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Director's Column

A new era in China Studies for Stanford faculty and students has finally begun. President Hennessy signed the agreement this past spring at Peking University to open the long-awaited Stanford Overseas Studies Program in Beijing. After more than a few setbacks starting more than a decade ago, finally beginning this autumn Stanford undergrads will be able to spend a quarter or more at Peking University, or “Beida” as it is commonly known in China.

In addition to director Jason Patent, the OSP program will have rotating faculty-in-residence who will also be teaching in the program. Al Dien will be the first resident faculty this fall, and Hal Kahn will take over in the spring quarter.

Expanding the Stanford activity in Beijing, CEAS signed an agreement with Peking University this summer to establish offices for the use of Stanford faculty and advanced graduate students doing research. Located next to the OSP offices in Building 7 of the Shaoyuan complex, it will be a place where our students and faculty can learn and have academic exchange with counterparts in China. Special thanks to Peking University’s Vice President Weifang Min (Stanford Ph.D., 1987) and his staff for their support in making the entire Stanford in Beijing center possible.

Stanford-in-Beijing, at Long Last!

A
fter years of East Asian Studies faculty effort, Stanford is opening a study abroad campus in China for the first time this fall. Established in collaboration with Peking University, and administered by Stanford’s Overseas Studies Program (OSP), undergraduates from many majors will live on campus in the international dorm at Beida, eat in campus dining halls, and take Chinese language and other classes on campus. At least one year of Chinese language training is required before students go on the program.

The first director of Stanford-in-Beijing is Jason Patent, CEAS alumnus (M.A., 1994). Jason received his Ph.D. in Linguistics from U.C. Berkeley in 2003, and has lived in China for several periods in the last decade. He has just moved to Beijing with his wife, Colette Plum (CEAS alum and Stanford History Department Ph.D. student) and daughter, Mariette Xiao Fei Plum, who will be three years old in October. Jason plans to build the program so that there is maximum contact between Stanford and Chinese students, since much of the students' lasting experiences will come from living in a very different culture. "I want to see the looks on the students' faces, that excitement--it happens every time," he said.

Albert E. Dien, Professor Emeritus of Asian Languages, will be the first faculty member in residence this autumn, teaching courses on "The Golden Age of Chinese Archaeology" and "Beijing: The City and Its Significance in History and Tradition." Hal Kahn, Professor Emeritus of Chinese history, will be the faculty in residence spring quarter, when he will teach "The Emperor's City: Imperial Conceptions of Urban Space," and "Food in Chinese History."

Stanford President John Hennessy traveled to Peking University for the opening ceremony of Stanford-in-Beijing in May. In a recent Stanford alumni magazine article, he noted

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Indra Levy Joins Japan Faculty

Indra Levy will be the new assistant professor of Japanese in the Asian Languages Department, starting in the fall.

Dr. Levy, who received her Ph.D. from Columbia University in 2001, is a specialist in modern Japanese literature. Her current book project is "Sirens of the Western Shore: Westernesque Women and Translation in Modern Japanese Literature," in which she analyzes the relations between translation, vernacular realism, and representations of Westernesque women in the work of Futabatei Shimei, Tayama Katai, Shimamura Hogetsu, and Matsui Sumako.

Dr. Levy taught at Rutgers University from 2000 to 2004. Before that, she spent several years doing research in Japan.

At Stanford, she plans to teach Modern Japanese Narratives: Literature and Film, Readings in Modern Japanese Literature, and Traditional East Asian Civilization: Japan this year.

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Eighty undergraduate students took advantage of CEAS programs this year to study in East Asia. With the support of CEAS, 25 students undertook internships in corporate, government, non-profit, and media organizations, 41 students participated in overseas seminars in Asia, and 14 students advanced their Chinese, Japanese, or Korean language skills. All these wonderful opportunities have become possible through a generous grant from the Freeman Foundation.

From Sake Brewery to Film Studio
Our internship opportunities this year ranged from the Masuichi-Ichimura Sake Brewery, located in Obuse, Japan, to Emei Film Studio in Chengdu, China.

Congratulations to the undergraduates who cleared all the hurdles and received fellowships to fulfill CEAS internship assignments in Asia: Brian Brookshire, William Chan, Lance Cidre, Reed Cridle, Liang Dong, Kiel Downey, Hojun Hwang, Eugene Kim, Gloria Koo, Dane Kopinski, Kerin Lanyi, Eli Lazarus, Karen Loh, Nevenka Mattenet, Katharine Nevins, Jaeman Park, Ben Patton, Ira Renfrew, Jed Rich, Jin Xu, Chee-Hyung Yoon, and Shuo Zhai.

