

# CSEAS Weekly Bulletin

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**Scene from the Philippine-American War (1899-1902):** In this Nov. 16, 1899, photo, an American mounted detachment rides through La Paz in Tarlac Province in Central Luzon, after American forces sought to assert control over the Philippines following Spain's defeat in the Spanish-American War and cession of the former Spanish colony to the US. In this week's Friday lecture, University of Wisconsin historian Al McCoy discusses how this early US engagement in Southeast Asia has played out in the rise of what he calls the "US surveillance state."

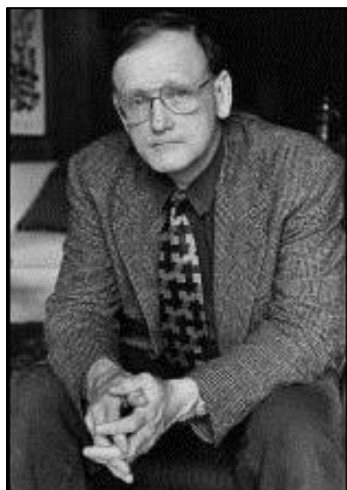
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### Burnish your resumé

Add a Southeast Asian Studies minor to an undergraduate degree or a graduate certificate to an advanced degree and pull your resumé to the top of the pile. To learn more, visit the [CSEAS website](#) or stop by CSEAS at 520 College View Court. Undergraduates may make an appointment with Outreach Coordinator Julien Ehrenkönig at [ehrenkonig@niu.edu](mailto:ehrenkonig@niu.edu); graduate students should contact Assistant Director Eric Jones at [iloveroti@gmail.com](mailto:iloveroti@gmail.com).

### 1. This week's lecture: University of Wisconsin-Madison historian Al McCoy



McCoy

University of Wisconsin-Madison historian [Al McCoy](#) will present "Policing the Imperial Periphery: The Philippine-American War and the Rise of the US Surveillance State" at noon Friday, **Feb. 13**, in Room 110 (Honors), Campus Life Building. McCoy, who received his PhD in Southeast Asian history at Yale University, is most recently the author of [Policing America's Empire: The United States, the Philippines, and the Rise of the Surveillance State](#) (University of Wisconsin Press, 2009). To order an Indonesian lunch, submit an online request by 6 p.m. Thursday at [CSEAS Brown Bag Lunch Order](#). Orders must be cancelled online by 10 a.m. Friday. Cost is \$5 for students and \$6 for faculty, staff and others. Payments may be made in cash or by check (cash preferred). For lunch details or questions, e-mail [seabrownbag@gmail.com](mailto:seabrownbag@gmail.com). For a complete spring lecture schedule, see the [Center website](#).

### 2. Explore summer study in SEA at Spring Study Abroad Fair Thursday **NEW**

Interested in learning more about Southeast Asia, immersing yourself in a language or getting study-abroad college credit? Take a closer look at the three summer study abroad programs offered through NIU at the Spring Study Abroad Fair on **Feb. 12**. CSEAS associates Andrea Molnar (Anthropology) and Jui-Ching Wang (School of Music) are actively recruiting for their study abroad programs in Thailand and Bali, with application deadlines in March and April. NIU also sponsors Summer Study Abroad in Laos with the San Francisco-based Center for Lao Studies. Apply through NIU's Study Abroad Office in 417 Williston (email [niuabroad@niu.edu](mailto:niuabroad@niu.edu) or phone 815-753-0700). Some partial travel funding is available; contact the Study Abroad office for details. Program information is also available at CSEAS.



NIU Study Abroad in Thailand, 2011

- Molnar's program, **Cultural Diversity in Thailand**, is set for **June 8–July 3**. It will introduce students to Thailand's diverse cultural groups and explore the relationship between the dominant majority and minorities of the country. **Deadline to apply: March 16**. For more information, see the program's [Facebook page](#). Scholarships available from NIU Thai Studies Committee (see item 6 below).
- Wang's program, **Experiencing the Arts in Bali**, will take students to a village location in Bali, Indonesia **July 4–25** to learn about Balinese music, dance, theater, architecture, art and crafts. For more information see the program's [Facebook page](#). **Deadline to apply: April 15**.
- NIU also sponsors [Summer Study Abroad in Laos](#) (SAIL), a five-week Lao language and culture program **June 27–July 31**, in cooperation with the San Francisco-based Center for Lao Studies. Learn Lao language, history and culture. **Deadline to apply: April 1**.

