



Curriculum Vitae

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A. Personal Details:

Name	Poline Bala
Current Position and Faculty/Center/Institute	Associate Professor, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, University Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) 94300 Kota Samarahan Sarawak
Areas of Specification	Social Anthropology Southeast Asian Studies Asian Studies Information Communication Technologies for Rural Development
Date of Birth	5 June 1969
Age	50
Place of Birth	Pa Umur Bario, Baram, Sarawak
Dates of Appointment Confirmation as Associate Professor	11 November 2014
Date of First Appointment	01 July 1995

B. Education and Academic Qualification

Education and Academic Qualification	Ph.D., Social Anthropology, University of Cambridge, 10-May-2008 Concentrations: Social Anthropology Dissertation: Desire for Progress. The Kelabit Experience with information communication
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	<p>technologies (ICTs) for rural development in Sarawak, East Malaysia</p> <p>M.A., Asian Studies, Cornell University, 22 August 1998. Concentrations: Southeast Asian Studies, Cultural Anthropology Thesis: Permanent Boundary Lines in the Kelabit Highlands of Central Borneo: A Colonial Legacy.</p> <p>B.A. (Honours, Second Class Upper), University of Malaya, 13 August 1994. Concentrations: Southeast Asian Studies Final Year Project: Putaran Pertanian dan Ritualnya di kalangan Lun Kelabit, Dataran Tinggi Kelabit, Borneo (Translation: Agriculture Cycle and Its Rituals amongst the Kelabit, Kelabit Highlands, Borneo.</p> <p>Kolej Tuanku Haji Bujang Miri, Sarawak (Tuanku Haji Bujang College Miri), 1987-1990.</p> <p>Bario Lower Secondary School. 1983-1986.</p> <p>Bario Primary School, 1976-1982.</p>
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C. Academic Appointment and Work Experiences

<p>Academic Appointment and Work Experiences</p>	<p>Associate Professor 2014 – present (DS54) Department of Anthropology and Sociology Faculty of Social Sciences, University Malaysia Sarawak</p> <p>Senior Lecturer, 2008 – 2013 Faculty of Social Sciences, University Malaysia Sarawak Courses: Contemporary Issues in International Relations, International Organizations, ASEAN Politics</p> <p>Lecturer, 1998 – 2007 Faculty of Social Sciences, University Malaysia Sarawak Courses: International Organizations, Modern Political Thoughts, Introduction to Anthropology and Sociology, Introduction to Political Science, Social Movements, Contemporary Issues in International Relations, ASEAN Politics</p> <p>Tutor, 1996 – 1997 Faculty of Social Sciences, University Malaysia</p>
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	<p>Sarawak</p> <p>Researcher, 1994 – 1995 Graduate School Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia</p> <p>Temporary Teacher January, 1993 – December 1993 SMK Batu Lintang, Kuching</p> <p>Office Secretary December, 1989 – October 1990 Borneo Adventure, Miri</p>
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D. Awards

- Shortlisted for Times Higher Education Asia Technology Innovation of the Year, “Telecentre Program for Orang Asli”, Awards, 2019
- Gold medal, id-MAP (Interactive Digital Map) Pecipta 19, International Conference and Exposition on Inventions by Institution of Higher Learning (JPT, Ministry of Higher Education, Malaysia), 2019
- Gold Award, iD-MAP (Interactive Digital Map) at AICAD 18, Invention, Innovation & Design (IID) 2nd International Conference of Art and Design, 2018
- Gold Medal of the Commonwealth Association of Public Administration and Management (CAPAM) International Innovations Awards in 2006.
- Mandialogo Engineering Award by UNESCO and Daimler-Chrysler in partnership with the Organization for Sustainable Engineering in South-East Asian Nation (OSEAN), Cambridge University UK, Engineering without Borders UK, 2005.
- eAsia Award (in the Digital Divide Category) from the AFACT (Asia Pacific Council for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business) in Taipei, 24 September 2004
- Anugerah Perdana Teknologi Maklumat (Information Technology Premier (Prime Minister’s) Award (ITPA) (socio-economic sector) 2003
- Industry Innovators Award for Systems Development and Applications from the US-based Society of Satellite Professionals International (SSPI) in 2002,
- Bario as one of the Top Seven Intelligent Communities 2001 by World Teleport Association, and the Industry Innovators Award for Systems Development and Applications by the Society of Satellite Professionals International.

