

# CSEAS Weekly Bulletin

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History graduate student James Dewitz gets his game on presenting his paper, “Be Some Place Else: Nuclear Testing Policy and Atomic Popular Culture,” Nov. 7 at the History Graduate Student Association Conference. Dewitz won the conference award for Best Presentation; Krista Albers, who presented “War Against Land: Defoliation and the American Public,” won for Best Paper. (Photo / Julien Ehrenkönig)

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### 1. This week's lecture: Indiana anthropologist to keynote International Ed Week **NEW**



Parnell

The Center, the Division of International Affairs and the Graduate Colloquium Committee will present Indiana University anthropologist and Philippines specialist Philip C. Parnell at noon Friday, **Nov. 21**, as the keynote speaker for International Education Week this week, **Nov. 17–21**. Parnell will present “Ghost Writing the State-Rights, Practices and Religion in Metropolitan Manila (1984-2014)” in the Sky Room at the Holmes Student Center. A light lunch will precede the lecture. Parnell’s lecture caps a full week of International Education Week activities, including an **international careers panel** co-sponsored by CSEAS at 4

p.m. **Nov. 19** in the Holmes Student Center’s University Suite. The week kicks off **Nov. 17** with an international cookie giveaway from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the MLK Commons, the Holmes Student Center, and Barsema and DuSable halls. Later that day, the [Study Abroad Office](#) will host Study Abroad 101 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 130, DuSable. Other highlights of the week include a screening of the documentary Crossing Borders Morocco at 7 p.m. **Nov. 18** in DuSable 212, a College of Business lecture by Matt Thompson, executive vice president of Adobe Systems, at 7 p.m. **Nov. 19**, in Barsema Hall Auditorium, and Fulbright faculty and student workshops on **Nov. 20** in the Sky Room. The week will end with a global village potluck and dance from 6 to 10 p.m. in the Barsema Hall Atrium. See the [International Affairs](#) website for more details.

### 2. Thai Studies Committee offers grants for Thailand study abroad program **NEW**

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

### 3. Thailand, Bali, Laos: Summer study abroad in SEA beckons



Students visit Wat Arun in Bangkok during anthropology professor Andrea Molnar’s 2011 study abroad program to Thailand.

It’s never too early to start thinking about a summer study abroad in Southeast Asia. CSEAS associates Andrea Molnar (anthropology) and Jui-Ching Wang (School of Music) are actively recruiting for their study abroad programs in Thailand and Bali respectively. 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. **Application deadline is March 16**. Scholarships available from NIU Thai Studies Committee (see above). Wang’s program, [Experiencing the Arts in Bali](#), will take students to a village location in Bali for three weeks in June and July to learn about Balinese music, dance, theater, architecture, art and crafts. Program dates and

application deadline have not yet been set. NIU also sponsors [Summer Study Abroad in Laos](#) (SAIL), a five-week Lao language and culture program, in cooperation with the San Francisco-based Center for Lao Studies. **Application deadline is April 1.** Information on all study abroad programs and opportunities for partial travel funding is available at the NIU Study Abroad Office, 417 Williston. Call 815-753-0700 or email [niuabroad@niu.edu](mailto:niuabroad@niu.edu).

#### 4. Summer FLAS applications posted on CSEAS website **NEW**

With fall semester winding down, students planning to apply for a summer 2014 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowship should start getting their paperwork in order. Information and forms to apply are posted on the [funding page](#) at the CSEAS website and should be submitted to the Center by **Jan. 1**. FLAS fellowships are funded by the U.S. Department of Education's Title VI Program of Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships. The 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. Priority will be given to students planning to study in a Southeast Asian country. A [list](#) of currently approved programs is posted on the CSEAS website (more schools are currently being considered for approval). Summer FLAS awards are expected to provide a stipend of \$2,500. In addition, a FLAS fellow's tuition at a Southeast Asia language program is covered up to \$4,000.



#### 5. Deadline extended for Teaching World Music Symposium papers **NEW**



Han

The NIU Music Building will be resonating with the sounds of world music for three days next April when Teaching World Music Symposium: From the Exotic to the Global takes place. Symposium organizer and CSEAS associate Jui-Ching Wang has issued a call for papers, posters and panels from music educators, ethnomusicologists, composers, performers and interdisciplinary scholars. The symposium honors Kuo-Huang Han, music professor emeritus and founder of the NIU Gamelan Ensemble. **The deadline for submission has been extended to Nov.**

**30.** Those accepted will be notified by **Dec. 15**. For information, email [jcwang@niu.edu](mailto:jcwang@niu.edu) or see the [symposium website](#).

#### 6. Center associates update: Hamayotsu, Wang **NEW**



Hamayotsu

\* Kikue Hamayotsu (Political Science) has received word that Cornell University's Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies will contribute \$10,000 toward a joint project by Hamayotsu and Chiara Formichi, assistant professor in Southeast Asian Studies at Cornell, entitled "Religious Minorities in Asia: Historical, Political and Social Approaches." The project, which proposes two workshops, one in Hong Kong and one in DeKalb, will also receive partial funding from CSEAS in 2015.

