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Graphic of the Month

Fish

Fish is a traditional figure of Chinese lucky charm because it is pronounced "yu", a homonym for the word for abundance.

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Welcome from the Director

The coming months will see the Asian Studies Center go through another cycle of redefinition. The Center's standing as a Title VI National Resource Center for Asian Studies (NRC), a designation received from the U.S. Department of Education nearly three years ago, provided a major impetus for past changes in our programs. As the nation's only "All-Asia NRC" the Center's faculty and staff have created programs dedicated to giving fuller attention to each major Asian region. Last Fall's semester-long symposium on nationalism, ethnic identity, and individual rights reflected this broad focus, as did the Spring Semester's international conference on human rights in Asia.

The response from students, faculty, and the wider university community has been encouraging. The number of undergraduates enrolled in the Asian Studies Specialization Program has more than doubled and now stands at 53. More than 30 students have signed up to take Korean, a response sufficiently strong to require opening a second section in that language. The Center received additional support from the U.S. Department of Education to help support new language offerings. We have also been able to engage our faculty and students in "weeks" of activities --lectures, performances, exhibits, and films dedicated to specific regions and countries-- as well as support faculty travel to conferences and research projects. Outreach activities have also reached beyond the campus to schools and government offices across the state. There is no doubt that the hectic pace at the Asian Studies Center represents a wide, strong, and growing interest in Asia in all its rich diversity.

The new academic year will see a continuation of Asia-wide programs with special symposia and lectures on major issues behind the headlines in Asia (and freed from an exclusively U.S.-centered perspective). As described in the Fall Semester Program article in this issue of the *Bulletin*, we will take up controversies over water resources and ethnic conflicts, complex issues that tend to flow across national borders. We will also continue to sponsor a menu of "less commonly taught languages" with ongoing and new offerings in Korean, Vietnamese, Hindi, and, in the spring, Tagalog.

While these programs go forward, Center faculty and staff will also prepare ASN's proposal for continuation of our designation as a National Resource Center. This is a process that needs support, particularly from our ASN Core Faculty.

The new academic year will be busy, full of engaging and challenging programs. We welcome the support of our faculty, students, and community volunteers in making our activities possible.

Michael Lewis



Fall Semester Programs-ASN

Beginning in September a rich and diverse set of programs has been planned through the Asian Studies Center. Besides the regular events like the Joseph Lee lecture (10/23, Zang Jian "Viewing Chinese Women from Different Cultural Perspectives, East and West") and the regional "theme weeks" (Japan Week, 10/24-30; Southeast Asia Week, 11/4-8), there are film series focusing on the widely exported world of Japanese animation, or '*anime*' for short (Thursday evenings, beginning 9/12, B-108 Wells Hall), and on the work of the Chinese directors Zhang Yimou and Chen Kaige (Tuesday evenings, B-106 Wells Hall). The Kresge Art Museum's exhibit, "Art In The 'Toon Age'" will also intersect with ASN's *anime* series. The "Toon Age" exhibit will run from 9/3 to 11/3 and include a panel discussion on Japanese *anime* on 9/19 (Kresge Art Museum, 7 p.m.): www.msu.edu/~kamuseum/exhibitions

This Fall will feature a variety of India-related presentations including one by Dr. K.N. Pandita, an expert on Kashmir and Central Asia (10/22) and a presentation by Robert Arnett, the author of *India Unveiled*, who will provide a vivid portrait of the people and issues of contemporary India (10/27 at the Kellogg Center Auditorium, 4 p.m.).

"Behind the Headlines in Asia" is the title of the Fall speakers series being held at the International Center on Tuesdays (room 201 at 4 p.m.) beginning on September 17 with Murray Scot Tanner, who will speak about China in "After Tiananmen: Popular Protest & the Erosion of Social Control." Other speakers include Tenzin N. Tethong (Tibet & China: The View From Within, 9/24), Donald Lopez (Tibet Under Chinese Rule, 10/1), Steven Benfell (War and Memory in Japan and the United States, 10/15), David Chandler (Cambodia Shadowed by its Past, 11/4), Meredith Woo-Cumings (The Political Ecology of famine: The North Korean Catastrophe and its Lessons, 11/8), Thomas Gouttierre (Afghanistan: The Return of the Unholy Alliance 11/11), Eric Freedman (Press Freedom Under Fire: The Battlefield of Central Asia, 11/19).

Visitors to ASN

From the Tokyo University of Agriculture, Drs. Fukio Ikeda and Tadashi Baba paid a visit to the Center. Also traveling from Japan, Mssrs. Hoju Taniguchi and Akira Bamba came, accompanied by Mr. Naoya Yamamoto, the current representative of Shiga-ken, the sister state to Michigan. Coming from China, the ASN director greeted Drs. Meizhen Fan and Zengshi Li, both from Anhui Agricultural University in Central China. ASN also co-hosted a delegation from Sichuan Provincial People's Government that included Yousheng Xu, Pinliang Zhang and other officials

A Korean delegation consisting of five professors and five graduate students from Hankuk University, Seoul, South Korea, met Hiromi Maenaka, the ASN Assistant Director and Mark Elder (James Madison) on June 26 to learn more about ASN and its activities. She also met with Jamilur Reza

Choudhury, Vice Chancellor, BRAC University in Bangladesh who visited the center on August 16 to express interest in establishing a linkage with MSU.

Construction on track

The Delia Koo International Academic Center is moving along in a timely way. Barring anything unforeseen, ASN will be moving up to the west end of the building on the top floor before the year is out.

