J. Shepherd. 2016. The forest products industry in a digital age: a look at ecommerce and social media. *Forest Products Journal* 66(1-2):49-57.
- Andrada, R., J. Deng, and **K.A. Gazal**. 2015. Exploring people's preferences on specific attributes of urban forests in Washington DC: A conjoint approach. *Journal of Horticulture and Forestry* 6(4): 200-209.
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- **Arano, K.G.** and B. Spong. 2012. Electronic commerce adoption in the hardwood industry. *Journal of Extension* 50(6), Aricle # 6HRIB4.
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- Fortney, J., **K.G. Arano**, and M. Jacobson. 2011. An Evaluation of West Virginia's Managed Timberland Tax Incentive Program. Forest Policy and Economics 13(1):69-78.
- Deng, J. **K.G. Arano**, C. Pierskalla, and J. McNeel. 2010. Linking urban forests and tourism: a case of Savannah, Georgia. Tourism Analysis 15:167-181.
- Fortney, J. and **K.G. Arano**. 2009. Property Taxes and Forests in West Virginia: A Historical Review. Small Scale Forestry 9:67-80.
- Joshi, S. and **K.G. Arano**. 2009. Determinants of Private Forest Management Decisions: A Study on West Virginia NIPF Landowners. Forest Policy and Economics 11(2), 132-139.

- Carino, H.F., **K.G. Arano**, C.A. Blanche, and A.A. Patawaran. 2007. Impact of curve sawing on southern pine dimension lumber manufacturing: Part 2- sawtimber requirements and supply. Forest Products Journal 57(4):77-82.
- Carino, H.F., **K.G. Arano**, C.A. Blanche, and A.A. Patawaran. 2007. Impact of curve sawing on southern pine dimension lumber manufacturing: Part 3- mill profitability and rational investment. Forest Products Journal 57(4):83-87.
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- **Arano, K.G.** and I. A. Munn. 2006. Evaluating forest management intensity: a comparison among major forest landowner types. Forest Policy and Economic 9(3):237-248.
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- **Arano, K.G.**, I.A. Munn, J.E. Gunter, S.H. Bullard and M.L. Doolittle. 2004. Modeling landowner participation in a proposed reforestation loan program. Small-scale Forest Economics, Management and Policy 3(2): 177-190.
- **Arano, K.G.**, T.L. Cushing and I.A. Munn. 2002. Forest management expenses of Mississippi's non-industrial private forest landowners. Southern Journal of Applied Forestry 26(2): 93-98.
- Bullard, S.H., J.E. Gunter, M.L. Doolittle and **K.G. Arano**. 2002. Discount rates for non-industrial private forest landowners in Mississippi: how high a hurdle? Southern Journal of Applied Forestry 26(1): 26-31.

Peer-Reviewed Proceedings/Abstracts

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- Riley, A., D.W. McGill, **K.G. Arano**, K.B. Piatek, and J.F. McNeel. 2010. Forest landowner willingness to pay for nontimber forest products education in West Virginia. In: Mirko Medved (Ed.). Small scale forestry in a changing world: opportunities and challenges and the role of extension and technology transfer. Proceedings of the 2010 IUFRO 3.08 Small Scale Forestry Conference. June 6-12, 2010, Bled, Slovania
- Fortney, J. and **K.G. Arano**. 2009. Property Taxes and Forests in West Virginia: A Historical Review. In: Piatek, K.B., B.D. Spong, S. Harrison, and D.W. McGil (Eds.). Seeing the Forest Beyond the Trees: New possibilities and