News flowed in over the summer as the interns arrived at their destinations. Nevenka Mattenet, upon arrival at Emei Film Studio, was immediately cast as the girlfriend of the hero of a new movie. Kiel Downey, a linguistics major, began learning Cantonese in Hong Kong and soon outpaced his boss in picking up the local lingo. Jin Xu visited Zhuolu County in Hebei Province with the Carter Center Village Elections Project. Some Stanford interns were put to work on marketing projects, consulting teams, or R&D initiatives, while others found that real world experience included stints in the copy room or data entry—all in all, the interns each had an eye-opening experience being immersed in the realities of living and working in East Asia.

Besides the sake brewery and film studio, host organizations this year included the American Chamber of Commerce in China, American Chamber of Commerce in Japan, Carter Center, CCTV International, CopeLand Corporation Asia Pacific, Deloitte Consulting Korea, Dow Jones Newswires, Fangda Partners, Grey Global Beijing, Iwate Nipponsa, Javelin Investments, JoongAng Daily, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (Japan), Morgan Stanley, OMD, Our Chinese Daughters Foundation, Peking University, Samsung Electronics Co., and That's Beijing.

In addition, three undergraduates fulfilled internships in governmental organizations in East Asia through Stanford-in-Government fellowships, partially funded by CEAS. They
Here: Yin Li, interning at the Hong Kong Monetary Authority; Albert Chang at the Institute for National Policy Research in Taipei; and Paul Yoo at People’s Solidarity for Participatory Democracy in Seoul.

**Seminars in Kyoto, Beijing, and Dunhuang**

Late this summer, three East Asian Studies faculty led separate groups of students to study the sacred mountains of Kyoto, the city neighborhoods of Beijing and Shanghai, and the mummies and mosques of Northwest China. The three groups were part of nine overseas seminars offered through Stanford’s Overseas Studies Program (OSP) office this year. CEAS provided support and partial funding for the East Asia seminars.

Bernard Faure, professor of religious studies, led the Kyoto seminar titled “Japanese Buddhism and Sacred Mountains.” In China, sociology professor Andrew Walder took students on a study of “Chinese City Life from Mao to Now,” while professor emeritus Albert Dien led his students from Beijing to Urumqi, Turpan, and Dunhuang to learn about “China and Its Northwestern Frontier.”

**Language Advancement Abroad**

Last but not least, 14 undergraduate students received CEAS fellowships to participate in language study programs in East Asia.

1. Seated center, left to right: CEAS interns Ben Patton, Eli Lazzar and Karen Lah on a break from weed-pulling duty during their internship at Musashi-Ishimura Saké Brewery.
2. Kiel Downey (center) with colleagues from the Hong Kong office of OMD.
3. Bhak Patel (second from right) with colleagues from Fongda Partners in Shanghai.
4. Hojun Huang (left) with a colleague at the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan.
5. Jin Xu (fourth from right) visited Zhouyu County, Hebei, with the Carter Center Village Elections Project.

Studying in Beijing this summer were Scott Blankenship, May Chiang, Ji Sun Cho, Zachary Levine, Angela Steele, and Eun-gee Sung. Nicole Tang ventured to Harbin for her Chinese classes. For Japanese language advancement, David Liu went to Tokyo and Max Neustrove to Kyoto. For Korean language, Mary Oh and Andrew Sung went to separate programs in Seoul. Beginning this year, Melanie Chuen will be studying Chinese language in Harbin, Andrea Nwagbey in Beijing, and Adam Wang-Levine in China.

The Forum for American/Chinese Exchange at Stanford (FACES) held two conferences this year, bringing together 32 student leaders from Chinese and U.S. universities to build a foundation for future U.S.-China relations and to educate each other about their respective countries. Shown above are delegates from the second conference, held in Beijing in August 2004. Seated on the center is Peking University vice president Wei Fang Min, with FACES president Zachary Levine on his right and Stanford-in-Beijing director Zuma Patton on his left.
New Staff for CEAS

CEAS is pleased to welcome Lydia Chen and Denise Chu to the staff this year.

Lydia Chen, assistant director, brings to CEAS strong administrative experience, writing skills, and China experience, having recently lived and worked in Beijing for six years. She was previously communications director for the American Chamber of Commerce in China and community relations manager for the International School of Beijing. She holds joint master's degrees in journalism and Asian Studies from the University of California at Berkeley, and a B.A. from Sarah Lawrence College. Lydia looks forward to working closely with faculty, students, alumni, and the public to support a wide range of East Asia study interests.

Denise Chu, overseas program manager, will coordinate our international activities, including the East Asia internships, language study fellowships, Distinguished Practitioners from Asia program, and overseas seminars. She received her B.A. in Chinese language and literature from National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan, and her M.A. in education from California State University, Los Angeles. She is currently a Ph.D. candidate at the School of Journalism and Communication, Peking University. Denise is highly experienced managing international student and faculty programs, having most recently done so for the Russell Center for International Management at Menlo College.

New Asian Studies Post-Docs and Knight Fellows

The Center for East Asian Studies will have two new post-doctoral fellows in the next academic year.