Asian Studies Center Fall Reception

This annual gathering brings faculty, students and community members together each year. On 9/20 bring a friend along to the International Center, Spartan Room C, beginning at 2 p.m.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES & OUTREACH

Learning About Islam Across Societies

"Islam in a Global Context" was the theme of a one-day workshop organized jointly by Asian Studies, African Studies, and CASID/WID.



Examples from Africa, Asia and around the world comprised the two panel sessions: "Islam in Local Contexts" (Niger, Pakistan, Somalia and Jordan) in the morning, and "Gender and Islam" in the afternoon (South Africa, USA, Jordan and Pakistan). The panelists and about a dozen educators from

junior high school through community college paid a visit to the *Jumma* (Friday prayers) at the Islamic Center of Greater Lansing.

The workshop was less a primer on Islam than it was a close-up view of the adaptation process, showing the paradox contained in the workshop title "...in a Global Context." Islam, like its theological relatives of Christianity and Judaism, is practiced around the world, but since it describes one's daily living, Islam has come into intimate contact with diverse societies, fitting in and around and running through the earlier customs of each place.

30 Teachers at Chinese and Japanese Workshop

In June Chinese and Japanese language teachers again traveled to MSU for a workshop on teaching methods and materials. As in 2001 teachers came mainly from the middle and SE of Michigan to learn from language teaching experts.



Following a joint session for welcome and introductions, the Chinese teachers spent the morning on ways to teach the complex grammatical feature of "le," and in the afternoon "meiyou" and "bu" (Hilda Tao, UM)

while teachers of Japanese learned about the legacy of ancient language (the *Tale of Genji*, 8th century A.D., Catherine Ryu, MSU). During the afternoon session the Japanese group heard about language expression and deference and politeness (Mutsuko Endo-Hudson, MSU). During the lunch break Dennie Hoopingarner, the director of the Language Learning Center, demonstrated a number of Web based supplements for learning Chinese. Anne Hooghart (Ph. D. candidate, College of Education, MSU) led the late afternoon optional session about the TPR method (Total Physical Response) used for vocabulary sets arranged through storytelling. Details, event album and links are available online at

www.isp.msu.edu/asianstudies/old_website/june22.html

Webpages at ASN in Green

At the beginning of August Suman Mishra, one of the graduate students working at ASN, completed a makeover of the Center's electronic face. In place of the "dashboard" of many links and buttons from the Spring, we now have a site that looks and feels more like a book or magazine, with features spread more evenly across the screen. Take a look and see what you think.

Recent additions are the list of video and DVD holdings available for classroom use, on or off campus. A listing of publications received and available for viewing or copying has also been listed. Faculty members are being asked to send publications since 1993 to be added to their online listing, too.

Asia in Michigan, Asia at MSU

Guen Witteveen, with the help of graduate student Seiichi Sasaki, has designed the framework for two resources that will appear and grow over time to bring Asia-related people, places and things into a convenient form, one organized by country/ethnic group, topic, time of year (in the case of ceremonies, commemorations or celebrations), or region of Michigan. Submit your items at the online form: www.isp.msu.edu/AsianStudies/amich/request_form.html

Windows on Asia - online resource at ASN

Beginning with a set of webpages for China, this long-term project is moving forward with the help of graduate student Yanan Fan at the MSU College of Education. When online, students and teachers will find pictures and text in six topical areas: Exploring family life, school life, the community, famous people & places, current issues and events, and popular culture today. The China pages will be followed with ones on Japan.

Michigan Commission on Asia in the Schools

On August 5 the second meeting of the Governor's commission was held in Troy with the purpose of learning the current conditions for learning about Asia in the public schools around the state. ASN was invited to speak about recent outreach initiatives here and the role for National Resource Centers more generally. The upshot was the commission's resolve to support and extend efforts to bring topics, materials and activities relating to Asia into local schools, well beyond the nominal deadline for the commission's recommendations



to the Governor in October.

Michigan Global Awareness Consortium

The eight member schools in Northern Michigan will continue in the second and final year of the thematic region of South Asia. ASN plays a supporting role by coordinating speakers and contributing to the planning team. This year will again comprise a mix of presenters, performers and displays open to their students and members of the surrounding cities and towns.

Travellers' Tales - lobby exhibit

Continuing from the display at the MSU library, the busy lobby of the International Center holds a smaller, traveling version of this exhibition of 19th century travellers to Asia, their books and illustrations. If you would rather see the exhibit online, go to the ASN exhibits page,



www.isp.msu.edu/AsianStudies/exhibits.

People at Asian Studies

For those new to campus or to Asian Studies, the first issue of



the newsletter is a chance to introduce our office. The graduate students who help make things run will be featured in coming months. Pictured left to right are Guven Witteveen (Outreach), Ellen Acker (Secretary), Hiromi Maenaka

(Assistant Director), and Michael Lewis (Director).



"Gender, Justice & Environmental Change" will be presented 9/19 by Bina Agarwal (U. Delhi). The lecture takes place at the International Center in Spartan Rooms B&C in co-sponsorship with WID.

Study Abroad Fair, 9/19 MSU Union 2nd Floor, beginning at noon.

