

CSEAS Weekly Bulletin

Center for Southeast Asian Studies at Northern Illinois University • Week of February 19, 2018



Celebrate the Year of the Dog with the Southeast Asia Club from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, in Campus Life Atrium and Room 100. Enjoy all things new year: food, Chinese string music with Center GA Qi Yu, knot tying, paper folding, I Ching fortunes, and a Buddhist blessing.

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1. This week's lecture: Governing global nutrition **NEW**



Ho

Carmen Jacqueline Ho, University of Toronto political science doctoral candidate, will present “Governing Global Nutrition: The Politics of Pro-Poor Policy Reform in Southeast Asia” at noon Friday, **Feb. 23**, in Room 100 Campus Life. Ho, who holds a Fulbright Canada Award at the Harvard School of Public Health, looks at how the state characteristics of four Southeast Asian countries—Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos and the Philippines—shape each nation’s mobilization of a non-binding international agreement, in this case the United Nations’ international “Scaling Up Nutrition” initiative. To order a Southeast Asian lunch, submit an

online request by 6 p.m. Thursday at [CSEAS Brown Bag Order](#). To cancel an order, you must do so online by 10 a.m. Friday. Cost is \$5 for students and \$7 for faculty, staff and others. Pay in cash or by check. For lunch details, e-mail cseasbrownbag@gmail.com.

2. Second chance to apply for summer FLAS grants

CSEAS has reopened applications for additional summer 2018 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships for a second round. The [application](#) and [information](#) for the U.S. Department of Education grants are posted online. **Deadline to apply is March 15.** Summer FLAS fellowships provide for the summer study of Southeast Asian languages at any U.S. Department of Education-approved [educational institution](#), especially those in Southeast Asia, but also including the [Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute](#) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Questions? Contact Assistant CSEAS Director Jui-Ching Wang at jcwang@niu.edu.

3. Dwight Y. King Graduate Scholarship for the Study of Indonesia



King

Before his death in 2015, Political Science Professor and Center for Southeast Asian Studies Director Emeritus Dwight King established an endowment to award scholarships to international students, in particular Indonesian students, pursuing advanced degrees involving substantial Indonesia research. CSEAS invites students to apply for the first King award, the 2018–19 Dwight Y. King Graduate Scholarship for the Study of Indonesia. Applicants for this \$1,000 award should be a student in good standing and at an advanced stage in their master’s or doctoral program. In keeping with King’s lifelong commitment to

public affairs, preference also will be given to students interested in assisting development in emerging countries. Application must include a personal statement, research proposal, PDF of graduate transcript and a letter of recommendation. **Deadline to apply is March 15.**

4. Guest professor to teach summer POLS class **NEW**

In June, CSEAS and the Department of Political Science will welcome Professor Xu Ke from China’s Xiamen University to teach POLS 395, Contemporary Topics in Political Science—Selected Issues on China. The summer course will cover current security issues facing China and Southeast Asia in the areas of cybersecurity, health, the environment, energy, transnational crime, terrorism and society. It will run from 1 to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, **June 18–28**, in Room 246 DuSable. The class is cross-listed under HIST 391/691 and SEAS 490/690.



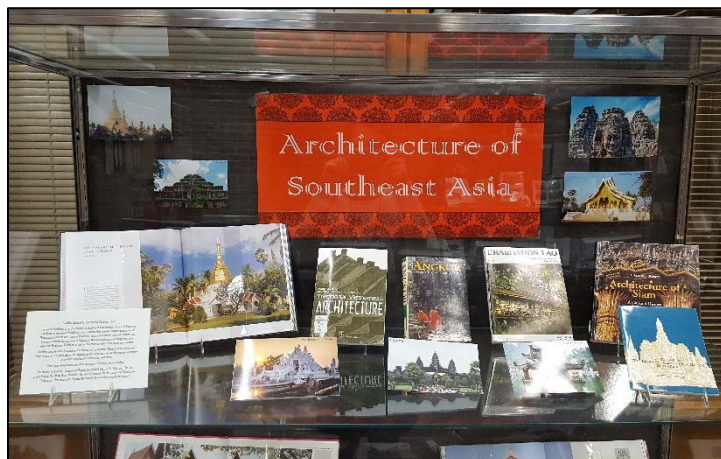
Xi Ke

5. On the shelf: New library exhibit highlights SEA architecture **NEW**

The architecture of Southeast Asia is a window into the history and culture of the region. A new exhibit in the Donn V. Hart Southeast Asia Collection explores its many forms and influences through books, photographs and pamphlets.