Georgia Mickey, new Ph.D. in History from Columbia University, expects to revise her dissertation on "Politics and Reform: The Bank of China and Its Shareholders, 1911-1920," into a book while she is here. Mickey held the Chiung Ching-kuo Foundation Fellowship for dissertation write-up last year and the Wellington Koo Fellowship in 2002-03.

Mario Poceski, Assistant Professor at University of Florida, received his Ph.D. in Religious Studies from U.C.L.A. in 2000. His research project is "Monasticism and Morality in the Chan School of Late Medieval Chinese Buddhism." Before entering graduate school, Poceski left his native Macedonia and spent ten years in Asia as a Buddhist monk. His publications include works on the Avatamsaka Sutra and the Hung-chou School of Ch'an Buddhism.

The Division of Cultures, Languages and Literatures has one post-doctoral fellow, Bruce Rusk, new Ph.D. in history from U.C. L.A. Rusk's dissertation is titled, "The Rogue Classicist: Feng Fang (1493-1566) and His Forgeries." Rusk will teach Traditional East Asian Civilization: China.

The Asia-Pacific Research Center will be home base next year for Jennifer Annyx, who received her Ph.D. in Political Science from Stanford in 1998. She has a book forthcoming from Princeton University Press: Japan's Financial Crisis: Institutional Rigidity and Reluctant Change, and is working on a project on financial globalization and East Asian capitalism.

Soyoung Kwon, who received the Ph.D. in Social and Political Sciences from University of Cambridge in 2003, will be a new postdoctoral fellow at the Asia-Pacific Research Center. She is interested in state building and the North Korean political elite.

Shijo Satsuka is new post-doctoral fellow in Japanese Studies at the Stanford Institute for International Studies. A new Ph.D. in Anthropology from U.C. Santa Cruz, Dr. Satsuka has a background in journalism and an interest in tourism. Her dissertation is "The Cultural Politics of Landscape: Japanese Tourism in the Canadian Rockies."

This year Stanford will have three international Knight Fellows with experience and interests in East Asia. Weihua Chen, deputy editor-in-chief of the Shanghai Star and deputy Shanghai bureau chief of China Daily, will focus on journalism ethics and the U.S. political system. Hugh Lamberton, editor of the Friday Review, Australian Financial Review, Sydney, Australia will study the implications and sustainability of China's ascent to superpower status. Midori Ogasawara, staff writer for Asahi Shimbun, Fukuoka-shi, will study electronic surveillance, privacy, and the ethics of surveillance technology.

T.V. Soong Papers in Hoover Archives

The Hoover Institution Archives received family permission to open fully, for the first time, the papers of T.V. Soong, one of the most influential figures in modern Chinese history. Soong, foreign minister of China during World War II, worked closely with the United States to defeat Japan, negotiated with Moscow to reestablish Chinese sovereignty over Manchuria, and represented China at the founding of the United Nations.

His papers consist of three parts. The first, comprising 39 boxes, has been available at the Hoover Archives since the 1970s, and has been used extensively. The second part, totaling 19 boxes, was restricted during the lifetime of Soong's sister, Madame Chiang Kai-shek, who died on Oct. 23, 2003, at age 105. It is now open. The family has since augmented the files with more than 2,000 documents from their private family archives. Michael Feng, grandson of T.V. Soong, brought these materials from New York to the Hoover Institution in March.

The archives describe such events as the abduction of Chiang Kai-shek in 1938 (the Xian Incident), the dismissal of General Joseph Stilwell, and the Sino-Soviet Treaty of 1945. The new papers include rare personal correspondence among the Soong family, including Soong's sisters Madame Chiang Kai-shek, Madame Sun Yat-sen, and Madame H.H. K'ung. In an effort to correct long-standing rumors about the family's personal finances, the family chose transparency, deciding to open private financial papers as well.
The Korean Studies program at the Institute for International Studies last year received a $2 million gift from the Pantech Group, leading Korean cell phone manufacturers, announced Professor Gi-Wook Shin.

The gift will be used to establish the Stanford Korea Forum, which will convene an annual conference on U.S.-Korean relations. It will fund three fellowships, one for mid-career professionals in public service, journalism or business, one for Korean scholars, and a third for Stanford graduate students in Korean Studies. It will also help sustain public lectures and research on Korea.

Stanford has also received $2 million from Jeong H. Kim, a telecommunications entrepreneur, to establish a new professorship on contemporary Korea honoring Professor William Perry.

Matched by funds from the School of Humanities and Sciences, the new Korea chair will be named the William J. Perry Professorship upon Perry's retirement in the future. A search for a Koreanist in the social sciences is expected to start this fall.

