ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The Korean Studies Program, School of Social Sciences, Ateneo de Manila University held the 1st (2017) Ateneo Korean Studies Junior Conference and Career Talk on March 28, 2017 (Tuesday) at Faber Hall, Ateneo de Manila University. Supported by the Academy of Korean Studies, the conference was an effort to respond to the increasing research initiatives pursued by students on topics related to Korea and served as a platform for critically examining the relevance of Korean Studies to Filipino scholars. Specifically, it aimed to (a) provide a venue for undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled in any college/university in the Philippines to present their research on Korea; (b) engage with and learn from invited experts; and (c) dialogue with industry representatives about employment prospects for scholars with Korean Studies background.

The conference was interdisciplinary in nature and gathered individual papers from diverse fields and on any topic/theme on Korea. Through the paper presentations and discussions, the conference shed light on pressing issues surrounding contemporary Korea and its implications on the Philippines as well as contributed to the building of a network of future Korean Studies scholars in the country.

As a pioneering initiative, the conference program incorporated a career talk by representatives from relevant industries, including Korean and multinational companies.

BEST PAPER AWARD

Two (2) best papers were selected by invited experts and each were awarded USD150 (One Hundred Fifty US Dollars or the Peso equivalent based on current exchange rate). The winners were announced at the closing ceremony of the conference.