"Art In The 'Toon Age" is the name of an exhibit on campus at the Kresge Art Museum, running September 3- November 3. Related programming about *anime*, Japanese animation, includes a panel discussion (9/19, 7 p.m. Kresge Art Museum), and the Anime Film Festival (Saturday, 9/21, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. East Lansing Public Library). Contact: Julie Thomson, Outreach, (517) 353-9834, thomso16@msu.edu



Mary Andrews hosted 30 students in the 3rd year of an ongoing exchange with the Lady Irwin College at the University of Delhi (New Delhi, India). They followed the short course, "Understanding American Family and Community Lifestyle." MSU's Department of Family and Child Ecology runs the program, which includes the website, www.msu.edu/~ladyirwi



Stephen Averill of the MSU History Department returns to campus this fall after a one-year sabbatical leave. During his research leave, Averill completed and sent to a publisher a book manuscript on the history of the *Jinggangshan* rural revolutionary base area in southern China, and published in *The China Journal* an article entitled "The Transition from Urban to Rural in the Chinese Revolution." In the summer of 2002 he also spent 9 weeks in China conducting research on a new project concerning the social and cultural impact of educational change in early 20th-century China. During his China trip, Averill used materials held by the Sichuan University Library in Chengdu, the Nantong Municipal Library in Jiangsu, and the Shanghai Library and Lexicographical Publishing House Library in Shanghai.

Michael Lewis (History and ASN Director) conducted research on popular culture and popular protest in modern Japan during the summer as a visiting scholar at Waseda University (Tokyo). He also completed an article for a forthcoming volume on ethnicity and cultural identity in Japan.

Gill-Chin Lim (limg@msu.edu, Geography and Urban Planning) presented a paper on "A Comparative Study of REITs: USA, Japan and Korea" at the Joint International Conference of the American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association and Asian Real Estate Association, July 3-6, Seoul, Korea. The meeting brought together about 300 scholars from the US, China, Japan, Korea, Thailand, Canada, UK, and Australia.

Hiromi Maenaka (maenakah@msu.edu, Asian Studies Center) completed a three-week trip to Japan and Korea in July. She attended the International Communication Association workshop in Chunchong as well as the annual conference in Seoul. While in there, she visited the International Education Institute at Ewha Womens University, and Hankuk University of Foreign Studies to learn more about their programs and assess the feasibility of developing exchange programs. She also had meetings with MSU alumni members in Osaka and Seoul.

David Stowe (stowed@msu.edu, American Thought & Language) is on leave this Fall, thanks to an IRGP (MSU Intramural Research Grant Program), to complete his book, *Singing in a Strange Land: Music in the Religious Lives of Americans* (provisional title, Harvard).

In the Spring James E. Trosko and Chia Cheng Chang (Pediatrics and Human Development, College of Human Medicine) were at Nagasaki U to initiate the signing of a "General Agreement for Academic Cooperation" for research and education opportunities with MSU. While there both scholars were invited to the Int'l Congress on "Radiation-Induced Genetical Instability." The outcome of the Congress was to initiate a consortium of foreign institutions in the area of "Potential Low level Radiation-induced Human Health Effects." Member institutions included Nagasaki, Leiden (Netherlands), MSU, Gray Cancer Laboratory (UK), Columbia U, and also in Japan, the National Institute of Radiological Sciences (Chiba) and the Radiation Effects Research Foundation (Hiroshima and Nagasaki).

Khalida Zaki, K.S. Sripada Raju, Shrikumar Poddar and Elise Harvey were panelists at a forum to discuss India and Pakistan held at MSU on June 8, which appeared also in the local TV news. The two countries have been fighting over Kashmir, which both countries claim. Zaki pointed out the need for both countries to focus on issues that affect citizens such as high malnutrition rates in children and low adult literacy rates.

Changes in ASN Core Faculty

Hairong Li (Advertising), who recently joined the ranks of the core faculty members of the Asian Studies Center, was promoted to associate professor with the award of tenure this summer. In the History Department, Robert Fish comes to the MSU campus this Fall to teach on Japan. Among recent faculty retirements are Frank D'Itri (Institute of Water Research), Pat D'Itri (American Thought and Language), Bernie Gallin (Anthropology), and coming up in December, Herb Whittier (Institute of International Health). Other changes among core faculty of the Asian Studies Center include departures from MSU by Jianguo Chen (Chinese), John Grimes (Religious Studies), Dennis Patterson (Political Science), and Jim Dearing (Communication).

Robert Fish took his Ph. D. at Hawai'i and will be teaching courses on modern Japan this year. His dissertation is summed up in its descriptive title, "The Heiress and the Love Children: Suwara Miki and the Elizabeth Saunders Home for Mixed-blood Orphans in Post-war Japan." Before beginning his studies of Modern Japan, Fish taught social studies in high school and from there developed his vocational interest in teaching about East Asia, as well as his research interests in Japan's history of education and schooling.



Jim Detjen, Director of the Knight Center for Environmental Journalism at MSU, was a Fulbright Scholar in Tianjin, China from February to July 2002. During his stay in China he taught two courses at Nankai University in Tianjin and gave more than 30 lectures on journalism issues throughout China. He spoke widely about the American news media, the

Mt. Satseto (Yunnan Province, near Tibet), 15,200 feet.



U.S. Freedom of Information Act, environmental journalism and ethical issues facing the news media. He also directed journalism workshops for Chinese journalists in Beijing and Shanghai and appeared on both Chinese television and radio stations. He was accompanied by his wife and their two teen-aged sons. Highlights at www.faculty.jrn.msu.edu/detjenchina/

Eric Freedman (Journalism) returns from work in Uzbekistan. Teaching journalism at the Uzbek State World



L a n g u a g e s University was especially challenging in a country with no tradition of a free press, where censorship and self-censorship are part of the legacy of 70 years within the bosom of the Soviet Union. For an American Fulbright

lecturer and journalist, differences in lifestyles and national cultures are compounded by the lingering Soviet-era approach to higher education. Teachers are not to be challenged and students are discouraged from arguing with them. Rote learning ranks above analytical thinking. Theory trumps practice and academic integrity is mocked by rampant cheating and grade-buying. Such realities are major obstacles to building professional, ethical press organizations -- media worthy of public trust -- in a country that bills itself as an emerging democracy. Highlights at www.faculty.jrn.msu.edu/freedmauzbek/

Tomiko Yamaguchi (Ph.D. candidate, sociology) has begun ten months of dissertation fieldwork in Ahmedabad (Gujarat State, India) to study the processes of social discourse on genetically-modified cotton. Her fieldwork is being supported by a dissertation improvement grant from the U.S. National Science Foundation to Craig Harris (craig.harris@ssc.msu.edu, Sociology).