According to Perry, his mentor, Kim left Korea when he was 14 and came to the United States with no money and little knowledge of English. He worked his way through high school, attended Johns Hopkins University and spent seven years in the U.S. Navy as a nuclear submarine officer. After earning a doctorate from the University of Maryland in 1991, Kim founded a telecommunications company, Yurie Systems Inc., which was sold to Lucent Technologies for $1 billion in 1998. Kim was offered a faculty position in 2002 at the University of Maryland.

Distinguished Practitioners Teach Korean Studies

In winter and spring this year, CEAS was delighted to welcome two special guests from Korea through our Distinguished Practitioners from Asia program.

Ambassador Soo Gil Park arrived in January to teach a course on U.S.-Korea Relations, open to both undergraduate and graduate students. He shared his wisdom gained from four decades of service in Korea's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, including being ambassador to the U.N. and GATT, president of the U.N. Security Council, ambassador to Morocco and Canada, and special envoy to Iran, Jordan, Qatar, and Oman. In March, Ambassador Park gave a moving lecture on human rights and North Korean refugees.

During spring quarter, Stanford students had the opportunity to hear an inside perspective on the Korean economy and its role in East Asia. CEAS welcomed Professor Taeho Bark, a leading economist from Seoul National University, as Distinguished Practitioner. Professor Bark has served as commissioner of the Korea Trade Commission, chair of the investment expert group of APEC, secretary of economic affairs for the office of the R.O.K. president, and consultant at the World Bank.

CEAS initiated the Distinguished Practitioners from Asia program two years ago, when the Freeman Foundation granted funds to enhance East Asian Studies by connecting classroom learning with real-world experience.

New Home for Journal of Korean Studies

Professor Gi-wook Shin is reviving the Journal of Korean Studies. Stanford will be its new editorial home, with Prof. Shin as co-editor and Chihyo Sawada as associate editor.

Pantech Fellows in Korean Studies

The Korean Studies Program will have two mid-career Pantech Fellows in residence next year.

Philip Yun received his law degree from Columbia University and was a Fulbright Scholar at the Yonsei University Graduate School of International Studies. While holding high level positions at the U.S. Department of State, Yun worked closely with then Secretary of Defense, Dr. William Perry. He has practiced law both in Korea and the U.S., worked in private equity investment, and provided commentary for the media on North Korean issues.

John Feffer is a writer, editor, and frequent traveler to Korea. His most recent publication is "North Korea/South Korea: U.S. Policy at a Time of Crisis." He is a former associate editor of World Policy Journal and has worked for the American Friends Service Committee, most recently as an international affairs representative in East Asia.

The following received Pantech Student Research Fellowships for 2004:

Political science professor and APARC director emeritus Daniel I. Okimoto has received the Japanese Foreign Minister’s Commendation, awarded in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the U.S.-Japan relationship. The years 2003 and 2004 mark the 150th anniversary, respectively, of American naval officer Commodore Perry’s leadership of a squadron of sailing sloops and steam-powered warships into Edo Bay (now Tokyo Bay) in 1853; and the signing of the Treaty of Peace and Amity in 1854.

Okimoto received the award based on his research on Japan’s political economy, foreign policy, the U.S.-Japan relationship, and increasing the understanding of Japan in the United States. He has hosted a series of exchanges among legislators from the United States and Japan to build understanding between the two countries. Okimoto has also written about the Japanese American experience in his autobiography, American In Disguise.

SPICE (Stanford Program on International and Cross-cultural Education) received the award for promoting the understanding of Japan and U.S.-Japan relations in U.S. schools. SPICE works closely with CEAS on the development of pre-collegiate curriculum on East Asia and the implementation of professional development seminars for teachers.

Correction from the Editor
Our apologies to Professors Peter Duus and Irv Scheiner for inaccuracies in the last issue of Horizons, in the article about the symposium honoring Peter Duus. Professor Scheiner, in reminiscing about their time together as graduate students in Japan, said that Duus arrived home in the early hours of the morning to find that the landlord had locked the front gate and, in a feat of athletic prowess, Duus had to leap over the gate to get in, not to get out. The incident occurred well before he had met his future wife Massayo. —Connie Chin

John Lewis Involved in Resolving North Korea Crisis

By Connie Chin

John W. Lewis, Professor Emeritus of Political Science, led a private delegation of American experts and former officials to North Korea in early January to discuss security-related issues, including denuclearization, and to visit the nuclear weapons facility at Yongbyon, north of Pyongyang.

Lewis was accompanied by the former director of the Los Alamos National Laboratory Sigfried Hecker, former State Department official Charles “Jack” Prichard, and two staffers from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Frank Jannuzzi and Keith Luse.

The 1994 Agreed Framework between the U.S. and North Korea froze weapons-related operations at Yongbyon and provided for several hundred inspections by the IAEA. However, after a confrontation with the United States in October 2002 over an alleged uranium enrichment program in the North, the U.S. terminated the delivery of fuel oil as required by the Agreed Framework, and in retaliation, the North Korean government declared the agreement void. It restarted the Yongbyon five-megawatt reactor, emptied the cooling pond where nuclear fuel rods containing plutonium had been stored and monitored, and reprocessed some or all of the rods into weapons-usable material.

