

CSEAS Weekly Bulletin

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1. This week's lecture: Human rights and civic education in Southern Thailand **NEW**



Molnar

Back from sabbatical leave in Thailand, CSEAS associate Andrea Molnar (Anthropology) will present "State of Human Rights and Civic Education in an Active Conflict Zone in Thailand's Deep South: Civil Society vs. Formal Education" at noon Friday, **Feb. 2**, in Room 100 Campus Life. Molnar's research forms the basis of her new book *Agents of Peace and Change in a Conflict Region: Muslim Women's Political Engagement Through Civil Society in Southern Thailand*, currently under peer review by Routledge. 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. Applications due Feb. 1 for 2018–19 FLAS, Neher fellowships

There's less than one week left to apply for a 2018–19 Foreign Language and Area Studies ([FLAS](#)) fellowship or a Clark and Arlene Neher Graduate Fellowship for the Study of Southeast Asia, with applications for both due **Feb. 1**. The U.S. Department of Education funds FLAS fellowships; only U.S. students are eligible. Contact Assistant CSEAS Director Jui-Ching Wang at jcwang@niu.edu if you have questions. Both U.S. and international graduate students may apply for the 2018–19 [Neher](#) Graduate Fellowship. The fellowship includes a tuition waiver and a **\$4,000** annual stipend. To apply, students should be at an advanced stage in their master's or doctoral program, and planning field or archival research in SEA studies. Applicants must also be in good standing with NIU and demonstrate a commitment to career involving SEA Studies. For details, see CSEAS [website](#).

3. Deadline Feb. 1 to apply for summer study abroad in Indonesia **NEW**

The application and details for faculty associate Kikue Hamayotsu (Political Science) upcoming summer study abroad program in Yogyakarta, Central Java, are now live on the Study Abroad website.

The deadline to apply is Feb. 1.

The **June 24–July 7** program, [Democracy and Cultural Diversity in Indonesia](#), will focus on Indonesian politics, religious and ethnic diversity and conflict in a rapidly changing Southeast Asian society. Yogyakarta is a vibrant hub



Gadjah Mada University campus

of culture, arts, education and industry where students can observe how Indonesia's diversity informs its social, political and economic development. Participants will live at Gadjah Mada University, which is co-sponsoring the program, and participate in daily activities and field trips to heritage sites, monuments and museums. The program cost, excluding airfare, passport and/or visa fees, and personal expenses, is \$2,800, which covers room and breakfast, lunch daily; program transportation and admission fees; undergraduate or graduate credits, international travel insurance and NIU [Study Abroad](#) administrative fees. For details, contact Hamayotsu at khamayotsu@niu.edu.

4. Abstracts due Feb. 16 for spring student conference



Hoesterey

The Southeast Asia Club invites papers for its 2018 Southeast Asia Student Conference, which is set for Saturday, **April 7**, in Campus Life 100. Papers may be submitted on any topic pertaining to Southeast Asia. **Deadline to submit abstracts: Friday, Feb. 16. Final papers due Friday, March 2.** Email inquiries or abstracts to niuseaclub@gmail.com (please put student conference in the subject). Best paper awards will be given for undergraduate and graduate papers. James Hoesterey, Emory University cultural anthropologist, will be the keynote speaker, co-sponsored by the Graduate Colloquium. 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).

5. Hmong exhibit travels to Aurora **NEW**

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 opens at the Aurora Public Library's Santori branch, 101 S. River St., at 5:30 p.m. **Feb. 2**. Remarks, refreshments and a performance by the First Hmong Alliance Church Choir will be part of the event. The exhibit will be on display at the library **Feb. 2–25**. Along with the exhibit, the library will host a Hmong Story Cloth Story Time from 1 to 2 p.m. **Feb. 3** and 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 in March to Waubensee Community College's downtown Aurora campus at 8 S. River St. **March 2**. 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.