MSU-Doshisha U (Japan) Exchange

The first Japanese participant in the MSU-Doshisha American Studies exchange has arrived for a year of study in East Lansing. Ms. Fumiko Sakashita is a doctoral student in American Studies at Doshisha, where she is concentrating on U.S. social history. Her current research focuses on the discourse of lynching, and particularly Japanese perceptions of American lynching during the 1920s and 1930s. Fumiko will present at the "Conference on Lynching and Racial Violence in the United States," being held this Fall at Emory, and also at MSU's Fall Festival of American Studies. In 1999 she was selected to participate in the Yale-China Summer Institute for East Asian Scholars, held at New Haven.

MSU-Hosei U (Japan) Exchange

Undergraduate students from Hosei U (Tokyo) arrived on August 17 for a semester exchange program at MSU, under the supervision of Roger Hamlin.

MSU- U. Ryukyus Exchange

Ms. Sayaka Miyagi, a senior in Department of Humanities at University of the Ryukyus arrived August 17 from Okinawa to study English at MSU for the academic year. To complete the student to student exchange, Ms. Leslie Boker, a sophomore in Japanese at MSU Department of Linguistics

and Languages has been admitted to U. Ryukyus under the Short-term Student Exchange Program (URSEP) with a scholarship from the Association of International Education, Japan. Ms. Boker leaves East Lansing for Okinawa soon to participate in the year-long program.

2002-2003 Humphrey Fellows

Since 1979 the Humphrey Fellowship Program has brought more than 2,800 professionals from designated countries of Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean, the Middle East and Eurasia to the United States at mid-points in their careers for a year of study and related practical professional experience. The program provides a basis for lasting ties between citizens of the United States and their professional counterparts in other countries in both the public and private sectors. MSU is one of 14 institutions to host eight fellows this year: Mr. Asad Aleem (Pakistan, Economics and Financial Management, I. T., E-governance), Ms. Nelisiwe Dlamini (Swaziland, Economic Policy & Development), Ms. Mila Kasalica (Montenegro, Public Policy and Management), Mr. Jong Wook Lee (Korea, Fiscal Policy and Economic Reform), Ms. Gryzel Matallana (Peru, Economic Development, Micro-enterprise), Ms. Karine Simonyan (Armenia, Economic Development, FDI), Mr. Hodian Urío (Tanzania, Small Business Development), and Mr. Lite Yi (China, Public Policy and Administration).



Typically the fellows may be involved in such things as guided independent projects, special seminars, field trips, attendance at professional meetings, consultations, and professional affiliations with government agencies or private organizations/corporations.



Fall 2002

Japan 1800 (HST 369, Fish, fish@msu.edu)
T/TH 2: 40- 4:00p.m., 110 Berkey Hall

This course examines the history of Japan from its ecological origins through the year 1800. The goal of the course is to provide a broad overview of the development of dominant cultural and institutional trends in Japanese history, especially during and after the establishment of permanent capitals beginning during the Nara Period (7th Century). Special emphasis will be placed on the interrelationships amongst the arts, politics, and religion throughout the premodern era.

Hinduism (REL 340, Sinha, ysingha@msn.com)
M/W, 12: 40-2: 30, IM West 215

Topics include historical, philosophical and doctrinal

development. Vedic Sacrifice, Upanishads, devotional Vashnavism, Yoga and meditation, Tantric and medieval forms, ritual and temple forms. Modern syncretism and interaction with Western worldviews.

"Behind the Headlines in Asia:"

Historical Approaches to Contemporary Issues
(HST 110, Averill, averill@msu.edu)

M/W 3:00-4:20p.m. 111 Berkey Hall

This course delves into the background of several recent conflicts prominent in the news media. In addition to enhancing understanding of the historical underpinnings of these events, the course also aims to make students aware of the malleability of historical "facts" and memories, and of the many ways in which history may be implicated in political controversy. *Note that there is a Center symposium, held in coordination with this course during the Fall Semester.*

A Revolution in History: The Meiji Restoration

(HST 201 - Sec. 10, Fish, fish@msu.edu)

T/TH 12: 40-2:00p.m. , 121 Baker Hall

Many historians consider the Meiji Restoration among the most important turning points in modern Japanese history. Through use of this secondary literature as well as fiction, memoirs, and translated documents, this section of history 201 is designed to introduce students to the study and practice of history.

Comparative and Int'l Telecommunication

Mondays 3:00-6:00p.m., Comm. Arts 161

(TC 877, Mody, mody@msu.edu)

Offered every other Fall, TC 877 will focus on how culture, religion and politics impacted media coverage after 9/11 around the world. Students will contextualize media and the information they carry in terms of economics, politics and culture, the role of the state and the role of private capital.

Japan: Society and Culture

(ANP 491, Davis, davisjrj@msu.edu)

Thursdays 3:00-5:50, 321 Baker Hall

Using films, *manga*, *anime*, anthropological studies, and novels, this course will focus on some of the key concepts and social institutions necessary for developing an understanding of contemporary Japanese society and culture. Topics during this weekly seminar will include popular culture, religion, race/ethnicity, youth culture, and aging in Japan.