Citations

Google Scholar	Citations: 357; h-index = 11
Scopus	h-index = 2

E. IP REGISTRATION (Copyright)

1. iD-MAP (Interactive Digital Map) Related Research : F03/FRGS/1500/2016 LY2018006037
2. TPOA Telecentre Architecture Comments: Approved for Copyright. (Related Research GL(03)/07/2013/JAKOA(07))
3. Rapid Crucial Information Dissemination Mechanism for Rural Areas Comments: Approved for Copyright. (Related Research GL(03)/07/2013/JAKOA(07))
4. Title: Network Service Troubleshooting and Recovery Mechanism for Rural Telecentre Comments: Approved for Copyright. (Related Research GL(03)/07/2013/JAKOA(07))
5. Title: Off-Site Support Access Mechanism for Rural Telecentre Comments: Approved for Copyright. (Related Research GL(03)/07/2013/JAKOA(07))
6. Title: Non-interactive Update and Cloud Synchronized Mechanism for Rural Telecentre Comments: Approved for Copyright. (Related Research GL(03)/07/2013/JAKOA(07))

F. ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

a. National/State Level

Board of Trustee World Vision Malaysia, 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2015
Ahli Jawatan kuasa Teknikal Kajian Way Forward for Bridging Digital Divide Programmes 2014 (Economic Planning Unit, Prime Minister's Department)
Ahli Panel Penilai Dana Penyelidikan Kementerian Pendidikan Malaysia (FRGS, TRGS and LRGs) 2020

b. University Level

Duties/Responsibilities	Duration
Deputy Director Centre of Excellence in Rural Informatics, UNIMAS	3 November 2008 - 2010
Head of Department, Department of Anthropology and Sociology,	2010 - 2012

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Head of Department, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, UNIMAS	2012 - 2014
Head of Department, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, UNIMAS	2014 – 2016
Member Jawatankuasa Pemilihan Tokoh	2017 – 2018
Director, Institute Borneo Studies	2020 - 2022
Chief Editor for the Journal Borneo Kalimantan	2020 - 2022
Ahli Strategik Fokus Pelan Strategik UNIMAS 2021-2025	2020 - 2025
JK Etika Penyelidikan UNIMAS	2020 - 2021
Pelantikan Sebagai Head of Chair - Kursi Dayak	2020 - 2021
JK Etika Penyelidikan Manusia (Bukan Perubatan)	2020 - 2022
Ahli Panel Pakar Kluster Sains Sosial dan Kemanusiaan	2020 – 2021
Chief Editor for the Journal Borneo Kalimantan	2020 - 2022

Faculty/Institute/Centre

Duties/Responsibilities	Duration
Team Leader, eBario Project a pilot project on Internet Access for Rural communities in Sarawak, conducted by University Malaysia Sarawak.	December 2000 – October 2004
Research Fellow at the Centre of Excellence in Rural Informatics, University Malaysia Sarawak.	1 August 2007 - 2011
Deputy Director of Centre of Excellence in Rural Informatics, University Malaysia Sarawak.	2009-2012
Research Fellow Institute of Social Informatics and Technological Innovation (ISITI)	1 April 2011 – 31 May 2013
Chairperson for Second eBario Knowledge Fair	4- 6 November 2009

Ahli Jawatankuasa Penilaian Teknikal untuk “Quotation for Supply, Delivery, Installation, Commissioning and Testing of VSAT”	Appointment Date: 19 February 2009
Ketua Ahli Jawatankuasa Laman Web Fakulti Sains Sosial, UNIMAS	16 Februari 2009 – 15 Januari 2010.
Member Jawatankuasa Pasca Siswazah Fakulti Sains Social	9 April 2008 – 8 April 2010
Member Jawatankuasa Akademik Pascasiswazah – Institut Informatik Sosial dan Teknologi Inovasi	23 Jun 2011 – 22 Jun 2013
Member, Jawatankuasa Akademik Fakulti Sains Sosial, UNIMAS	14 May 2012 – 13 May 2014
Member, Jawatankuasa Pelan Strategik Fakulti Sains Sosial, UNIMAS	3 May 2012 – 2 May 2014
Member Jawatankuasa Pemeriksa Fakulti Sains Sosial, UNIMAS	14 May 2012 – 13 May 2014
Member Jawatankuasa Penilaian Sebut Harga, Institut Informatik Sosial dan Teknologi Inovasi ISITI 2015-2017	2015 – 2017
Member Jawatankuasa Program Pascasiswazah Secara Kerja Kursus - MA in 201international Development Studies	2019 - 2021
Felo Penyelidik di Institut Informatik Sosial dan Inovasi	2017 – 2019
Head of Research Cluster Society and Technology Studies with a focus on ICT for Development FSS	2017 – 2019
Member of the Institute of Social Informatics and Technological Innovations Graduate Academic Commitee	2019 - 2021
JK Penyediaan dokkumen MQA02 Antropologi dan Sosiologi	2019 - 2020
JK 14th International Borneo Research Council Conference	2018
JK Penyelidikan Etika FSSK	2018 – 2020
JK Pascasiswazah FSS	2015 – 2017
Jawatankuasa Pemantau Pelan Strategik FSS	2016 – 2017