Hindu and Hindu-inspired architecture, for example, exist in both mainland and insular countries in the region, as does Buddhist and Islamic architecture.

Contemporary architects in the region, while retaining many traditional design aspects, are also hewing toward more sustainable architectural forms. "Southeast Asians are proud of their architectural heritage," says exhibit curator and Southeast Asian Studies minor Christine Dose. "This can be seen in the architecture that has been preserved for many thousands of years and the contemporary styles that are emerging from the region." On display through March.



6. James Hosterey to be keynote speaker for student conference **NEW**



Hosterey

James Hoesterey, Emory University cultural anthropologist, will be the keynote speaker for the Southeast Asia Club's Spring Southeast Asia Student Conference, Saturday, **April 7**, in Campus Life 100. Hoesterey, who received his PhD from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, is the author of *Rebranding Islam: Piety, Prosperity, and a Self-Help Guru* (Stanford University Press, 2015). His appearance is co-sponsored by the Graduate Colloquium. Awards will be given for best undergraduate and graduate paper. **Final papers due Friday, March 2.** Email papers and any inquiries to niuseaclub@gmail.com (put Student Conference in the subject line).

7. Family ties: Be a host for SEA youth exchange programs



CSEAS and NIU's International Training Office (ITO) are actively seeking area home stay hosts for two annual spring Southeast Asia youth exchange programs sponsored by the U.S. State Department at NIU.

CSEAS is looking for 30 households to host for a week 50 high school students and 10 adult leaders from nine Southeast Asian countries participating in the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program (SEAYLP). The homestay dates for SEAYLP are **April 15–20**. Students may be placed in pairs and adults as singles. Hosts provide a bed for each participant, breakfast each day and most dinners, all meals during any weekend days

at home, and transportation to and from class sessions at NIU. **Host family orientation is 6:30 to 8 p.m. Monday, April 3, on campus.** You can find details and applications on the SEAYLP [website](#). For more information, contact SEAYLP Homestay Coordinator Jenny Ruff at SEAYLP@jennyruff.com or SEAYLP Administrative Director Anastasia Kocher at akocher1@niu.edu. And for host family perspective, check out what local families have to say about being a homestay host in [NIU Today](#).

ITO is also seeking host families for two weeks in April for the Philippine Youth Leadership Program (PYLP), which is bringing 24 young people and 4 adult leaders from the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao and surrounding provinces in the Philippines to NIU for four weeks. The homestay dates for PYLP are **April 15–28**. Host family orientation is 7 to 8:30 p.m. **April 11** in the Holmes Student Center’s University Suite. For details, see the PYLP [website](#) or contact ITO Homestay Coordinator Leslie Shive at lshive@niu.edu.

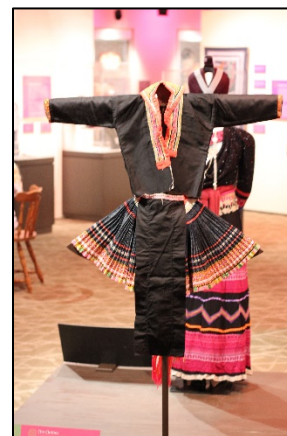
8. Latest podcast: Teaching about genocide and the Khmer Rouge **NEW**

In this special [Southeast Asia Crossroads](#) podcast focused on teaching about Southeast Asia, we talk to Cambodia expert and anthropologist Judy Ledgerwood as she explains how to teach about genocide and the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia. Accompanying lesson materials can be found on the [CSEAS website](#) (click on the link for Teaching about the Khmer Rouge under Lesson Plans and Curriculum). Check out our other podcasts as well. Our listenership keeps growing. Since the [series’ inception](#) in September 2016, Crossroads podcasts have been downloaded more than 4,700 times with listeners in 55 countries.



9. Hmong exhibit travels to Aurora

The Pick Museum of Anthropology’s 2016 exhibit “Storytelling: Hmong American Voices” is reappearing in two modified exhibits in Aurora this spring. The exhibit comprising Hmong American objects and personal stories is on display through **Feb. 25** at the Aurora Public Library’s Santori branch, 101 S. River St. Along with the exhibit, the library will host a Hmong applique cultural art lesson from 1:30 to 3 p.m. **Feb. 17**. Under the title, “In/Visibility: Hmong America and the Art of Storytelling,” the exhibit moves **March 2** to Waubensee Community College’s downtown Aurora campus at 8 S. River St. Remarks, refreshments and a guided tour by Hmong American artist J. Tshab Her and Pick Museum staff will be part of an opening reception at 6 p.m. **March 2**. The exhibit will be on display through **April 14**. Both exhibits are free and open to the public. The Pick Museum, the [Dunham Fund](#) and Waubensee Community College provided funding for both exhibits.