Lewis, co-founder of the Center for International Security and Cooperation at the Stanford Institute for International Studies, has been to North Korea ten times since 1987. Since then he has regularly brought together the disputing American and Korean parties to discuss problems in a neutral setting and to explore avenues of agreement.

Prior to the January trip, Lewis had helped form groups of security specialists working on North Korea in the U.S., China, and South Korea. These groups met several times in 2003-2004, and helped provide information to the relevant governments on the status of North Korean nuclear facilities and possible avenues leading toward an agreement and denuclearization. Over the past 17 years, Lewis has visited most of North Korea and has met with officials and specialists on a range of topics beyond those involving conflict resolution. As part of their January trip, for example, the delegation held extensive talks with economic and science academy and other officials and specialists and concluded that North Korean economic reforms begun in 2002 were important to Pyongyang’s decision to begin the process of denuclearization.

The current series of six-party talks (China, Japan, North Korea, Russia, South Korea, and the U.S.) has made it abundantly clear that economic aid could end unless North Korea agrees to denuclearize. Although more food is being produced and getting to the market in North Korea, grain production is now estimated to have a shortfall of 500,000 tons in the coming year, and international economic support is absolutely necessary. Several parts of the DPRK have experienced serious weather problems this year, and the impact has been especially serious in the two northeastern provinces bordering China. As a result of these setbacks, the North is expected to suffer a return of famine conditions next year unless it receives significant humanitarian aid.

Lewis has met several times since January with North Korean officials and plans to return to Pyongyang with a delegation in early 2005.
Faculty in the Forefront


Richard Dasher, director of the U.S.-Asia Technology Management Center, is the first non-Japanese chosen as trustee for Tohoku University.

Bernard Faure, Religious Studies, had three books published last year: Double Exposure: Cutting Across Buddhist and Western Discourses (Stanford University Press); The Power of Denial: Buddhism, Parity and Gender (Princeton University Press), and edited Chan Buddhism in Rival Context (Routledge Curzon).


Lawrence J. Lau, Economics, has taken a new position as Vice-Chancellor of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the equivalent of university president.

Yoshiko Matsumoto is chair of the Asian Languages department. Her new publications include “The New (and Improved?) Language and Place of Women in Japan” in Language and Women’s Place: Text and Commentaries and “Alternative Femininity and the Presentation of Self in Japanese” in Japanese Language, Gender, and Ideology (both from Oxford). She also co-chaired a project on “Diversity in Language,” which in May hosted an international conference, “Diversity and Universals in Language: the Consequences of Variation.”

David S. Nivison, Philosophy, has published Zhang Xuecheng Di Shengqing Yu Suxiang (The Life and Thought of Chang Hsueh-Ch’eng) (Fanguzhi Chubanshe, Local Gazetteers Press).

Peter Sells, Linguistics, now has a joint appointment with the Asian Languages Department. He studies aspects of the grammatical structures of Japanese and Korean.

Karen C. Seto, Geological and Environmental Science, recently won a National Science Foundation “Career” Award of $430,000 over five years to study “Urban Land-Use Change in Asia.” The research will concentrate on urban growth in Vietnam and China.

Melinda Takeuchi, Art, and Asian Languages, has just published The Artist as Professional in Japan (Stanford University Press, 2004).


Karen Wigen, Japanese History, took part in a conference at the Shiro Hensanjo in Tokyo in July. She will be giving a keynote address at a conference this September in Bozeman, Montana on “Creating Space: Across Histories, Cultures, and Disciplines.” She is co-chair of the Program Committee for the 2006 meeting of the American Historical Association, and recently joined the editorial board of the Journal of Japanese Studies. Her article on the “discovery” of the Japanese Alps in the Meiji era is due out in the same journal this December.

Congratulations 2004 Graduates!

In June, we were happy to send 23 new East Asia specialists on the path to promising future careers.

Receiving the B.A. in East Asian Studies were: Ian Carmichael, Christine Chen, James Foulds, Jed Kawasumi, Timothy Liu, Nevenka Mattenet, Megan Root, Elizabeth Stryjewski, Nicole Tang, and Alexander Christian Tuerpe.

Receiving the M.A. in East Asian Studies were: Katie Barraclough, Tricia Bolle, Kerry Bowler, Madika Bryant, Ted Callahan, Han Cho, Anthony Estes, Vicky Hwang, Eun Joo Kim, Jung Kwon, Jeffrey Lee, Suh-Young Shin, Landon Thorpe, and Grace Wong.

We look forward to hearing about them in years to come.

Thank you, Donors!

We gratefully acknowledge those who generously supported East Asian Studies and the Department of Asian Languages last year.