Teaching Activities – Coordinating and Teaching

No	Undergraduate
1999	SSF1044 Introduction to Anthropology and Sociology SSA2063 Organisasi-organisasi Antarabangsa (3 credit hours) SSA2093 ASEAN Politics (3 credit hours)
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2003	SSA2063 Organisasi-organisasi Antarabangsa (3 credit hours) SSA2093 ASEAN Politics (3 credit hours) SSA3043 Contemporary Issues in International Relations (4 credit hours)
2004	SSA2063 Organisasi-organisasi Antarabangsa (3 credit hours) SSA3013 Practice of Modern Diplomacy (3 credit hours) SOCU2241 Peace building and Reconciliation (3 credit hours)
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2009	SSA2093 ASEAN Politics (3 credit hours) SSA3043 Contemporary Issues in International Relations (4 credit hours)
2010	SSA3024 ASEAN Politics (4 credit hours) SSA2063 Organisasi-organisasi Antarabangsa (3 credit hours) SSA3013 Practice of Modern Diplomacy (4 credit hours)
2011	SSF3044 Sociology of Development (4 credit hours/4 different Programmes) SSA3024 ASEAN Politics (4 credit hours)
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2014	SSF3044 Sociology of Development (4 different Programmes) SSF1044 Introduction to Anthropology and Sociology
2015	SSF3044 Sociology of Development (4 different Programmes)

2016	SSF3044 Sociology of Development SSA3024 ASEAN Politics
2017	SSF2014 Research Methods in Social Sciences SSF3044 Sociology of Development
2018	SSF2014 Research Methods in Social Sciences SSF3044 Sociology of Development SSY 3044 Globalisation: Concepts, Contestations and Contemporary Issues
2019	SSF3044 Sociology of Development SSY 3044 Globalisation: Concepts, Contestations and Contemporary Issues
2020	SSF3044 Sociology of Development

c. Community Level

Tasks	Description
Moderator	Kuching Rainforest Fringe Festival: Connecting the Dots, 2019
Chairperson and Curator	Curating Exhibition Objects of Desire: The Making of Kelabit Beads at the Bario Food and Cultural Festival, 2019
Co-Curator/Writer	Exhibition Megalith Culture Through Space and Time in the Kelabit Highlands, 2018
Knowledge Creator/ Domain Specialist/Presenter	MOOC for Single Mothers Workshop In Bario, Ba Kelalan and Miri. 2018
Chairperson	Majlis Hari Terbuka Program-Program Telecentre untuk Orang Asli, 2017
Speaker/Trainer	National Economic Empowerment Conference - Indigenous Peoples and Food Security: Women's Roles are Imperative, 2015
Speaker/Trainer/Committee	Evidence Based Perimeter Survey in the Kelabit Highlands under the purview of the Rurum Kelabit Sarawak
Initiator/Leader (Rurum Kelabit Sarawak)	Community Mapping of Cultural Monuments in the Kelabit Highlands (funding from US Embassy) 2010-2011
Facilitator	Community Protocols development for the Kelabit, Lun Bawang and Orang Asli (eBario and eBorneo

	Knowledge Fair)
Committee/Pioneer	Annual Bario Cultural and Food Festival in the Kelabit Highlands of Sarawak (2005 – present)
Deputy Chairman	Rurum Kelabit Kuching Branch (2012- 2014, 2014 – 2016)
Secretary	Rurum Kelabit Kuching Branch (2008-2010, 2010-2012)
Coordinator	Community Participation in Cultural Auditing Project in the Kelabit Highlands of Sarawak funded by Oxbridge Society for Rurum Kelabit Sarawak. Date: September 2008 –2011
Consultation on Community Project/Leadership Analysis, Welling South Africa	Carried out in Welling South Africa April – October 2002

G. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

<p>Research Title: Anthropological research on the Kelabit Genealogy in the Kelabit Highlands and Emergence of Political Boundary the island of Borneo and Population Movement along the Border Region of Kalimantan/Sarawak.</p> <p>Name of researchers: Poline Bala</p> <p>Funding Agency: Toyota Foundation, Tokyo</p> <p>Duration: March - July 1995</p> <p>Brief Description of Project: This project examines the emergence of political boundaries on the island of Borneo and population movements along the border region of Kalimantan/Sarawak. The main focus is the impact of political boundaries on communities along international borders. That is, creation of national identities and their effects of on kinship relations and informal economies</p> <p>Research Title: Internet Access by Rural Communities in Sarawak.</p> <p>Names of Researchers: Professor Dr Khairuddin Abdul Hamid (Head of Project), Dr Poline Bala (Team Leader), Professor Dr Peter Songan,</p> <p>Fund Agency: Canadian International Development Research Centre (IDRC) and Demonstrator Application Grant Scheme, Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Malaysia.</p> <p>Amount: RM800, 000.</p> <p>Duration: 1999 - 2003</p> <p>Brief description of Project: This project explores existing potentials for remote/rural communities in Sarawak to develop socially, culturally and economically from information and communication technologies usage & applications. It also experiment with methodologies to connect rural communities to new technologies.</p> <p>Research Title: eBedian: Application of ICT in Tourism to Improve Livelihood of Rural Community</p> <p>Members: Alvin Yeo Wee (Project Leader), Poline Bala (Key Researcher)</p> <p>Funding Agency: UNIMAS</p> <p>Duration: August 2003 – August 2004</p> <p>Description of Project: There are two foci in this proposal, one focus is on the community, and the other is on the technology. One objective of the project is to find out how ICT (information and</p>

communication technologies) can be employed to improve the lives of a rural community, in this case, Long Bedian. In particular, we intend to investigate how electronic-commerce (e-commerce) can be employed in tourism, to promote Long Bedian not only nationally but internationally as well. By attracting tourists to Long Bedian, the livelihood of the villagers should be improved given that tourists (via their spending) will contribute to the economy of Long Bedian. We also intend to explore the extent to which Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG), a new XML-based language for Web graphics from the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C), can be employed in the e-commerce web-site to make the web-site more interactive and usable, when compared to a web-site employing only conventional raster images, such as images in jpeg or bitmap format.

Research Title: Electronic Records of Indigenous Knowledge: Recording and Classifying of Kelabit Oral Traditions

Members: Poline Bala (Project Leader), Alvin Yeo Wee (Member)

Funding Agency: UNIMAS

Duration: July 2003 – November 2004

Grant Amount: RM25,336

Description of Project: To explore the cultural benefits of ICTs in stimulating the production, the protection and popularization of Sarawak rural communities' oral traditions which constitute part of indigenous knowledge systems. This project, in line with the objectives of the eBario project, aims to record and transcribe some of these traditional songs, particularly the *laku* songs, which are songs, composed by singers, usually women, in the Kelabit Highlands. These songs are recorded and/or transcribed and maintained on CD ROM and on a computer that is accessible via the Internet. Whilst the main aim of the project is to explore opportunities and new strategies offered by ICTs to protect and popularize Kelabit oral traditions, the project is concerned about the effect of technology upon the Kelabit culture. Whilst simultaneously exploring the benefits, the project is anxious to filter out how the community regards technology, how culture affects the use of technology and vice versa.

Research Title: eBario model for DAGS National roll-out

Funding Body: Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation

Role: Team member and Project leader for eBa Kelalan

Amount: RM4, 000, 000.00

Duration: 1 January 2008 – 1 December 2010

Description of Project: The eBario DAGs Rollout Plan is to replicate the eBario model for Rural ICT to another five (5) sites throughout the Malaysia.

Publications/Reports:

eBario DAGS National Roll-Out Report – submitted to Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Malaysia, 31 December 2010

Research Title: GIS for Cultural Heritage Management in the Kelabit Highlands

Funding Body: Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, (and also US Embassy, Kuala Lumpur and Oxbridge Society, Malaysia via Rurum Kelabit Sarawak)

Roles: Project leader

Amount: RM60, 000

Duration: 1 August 2008 – 31 December 2010

Description of Project: This project explores practical examples and ways that computer technology can be designed and applied to meet local needs. It combines the old with the new technology to document and preserve indigenous knowledge

Research Title: Needs Analysis for Telecentre Development for Orang Asli Semenanjung Malaysia

Funding Body: Economic Planning Unit

Role: Project Leader

Duration: February 2011 – February 2012

Description of Project: The main activity of the project is to conduct preliminary assessment of actual ICT needs and uses in the communities to be served by ICT facilities at a telecentre. Second is to provide training to all stakeholders who are involved in the telecentre development. This training will centre on means and ways to conduct community engagement, and on how to mobilise community to develop goals towards which a telecentre is heading.