\* Jui-Ching Wang (School of Music) has published the [article](#) "Games Unplugged! Dolanan Anak, Traditional Javanese Children's Singing Games in the 21<sup>st</sup>-Century General Music Classroom" in the **Oct. 17** issue of the peer-reviewed online journal, *General Music Today*. Wang researched children's singing games in Yogyakarta in March.

## 7. Notes from all over: New MOU with Vietnamese university and student/alumni news **NEW**



Flanked by Deborah Pierce, Associate Vice President for International Affairs, left, and CSEAS Director Judy Ledgerwood, right, Dr. Tran Dinh Lam, second from left, and Vice President for International Affairs Raymond C. Alden sign a Memorandum of Understanding between NIU and Lam's institution, the University of Social Sciences and Humanities at Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City.

Dr. Tran Dinh Lam, director of the Center for Vietnamese and Southeast Asian Studies at the University of Social Sciences and Humanities at Vietnam National University in Ho Chi Minh City, visited campus **Nov. 11** to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between his institution and NIU. At a luncheon after the signing at the Holmes Student



Nicole Loring test-drives her presentation "Entrenching Authoritarianism" Oct. 17 at the CSEAS Friday lecture.

Center, Lam expressed his appreciation for stronger ties between NIU and his institution. . . .Nicole Loring (PhD student, political science) and Tiffanesha Williams (MA political science, 2014), now a PhD student at the University of Missouri-Columbia, have been invited to present papers at the Midwest Political Science Association conference **April 16–19** in Chicago. Loring will present "Entrenching Authoritarianism: Transitions from Military to Civilian Rule in Southeast Asia and Beyond" on "The Military as a Political Actor" panel. Williams will present "Appendages of the Past: State Capacity, Colonialism, and Public Service Provision" on the "Colonial Legacies in the Developing World" panel.

## 8. Fulbright-Hays Philippines project actively recruiting teachers **NEW**

High school social studies teachers and community college instructors are invited to apply for a Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad program that will take six teachers and six instructors from northern Illinois to the Philippines for a four-week study tour **June 20–July 20, 2015**. The project, led by Anthropology Professor [Susan Russell](#) in collaboration with NIU senior Tagalog instructor [Rhodalyne Gallo-Crail](#), is funded by the US Department of Education. Funding covers all participant expenses, including international air travel. **Applications are due Feb. 1**. For details, see the [program website](#) and [article](#) in *NIU Today*.

## 9. **Save the dates:** International careers panel, gamelan open house

- **Nov. 19:** International Careers Panel, 4 p.m. University Suite, Holmes Student Center. **NEW**
- **Dec. 1:** NIU Gamelan Ensemble open house, 6 p.m. Recital Hall, Music Building. **NEW**
- **Jan. 1:** Summer FLAS applications due. **NEW**
- **Feb. 1:** 2015-16 academic-year FLAS applications due. **NEW**
- **April 9–11:** World Music Symposium honoring Kuo-Huang Han, music professor emeritus and founder of the NIU Gamelan Ensemble.
- **April 18:** Southeast Asia Club Culture Fest. Details TBA.
- **April 25:** Southeast Club Spring Student Conference. Keynote speaker: Penny Edwards. Other details TBA.

- **Through May:** “Curated by DeKalb: 50 Years of the Anthropology Museum,” 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary exhibition drawn from the NIU Anthropology Museum collection, including Southeast Asian artifacts. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Admission free.

### 10. Graduate POLS class added to spring 2015 SEA courses

A new graduate-level political science course has been added to the spring Southeast Asian Studies course list. Kikue Hamayotsu is offering POLS 664-1, Politics of Identity: Ethnicity, Religion and Conflict. She is also teaching POLS 376, Political Violence. In anthropology, Andrea Molnar will teach ANTH 491/591, Peace and Conflict in SEA from a Political Perspective. In history, Trude Jacobsen will teach HIST 342, Southeast Asia to 1800. Tharaphi Than will teach FLST 482, Censorship and Literature: State and Society in Authoritarian Countries. Catherine Raymond will teach ARTH 457/657, Topics in Art History: From Heaven to Hell: Protectors, Spirits, Magical Spells and Hungry Ghosts in SEA Art, and I Gusti Kertayuda will teach gamelan in MUSE 370/670. Kelly Champion is offering FCNS 384, Asian American Families, and CSEAS graduate assistant Iqra Anugrah will teach the Center’s Southeast Asia survey course, SEAS 225. All second-semester classes in Burmese, Indonesian, Khmer, Tagalog, and Thai also will be offered. For dates and times of all classes, see the full [spring](#) schedule on the Center website.

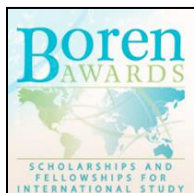
### 11. Burnish your resumé: Sign up for SEA Studies minor or grad certificate

Adding a minor to an undergraduate degree or a graduate certificate to an advanced degree can pull a resumé up to the top of the pile. To learn about NIU’s Southeast Asian Studies programs, visit the [CSEAS website](#) or stop by Pottenger House, 520 College View Court. Undergraduates may make an appointment with Acting Outreach Coordinator Julien Ehrenkönig at [ehrenkonig@niu.edu](mailto:ehrenkonig@niu.edu); graduate students should contact Assistant Director Trude Jacobsen at [tjacobsen1@niu.edu](mailto:tjacobsen1@niu.edu).