- expectations for products and services from small-scale forestry. Proceedings of the 2009 IUFRO 3.08 Small-Scale Forestry Symposium. June 2009, Morgantown, WV, United States: West Virginia University, Division of Forestry and Natural Resources.
- **Arano, K.G.**, R.M. Gazal, I. Dhami and T. Warner. 2009. Urban heat island effect advances spring growth. IOP Conference Series: Earth and Environmental Science 6.
- J. Deng and K.G. Arano. Linking Urban Forests and Urban Tourism. A Structural Equation Modeling Approach. In: Proceedings of the Joint Final Conference of Forest for Recreation and Tourism and 11th European Forum on Urban Forestry, Hameenlinna, Finland, May 28-31, 2008.
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- Gabbert, C., **K.A. Gazal** and J.F. McNeel. 2018. Historical Contribution of the Forest Products Industry to West Virginia's Economy: A look at 2006, 2010, and 2015 Data. Presentation given to the International Society of Forest Economics (ISFRE) 2018 Annual Conference, March 19-21, 2018, Gatlinburg, TN.
- Coble, D., N. Poudel, W. Hubbard, T. Coble, **K. A. Gazal,** J. Gordon, and J. Ghannam. 2016. The Future of Forestry: SAF Evolving Forestry Survey. Presentation given on the 2016 Society of American Foresters (SAF) Convention, November 4, 2016, Madison, WI.
- **Gazal, K. A**. 2016. WV's Managed Timberland Program Explanation of Proposed Rule Changes," WV Forest Management Review Commission Meeting, September 20, 2016, Charleston, WV.
- Montague, I., **K.A. Gazal**, and J. Wiedenbeck, J. 2016. Social Media Tips and Trends for the Forest Products Industry. Presentation given to the 2016 International Woodworking Fair (IWF), August 26, 2016, Atlanta, GA.
- **Gazal, K.A.**, K.G. Arano, and R.M. Gazal. 2016. Employment Impact of the Marcellus Shale Gas Boom in the Forest Industry in West Virginia: A Preliminary County Level Analysis. Abstract and presentation given to the International Society of Forest Resource Economics Conference, April 3-5, 2016, Raleigh, NC.
- **Gazal, K.A.** 2015. Managed Timberland Tax. Presentation at the 30th Annual AB Brooks Forestry Symposium, February 2-4, 2015, Charleston, WV.
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- to the 58th SWST International Convention and IUFRO 5.10 Forest Products Marketing and Business Management Meeting, June 12, 2015, Grand Teton National Park, WY.
- Poudel, R., **K.A. Gazal**, and A. Collins. 2015. Economic Valuation of Wetlands in the United States. Abstract submitted to the 54th Meeting of the Southern Regional Science Association, March 26-28, 2015. Mobile, AL.
- Montague, I., **K.A. Gazal**, J. Shepherd, and J. Wiedenbeck. 2014. The Use and Effectiveness of Social Media as a Marketing Tool in the North American Forest Products Industry. Abstract submitted to the International Society of Forest Resource Economics Conference, March 17-18, 2014, St. Louis, MO.
- **Arano, K.G.** and D. Deng. 2012. Economic Impact Analysis of Tree Festivals: The Case of the National Cherry Blossom Festival, Washington, D.C. Abstract submitted to the 2012 Southern Forest Economics Workshop, March 20-21, 2012, Charlotte, NC.
- McCuen, M.E. McGill, D.W., **Arano K.G**. and S. Owen. The West Virginia Woodland Welcome Wagon. 18th Central Hardwood Conference, March 26-28, 2012, Morgantown, WV.
- Poudel, R. and **K.G. Arano**. 2011. Impacts of Anthropogenic Stresses on Biodiversity: A Case Study of Lumbini, Nepal. Abstract submitted to the National Conference on Environment and Biodiversity of India, December 30-31, 2011, New Delhi, India.
- Oliver, M. and **K.G. Arano**. 2011. An Evaluation of Private Forest Landowners' Participation in Conservation Easements in West Virginia: Preliminary Results. Abstract submitted to the 2011 Southern Forest Economics Workshop, March 20-22, 2011, Little Rock, AR.
- **Arano, K.G.**, J. Wang, and M. Parsons. 2010. An Evaluation of Global Competitiveness of West Virginia's Forest Products Industry: Preliminary Results. Abstract submitted to the 2010 Southern Forest Economics Workshop, March 15-17, Pinehurst, NC.
- K.G. Arano. 2009. Implications of Changing Urban Tree Phenology on Human Health Costs. I: Gunnar Tellnes and Merete Furuberg (Eds.). Book of Abstracts for the Conference on Ecology and Forests for Public Health. Sept. 18-21, 2009, Oslo, Norway.
- Fortney, J. and **K.G. Arano**. 2009. An Evaluation of Forest Landowners' Participation in West Virginia's Managed Timberland Tax Incentive Program . Proceedings of the Southern Forest Economics Workshop 2009, Southern Forests and Evolving Markets for Alternative Products and Services, Chapel Hill, NC, March 8-10, 2009.
- K.G. Arano. 2008. Electronic Commerce Adoption in West Virginia's Primary and Secondary Hardwood Industries: Preliminary Results. Proceedings of the Southern Forest Economics Workshop 2008, Forestland Ownership Change in the South: Implications for Management, Production, and Conservation, Savannah, GA, March 9-11, 2008.
- Joshi S. and **K.G. Arano**. 2007. Forest Management Decisions of Nonindustrial Private Forest Landowners of West Virginia. In: Proc. Southern Forest Economics Workshop, March 4-6, 2007, San Antonio, Texas.