Many thanks to: Dr. Andrew Andreasean, Mr. Thomas G. Cooper and Mary Hom, M.D., Lawrence Frank Farrar, Philip Arnold Jones, Kyu Sun Kim and Peggy J. Kim, Marlene Sakaue, Dr. Azumi Takata, The Honorable Miriam E. Wolff, and the Freeman Foundation.

Gifts at the East Asia Library

The East Asia Library last year received the following gifts: 100 volumes of Dai Nihon Bukkyo zensho (Collected works of Japanese Buddhism) from Bukkyo Dendo Kyokai (Tokyo, Japan); more than 34 volumes of Zoku Shintō taikei (Comprehensive works on Shintō, Series II, from Professor Toshinobu Makabe Tokyo, Japan); and 16 Japanese titles (in 54 volumes) on Buddhism from The Toshiba International Foundation (Tokyo, Japan).

In addition, the East Asia Library received $800,000 from the Mellon Foundation to convert catalog cards from 1935-1983 to digital format. Backstage Library Works (known as MARCLink) will spend three years to do 250,000 records. The new records will start becoming available in 2005.

Students Win Fellowships


Alex Bay, Ph.D. student in Japanese history, was awarded a Mellon fellowship for doctoral research for next year.

Kerry Bowler, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 2004, has started Law School at Georgetown University.

Julia Bullock, Ph.D. in Japanese, 2004, is assistant professor at Emory University.

Elaine Chao, undergrad in Human Biology, spent last year in Beijing studying language. Her article on Taiwan's passage of the Domestic Violence Prevention Act has been accepted for publication in Critical Asian Studies.

Liana Chen, Ph.D. student in Asian Languages, won the Harvard-Yenching Fellowship for research at Peking University (declined) and the Stanford Institute for International Studies dissertation fellowship for her field research on Qing court plays. Liana presented a paper on mid-Qing Kunqu and aficionado culture at the European Association of Chinese Studies in Heidelberg in August. She recently published "Homeward Odyssey" in the Journal of Chinese Ritual, Theatre and Folktone.

Han Cho, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 2004, starts Law School at University of Virginia this fall.
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Brian Goldsmith, Ph.D. student in Japanese history, won a Monbusho fellowship for doctoral research.

Kenji Hasegawa, Ph.D. student in Japanese history, is teaching at Yokohama University.

Alexander C.Y. Huang, June Ph.D. in Comparative Literature and Humanities, will be Asst. Prof. of Comparative Literature and Coordinator of the Chinese Program at Pennsylvania State University this fall. He received an award for "emerging scholars" at the Annual Meeting of the Association of Asian Performance in Toronto, Canada, in July, where he presented his paper on "Impersonation, Autobiography, and Cross-Cultural Adaptation: Lee Kuo-Hsiu's Shamlar." Margaret Kuo, CEAS post-doc for 2003-04, will be teaching Modern Chinese and East Asian History at McGill University in Montreal in the fall, and continuing her research on the history of Chinese law, culture, and emotions.

Jeffrey Lee, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 2004, has moved to Arlington, VA. He is working for the federal government.

Kimberley Manning, CEAS post-doc for 2003-04, will be assistant professor of Political Science at Concordia University in Montreal. She spent much of the summer doing fieldwork in China.

Megan Root, B.A. in East Asian Studies, 2004, was named Public Service Scholar this year.

Hsuen Tsen, Ph.D. student in Art History, won a Centennial Teaching Assistant Award this year.

Rod Wilson, in Japan on a Fulbright, has been drafted onto a large research team to work with Prof. Jinna Hidenobu on a global/comparative study of port cities.

Scott Wilson, Ph.D. student in Cultural and Social Anthropology, is teaching at Cal State University Long Beach this fall.

Erica Yao, Ph.D. student in Art History, will be a Geballe Dissertation Fellow at the Humanities Center next year. Her project is "Systems of Display at the Qing Dynasty Court: Visual Culture in 18th Century China."

Phi Beta Kappa
Four East Asian Studies undergraduates were elected to Phi Beta Kappa this year: Christine Chen, Karen Loh, Nevenka Mattenet, and Alexander Tuerpe.
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The opening of the Beijing center, along with the already existing Kyoto center, and the many summer opportunities supported by the Freeman funding will allow CEAS to strengthen and solidify the overseas component of our program at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. We have added a mandatory quarter of overseas study to the degree requirements in our East Asian Studies B.A. program, which has just been renewed for five years. The M.A. program, following on the success of the undergraduate Freeman-funded activities, now also provides internship opportunities in China, Japan, and Korea. The combination of our various in-country programs along with our in-depth courses on campus puts East Asian Studies in the forefront of Stanford University’s drive to internationalize the curriculum.