Amount: RM 1, 300,000.00

Research of the ASEAN project ‘Promotion of Rural Women’s Livelihood with ICT Use.’

This project was hosted by Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Korea (MOFAT) and Implemented by: Asia Pacific Women’s Information Network Center (APWINC), Sookmyung Women’s University, Korea. The Project Duration: Mar. 1, 2011 ~ Feb. 28, 2012

Research Title: Documenting Traditional Knowledge: Rural Folks stories in the Kelabit Highlands

Funding Body: UNIMAS – Dana Principal Investigator (DPI) -03 (DPI16) 895/2012 (08)

Role: Project Leader

Duration: November 2014 - December 2016

Description of Project: The focus of this project is Long Peluan, a hundred year old Kelabit longhouse located in the Kelapang river, which is in the headwaters of the Baram River.

The main goals were:

- to create digital database of narratives, songs, epic poems, musical genre, myths, life stories and historical narratives and dialogues in the Kelabit language
- to locate, document and map previous settlements, cultural sites and megaliths mentioned in Long Peluan Narratives indicating overlap in territory with other ethnic groups.
- to facilitate transmission of knowledge across generations.

Amount: RM 30, 000.00

Research Title: Telecentre Programme for Orang Asli West Malaysia.

Funding Body: Economic Planning Unit

Role: Project Leader

Duration: February 2013 – November 2018.

Description of Project: The main activity of the project is to conduct preliminary assessment of actual ICT needs and uses in the communities to be served by ICT facilities at a telecentre. Second is to provide training to all stakeholders who are involved in the telecentre development. This training will centre on means and ways to conduct community engagement, and on how to mobilise community to develop goals towards which a telecentre is heading.

Amount: RM 4.9 million

Research Title: Towards a model of concerted and participative food heritage touristic valorization process: Kelabit indigenous community, Sarawak

Funding Body: Fundamental Research Grant Scheme (FRGS) (Project Code: FRGS/1/2015/SS06/TAYLOR/0311).

Role: Member

Duration: 16-08-2016 – 15-08-2018

Description of Project: The project has a number of objectives:

1. To Assess Tangible & Intangible Food Heritage of the Community
2. To Identify Current and Potential Drivers of Tourism Valorization
3. To Suggest a Model for a Concerted and Participative Food Heritage Valorization towards a Sustainable Local Food Heritage
4. To carry out participatory food heritage inventory.

Amount: RM75, 000 (based in Taylor)

Research Title: Exploring the Potential of Visual Art Approach in Anthropological Research onto the

Megalithic Structure of the Kelabit Highlands via Practice-led Investigation.

Funding Body: Fundamental Research Grant Scheme (FRGS)

F03/FRGS/1500/2016

Role: Member

Duration: 16-08-2016 – 15-08-2018

Amount: RM 98200.00

Research Title: Capacity to Organise Massive Public Educational Opportunities in Universities of Southeast Asia (COMPETEN-SEA) GL/I03/COMPETEN-SEA/2017

Funding Body: EACEA - Belgium

Role: Key Researcher as domain specialist

Duration: 11-10-2016 – 14-10-2019

Amount: RM480287.00

Research Title: Social Innovation for Sarawak's Hinterland

Funding Body: Unimas PostDoc Fund UNIMAS I03/TDG/1762/2018

Role: Key researcher

Duration: 18-12-2018 – 17-12-2019

Amount: RM50, 000.00

Research Title: Forts and Its people: Social History and Collective Memory of Local Communities in Sarawak

Funding Body: Sarawak Tourism Federation GL/F06/FORT/2019

Role: Key researcher

Duration: 1.9.2019 – 30.9.2021

Amount: 120,000.00

Research Title: Climate Change, Biodiversity And Borneo's Indigenous Peoples

Funding Body: SDG Research at Borneo (GL/105/MCUN/06/2020)

Role: Leader

Duration: 1.9.2020 – 1.9.2022

Amount: RM15, 000.00

Research Title: Negotiating Precarity of Undocumented Indigenous Populations in Borneo: A Human Security Approach (GL/F06/MCUN/07/2020)