- **Arano, K.G.** and S. Moss. 2007. A Comparison of Taxes Incurred During Production and Delivery of Hardwood Sawtimber in Kentucky, Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia. Poster presented in the Southern Forest Economics Workshop, March 4-6, 2007, San Antonio, Texas.
- Joshi S. and **K.G. Arano**. 2006. West Virginia forest landowners: a look at their characteristics and forest management decision. In: Proc. Southern Forest Economics Workshop, March 23-26, 2006, Knoxville, Tennessee.
- **Arano, K.G.** and I.A. Munn. 2003. Forest Management Activities and Expenditures of Mississippi NIPF Landowners: 1998-2000 Data. In: Proc., 2003 Southern Forest Economics Workshop, March 17-18, 2003, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- **Arano, K.G.** and I.A. Munn. 2003. Evaluating forest management intensity: a comparison among major landowner groups in Mississippi. In: Proc., 2002 Southern Economic Association Conference, November 24-26, 2002, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- **Arano, K.G.**, J.E. Gunter, S.H. Bullard, M.L. Doolittle and I.A. Munn. 2003. Factors affecting Mississippi's NIPF landowners' reforestation decisions. In: Proc., Global Initiatives and Public Policies: First International Conference on Private Forestry in the 21st Century, March 26-27, 2001, Atlanta, Georgia.
- **Arano, K.G.**, T.L. Cushing and I.A. Munn. 2001. Non-industrial private forest landowners' management expenditures in Mississippi, 1995-1997. In: Proc., 2000 Southern Forest Economics Workshop, March 26-28, 2000, Lexington, Kentucky.

Research Bulletins

- **Arano, K.G.** and I. A. Munn. 2004. Non-industrial private forest landowners' forest management activities and expenditures in Mississippi: 1998-2000 Data. Forest and Wildlife Research Center, Bulletin FO249, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi. 13 pp.
- Gunter, J.E., S.H. Bullard, M.L. Doolittle and **K.G. Arano**. 2001. Reforestation of harvested timberlands in Mississippi: behavior and attitudes of non-industrial private forest landowners. Forest and Wildlife Research Center, Bulletin FO172, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi. 25 pp.
- Forestry Magazine/Information Sheet/Other Publications
- Deng, J., Pierskalla, C., **Arano, K.G**. Andrada II, R. and Y. Zhang. 2012. Linking urban forests and tourism: aesthetic appeal and economic values. Final Project Report Prepared for National Urban Forestry and Community Advisory Council (NUCFAC).
- F. Boettner, C. Donohue, M. Vanderberg, J. Deng, M. Strager, **K.G. Arano**, S. Lamont, S. Grushecky, R. Mcilmoil, and L. Fritz. Appalachian Assessment of Natural Assets: Forests. A Final Project Report Prepared for the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC).
- Deng, J., S. Selin, and **K.G. Arano**.2010. Travel/Tourism Related Economic Analysis for Garrett County, Maryland. Report prepared for Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, McHenry, Maryland.
- Nelli, D., D. McGill, **K. Arano**, and S. Grushecky. 2006. Consulting Forestry and Services in West Virginia. Appalachian Hardwood Center Information Sheet No. 1.

