



CHSS 2022 RCSD Workshop Fellow

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Research interests: ethnic studies, conflict and post conflict studies.

Myint Than

Myint Than is from the Mon ethnic group in Myanmar. He is pursuing a Master's degree in Social Science (Development Studies) at Chiang Mai University sponsored by the Chiang Mai Presidential Scholarship. Alongside his study, he also manages and teaches at the Department of Social Science at the Mon National College in Mon State, Myanmar. He has run the department since 2023 and he focuses on creating an enriching educational environment for underprivileged and marginalized students, offering quality learning experience, and fostering academic growth at the Mon National College (MNC).

Myint participated in RCSD's 2022 workshop on "Indigenous and More-Than-Human Ecological Justice". The workshop deepened his understanding of multispecies world-making, emphasizing humans as part of the ecosystem rather than its center, which enhanced his research skills and ability to analyze society-nature relationships for sustainable living. He was selected to present his research on "*Armed Conflicts, Bordering Practices, and the Human (In)security Nexus in Mae Sot and Myawaddy Areas on the Thai-Myanmar Border*," at the CHSS "Mainstreaming the Margins" Symposium in Seoul in June 2023. In June 2024, he was actively involved in organizing a CHSS seminar on assessing the state of knowledge on Mon Studies to facilitate academic exchange between Mon scholars based in Thailand and Myanmar and lay the foundation for a new educational institute at MNC.