### 3. Deadline extended to Feb. 23 for new NIU undergrad engagement fund **NEW**

Need travel money for a conference, a stipend to work on a faculty-mentored research project or funding to help pay for a study abroad program? A new fund has been established by the Office of

Student Engagement and Experiential Learning and the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences to provide funding for undergraduates for just such activities. Students in good academic standing may apply on their own behalf or faculty may apply on behalf of a student. Awards range from \$250 to \$2,500. The deadline to apply for summer and fall 2015 funds is **Feb. 23** and **Oct. 1** for spring 2016 funds. For details, see the [program website](#).

#### 4. Moon over DeKalb: Celebrate the Lunar New Year Feb. 19 **NEW**



Join the Southeast Asia Club in celebrating the Lunar New Year Thursday, **Feb. 19**, in Cole Hall with a Buddhist blessing and chant by Bhikkhu Thich Phuoc Tri from the Phap Lam Temple in Rockford, a talk about Buddhism and the new year by CSEAS associate Trude Jacobsen, I Ching readings, and a Red Envelope Scavenger Hunt in the NIU Anthropology Museum, and Southeast Asian food. Festivities begin at 6 p.m. and run until 8 p.m. Free. For more information, email [niuseaclub@gmail.com](mailto:niuseaclub@gmail.com). Admission free.

#### 5. Call for papers: SEA Club Spring Student Conference

The Southeast Asia Club invites papers for its 2015 spring student conference, which will be held Saturday, **April 25**, in Room 315 Altgeld. Papers may be submitted on any topic pertaining to Southeast Asia; email [niuseaclub@gmail.com](mailto:niuseaclub@gmail.com). Abstracts will be accepted through **March 6**. The conference theme is "Identity Narratives" and the keynote speaker will be University of California-Berkeley historian and Cambodian specialist [Penny Edwards](#), author of *Cambodge: The Cultivation of a Nation (1860-1945)* (University of Hawai'i Press, 2007). Awards will be given for best undergraduate and graduate papers.



Edwards

#### 6. Thai Studies Committee offers grants for Thailand study abroad program



The NIU Thai Studies Committee invites undergraduate and graduate students to apply for two \$1,500 scholarships to be applied to CSEAS associate Andrea Molnar's **June 8–July 3** study abroad program to Thailand. Submit one-page statement addressing academic interest in Thai studies, letter of support from Molnar, letter of recommendation, and either a transcript (for undergraduates) or an explanation of graduate work progress from program advisor (for graduate students). Funding is through the Thai Teaching and Research Fund administered by the NIU Foundation. Email to CSEAS associate Chalermsee Olson at [eteolson@niu.edu](mailto:eteolson@niu.edu) by **March 16**.

#### 7. Overseas language, exchange, and area studies programs **NEW**

- **Advanced Study of Khmer, June 15–July 24.** Ten Fulbright-Hays fellowships available to qualified applicants for six-week intensive language program at the Royal University of Phnom Penh. Administered by the University of Hawaii-Manoa. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 27.** See [program website](#) or email Chhany Sak-humphry at [sak@hawaii.edu](mailto:sak@hawaii.edu).
- **US-Indonesia Society Summer Language Study, June 2–July 25.** Ten-week intensive program at Gadjah Mada University in Yogyakarta. Admissions based on availability of program funding. **Deadline to apply: March 31.** For details, see [website](#). **NEW**

Note: Students taking language or area studies abroad through non-NIU programs are advised to work through NIU's Study Abroad office, 417 Williston Hall. By doing so, students can receive NIU credit and possibly have NIU financial aid apply, in addition to receiving liability and insurance protection.