6. New podcast: Facebook and the dark side in Myanmar **NEW**



Take a listen to our latest [Southeast Asia Crossroads](#) podcast: a conversation with Southern Illinois University professor Lisa Brooten, "Facebook, Leapfrogging, and the Dark Side in Myanmar." 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 3,500 times with listeners in 55 countries.

7. Apply online for Graduate School travel funding **NEW**

Graduate students can now apply online for Graduate School travel grants to travel to out-of-town (or out-of-country) professional meetings and conferences **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.

8. Outside SEA language, cultural study abroad opportunities **NEW**

* indicates full or partial funding

- * **David L. Boren program:** The David L. Boren fellowships and scholarships, an initiative of the national Security Education program administered by the Institute of International Education, is open to U.S. undergraduate and graduate students to hone their language skills abroad. Grants range from \$20,000 for undergraduates to \$30,000 for graduate students. **Deadline for undergraduates to apply has passed, but graduate students may still apply. Deadline: Feb. 9.** The Boren advisor at NIU is Study Abroad Director Anne Seitzinger; contact her at aseitz@niu.edu. For details, see [Boren website](#).
- * **New Boren award targets Bahasa:** A new fully funded David L. Boren language-study scholarship is aimed at increasing the number of Indonesian-speakers in the U.S. The Indonesian Flagship Language Initiative program begins with an eight-week Indonesian language program at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's [Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute](#), followed by a fall program in Indonesia at the State University of Malang administered by the American Councils for International Education.
- * For 23 years, the United States-Indonesia Society (USINDO) has sponsored a partially funded summer studies program in Yogyakarta for 23 years. The 10-week program includes language study, lectures and coffee talks, cultural workshops, field trips, a homestay and the opportunity for volunteering or doing independent research. The 2018 program runs **May 24–Aug. 2**. Accepted students pay \$2,000 with USINDO covering rest of program funds. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 8.** For details, see [website](#).
- 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.
- The University of Illinois' College of Education is offering a three-week study abroad to Java, Flores, Bali, and Sumba in Indonesia **July 9–31**, focusing on the education system, culture and history of Indonesia. It includes a host family stay and tourist excursions. Cost is \$3,700, which includes accommodations, ground travel, in-country flights, most meals and excursions. For details, contact Leonardus Sudibyoyo at sudibiyo2@illinois.edu or see [website](#). **NEW**

9. Burnish your resumé with Southeast Asian Studies

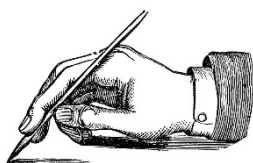
Add a Southeast Asian Studies minor to a bachelor's degree or a graduate certificate to an advanced degree and pull your resumé to the top of the pile. Visit the [CSEAS website](#) or stop by CSEAS at 520 College View Court. Undergraduates should contact adviser Maria Nihei at mhancock3@niu.edu; graduate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

10. **Save the dates:** Deadlines, conference, SEAYLP host family week, events **NEW**

- **Feb. 1:** Deadline to apply for 2018–19 FLAS awards and Neher Graduate Fellowship.
- **Feb. 16:** Deadline to submit abstracts for Spring Southeast Asia Student Conference to niuseaclub@gmail.com. **Deadline for final papers: March 2.** Email to niuseaclub@gmail.com.
- **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. **NEW**
- **April 8:** World Music Concert, Boutell Memorial Concert Hall. **NEW**
- **April 13–21:** SEAYLP Host Family Week. **NEW**
- **April 21–26:** SEAYLP Global Youth Leadership Camp for area high school students. **NEW**
- **April 23:** SEAYLP Culture Night, 6:30 p.m., location TBA. **NEW**

11. 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.

12. 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.

National Endowment for the Humanities

- **CAORC Fellowships:** Applications open for 2017–18 Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) four-month senior research fellowships for U.S. and international postdoctoral scholars and multi-country research fellowships for U.S. doctoral candidates and postdocs. **Deadline to apply: Jan. 31.** See [website](#).