Less Commonly Taught Languages (LCTLs)

There is a movement from the national government down to the college level to develop linguistic fluency and social proficiency among people in the U.S. An important part of this consists of languages with many speakers abroad, but seldom offered to learners here, the "LiCTaLs." MSU has made a strong start by opening sections in Hindi and Korean. For the first time, Vietnamese is now being offered, too. Please contact the Asian Studies Center (353-1680, asiansc@msu.edu) or Linguistics & Languages (353-0740) for details. Plans are going forward to teach Tagalog during the Spring Semester 2003.

Basic Hindi I (M/W 5:00-6:50 p.m., C103 Wells Hall)
This individualized study of Hindi at the elementary level includes speaking, reading, and writing with emphasis on developing oral proficiency skills.

Basic Vietnamese I (M/W 4:10-6:00 p.m., C308 Wells Hall)

This individualized study of Vietnamese at the elementary level includes speaking, reading, and writing with emphasis on developing oral proficiency skills. Enroll online, or contact Asian Studies Center (353-1680, asiansc@msu.edu) or Linguistics & Languages (353-0740).

Basic Korean I (M/W 3:00-4:50 p.m., 105A Berkey Hall)

This individualized study of Korean at the elementary level includes speaking, reading, and writing with emphasis on developing oral proficiency skills. Enroll online, or contact Asian Studies Center (353-1680, asiansc@msu.edu) or Linguistics & Languages (353-0740)

Basic Korean I (*added section*, M/W 6:00-7:50 p.m., C109 Wells Hall)

To be Offered Spring 2003

Women and Change in Developing Countries (WS 403) Mudaliar, mudaliar@msu.edu

T/Th 12:40-2:00 p.m., 104 Berkey Hall

Using a thematic approach the aim of the course is to understand the complex ways in which history, politics, religion and the allied factors influence the lives of women and shape gender relations in developing countries, with special focus on countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Japanese Cultural History

(IAH 211 B, Fish, fish@msu.edu)

M-Th 9:10-10:00 a.m., 306 Bessey Hall

This course focuses on the social history of Japan from the end of World War II to 1989, tracing the turbulent path from utter devastation following the War to the affluence of the 1980s. Attention will be given to Japan as an increasingly active participant in the late 20th century internationalization and globalization.

Buddhism in South Asia

(REL 350, (Brereton, bbrere@umich.edu)

M/W 4:10-5:30, 213 Berkey Hall

Topics include the early origins of Buddhism, the Buddha's life, formulation of the Samgha, the Pali canon, the three turnings of the Wheel of the Law, and monastic developments vs. lay Buddhism.

Virtual University Class

"International Rural Development" (RD 876) is a course designed for people who care about improvement in human conditions in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. It is offered as a web-based course every semester. This "live" seminar is taught by George H. Axinn, Professor Emeritus. The course is offered as a graduate credit course, for three

credit hours, and as a non-credit course. Since the course is offered in a weekly asynchronous conversation, it can fit into any schedule, regardless of the timing. Preview the class on the web at: www.vu.msu.edu/preview/rd876 or email axinn@msu.edu for details.

Evening College at MSU, Asia related

Yoga Exercises (\$85, 8 Mondays starting 9/23, 7:30-9 p.m.)

Sumi-e: The Art of Black Ink

(\$55, 5 Tuesdays, beginning 10/1, 7-9:30 p.m.)

India's Eternal Wisdom

Rema-ji's teachings (\$65, 4 Mondays, beginning 9/23, 7-9)

China in the Contemporary World

(\$65, 6 Tuesdays, beginning 9/24, 7-9 p.m.)

www.msualum.com/evcoll/allclasses.cfm



"Nepal: Understanding the Rivers, Environments, and Cultures" is the theme of a Fulbright Group Project Abroad being led by Mel Miller (Macomb County Intermediate School District) and Murari Suvedi (suvedi@msu.edu, International Studies & Programs, MSU). Orientation for the 3 week trip for middle and high school educators takes place 8/24 with departure scheduled for middle October. The project is intended to deeply root an abiding overseas interest in participants so that the experience, attitudes, and personal connections may continue to connect the participant and his or her students with the people and issues abroad. The *Asia Bulletin* will follow this story as it unfolds in future issues.

The Japan Center for Michigan Universities (JCMU) is looking ahead to Spring Semester, 2003. The widely successful Environmental Sciences in Japan (ESJ) program will again be offered, with help from Shiga University faculty. Besides the keystone course: Environmental Problems in Japan: Meiji to Heisei (NSC 491), students are encouraged to take advantage of the environmental internships available, including the U.N.'s Int'l Environment Technology Centre, The Shiga Environment Cooperative Union, and at the U. of Shiga. Nancy Campbell (Art, Mount Holyoke College) will join JCMU to teach the visual arts course "East Asian Art: Visual Investigations of Hikone." Please come to an information meeting at MSU on 9/25 (room 204 Int'l Center) from 7-9 p.m. Applications are now being taken for Spring 2003, deadline 10/1 at the JCMU Office, 110 International Center-MSU, East Lansing, MI 48823-1035: JCMU@msu.edu or (517) 355-4654, online at www.isp.msu.edu/jcmu.

Musical Event- Anup Jalota, presented by the Bhartiya Temple of Lansing September 14, Contact: Ved Gossain: 517-349-2886

Public TV and Asia

(www.wkar.org) "POV: Afghanistan, Year 1380" will be broadcast September 9 at 10 p.m.



