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**Filipino Scientists and Researchers
Hold *Saliksikan* 2019 at Harvard University**



Consul Arman R. Talbo (standing, 11th from the left) join the young Filipino scientists and researchers based in Massachusetts who held a flash talk on their research and expertise at Harvard. (Photo by NYPCG)

14 December 2019, Cambridge, Massachusetts- Filipino scientists and researchers mostly from Harvard and MIT held a flash talk of their current research projects and fields of expertise on 14 December 2019 at Harvard. The event was dubbed ***Saliksikan 2019*** and was attended by more than 30 participants.

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Program hosts Glen Andrew de Vera, PhD; Erlyn Macarayan, PhD; and Joann Arce, PhD, said that the event was aimed at providing the participants an overview of the research projects of Filipinos in Massachusetts and to build camaraderie and strengthen ties among them.

At the event, thirteen young scientists, doctors, and researchers took turns in presenting their work and research. After the presentations, the participants took the opportunity to network. The flash talk was followed by the group's Christmas party celebration and the culmination of their "*Tabang Mindanao*" fundraising project to provide support to the families affected by the earthquakes in Mindanao

Post was represented by Consul Arman R. Talbo who encouraged them to participate in the Balik Scientist Program. Some of them indicated their interest to participate in the Program next year. Post will continue to coordinate with them and extend assistance in facilitating their application. Consul Talbo likewise encouraged the scientists and researchers to volunteer as mentors in the P-Grad program of the Consulate where they can mentor fresh grad Fil-Ams who are in the same field or profession. END