Funding Body: SDG Research at Borneo

Role: Member

Duration: 2.11.2020 – 1.11.2022

Amount: RM15, 000.00

Research Title: Towards enhancing Malaysia My Second Home programme in Sabah and Sarawak (GL/F10/MCUN/16/2020)

Funding Body: SDG Research at Borneo

Role: Member

Duration: 1.9.2020 – 28.2.2022

Amount: RM15, 000.00

H. SUPERVISION OF POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

PhD

Names	Title of Dissertation	Status: FT/PT (Full Time/Part Time)	Status
Valerie Anne Mashman	A History of Lun Tauh Our People at the Borders of the Kelabit Highlands: from Warfare to the Life of Government and to the Life of Christianity	FT	Completed
Terry Anak Justin Dit	In Their Own Words: Oral Histories of Sarawakian Fighting Men- recollections of Sarawakian Guerrillas of "Z" Special Unit (1944-1945) and the Border Scouts of the "Confrontation" (1963-1966)	PT	
Dora Jok	Application Of Millman Parry-Albert Lord'S Oral-Formulaic Composition Theory On Song Of Belawan - The Most Elaborated Kayan'S Oral Epic Song In Sarawak	PT	On going
Maureen Nansamba	Women And Land Use: Access To And Use Of Natural Resources: The Case Study Of Women In Bakelalan, Sarawak.	FT	On going
Alasdair Clayre	To be a Sa'ban	FT	On going

Masters

Names	Title of Dissertation	Status: FT/PT	Status
Knot Atok	Modal Sosial Dalam Pembangunan Komuniti Kenyah Badeng: Kajian Kes Di Kampung Data Kakus Tatau, Bintulu Sarawak	PT	

Ohagwu Marcellinus Onyekachi	Youth Empowerment through Technical Training: A Case Study of Sarawak Corridor of Renewable Energy (SCORE)	FT	Completed
Oliver Henry Claycamp	"Conjunctive Staging, Scripted Equivocation, and The Headhunter's Dream"	FT	Completed
Franklin George	Indigenous People And Participatory Visual Research Methods For Understanding Data Governance Issues In Digital Era	FT	On going
Grace anak Sumol	“Diversification of Livelihood Strategies among Smallholder Farmers in Nanga Entabai, Julau”	FT	On going
Alan Zechariah Gian	Language Endangerment Among the Kelabit Young Generation and Revitalisation Measures	FT	On going
Evvia Veno	Narratives of Displacement: Negotiating the Environment through Social Resilience		

Joint/Local Supervision Research Student on Attachment

Level	Names	Title	Status
PhD (University of Cambridge)	Rachel S. Wyatt	Regional Development and Rural Change in Contemporary Sarawak	Completed
PhD University of Copenhagen	Asmus Randle Rungby	Social Identity, Expectations of the Future, and new forms of organisation in growing Bornean cities	7 November 2018 - 22nd October 2019)

External/Internal Examiner for the following Postgraduate Students

a. Internal

PhD

Names	University	Year
Yap Yin @ Yap Kee	Fakulti Sains Sosial dan Kemanusiaan, UNIMAS Topic: System Dynamics Simulation Model to Assess Level of National Unity and Integration: A Focus on the New Economic Policy in Malaysia	2019
Ghazala Tabassum	Institute of Informatics and Technological Innovations, UNIMAS Topic: The Indirect Tangible and Intangible Impact of a Telecentre in Rural Malaysia: The Case Study of eBario Telecentre in Bario Highlands of Sarawak	2018
Richard Joseph Gryboski	Fakulti Sains Sosial dan Kemanusiaan, UNIMAS Title: Identity in Flux: The Case of Eurasians in Sarawak	2015

Masters

Name	Title	Year
Dora Jok	Lati' Baa System of the Lun Bawang in Ba Kelalan: Change and Community Response (Fakulti Sains Sosial dan Kemanusiaan)	2012
Lee Cheng Wui	Fakulti Sains Sosial dan Kemanusiaan,	2015
Ms Fujica Anak Anggo	Seni Motif Tatu Tradisional Masyarakat Iban dan Kayan-Kenyah di Sarawak (Fakulti Seni Gunaan dan Kreatif, UNIMAS)	2015

b. External

PhD/Masters

Name	Level	Title	Year
Abd. Hakim @ Mohamad Ramli	PhD	Transformasi Budaya: Dampaknya Kepada Identiti dan Tradisi Masyarakat Murut Tahoi, submitted to Pusat Pengajian Pascasiswazah Universiti Malaysia Sabah.	2011
Nursyafiqah Mahfudz	Masters	Variasi dan Perubahan dalam Amalan Perkahwinan Komuniti Sinobu, Sukang dan Rumanau di Ulu Kinabatangan, Sabah Pusat Pengajian Pascasiswazah Universiti Malaysia Sabah.	2017