Off Campus Events

Exhibit and symposium (Art, Japan)

"An Enduring Vision: 17th to 20th Century Japanese Painting " opens 9/27 at the New Orleans Museum of Art. The display begins with a two-day symposium devoted to the study and analysis of Japanese painting of the Edo and Meiji periods (1615-1912). Contact: symposia@noma.org
www.noma.org

Images of the Feminine in Japanese Popular Prints

Exhibition about how the ideals of "femininity" evolved over the course of 150 years of printmaking, including the role of male actors in defining women's fashion in clothing and demeanor. After September 1 online only:
www.umich.edu/~umma

Lunch Lectures, Japanese Studies-Ann Arbor

Noon Thursdays at the International Institute, U. Michigan, School of Social Work Building, room 1636, 1080 S. University Ave: www.umich.edu/~iinet/cjs/

Fall Film Series (Japan) - Ann Arbor

The actor Yakusho Koji will be featured in 10 films this Fall. Details online at
www.umich.edu/~iinet/cjs/events/film02f.html



Fellowships

Grant/Fellowship search online

Smithsonian Institution, www.si.edu/research+study

Fellowship, Department Commerce

The Ronald H. Brown Commercial Service Fellowship Program provides talented undergraduates with an international and domestic public service education.

Contact: ronbrown@woodrow.org,
www.woodrow.org/public-policy/ronbrown/

Predocotrual Fellowships For Minorities

Ford Foundation offers predocotrual fellowships to members of six minority groups. Contact: national-academies.org/fellowships

International Fellowships (Ford)

For more information on IFP, or to apply for a fellowship, interested individuals may contact IFP partner organizations in their region: www.fordfound.org

Individual Research Grants

Wenner-Gren Foundations (by May 1, Nov. 1) funds basic research in all branches of anthropology:
info@wennergren.org, or www.wennergren.org

International Collaborative Research Grants

Wenner Gren Foundation. Grants to assist anthropological

research projects undertaken jointly by two (or more) investigators from different countries. Deadlines each year: June 1st and December 1st: info@wennergren.org or www.wennergren.org

Vietnam National University, Hanoi

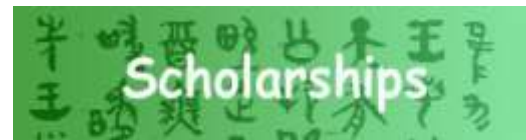
The CIEE program emphasizes language studies as well as exposure to the countries history, contemporary issues, culture, and the arts. Contact: Thaveporn Vasavakul, ciee@netnam.org.vn

Asia-Pacific Studies Fund (no deadline)

The Fund promotes collaborative research in Asia-Pacific studies between Japanese and non-Japanese scholars. Contact: Yone Sugita, sugita@post01.osaka-gaidai.ac.jp or www.sugita.org/APSF.html

High-Risk Research in Anthropology

National Science Foundation will support topics otherwise hard to fund by their sensitive nature (no deadline) Contact: Stuart Plattner, splattne@nsf.gov, www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/getpub?gpg



Scholarships

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship enables students who have limited financial means to participate in study abroad opportunities worldwide. The program provides awards of up to \$5,000 for U.S. citizen undergraduate students at two-and four-year institutions to pursue semester or academic-year long study abroad. Students cannot be studying abroad in a country under a US Dept. of State Travel Warning. He or she must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application. Details are online: www.iie.org/gilman

2003 NEH Summer Stipends

Deadline 5 p.m September 13. Projects should be completed during the 2 month tenure of an award or represent part of a long-term endeavor. Examples include: scholarly articles, a monograph on a specialized subject, a book on a broad topic, an archaeological site report, a translation, an edition, a database, or other scholarly tools.

Only two MSU faculty may be nominated. The 2003 stipend amount is \$5,000. Details at MSU from Patrick M. McConeghy, hmcconegh@msu.edu (355-5360) or online: www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/stipends.html

Buchanan Prize

The AAS Committee on Teaching About Asia (CTA) invites submissions for the Franklin R. Buchanan Prize, awarded annually to educators who develop curriculum materials dealing exclusively with one or more of the countries and cultures represented by the AAS. Submissions may be in a variety of formats, including print, film, video, CD-ROM, or web-based formats. Materials must have been published after January 1, 2001. Contact: (808) 944-7596 phone; (808) 944-7070 Fax or steinem@eastwestcenter.org

Fulbright Awards 2003/4

A new program-the *Fulbright Senior Specialists Program*-offers short term (2-6 week) grants in a variety of disciplines and fields. Most Fulbright lecturing assignments are in English. Some 80 percent of the awards are for lecturing. Annual deadlines for awards are:

*August 1 for Fulbright traditional lecturing and research grants worldwide

*November 1 for the summer German Studies Seminar and for spring/summer seminars in Germany, Korea and Japan for academic and international education administrators

*rolling deadline for Fulbright Senior Specialists Program Information and online application at www.cies.org Phone: 202-686-7877, apprequest@cies.iie.org

Global Fund for Women (no deadline)

Contact: Misti Mukhophadyay, Phone: (650) 853-8305 x183, FAX: (650) 328-0384

Professional, Admin, & Management Support Services USAID will be making multiple awards (up to six) for technical assistance and advisory services to support mission in the Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade, Office of Women in Development to help ensure that women participate fully and benefit equally from U.S. development assistance programs. Contact: Bette Bowles, bbowles@usaid.gov, jjeckell@usaid.gov

Japan Scholarship Program

The Association of Teachers of Japanese (ATJ) Bridging Scholarship program will award 50 scholarships to American undergraduate students participating in study abroad programs in Japan that begin in Spring 2003. Deadline October 3. Contact: Association of Teachers of Japanese atj@colorado.edu, www.colorado.edu/ealld/atj

Asia-Pacific American Fellowships

The Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies (APAICS) announces the applications for their 2002-03 Fellowship Programs Contact: www.apaics.org.