### 12. Boren, Blakemore awards offer opportunity for intensive language study

NIU political science PhD candidate Thomas Rhoden is spending this year in Thailand perfecting his Karen language skills courtesy of a prestigious David L. Boren fellowship, one of 106 students nationwide receiving the award for 2014–15. The Boren awards, along with the Blakemore Freeman fellowships, offer substantial opportunities to advance Southeast Asian language study.



**The Boren fellowships and scholarship program**, an initiative of the national Security Education program, 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. The deadline to apply for Boren fellowships for undergraduates is **Jan. 27** for graduate students and **Feb. 4** for undergraduates. The Boren advisor at NIU is Study Abroad Director Anne Seitzinger; contact her at [aseitz@niu.edu](mailto:aseitz@niu.edu). For more information, see the [Boren website](#).



**The Blakemore Foundation** makes grants for the advanced study of selected Southeast Asian languages—Burmese, Indonesian, Khmer, Thai, and Vietnamese—by scholars and mid-career professionals. Applications for the 2014 Blakemore Freeman fellowships and Blakemore refresher grants are now being accepted. The grants cover tuition and stipend, educational expenses, living costs and transportation. Candidates must be U.S. citizens with an undergraduate

degree pursuing a career that involves the regular use of a Southeast Asian language. See the [Blakemore Foundation website](#). Deadline to apply is **Dec. 30**.

### 13. Money for study

*Center for Khmer Studies*

- **Post-doc and senior fellowships:** Short-term and long-term funded research opportunities available through Council of American Overseas Research Centers. **Deadline: Nov. 30.** See [website](#).

*East-West Center*

- **2015–16 graduate fellowship opportunities:** Apply to study in Honolulu through variety of programs. **Deadline: Nov. 3.** 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](#).

*Social Science Research Council*

- **International dissertation research fellowships:** Nine- to 12-month support for graduate students in humanities and humanistic social sciences. Amounts vary depending on research plan. **Deadline: Nov. 4.** See [website](#) for details.

*United States-Indonesia Society*

- **2015 Sumitro Fellowships:** \$10,000 travel/study grant for postdocs, PhD candidates, senior academics and qualified candidates. Two grants offered, one for U.S. citizens and one for Indonesian citizens. **Deadline: Jan. 31.** See [website](#).

### 14. Job/internship opportunities

*Asia Society*

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

*Association of Southeast Asian Nations*

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

*Center for Khmer Studies*

- **Mid-Career Program Instructor:** Post-doc in political science or relevant field sought for new program, "Exploring Conflict in the ASEAN Region" for mid-career scholars, development professions and civil servants from Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam. **Deadline to apply: Dec. 31.** See [website](#) for details or email CKS Director Krisna Uk at [krisna.uk@khmerstudies.org](mailto:krisna.uk@khmerstudies.org). **NEW**

*Devex: Do Good. Do It Well*

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

*DevMetJOBS.org*

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

*Hess International Educational Group*

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

*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](#). **NEW**

### *World Health Organization*

- Global public health nonprofit based in Geneva, Switzerland, encourages online applications for potential employment. See [WHO website](#).

## 15. Conferences, calls for papers and workshops

- **Symposium on ‘Social Resistance in Non-Democracies,’** Nov. 24–26, Lund University, Sweden. See [symposium website](#).
- **4<sup>th</sup> International JSA-ASEAN Conference**, Dec. 15–16, Thammasat University Institute of East Asian Studies. See [conference website](#).
- **International Symposium on Cambodia**, Dec. 15–16, Royal University of Fine Arts, Phnom Penh. See [symposium website](#).
- **Dynamics of Religion in Southeast Asia (DORISEA)**, Jan. 23–24, Humboldt University, Berlin. See [conference website](#).
- **Workshop: Religious Pluralism, Magic and Gender/Sex Diversity in Southeast Asia**, Jan. 21–22, Humboldt University, Berlin. Precedes DORISEA conference (see separate listing).
- **International Graduate Student Conference on the Asia Pacific Region**, Feb. 12–14, East-West Center, Honolulu. See [conference website](#).
- **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. Call for abstracts. **Deadline: Nov. 15**. See [website](#).
- **Third Hmong Consortium Conference**, April 10–11, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI. Theme: Hmong around the World. Call for abstracts. **Deadline: Dec. 31**. Email to conference chair Ian Baird at [ibaird@wisc.edu](mailto:ibaird@wisc.edu). See [consortium website](#).
- **ISEAS Writers Workshop**, May 25–26, Singapore. Subject: Chinese natural resource extraction in Southeast Asia. Call for proposals. **Deadline: Jan. 15, 2015**. 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](#).
- **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](#) for details. **NEW**

## 16. 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, that were chosen by members of the NIU and local communities.
- “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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