Let me take this opportunity to thank all of our alumni in Asia who have graciously and generously helped us in this effort. We thank you for your time and willingness to take our student interns as well as for your gifts. The success of our programs in Asia is much stronger because of your support and contacts.

I’m happy to announce that Lydia Chen became the new Assistant Director of CEAS this spring, a promotion from her position as overseas program coordinator. We then hired Denise Chu, who had been directing the international exchange programs at Menlo College, to manage our overseas programs. Congratulations to Lydia and a warm welcome to Denise.

The goal of internationalizing the curriculum received a major boost from the efforts of Gil-Wook Shin who secured generous donations to further develop Korean Studies. Last year the Korean Studies program at the Institute for International Studies received outside funding to establish the Stanford Korea Forum, which will convene an annual conference on U.S.-Korean relations, fund lectures on Korea and fund pre- and post-doctoral fellowships. This year, the program was blessed with a gift sufficient for a new chaired professorship in Korean Studies, for which a search in the social sciences will begin this fall.

On the faculty front, we welcome Indra Levy, who will be an assistant professor of Japanese. While we are adding professors, we unfortunately will have a new hole in the faculty roster. This summer, Professor of Economics Lawrence J. Lau took the position of vice chancellor of the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Our best goes to Larry and we hope that this important position in the economics department will soon be filled.

We are fortunate to be able to supplement our regular faculty offerings and enrich our program by the addition of distinguished practitioners brought to campus under the Freeman grant. This coming year we are looking forward to welcoming the eminent scholar of modern China, Lucien Bianco from France, and Akio Harada, who just stepped down as Prosecutor General of Japan. In addition we will host Won Soon Park, lawyer and leading figure in Korean civic social movements.

While this has been a watershed year for East Asian Studies, more exciting developments are on the way. We will be busy trying to secure new funding to continue the great international programs the Freeman funds have helped us to establish. Moreover, the year also will likely bring some changes as the university establishes the International Comparative Areas Studies (ICAS) program, of which CEAS will be a part. As we enter this new era, the School of Humanities and Sciences has affirmed their support of our overseas initiatives, which may very well serve as a model for international programs across the ICA, and has assured CEAS a leadership role in area studies.

Innovative Alumni


Amy Borovoy, Ph.D. in Anthropology, 1995, is Assistant Professor of East Asian Studies at Princeton University.


Richard Chu, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 1994, received his Ph.D. in History from USC in December. He has been teaching at University of San Francisco as a lecturer in the Philippine Studies program and History Department.


Michael Garvey, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 1991, left the U.S. Foreign Service, where he was stationed in Guangzhou and Bonn, to attend medical school. In June he graduated from Brown University Medical School, and is starting residency training at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C. in Ophthalmology.

Beata Grant, Ph.D. in Chinese, 1987, is Chair of the Department of Asian and Near Eastern Languages and Literatures at Washington University, St. Louis. She and Wilt Idema of Harvard University have completed a 600-page anthology of women’s writing of Imperial China (221 BCE to 1911 CE), forthcoming from Harvard University Asia Center. She has also finished a volume of translation of Buddhist nun’s poetry, entitled Daughters of Emptiness: Poems of Chinese Buddhist Nuns, forthcoming from Wisdom Publications.

Chinese Language Teachers Trained
More than 100 pre-collegiate teachers of Chinese language participated in the Second Annual Bay Area K-12 Chinese Language Teachers’ Workshop in March. Sponsored by the Stanford East Asia National Resource Center, Chinese American International School, and the Bay Area Foreign Language Program, the all-day workshop was held at Stanford’s School of Education.

Master teacher Wei-ling Wu from West Windsor-Plainsboro High School in New Jersey and Chenghi Chu of Stanford’s Chinese language program trained the teachers in new teaching techniques and cutting-edge technology to help prepare lesson materials. They shared a Chinese breakfast while discussing amongst themselves the challenges of teaching Chinese language in the U.S. 🍽️

Michelle DiBello and Min Zhang 🍽️
Span the Disciplines and the World

Philip Kařalas, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 1987, and Ph.D. in Chinese, 1995, received tenure at Georgetown University, got engaged and got married, all within five months last year. He met his new wife Kong Mei when they were colleagues at Grinnell College nine years ago. Philip’s new book, In Limpid Dream: Nostalgia and Zhang Dai’s Reminiscences of the Ming, is forthcoming from EastBridge.

James Lavin, Ph.D. in Economics, 2000, is writing two books, “Management Secrets of the New England Patriots,” and a book on the threat from and policy options for containing biological weapons. He and his wife Yingmei bought their first home, in Stamford, Connecticut this summer.

Angus Lockyer, Ph.D. in History, 2000, is moving to the History Department of the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London.

John Pettus, B.A. in East Asian Studies, 2000, is in the Civil Affairs unit, 351st California Army Reserve, based in Mountain View. His unit expects to be sent to Iraq starting in June, 2005, but in the meantime, John is hoping to gain some business experience in investment banking or a private equity company.