Science, Technology and Innovation

Harvard U, Cambridge, Massachusetts, September 23-24
An international conference on "Science, Technology and Innovation: Emerging International Policy Issues"
www.cid.harvard.edu/cidbiotech/intconf_sti/description.htm

Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs

Wittenberg U (Springfield, OH), Sept. 27-29
The 51st Annual Meeting of the (A.A.S.) Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs encourages scholarly interchange between Asianists located in the Midwest to promote Asian studies

both at the university and the secondary and primary levels. Conference schedule online at <http://www4.wittenberg.edu/academics/east/mcaa/schedule.pdf>

Asian Studies Development Program

U. Redland (Los Angeles), October 18-20. Application due September 6. Workshop: Continuities and Transformations in East Asian Culture and Society. Contact: Xinyan Jiang, Xinyan.Jiang@redlands.edu
<http://newton.uor.edu/Departments&Programs/AsianStudiesDept/asdp.html>

CFP: Japanese Poeticity and Narrativity Revisted
Purdue, October 4-6 (registration by September 30). Papers dealing with Japanese poetic and narrative tradition/characteristics are welcome. Contact: Eiji Sekine, esekine@purdue.edu

Mid-Atlantic World History

Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, October 11-12.
"Ideology, Culture, and World History: Teaching and Research " Contact: Anthony Snyder, asnyder@brookdale.cc.nj.us or www.mawha.org

Blacks and Asians in Making of the Modern World:
A Conversation Across Fields. Boston University, MA (Abstract by October 15). Contact: Christine Loken-Kim lokenkim@bu.edu

Transnational Migration and Social Justice in the Global City

Marquette University, Milwaukee, November 14-16.
Focuses on how public institutions and private organizations can respond to the challenges of promoting social justice for immigrants and other transnational migrants in global cities Contact: H. Richard Friman, h.r.friman@marquette.edu

CFP: Remaking Asia Pacific Studies: Knowledge, Power, and Pedagogy,
U. Hawai'i - Manoa, December 2-5. Broad themes: Asia Pacific studies for the new millennium, Moving Cultures: curriculum issues, Institutional collaboration, Students crossing borders. Contact: twsmith@hawaii.edu or www.hawaii.edu/movingcultures/

CFP: Lecture/Recital, Scores, Music of Japan Today
Deadline December 20. This symposium is the fifth in a series of events since 1992 to address Japanese and other Asian music, organized by Tanosaki and Richards. Contact: kazukotanasaki@netscape.net
<http://home.sprintmail.com/~emrichards/MFJ2003.html>

CFP: "Converting Cultures: Religion, Ideology, and Transformations of Modernity,"
Dartmouth College, December 1-3. Participants of the institute will examine the concept of "conversion" in a broad sense as it operated during the 19th and 20th centuries in the Ottoman domain, Indian Islamdom, and the Sino-Japanese worlds. Contact: Leslie Center for the Humanities, Humanities.Center@dartmouth.edu, www.dartmouth.edu/~lhc/converting.html

SSRC Japanese Studies Dissertation Workshop
California, January 8-12. Application due October 2. The SSRC, with a grant from the Japan Foundation, will host the workshop at the Asilomar Conference Center in Monterey, California from January 8-12, 2003. Proposals are welcome from students in literature, art history and other humanities disciplines, as well as from social sciences Contact: japan@ssrc.org
ssrc.org/fellowships/japan/dissertation_workshop/index.page

City as Classroom (Anthropology)
Invited Poster Session for S.U.N.T.A. (Society for Urban & Transnational Anthropology) at the annual meeting of the AAA in New Orleans will focus on using urban resources in experiential undergraduate courses Contact: Sharon Nagy, snagy@depaul.edu or www.aaanet.org/mtgs/mtgs.htm

CFP: Racial Profiling and Unequal Participation
This panel aims to add specific ethnographic analyses to politically-charged theoretical debates of critical race theory and civil society Contact: Mark Schuller, marky@umail.ucsb.edu

Midwest Japan Seminar
September 28, 1:00 to 5:00 at Wittenberg University, Springfield, Ohio (held in conjunction with the Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs): www.rose-hulman.edu/~clark/mjs/

CONFERENCES - INTERNATIONAL
"Issues of Culture, Context and Choice in Development"
Bangkok, Thailand, November 28-30. Contact: <http://spafa.idp.co.th>

Social Policy and Social Welfare Issues in Japan and East Asia
St. Catherine Womens College, Hojo-City, Japan, September 28-29. Contact: Linda Rowe, eashikoku@yahoo.com

Graduate Conference on East Asia (Toronto)
October 4-5, "Mountains and Rivers: Geography and Identity in East Asia" preceded by a round-table discussion on "East Asia after September 11." The purpose is to provide a forum for graduate students to meet and interact and to present their research within the Humanities and Social Sciences pertaining to East Asia. Contact: Adam Bohnet, easgsc@chass.utoronto.ca or www.chass.utoronto.ca/easgsc

Modernity, Tradition, Culture, Water
Bangkok, Thailand, October 29-31. Contact: Dr. Davisi Boontharm, odsb@ku.ac.th
www.mtcw.arch.ku.ac.th/home.html