## 8. Teaching World Music Symposium includes SEA forum, music concert



Han

The NIU Music Building will be resonating with the sounds of world music **April 9–11** when the 2015 World Music Symposium: From the Exotic to the Global takes place. Music educators,

ethnomusicologists, composers, performers and interdisciplinary scholars are invited to attend. The third day of the conference will feature a Teaching Southeast Asia Performing Arts [Forum](#) (with funding provided for community college educators to attend). The symposium, organized by

CSEAS associate Jui-Ching Wang (School of Music), honors Kuo-Huang Han, music professor emeritus and founder of the NIU Gamelan Ensemble, and marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the world music program at NIU. The program concludes with the annual World Music concert, which will include Balinese gamelan, marching gamelan, Thai folk music and the NIU Chamber Choir performing an Indonesian folk song, at 3 p.m. in Boutell Hall. For information, email [jcwang@niu.edu](mailto:jcwang@niu.edu) or see the [symposium website](#).



NIU Gamelan Ensemble, which will perform April 11 at the World Music Concert, gives a workshop to 80 participants Jan. 30 at the Illinois Music Education Association Conference in Peoria.

## 9. **Save the dates:** Study Abroad Fair, Lunar New Year, student conference **NEW**

- **Feb. 12:** Spring Study Abroad Fair, 1 to 5 p.m., Glass Gallery, Holmes Student Center. **NEW**
- **Feb. 19:** Southeast Asia Club Lunar New Year Celebration, 6 to 8 p.m., Cole Hall lobby.
- **Feb. 19:** Author and humanitarian Carl Wilkins shares his experience in Rwanda during the genocide there, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Skyroom, Holmes Student Center. Sponsored by NIU Student-Led Anti-Genocide Coalition and others. **NEW**
- **Feb. 20:** "Telling Your Story with a Purpose," workshop with humanitarian Carl Wilkins, 9 to 11 a.m., Room 100, Campus Life. **NEW**
- **April 9–11:** Teaching World Music Symposium, NIU School of Music.
- **April 11:** World Music Concert, 3 p.m., Boutell Hall.
- **April 25:** Southeast Club Spring Student Conference. Theme: "Identity Narratives." Keynote speaker: University of California-Berkeley historian Penny Edwards.
- **Through May:** "Curated by DeKalb: 50 Years of the Anthropology Museum," 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary exhibition including SEA artifacts. Admission free.

## 10. Money for study

Weatherhead East Asia Institute

- **Postdoc fellowship in Southeast Asian Studies:** Applications being accepted for 2015-16 fellowship through the Dorothy Borg Research Program, "The United States and Southeast

Asia: Past Legacies, Present Issues and Future Prospects,” at the Columbia University-based institute in New York City. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 25.** Contact Laura Lechner, Student Affairs Coordinator at [weaipostdocs@gmail.com](mailto:weaipostdocs@gmail.com).

*University of Leeds (U.K.)*

- **Thai Studies research scholarships:** Three scholarships (approximately \$18,000 each) offered by the university’s School of Languages, Cultures and Societies for graduate students to undertake field research in Thailand. See [website](#).

*Center for Khmer Studies*

- **Khmer Language and Culture Study Program:** Six-week study abroad, June 16–July 24, at Royal University of Phnom Penh for undergraduates, post-graduates, and faculty. Funding for tuition and some program costs available for up to eight participants. Administered by the University of Hawai’i. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 27.** See [website](#).

*Harvard Kennedy School*

- **Indonesia Research Fellowships:** For Indonesian PhD students, post-docs, and practitioners, appointments run Aug. 1, 2015 to May 31, 2016. **Deadline to apply: March 13.** See [website](#).

*Smithsonian Institution*

- **Summer Institute Fellowships:** Intensive program for graduate students in cultural anthropology. June 22–July 17. Funding covers room, board, and tuition. Housing and small stipend also provided. **Deadline to apply: March 1.** See [website](#).