Universität Hamburg

- **Doctoral Research Scholarships:** Graduate School of the Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures offering 1-2 year scholarships starting April 1. **Research proposals due Jan. 31.** See [website](#). **NEW**

U.S.-Indonesia Society (USINDO)

- **Summer study in Indonesia:** Partial subsidy for **May 24–Aug. 2** language and cultural studies program based in Yogyakarta. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 8.** See [website](#).

Institute of International Education

- **Boren Awards:** Fully funded scholarships for language study and research in Southeast Asia. Graduate students may still apply for the next round. Preference given to applicants planning to study in Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam, and to those motivated to work for the federal government upon graduate. Up to \$20,000 awarded to undergraduates; \$30,000 to graduate students. **Deadlines to apply: Feb. 8.** See [website](#). **NEW**

Indonesia Ministry of Education and Culture

- **Darmasiswa Scholarship:** One-year fully funded program to study language and culture in Indonesia beginning August 2018. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 18.** See [website](#). **NEW**

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](#).

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

- **East-West Center International Graduate Student Conference**, Feb. 15–17, Honolulu, HI. Limited number of travel grants available. See [website](#).
- **UM Southeast Asian Studies Graduate Student Conference**, Feb. 15, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. Theme: Deconstructing Borders & Barriers. For details, email umcseas2018@gmail.com.
- **UW-Madison Trans-Asia Graduate Student Conference**, March 2–4, Madison, WI. Theme: "Asia Re-Mixed." For details, email tagsconference@rso.wisc.edu. **NEW**
- **Cornell Southeast Asian Studies Graduate Student Conference**, March 9–11, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Theme: Possession and Persuasion. For details, email seapgradconf@gmail.com.
- **UH-Manoa School of Pacific and Asian Studies Graduate Student Conference**, March 14–16, University of Hawai'i-Manoa. Call for papers. Theme: The Asian Century: Emerging Stories. **Deadline for abstracts: Feb. 1.** See [website](#). **NEW**
- **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. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts: Feb. 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](#).
- **2nd International Conference**, April 19–20, NIU Naperville. Theme: "Global Problems and Community Praxis: Local, National and International Approaches to Peace and Transcultural Communication." 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.” Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts: Feb. 1.** See [website](#). **NEW**
- **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](#). **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. Call for papers, panels and roundtable proposals. **Deadline for proposals: Feb. 1.** See [website](#).
- **American Academy of Religion**, Nov. 17–20, Denver, CO. Topic: Religion in Southeast Asia. Call for papers. See [website](#). **NEW**
- **InterAsian Connections VI: Hanoi**, Dec. 4–7, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts/applications: Feb. 28.** See [website](#). **NEW**
- **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](#). **NEW**

14. Careers **NEW**

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](#). **NEW**

Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom in Myanmar

- **Academic Research Consultant:** Six-month gig to teach research methodologies and mentor research writing to students at Yangon School of Political Science. **Apply by Jan. 31.** Details posted [online](#). For more information, email Nway Zaw Oo at fnfmyanmar@fnst.org. **NEW**

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](#). **NEW**
- **Careers:** Submit your resume to be considered for other careers with Eurasia Group. See [website](#). **NEW**

University of San Francisco

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

Angelo State University

- **Assistant Professor Asian History:** Tenure-track position at San Angelo, Texas-based institution. **Application review to begin Feb. 12.** See [website](#). **NEW**

Vanderbilt University

- **Director, Global Studies Program:** Seeking scholar-teachers to be inaugural director of new program. Tenured position. Appointment at the associate or full professor rank. **Application review to begin Nov. 1.** To apply online, see [job listing](#).

McNeese State University

- **Assistant Professor Non-Western History:** Tenure-track, 10-month position. **Application review to begin Dec. 15.** 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](#).

15. 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 **Feb. 2–25**. Opening reception is 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. **Feb. 2** in the Dunham Atrium of the library, 101 S. River Street

in Aurora. It then travels to downtown Aurora campus of Waubonsee 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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