Anthropology of Japan in Japan
Sophia University, Ichigaya Campus Tokyo, Japan, November 2, 2002 Abstract by September 15. "Spaces and Places; Marginal Populations; Popular Culture" Contact: Todd Holden, holden@lark.langc.tohoku.ac.jp

AsiaPacifiQueer3: The Uses of Queer Asia
U.Melbourne, Australia, December 8, Proposals due September 30. The Uses of Queer Asia: Research, Methods and Diasporic Intellectuals F.A.Martin@latrobe.edu.au or www.sshe.murdoch.edu.au/intersections/apq/apqhomepage.html

CFP: EAJS (European Association for Japanese Studies) 2003
U. Warsaw (Poland) August 27-30, 2003. "Change and Continuity in Urban and Environmental Issues" Contact: Bernhard Scheid, bernhard.scheid@oeaw.ac.at
www.eajs.org/whatsnew/warsaw.html

Third International Convention of Asia Scholars
Raffles City Convention Center, Singapore, August 19-22, 2003 Contact: icas3sec@nus.edu.sg, www.fas.nus.edu.sg/icas3

Symposium on Chinese Dietary Culture
Sichuan University, Taipei, Taiwan, October 17-19, 2003. Proposals by January 15, 2003. Organized by the Foundation of Chinese Dietary Culture (Taiwan) and Literature and Journalism College, Sichuan University. Contact: Ms. May Chang TEL: 886-2-2503-1111#5618 may@mercuries.com.tw



Art Historian, East Asian Art, Oberlin
Apply by December 1. Full text at www.oberlin.edu/HR/FACopenings/FAC03-01.html

Chinese Language & Literature, Oberlin
Apply by October 30. Full text at www.oberlin.edu/HR/FACopenings/FAC03-03.html

Cultural Anthropologist, Cal State -Stanislaus
Apply by October 15. Region: Americas, South Asia, Pacific or Middle East. *Full text online at ASN.*

Pre-modern Japanese Language & Literature
Apply by December 1. Contact Janice Brown, janice.brown@ualberta.ca.

Chief, Asian Division, Library of Congress
[Http://jsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/ftva.asp?OPMControl=IF4245](http://jsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/ftva.asp?OPMControl=IF4245)

English Language, Yokohama City U, Japan
Apply by September 25, start April 2003. *Full text online at ASN.*

Awards, School of Historical Studies, Princeton U
About 40 membership awards each year allow scholars of any nationality either one or two terms at Princeton to pursue their own historical research within the Institute and at nearby universities. Research scope may include areas such as the Islamic world, East Asian studies, and modern international relations. Deadline November 15. Details online at www.hs.ias.edu or by email at mzelazny@ias.edu.

Mellon Fellowships (no deadline)

Assistant professors in the US and Canada with at least two, but not more than four, years may apply for a place at Princeton's School of Historical Studies. Candidates must have approval to return to their institution following the period of membership. Details via email at mzelazny@ias.edu, or online at www.hs.ias.edu.

Korea Program, U. Texas

Apply by November 10. Preference given to candidate in humanities, with specialization in the fields of Korean culture, history, and/or literature. Full text online at <http://asnic.utexas.edu/asnic/pages/jobs.html>

Managing Editor, Social Science Japan

Apply by September 30, begin April 2003 (three year appointment). Online publication at www.ssjj.oupjournals.org/ Full requirement list, including salary range and duties on file at MSU Asian Studies Center, asiansc@msu.edu. Applications are welcome from people of any nationality, residing inside or outside Japan.

Asia-related Jobs and Events

www.nyu.edu/gsas/dept/fineart/html/chinese/ is a rich website filled with the following headings pan-Asia: positions available, calls for papers, exhibits and presentations, fellowships and grants, links.

Japan Research Analyst

US citizens may apply by September 15. Dept. of Defense, Ft. Bragg, NC. Ph.D. preferred but not required. Full text at www.usajobs.opm.gov with the search term "wcpoc-dcips-se-0021" or type in the job series "0132" and scroll to "Intelligence Research Specialist" or contact Mr. Karl Wheatley, wheatlk@soc.mil

Cultural Anthropology, U. Pittsburgh

Apply by November 1, start Fall 2003. Specialization preferred in East or Southeast Asia with a strong preference for Japan. *Full text online at ASN.*

History of Women/Gender, Modern East Asia

Apply by October 15, start July 2003. *Full text online at ASN.*

Teaching English in Japan, Earlham College

Placements to over 30 locations across Japan. Assignments begin either April or August (no deadlines). Details online at www.earlham.edu/~aet/

Cultural Anthropology, U. Oregon

Apply by October 11, begin September 2003. Specialty preferred in South, Southeast, or East Asia. *Full text online at ASN.*

Japanese Applied Linguistics, U. British Columbia
Apply by December 1, start July 2003. *Full text online at ASN.*

Global Asia, Union College

Apply by October 15, start September 2003. Discipline is open but should explore East Asia's role in contemporary globalization and its effects on traditional cultures; should consider transnational connections among Asian countries, and between Asia and the rest of the world. Full text at www.union.edu/PUBLIC/EAS/CKJ/

Refugee Services of Lansing is seeking motivated students for internships and volunteer positions for the Fall semester of 2002. Positions include providing services such as establishing employment, assisting with school enrollment, health care, immigration, and a variety of other services for clients. Interns and volunteers must be comfortable working with non-English or limited English speakers. Fluency in another language, however, is not necessary. Interns and volunteers must be able to work efficiently in an office environment. If you are interested in participating and are willing to help others, contact Vincent Delgado at Refugee Services, 2722 East Michigan Avenue, Suite 100-B, Lansing, MI 48912, or call (517) 484-1010, ext. 165.

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