Moss, S. and **K.G. Arano**. 2006. A Comparison of Taxes Incurred During the Production and Delivery of Hardwood Sawtimber in Kentucky, Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia. Commissioned by the West Virginia Forestry Association to conduct a research on taxation in the wood industry, 2005-2006.

Gunter, J.E. and **K.G. Arano**. 2002. Concentrations of Mississippi NIPF landowners not reforesting harvested timberland. Tree Talk. Fall:25.

FUNDING RECEIVED

The Use and Effectiveness of Social Media in the Consumer's Forest Products Purchasing Decision. (with Iris Montague). USDA Forest Service, \$10,000.00. 2017-2018.

Gazal, K. A., "Kaye C. Daniel Faculty Development Grant," Sponsored by Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources & Design, West Virginia University, \$664.00. July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017.

Gazal, K. A., "Faculty Travel Grant," Sponsored by WVU Internal Grants Program, West Virginia University, \$800.00. January 1, 2016 - August 30, 2016.

Seasons in the Woods: Evaluating the Association of Pre-Seminar Participation and Outcomes (with co-PI with Dave McGill, A. Kedmenecz, D Friend, and S. Starcher). WVU Extension Service, \$2,000. 2015-2016.

The Use and Effectiveness of Social Media as a Marketing Tool in the U.S. Forest Products Industry. USDA Forest Service, \$4,824.60 (additional funding). 2014.

The Use and Effectiveness of Social Media as a Marketing Tool in the U.S. Forest Products Industry. (with Iris Montague). USDA Forest Service, \$41, 331. 2012-2014.

A Review of WV's Managed Timberland Program. WV Forestry Association and Appalachian Hardwood Center. \$9,800. 2013-2014.

Appalachian Assessment of Natural Assets: Forests (co-Pl with F. Boettner, C. Donohue, M. Vanderberg, J. Deng, M. Starger, S. Lamont, S. Grushecky, R. Mcilmoil, and L. Fritz).

Appalachian Regional Commission. \$149,911. 2010-2011.

2009 IUFRO 3.08 Small-Scale Forestry Symposium. (Co-PI with Dave McGill (PI), Kathryn Platek, and Ben Spong). USDA Forest Service. \$5000. 2009.

An Evaluation of the Domestic and Global Competitiveness of the West Virginia Forest Products Industry: Problems and Strategies (PI). USDA CSREES. \$38,699. 2008-2010.

Redesign of the Principles of Forestry Economics Course (PI). WVU Davis College of Agriculture, Forestry and Consumer Sciences Faculty Development Fund. \$3,952.50. 2008.

Risk Analysis in Forestry Investments – Simulation Model to be Used by Students. (PI with Stuart Moss). WVU Davis College of Agriculture, Forestry and Consumer Sciences Faculty Development Fund. \$1,500.00. 2008-2009.

Linking Urban Forests and Tourism: Aesthetic Appeal and Economic Values. (Co-PI, with Jinyang Deng (PI), Yaoqi Zhang and Chad Pierskalla). USDA Forest Service's Urban and Community Forestry Program. \$119,245. 2007-2010.

Factors Affecting Electronic Commerce Adoption in the Primary and Secondary Hardwood Industries in West Virginia (PI). West Virginia University Senate Research Grant. \$8,457. 2007-2008.

Effects of Elevated CO2 and O3 on Forest Growth and Wood Quality: Economic Implications (PI). USDA Forest Service. \$8,296. 2006-2008.