Ronnie Stefhannie	Masters	Nilai Budaya dalam Ritual Kelahiran dan Kematian etnik Banjar di Tawau, Sabah Pusat Pengajian Pascasiswazah Universiti Malaysia Sabah.	2017
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I. CONSULTANCY WORK

Projects

Projects	Remarks
SK318 Rosmari and Majoram Social Baseline and Social Sensing Study	Chemsain Konsultanat Sdn Bhd (Kuching)
The Study on Sarawak HydroLakes Management and Development Plan 2030	AJC Planning Consultants Sdn Bhd
Kajian Social Engineering Pelabuhan Perikanan LKIM Tanjong Bako (PPLTB) di Kuching, Sarawak. (Project Leader) November 2017 – June 2018	The main aim of the project is to devise a social engineering programme in order for Tanjong Bako Fishery Complex to meet and attain its objectives and goals. Main targets are the local communities directly and indirectly affected by the project.
Baseline Socio-Economic Data & Land Use Data In The Kelabit & Maligan Highlands, which was funded by WWF-Malaysia Heart of Borneo and report submitted on June 22, 2010. (6 January – 22 June 2010)	The main aim of this exercise was to bring together baseline socio-economic and land use data for the Maligan and Kelabit Highlands in Sarawak, East Malaysia. The purpose of the enquiry was to identify and map the extent of rural poverty; and to put forward proposals for sustainable development projects that might help alleviate identified pockets of rural poverty in the Maligan and Kelabit Highlands, both of which fall within the Heart of Borneo [HoB] area. A 60 page final report was submitted in September 2011.

Technical Committee/Expert Panel and Presenter

Consultation expert/presenter on eBario Project: a case for Bridging Digital Divide between rural and urban communities	National Information Technology Council Meeting, which was chaired by the Prime Minister, and was attended by 8 other members of the cabinet including the Deputy Prime Minister. Date: 22 March 2010
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Discussant expert	Special Event on Information and Communication Technology for Development (ICT4D): Issues and Challenges for rural communities. Organized by: Swiss Commission on the Information Society and Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation. Date: 26 – 27 March 2003 in Berne Switzerland
Asian regional expert consultation	Rural women in knowledge society Date: 16-19 December 2002 Hyderabad, India
Expert	Community Mapping of Cultural Sites in the Kelabit Highlands of Sarawak funded by US Embassy and Oxbridge Society for Rurum Kelabit Sarawak. Duration: 1 August 2008 – 31 December 2010
Consultant Expert	ASEAN project ‘Promotion of Rural Women’s Livelihood with ICT Use’ project was hosted by Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Korea (MOFAT) and Implemented by: Asia Pacific Women’s Information Network Center (APWINC), Sookmyung Women’s University, Korea. The Project Duration: Mar. 1, 2011 ~ Feb. 28, 2012
Consultant and discussant	Economic Planning Unit at the Prime Minister’s office on the adoption of CoERI’s model for telecentre development for national consideration (through Needs Analysis for Telecentre Development Proqramme Project) Date: August 2010 – February 2012

J. PUBLICATIONS

Books (3)

Bala, P., and Tan Chong Eng (ed.) (2018) *Methodologies for Bridging the Digital Divide with ICT4D amongst Remote and Rural Communities* Kota Samarahan: UNIMAS Publisher

Bala, P. (2016) *Masyarakat Kelabit: Tradisi dan Perubahan Sosial*. Institut Terjemahan dan Buku Malaysia

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Invited Speaker at the “Progam Latihan Borneo Leadership Talk Series 2/2020”, on 3rd September 2020 Universiti Malaysia Sarawak. Title Paper Presented: Voices of Local Community Leaders: Leaving no one behind in UNIMAS’s role in supporting SDGs.

Invited Speaker “Empowering Dayak Women through Education” Zoom Event. 28th August 2020. Title Paper Presented: Dayak Women in Digital Age: Opportunities and Challenges.

Invited Panelist “Forum Masa Depan Malaysia: Prospek dan Cabaran oleh Kaukus Parlimen Muda Parlimen Malaysia, 2020” on 5th February 2020 at Universiti Malaysia Sarawak.