10. Apply online for Graduate School travel funding

Are you going to a professional meeting or conference? You can apply online for Graduate School travel grants to travel to out-of-town (or out-of-country) professional meetings **April 1 to June 20**. Grant proposals are due to the Graduate School by **March 19**. You must have completed one year of school with 3.5 GPA or above. See Graduate School [website](#) for details on its travel funding; submit applications to Dean, Graduate School, 223 Adams Hall.

11. Outside SEA language, cultural study abroad opportunities

* indicates full or partial funding

- * The Consortium for the Teaching of Indonesian (COTI)'s eight-week summer immersion program is open to undergraduates and graduates at the interim Indonesian level. The program, which is held at Universitas Kristen Satya Wacana in Salatiga, Central Java, includes structured academic program includes language instruction, field trips and arts and cultural activities. Funding available. Program dates are **June 15–Aug. 9**. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 17 (notification Feb. 24)**. For details, see [COTI](#) website.
- * The Study Abroad in Laos (SAIL) program offered by the Center for Lao Studies is a five-week language and culture experience conducted by the Lao-American College located in Vientiane, Laos. Some funding available. **Deadline to apply: April 2**. For details, see [SAIL](#) website. To receive NIU credit, contact the NIU Study Abroad at niuabroad@niu.edu.
- **Advanced Study of Khmer (ASK):** Intensive six-week program **June 20–July 29** sponsored by the Center for Khmer Studies in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Coordinated through University of Hawai'i-Manoa. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 28**. Partial [funding](#) available. For details, see [ASK website](#) or email Ms. Tith Srey Pich at juniorfellowships@khmerstudies.org.
- UW-Madison geographer Ian Baird and University of Minnesota historian Mai Na M Lee are leading a study abroad program to northern Thailand in June 2018 to learn about the Hmong populations in Thailand and Laos. The focus of the four-week program will be on refugee settlement and resettlement. The program includes seminars, guest speakers, field trips and homestays. **Deadline to apply: March 2**. For details, email Baird at ibaird@wisc.edu.

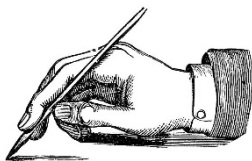
12. Burnish your resumé with Southeast Asian Studies

Add a Southeast Asian Studies minor to a bachelor's degree or a graduate certificate to an advanced degree and pull your resumé to the top of the pile. Visit the [CSEAS website](#) or stop by CSEAS at 520 College View Court. Undergraduates should contact adviser Maria Nihei at mhancock3@niu.edu; graduate students should contact Assistant Director Jui-Ching Wang at jcwang@niu.edu.

13. **Save the dates:** Lunar New Year, host family call, special events **NEW**

- **Feb. 19:** Southeast Asia Club Lunar New Year celebration, 6:30 p.m., Campus Life Building Atrium. Food, crafts and Buddhist blessings. **FREE**.
- **March 2:** Deadline for final papers for April 7 Spring Southeast Asia Student Conference. Email to niuseaclub@gmail.com. **NEW**
- **March 15:** Deadlines to [apply](#) for second round of summer FLAS funding and to [apply](#) for the 2018-19 Dwight King Graduate Scholarship for the Study of Indonesia. **NEW**
- **April 7:** Spring Southeast Asia Student Conference, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Campus Life 100.
- **April 8:** New Year Water Festival, DeKalb Public Library. Sponsored by CSEAS, NIU Burma Interest Group and NIU Thai Studies Committee. **FREE**.
- **April 8:** World Music Concert, Boutell Memorial Concert Hall. **FREE**.
- **April 13–21:** SEAYLP Host Family Week.
- **April 21–26:** SEAYLP Global Youth Leadership Camp for area high school students.
- **April 23:** SEAYLP Culture Night, 6:30 p.m., location TBA. **FREE**.

14. Looking for a few good SEA manuscripts



The Northern Illinois University Press is seeking quality scholarly but accessible book-length manuscripts in Southeast Asian Studies to consider for publication. Address inquiries to Kenton Clymer, editor, Southeast Asian Series, NIU Press, at kclymer@niu.edu.