Urban Tree Phenology and Its Economic Implications (PI, with with Rico Gazal, and Michael White). USDA Forest Service's Urban and Community Forestry Program. \$40,462. 2006-2008.

Internationalization of Forestry Education: Improving Global Competency of West Virginia University Students and Faculty (Co-PI, with Kathryn Piatek (PI) and Dave McGill. USDA CSREES International Science and Education Program. \$98,000. 2006-2009.

Promoting Production of Non-Timber Forest Products in West Virginia (Co-PI, with Dave McGill (PI) Joseph McNeel, and Kathryn Piatek). West Virginia Division of Forestry. \$36,268. 2006-2007.

Economics of Eastern hardwood management, production and utilization: The role of NIPF landowners in the Appalachian hardwoods of West Virginia (PI). McIntire-Stennis Grant. \$206,229. 2005-2009.

Evaluation of accelerated natural even-aged immature black cherry stands (Co-PI, with John Brooks (PI), Stuart Moss, Kathryn Piatek, and Eric Heitzman). Misc. grants contracts. \$32,000. 2005-present.

Study of WV Forestry Professionals: Services Provided to the Private Forestland Owners in the State of West Virginia (Co-PI with Dave McGill (PI), Dheeraj Nelli, and Shawn Grushecky). West Virginia University Extension Service Research Grant. \$2,000. 2005-2006.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Presenter, International Woodworking Fair, Atlanta, GA, August 26, 2016.
- Presenter, International Society of Forest Economics Symposium, Raleigh, NC, April 3-5, 2016.
- Presenter, 30th AB Brooks Annual Forestry Symposium, Charleston, WV, February 2-4, 2015.
- Participant, Missouri Valley Economic Association 52nd Annual Meeting, Kansas City, MO, October 22-24, 2015.
- Participant, International Society of Forest Economics Symposium, St. Louis, MO, March 17-18, 2014.
- Participant, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, Auburn, AL, March-10-12, 2013.
- Participant, Allegheny SAF Winter Meeting, Clinton, NJ, February 15-17, 2012.
- Presenter and Participant, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, Charlotte, North Carolina, March 20-21, 2012.
- Participant and Session Moderator, 18th Central Hardwood Forest Conference, Morgantown, WV, March 26-28, 2012.
- Participant, WV Division SAF Summer Meeting, Morgantown, WV, September 4-5, 2012.
- Associate Editor, Southern Journal of Applied Forestry, 2011-present.
- Participant, Longitudinal Data Analysis Workshop, Marina del Rey, California, May 21-22, 2010.
- Presenter and Participant, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, Pinehurst, North Carolina, March 15-17, 2010.
- Paper presenter and Participant, International Conference on Ecology and Forests for Public Health, Oslo, Norway, September 18-20, 2009.