Joan Piggott, History Ph.D., 1987, has taken a new position as Gordon L. Macdonald Professor of Pre-1600 Japanese History at University of Southern California, where she is also Director of the Project for the Study of Premodern Japan. She and Arnie Okdo are settling into a new home sheltered by a magnificent old pine tree, she reports.

Sasha Polonsky, B.A. in International Relations, 2000, has started a combined J.D. and East Asian Studies Master’s degree at Washington University. She is a huge fan of Peter Duus and Nihon-ensei, who she says was arguably her toughest Stanford teacher.

Nancy Stalker, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 1995, and Ph.D. in History, 2002, is Assistant Professor of Japanese Studies at University of Texas, Austin.

Seth Sulkin, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 1990, is president of Pacifica Malls K.K., in Tokyo.

Toshitaka Takeuchi, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 1981, is Professor of International Relations at Osaka University of Foreign Studies.

Yves Tiberghien, Ph.D. in Political Science, 2002, is a Harvard Academy Scholar.


Christina Wong, B.A. in East Asian Studies, 2002, is in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Curtis Wilbur, an Arleigh Burke class destroyer. In January she reported that they had been to Korea, Australia, and Guam with plans to go to Hong Kong, and that “It’s been spectacular living in Japan.... I’m continuously learning day to day about the culture, particularly the interaction between the East Asian countries.”

Karen Yorke, M.A. in East Asian Studies, 1980, is business consultant with the Asia Pacific Group of RedSiren, Inc.

Alumni Share Insights on China’s Corporate Restructuring

Two China-based alumni, Carl Walter (Ph.D., political science, 1981) and Frank Hawke (M.A., political science, 1981, and B.A., economics, 1975), both of whom have spent more than two decades in the Asia Pacific region, were featured speakers in a special colloquium series on corporate restructuring in China.

Carl, managing director and chief operating officer for China at JP Morgan, discussed the consequences of transforming China’s state-owned-enterprises into corporations able to issue shares, and the unseen structural weaknesses behind the newly formed companies. A few weeks later, Frank, president of IMC Asia Limited (more below), shared his insights on the difficulties of joint ventures between foreign investors and local Chinese companies, pointing to the burdens that former state-owned-enterprises must shed in order to be attractive to potential foreign investors. Both presentations underscored the looming challenges for China, which has yet to establish a social welfare system apart from the former state-owned-enterprises.

Career Brown Bags

Current students discussed possible career trajectories in separate sessions with Keith Hwang (M.A. in East Asian Studies, 2000) and Frank Hawke, who both emphasized the need for cultural understanding and sensitivity in business relations.

Besides his EAS master’s degree, Keith also holds a J.D. from Columbia University. He works as a senior international trade specialist with the U.S. Commercial Service in San Jose, helping U.S. businesses with various trade issues throughout the world.

Frank was involved with some of China’s first Sino-foreign joint ventures, such as the Great Wall Hotel and Beijing Jeep Corporation. He then zoomed up the corporate ladder, specializing in China operations. He held senior executive positions in the Asia Pacific offices of Citibank and Salomon Brothers before joining IMC Asia.

Alumni Frank Hawke and Carl Walter on a spring day in Beijing in 2004. They were Stanford’s first exchange scholars in China after U.S.-China diplomatic relations resumed in 1979 and they continue to pursue their careers in Asia. Carl’s book Privatizing China: The Stock Markets and their Role in Corporate Reform was released in paperback last year. Frank and Carl returned to Stanford this spring to share their hard-won insights.
Visiting Alumni and Friends in China

In May, CEAS Assistant Director Lydia Chen visited internship host organizations and reached out to our friends based in Beijing and Shanghai, in between attending the signing ceremony for the new Stanford-Beida campus and the Stanford International Conference in Shanghai.

Among the many Stanford entities who participated in the May China trip were: the Stanford Alumni Association, Graduate School of Business Alumni Association, Office of Asian Relations, and Overseas Study Program. Main speakers at the Shanghai alumni conference were: Dean of Engineering Jim Plummer, GSB Professor Hau Lee, Nobel Laureate and Physics Professor Doug Osheroff, and President John Hennessy.

Eighteen Stanford alumni enjoyed a Korean banquet (in Beijing!) and reminisced with CEAS about "the old days" at Stanford, while hearing of the new initiatives that now bring students directly to Asia for studies. From left to right are: Dexter Roberts, Brian Rhoads, Frank Hovke, Andy Andresen, Sharon Mann, Neil Jablon, Judy Banister, Ted Tokuchi, and Josh Cheng. Also at the dinner (not shown) were: Tom Clouse, Carl Crook, Jason Pattani and Colette Phou, Nick Ruble, Winter Wright, and Xu Wan, as well as Marie Earl and Cindy Pearson of the Stanford Alumni Association.