15. Money for study **NEW**

NIU

- **Student Engagement Fund:** Office of Student Engagement and Experiential Learning (OSEEL) and the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences funding for faculty-mentored and community-based research projects, NIU faculty-led study abroad programs, and travel to conferences or competitions. Funding ranges from \$1,200 to \$3,500 per year. **Deadline for summer 2018: Feb. 28.** Email engage@niu.edu or visit OSEEL in Altgeld 100.

Center for Khmer Studies

- **Summer Junior Resident Fellowships:** Six-week undergraduate program, **July 2–Aug. 10**, Siem Reap, Cambodia. All costs covered except travel to Cambodia with small travel grants available. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 28.** See [website](#). **NEW**

Institute of Thai Studies, Chulalongkorn University

- **ENITAS, ENITS Scholarships:** Funding for graduate students and young scholars working on Thai-Tai and ASEAN studies. See [website](#) to apply. **NEW**

East-West Center

- **Affiliate Scholar Program:** Short-term affiliation with the East-West Center for graduate students from around the world to pursue thesis or dissertation research in 2018. **Revolving deadlines to submit.** See [website](#).

ProFellow

- **Dissertation Research Fellowships:** Check the ProFellow [website](#) for 30 different opportunities for dissertation research funding.

Rotary International

- **Rotary Peace Fellowships:** Fully paid fellowships for master's degree (up to two years) or professional development certificate studies (three months) offered through six universities worldwide. See [website](#).

16. Conferences, symposia, calls for papers **NEW**

- **UW-Madison Trans-Asia Graduate Student Conference**, March 2–4, Madison, WI. Theme: "Asia Re-Mixed." For details, email tagsconference@rso.wisc.edu.
- **Cornell Southeast Asian Studies Graduate Student Conference**, March 9–11, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Theme: Possession and Persuasion. For details, email seapgradconf@gmail.com.
- **Association for Asian Studies Conference**, March 22–25, Washington, DC. See [website](#).
- **7th Southeast Asian Studies Symposium**, March 22–24, Universitas Indonesia, Jakarta. Project Southeast Asia/University of Oxford. In collaboration with UI's School of Environmental Science and Indonesia Environmental Scientists Association. See [website](#).
- **NIU Spring SEA Student Conference**, April 7, Campus Life 100. **Deadline for abstracts extended: Feb. 16. Papers due: March 2.** For details, email niuseaclub@gmail.com.
- **Midwest Political Science Association**, April 5–8, Palmer House Hilton, Chicago. See [website](#).

- **Asia-Pacific Conference on Business & Social Science**, April 12–14, Kuala Lumpur. See [website](#).
- **“Global Problems and Community Praxis: Local, National and International Approaches to Peace and Transcultural Communication,”** April 19–20, NIU Naperville. Sponsored by NIU and Center for Peace and Transcultural Communication, Tetova University, Macedonia. Keynote speaker: Ambassador James Pardew.
- **Berkeley-UCLA Southeast Asian Studies Conference**, April 27–28, UC Berkeley, CA. Migrations and New Mobilities in Southeast Asia. See [website](#).
- **Asiascape: Digital Asia Conference**, May 29, Leiden University, The Netherlands. Theme: “Rethinking Communities in the Age of the Digital.” See [website](#).
- **Asian Extremes: Climate, Meteorology and Disaster in History**, May 17–18, National University of Singapore. See [website](#).
- **International Conference on Business and Human Rights: Holding Governments Accountable in Asia**, July 12–14, Bangkok. See [website](#).
- **13th International Burma Studies Conference**, Aug. 3–5, Bangkok. **Deadline for proposals for papers or panels: April 15.** See [website](#). **NEW**
- **Africa-Asia, A New Axis of Knowledge**, Sept. 20–22, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Organized by International Convention of Asia Scholars, University of Dar es Salaam and the Association for Asian Studies in Africa. See [website](#).
- **American Academy of Religion**, Nov. 17–20, Denver, CO. Topic: Religion in Southeast Asia. Call for papers. See [website](#).
- **InterAsian Connections VI: Hanoi**, Dec. 4-7, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts/applications: Feb. 28.** See [website](#).
- **Delta Cities: Rethinking Practices of the Urban**, Dec. 10–15, Vietnam. Organized by International Institute for Asian Studies, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City, and Engaging with Vietnam. **Deadline for abstracts: March 1.** See [website](#).
- **CALA 2019: Revitalization and Representation**, Jan. 23–26, 2019, Siem Reap, Cambodia. Conference on Asian Linguistic Anthropology. See [website](#). **NEW**

17. Careers

Center for Strategic and International Studies

- **Internships:** Full- and part-time internships for undergraduates, advanced students and recent graduates who are interested in gaining practical experience in public policy. Based in Washington, DC. Rolling deadlines to apply. See [website](#).