*Rotary International*

- **Rotary Peace Fellowships:** Fully paid fellowships for master’s degree study offered at six universities worldwide. **Deadline to apply for 2016 fellowships: July 2015.** See [website](#).

## 11. Job/internship opportunities **NEW**

*USINDO*

- **Program Associate/Editor/Executive Assistant:** Full-time position with US-Indonesia Society in Washington DC. For information, email [dmerrill@usindo.org](mailto:dmerrill@usindo.org) or call 202-232-1400. Position posted on USINDO [website](#). **NEW**

*Room to Read*

- **Positions open:** San Francisco-based organization that helps develop literacy skills among primary and secondary school students. Asia Regional Director (based in Asia) and Country Operations for Southeast Asia (based in Cambodia, Laos or Vietnam). See [website](#). **NEW**

*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](mailto: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](#).

#### *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 [WHO website](#).

## 12. Conferences, calls for papers and workshops

- **Cornell Southeast Asia Program Graduate Student Conference**, March 13–15, Ithaca, NY. Conference theme: What’s Hot in Southeast Asia? Limited travel funding available. See [conference website](#).
- **Mon Society and Culture Program**, March 18–24, Yangon, Myanmar. Sponsored by SEAMEO Regional Centre for History and Tradition. Includes five-day field trip to Mon State. For details, email [seameo\\_chat@mptmail.net.mm](mailto:seameo_chat@mptmail.net.mm).
- **Year of ASEAN: Integrating Southeast Asia**, March 20–22, Kuala Lumpur. 4<sup>th</sup> Southeast Asian Studies symposium at Sunway University. Organized by Project Southeast Asia at University of Oxford. See [conference website](#).
- **Association for Asian Studies 2015**, March 26–29, Chicago. See [conference website](#).
- **Artistic Inventions: Histories, Cartographies and Politics in Asia**, March 30–31, Hong Kong Baptist University. See [conference website](#).
- **Third Hmong Consortium Conference**, April 10–11, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Theme: Hmong around the World. See [consortium website](#).
- **ISEAS Writers Workshop**, May 25–26, Singapore. Subject: Chinese natural resource extraction in Southeast Asia. Limited travel funds available. See [workshop website](#).
- **AAS-in-Asia**, June 22–24, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan. Theme: Asia in Motion: ideas, Institutions, Identities. See [conference website](#).
- **International Convention of Asia Scholars 9**, July 5–9, Adelaide, Australia. See [conference website](#).
- **5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Lao Studies**, July 8–10, Thammasat University, Bangkok. See [conference website](#).
- **4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on International Relations and Development (ICIRD)**, July 9–10, Mahidol University, Salaya, Thailand. Call for abstracts and panel proposals. **Deadline: March 30**. See [conference website](#).
- **International Conference on Burma/Myanmar Studies**, July 24–25, Chiang Mai University, Thailand. Call for abstracts and panel proposals. **Deadline: April 15**. See [conference website](#).
- **NEW**
- **EuroSEAS 2015**, Aug. 11–14, University of Vienna, Austria. See [conference website](#).
- **NUS/ARI Workshop: International Medical Travel and the Politics of Transnational Mobility in Asia**, Aug. 26–27, National University of Singapore Asia Research Institute. Call for papers. Partial or full travel funding available. **Deadline: March 31**. See [website](#).
- **5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Lao Studies: Lao PDR in the ASEAN Context**, July 8–10, 2016, Thammasat University, Bangkok. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts: Oct. 31**. See [conference website](#).

### 13. Southeast Asia cultural opportunities

- “Curated by DeKalb: 50 Years of the Anthropology Museum,” on display at the NIU Anthropology Museum through the 2014–15 academic year. The exhibit features items from the museum’s collection of ethnographic and archeological objects, many from SEA, chosen by members of the NIU and local communities. Museum hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Admission free.
- “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 Javanese gamelan and dance is offered from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturdays; gamelan music and Indonesian dance 3 to 6 p.m. Sundays. See consulate [website](#).

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