- Participant, co-author of paper presented, and member of scientific and organizing committee, 2009 IUFRO 3.08
 Small-Scale Forestry Symposium, Morgantown, WV, June 7-19, 2009.
- Member of Peer Review Panel, USDA-CSREES FY 2009 International Science and Education Competitive Grants Program, Washington, D.C. March 17-18, 2009.
- Participant and co-author of paper presented, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, March 8-10, 2009.
- Participant, WVU Faculty Development Session: The 4 Aces of Effective Teaching, Morgantown, WV, February 24, 2009.
- Participant, LOGIC Model Workshop, CSREES, Washington, D.C, January, 31, 2008.
- Paper presenter and Participant, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, Savannah, Georgia, March 9-11, 2008.
- Participant, Society of American Foresters Leadership Academy, Potomac, Maryland, April 26-29, 2008.
- Participant, GLOBE Partner Development Workshop, Boulder, Colorado, August 3-9, 2008.
- Participant, NSF Day in West Virginia, Morgantown, West Virginia, December 4, 2007.
- Participant, Introduction to IMPLAN Professional Economic Impact Analysis Training, Stillwater, Minnesota, July 19-20, 2007.
- Participant, Colloquium on "Markets, Freedom, and the Environment (co-sponsored by the Political Economy Research Center and Liberty Fund Inc.), Nine Quarter Circle Guest Ranch, Big Sky, Montana, June 21-24, 2007.
- Participant and co-author of paper presented, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, San Antonio, Texas, March 4-6, 2007.
- Participant and co-author of paper presented, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, Knoxville, Tennessee, March 23-26, 2006.
- Participant, 15th Central Hardwood Forest Conference, Knoxville Tennessee, February 27, March 1, 2006.
- Participant, Write Winning Grants Workshop by Dr. Stephen W. Russell, West Virginia University, July 10, 2006.
- Paper Presenter, 2006 Area Tree Farm Meetings, West Virginia, February 22, 2006.
- Participant, Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., Nov. 18-21, 2005.
- Participant, USDA/CSREES Grantsmanship Workshop, Washington D.C., September 7-8, 2005.
- Participant, West Virginia Watershed Network Watershed Celebration Day, Elkins, West Virginia, September 24, 2005.
- Participant, Wood Biomass Conference, Morgantown, West Virginia, June 29-30, 2005.
- Participant, Timberland Investment Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, October 20-22, 2004.
- Paper Presenter and Participant, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, New Orleans, Louisiana, March 17-18, 2003.
- Paper Presenter and Participant, Southern Economic Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 24-26, 2002.
- Paper Presenter and Participant, Global Initiatives and Public Policies: First International Conference on Private Forestry in the 21st Century, Atlanta, Georgia, March 26-27, 2001.
- Participant, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, Atlanta, Georgia, March 27-28, 2001.
- Paper Presenter and Participant, Southern Forest Economics Workshop, Lexington, Kentucky, March 26-28, 2000.
- Resource Person, Forest Biometry, Forest Inventory and Timber Harvesting, Review Class for Forestry Licensure Examination, Ifugao State College of Agriculture and Forestry, Ifugao, Philippines, 1997.
- Resource Person, Wood Identification, Review Class for Forestry Licensure Examination, Society of Filipino
 Foresters-Forest Resources Management Department, College of Forestry UPLB, College, Laguna, Philippines,
 1997.
- Resource Person, Wood Identification, Review Class for Forestry Licensure Examination, Forest Resource Management Department, College of Forestry UPLB, College, Laguna, Philippines, 1996.
- Resource Person, Recent Developments in Forestry, Review Class for Forestry Licensure Examination, Forest Resources Management Department, College of Forestry UPLB, College, Laguna, Philippines, 1996.

- Assistant Coordinator, Review Class for Forestry Licensure Examination, Forest Resources Management Department, College of Forestry UPLB, College, Laguna, Philippines, 1996.
- Participant, Seminar on College Teaching, University of the Philippines, College, Laguna, Philippines, 1996.
- Participant, Seminar on Popular Writing, Institute of Forest Conservation, Philippines, 1995.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Associate Editor, Forest Science (Applied Articles Economics), 2012-present.
- Past President, Gamma Sigma Delta, WV Chapter, 2011-2012.
- Member, The West Virginia Consortium for Faculty and Course Development in International Studies (FACDIS), 2005-present.
- Member, Society of American Foresters, 2005-2013.
- Member, International Society of Forest Resource Economics (formerly SOFEW), 1999-present.
- Member, Xi Sigma Pi, the Forestry Honor Society, Mississippi State University Chapter, 2002.
- Member, Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, International Chapter, 1995.
- Member, Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society of Agriculture, 1995-present.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2013 Service to Gamma Sigma delta West Virginia Chapter Award of Merit, April 9, 2013.
- Outstanding Graduate Student, David M. Moehring Memorial Award, Mississippi State University, 2003-2004.
- Research Fellow, Political Economy Research Center (PERC), Bozeman, Montana, Summer 2002.
- Recipient of the Medal for Academic Excellence in Forestry, University the Philippines, 1995.
- Young Achievers Award, Municipality of Cabagan, Philippines, 1995.