Eurasia Group

- **Researcher, Political Risk Training Program:** One-year training assignment in political risk assessment with possibility of returning for second year. BA in political science, regional studies or economics with deep knowledge, some in-country experience and foreign language fluency of relevant country or sub-region. **Spring recruiting beginning now.** See [job listing](#).
- **Careers:** Submit your resume to be considered for other careers with Eurasia Group. See [website](#).

University of San Francisco

- **Assistant Professor International Studies:** Tenure track to begin August 2018. See [website](#).

Globaljobs.org

- **Job/internship opportunities:** Turn area studies into an internship or a career. See job listings at NGOs, think tanks, government, and private-sector employers. See [website](#).

Chinese Mutual Aid Association

- **Interns:** Pan-Asian social service organization accepting candidates for interns for business development, grant writing and workforce development and outreach liaison duties. Contact Michelle White at michellew@chinesemutualaid.org or 773-784-2900. See [website](#).

US Department of State

- **Student internship program:** Internship opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students at Washington headquarters and US embassies, consulates and missions worldwide. Explore postgraduate civil-service career paths as well. See [program website](#).

ASEAN/ASEC

- **Job listings:** Check [website](#) frequently for open positions at the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and ASEAN Secretariat (ASEC).

Asia Society

- **Career opportunities:** Internships and jobs posted regularly on [website](#).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations

- Jobs listed under [Opportunities](#) tab of ASEAN website.

Devex: Do Good. Do It Well

- International aid and development jobs in 1,000 agencies, companies and NGOs in 100 countries. See [website](#).

DevMetJOBS.org

- International development jobs and consulting opportunities. See [website](#).

Hess International Educational Group

- **Teach English across Asia:** Taiwan-based organization offers free training, benefits, and flex scheduling. Email NIU alum Derek Wright at derek.wright@hess.com.tw or see [website](#).

Idealist.org

- Privately funded website offers searchable database of nonprofit international jobs and volunteer opportunities. See the [Idealist website](#).

Learn How to Become

- Privately funded website offers searchable database of meaningful volunteer and nonprofit career options and resources. See [website](#).

ReliefWeb

- Specialized digital service of the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs that posts jobs regularly. See [website](#).

World Health Organization

- Global health agency in the United Nations system encourages online applications for potential employment. See [website](#).

18. Area cultural opportunities

- If you missed the “Storytelling: Hmong American Voices” exhibit at the Pick Museum of Anthropology last year, you can see it at the Aurora Public Library through **Feb. 25**, 101 S. River St. It then travels to downtown Aurora campus of Waubensee Community College, 8 S. River St., **March 2–April 14**. Opening reception at 6 p.m. **March 6**.
- Go behind the scenes of the Philippine Collections at the Field Museum. Contact the museum’s co-curation team at cocuration.philippines@fieldmuseum.org. To learn more about the museum’s Philippines work, see the co-curation team’s [newsletter](#).

- Thai Cultural and Fine Arts Institute of Chicago offers classes in Thai language, dance and music among other programs. See [website](#) for details or phone 312-725-0640.
- “Remembering the Killing Fields” exhibit on display at the Cambodian American Heritage Museum and Killing Fields Memorial, 2831 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago. The [Cambodian Association of Illinois](#) also holds free Cambodian music and dance lessons.
- The Indonesian consulate in Chicago offers free Saturday classes: Indonesian language classes at 10:30 a.m. (intermediate) and 1 p.m. (children’s class); Indonesian traditional dance, 2 to 4 p.m.; and Javanese gamelan, 4 to 6 p.m. All classes held at the Indonesian Cultural Center, 711 W. Grand Avenue. Call 312-920-1880, ext. 104/105, or email icc@indonesiachicago.org. See the consulate’s [Facebook](#) page.
- Indonesian Dance of Illinois offers traditional dance and gamelan music lessons Saturdays in Evanston, Il. See [website](#).

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