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News

Lecture: Modernization, Religionization and Modern Daosim

Professor Hsieh Shu-wei

National Chengchi University

Tuesday, March 14, 4:30-6PM, Coor 4403

Lecture: The Legacy of Chinese Medicine in the Modern World: New Perspectives from Archeologically Excavated Manuscripts and Artifacts

Dr. Donald Harper

2017 Robert C. Staley Distinguished Visiting Professor in East Asian Studies

Thursday, March 23, 4:30-6PM, University Club Heritage Room

The place of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) in modern medicine is recognized throughout the world as well as in China, where “Chinese medicine” co-exists with “Western medicine” in the national system of healthcare. The tradition of TCM is a modern reworking of ideas and practices first codified around the second century BCE in the literature attributed to the legendary Yellow Emperor (Huangdi), in which acupuncture is the centerpiece of medical science. Since the 1970s, archaeological discoveries of medical manuscripts and artifacts contemporaneous with the Yellow Emperor texts are redefining the legacy of Chinese medicine and changing our understanding of medicine in antiquity as well as generating new ideas about the relevance of TCM in the modern world.

**Lecture: War, Race and Empire in the Anthropocene:
Some Occluded Aspects of Climate Change**

Amitav Ghosh

Tuesday, March 21, 7PM

Tempe Center for the Performing Arts

The Virginia G. Piper Center for Creative Writing, the Environmental Humanities Initiative, the School of International Letters and Cultures, the Center for Asian Research and the Institute for Humanities Research will host a lecture by Amitav Ghosh on Tuesday, March 21, at the Tempe Center for the Performing Arts. Ghosh will speak about his most recent book, *The Great Derangement: Climate Change and the Unthinkable*. Tickets are free but you must register in advance at <http://piper-center-amitav-ghosh.eventbrite.com>. He will also hold a talk for students Monday, March 20th, 2017 at 12:00 pm in the Marston Exploration Theater (ISTB4, 781 S Terrace Rd, Tempe, AZ 85281) -- please let your students know.

The Pattana Kitiarsa SEAC Prize for Best Graduate Student Paper

The Association for Asian Studies Southeast Asia Council's annual prize recognizes emerging scholarship in the field of Southeast Asian studies, from any disciplinary perspective. Graduate students at any stage, enrolled at the time of submission, are eligible and welcome to apply. The committee invites papers that fit the definition of "conference papers," i.e. of a length and scope that can be presented on an AAS panel, and that make an intellectual and/or methodological contribution to the study of Southeast Asia. The prize honors the memory of Pattana Kitiarsa who was Associate Professor in the Department of Southeast Asian Studies, National University of Singapore. Please submit your 2017 conference paper, proof of current doctoral program registration, and panel abstract in PDF format up until March 19, 2017 to Tom Pepinsky at seacpaperprize@gmail.com. Submissions should be approximately 7,000 words maximum. Any questions regarding the prize can be sent to the same email address. The award of \$500 and a certificate along with up to \$400 in travel funds to attend the AAS Annual Conference in Washington, D.C. in 2018 will be presented at the 2018 AAS Annual Conference in Washington, D.C.

AAR Religion in Southeast Asia: Call for Papers

The American Academy of Religion welcomes paper proposals on religion in Southeast Asia for the AAR annual conference in Boston in November, including contributions on any topic pertaining to religion in the region. They are particularly interested in papers and sessions that explore the varying media and means through which people create and maintain, as well as question and challenge, religiously-laden vulnerabilities. Possible topics and formats might include, for example, a roundtable discussion on inclusiveness and diversity in the academy, with specific reference to religion in Southeast Asia. Another possibility would be an organized panel on queer spiritualities, or the mounting challenges faced by LGBTQIA scholars in religious studies—or, again, new forms of religious bigotry and persecution in Southeast Asia, with a comparative eye to developments in Europe and America. For more information see: <https://papers.aarweb.org/content/religion-southeast-asia-unit>.

The New Development of E-Resources for China Studies: A Joint Workshop by CNKI and UM China Data Center

The CNKI and the University of Michigan China Data Center will host a pre-conference workshop on “the New Development of E-Resources for China Studies” at the Sheraton Hotel Toronto on March 15, 2017. The workshop will introduce some new data products and services released by CNKI and the CDC. We welcome everyone to attend the workshop and exchange your questions and suggestions with those data vendors. Refreshments will be served. Date/Time: Wednesday, March 15, 2017, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Location: Chestnut West Carleton, Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel Please register yourself at <http://chinadatacenter.org/Learning/SeminarsContent.aspx?id=1094> if you are planning to attend it.

Internships at Phoenix Art Museum

Summer 2017 and Fall 2017 internship applications are open! Phoenix Art Museum offers 13 internships during the Summer Session and 14 internships in the Fall Session. Summer 2017 internships begin Monday, June 5, 2017 and end Friday, August 4, 2017 (9 weeks). Fall 2017 internships begin Monday, September 11, 2017 and end Friday, December 8, 2017 (12 weeks). Applications for both internship sessions are due Friday, March 17, 2017. Apply online at <http://www.phxart.org/education/interns>.

China Times Cultural Foundation 2017 Scholarships for Doctoral Dissertation Research in Chinese Studies

Applicants must be doctoral candidates in the humanities or social sciences with an approved dissertation prospectus. Enrollment in a university in the United States or Canada is required. Scholarships are \$6,000 each and awarded on the basis of scholastic achievement without regard to academic discipline, race or nationality. There will be a special award of \$10,000 to the top winner from among the applicants in memory of the Foundation’s founder Mr. Chi-Chung Yu. The deadline is June 30, 2017. For more information, email chinatimescf@gmail.com.

Lecture: State, Development and Political Geography in Contemporary Turkey Dr. Faik Gur, Ozyegin University Thursday, April 13, 4-6PM, Coor 4403

Professor Gur will address the way in which the business class emerged and accumulated capital, and the type of enterprises and value chains they generated since the foundation of the Republic of Turkey. Understanding “business history” is one of the most essential ways of making sense out of what happened in the last two decades in Turkey. Drawing on historical and sociological accounts this talk will shed light on the relationship between politics and economy in contemporary Turkey. Dr. Faik Gur is an Assistant Professor in the School of Social Sciences, Department of International Relations, at Ozyegin University.

AAS' New Blog: Asia Now

#AsiaNow is a newly launched blog managed by the AAS: <http://www.asian-studies.org/asia-now>. They've got a recent bio on our own Professor Anne Feldhaus and her election to the vice-presidency of the AAS here: <http://www.asian-studies.org/asia-now/entryid/29/meet-the-new-aas-vice-president>. #AsiaNow is newly up and running, and will soon be seeking contributions.