Keynote Address, eBorneo Knowledge Fair 2019 “Indigenous Connections Across Borders.” 22 – 24 October 2019, in Ba Kelalan. Title Paper Presented: Across Border Connections through Space and Time: Implications on Policy Planning of Cross Border Movements in the Highlands of Central Borneo.

Speaker Plenary Panel “Energy Access for Sustainable Development hosted by United Nations Development Programme”, Pullman Hotel Kuching on 15-16th March 2019. Title Paper Presented: Looking Beyond Technologies.

Plenary Speaker at Dayak Chair Symposium on “Indigenous Identities and Cultures” Faculty of Social Sciences, UNIMAS 2019. Title Paper Presented: Sustaining Indigenous Identities and Cultures: what can we learn from around the world?

Visiting Professor/Scholar, Center for World Austronesia and Indigenous Peoples (CWAIP) at National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan .12 November 2019 – 16th November 2019. Title Papers Presented: 1) We have Grown Cold: Technology and Society in the Kelabit Highlands of Central Borneo 2. Jars and Knowledge: Anthropology, Obligation and Development.

Invited Talk Regional Workshop on “Unpacking Indigeneity in Southeast Asia” University Malaya 25th -26th April 2019. Title Paper Presented: Unpacking Indigeneity: FORMADAT, the Alliance of the Indigenous Peoples of the Highlands of Borneo

Invited Talk Kongres Seni Sarawak 2018 Merancang Ke arah Pelestarian dan Pemerksaan Seni by Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka Cawangan Sarawak on 21 – 22 February 2018. Title Paper Presented: Melestarikan dan Memperkasakan Persembahan dan Kesenian Etnik Sarawak sebagai penghubung ilmu: sebuah nota dan isu dari aspek mendokumentasikan tradisi.

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Invited Speaker at the Law Faculty University of Malaya on June 17, 2016. Paper Presented: Needs Analysis and Asset Based Community Development for Telecentre Programme among Orang Asli West Malaysia.

Speaker University-Community Partnership by Sarawak Development Institute Bilik Gerakan Negeri Wisma Bapa Malaysia 2016.

Plenary Speaker 2nd International Conference on Media and Society, University Malaysia Sarawak 2015. Title Paper Presented: e-Inclusion and Media for Asia's Indigenous Peoples: Lessons Learnt from e-Bario.

Invited Speaker Forum on East Looking East At Sabah And Sarawak by ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore on 4th December 2015. Title Paper Presented: Building Fortitude: Negotiating Identities at the Margin of Malaysian Nation State.

Invited Speaker 2nd Smart Village Workshop by Academy Sciences Malaysia and The Malaysian Commonwealth Studies Centre at Cambridge: Forum on Electricity Access for Indigenous Communities in Sarawak, 2015. Title Paper Presented: eBario Project.

Invited Speaker Social Transformation: Rethinking New Directions Conference and Facilitated Workshop organised by The Social Development Council, Ministry of Social Development Sarawak. Pullman, Kuching October 30th – November 1st 2014. Title Paper Presented: Traditional and Cultural Sustainability and Social Transformation: What is the Way Forward?

Keynote Address 12th International Borneo Research Council Conference: Diversity and Dynamism in Borneo (BRC2014), 2014 Universiti Malaysia Sabah. Diversity and Dynamism in Borneo – The (Re) Positioning of Agency in Sustainable Development

Invited Speaker at the Roundtable on Protecting Nature in the Heart of Borneo: Stocktake, Present Challenges, Future Directions. 5 – 6 September 2012 by ISEAS, Singapore. Heart of Borneo and the Impact on Indigenous Communities, Sarawak. Title of Paper Presented: Protecting Nature in the Heart of Borneo (HoB): the Kelabit Perspective/Experiences on Conservation

Invited Speaker at the Family as School of Peace, organized by WFWP Malaysia at Marriot Hotel, Miri, Sarawak on 29th September 2012. Title of Paper Presented: Multicultural Perspectives and Practices of Peace.

Invited Presenter at Borneo Studies Workshop: The State-of-the Art and Future Directions, 30

November – 1 December 2012 at UBD, Brunei. Title of Paper Presented: Sociological and Social Science Research at University Malaysia Sarawak.

Invited Presenter at the MIDAS@UCSI Malaysia Public Policy Dialogue: Marginalization, Poverty and Education: Social Reality and Policy Reform Option, 20 December 2011 at UCSI University, Malaysia. Title of Paper Presented: Marginalization, Poverty and Education Social Reality and Policy Reform Options: Some Observations/ Notes from Sarawak. Organized by MIDAS at UCSI

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