

CSEAS Weekly Bulletin

Center for Southeast Asian Studies at Northern Illinois University • Week of October 21, 2019



2019 Global MBA grad and FLAS fellow Randy Chaing won the NIU Study Abroad Office's annual photography contest with this entry in the Capture the Culture category. Chaing, who studied intensive Khmer in Cambodia last summer, took this photo of a primary school welcoming his class. "The entire school came out and greeted us with dancers and a band to lead the way," Chaing wrote in his entry. "At the end, my class surrounded the flagpole while over 3,000 students sang the Cambodian national anthem during the raising of their flag. It was one of my most memorable experiences and still gives me goosebumps thinking about it." See more about studying abroad in SEA below.

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1. This week's lecture: Outcomes, implications of 2019 Thai election **NEW**

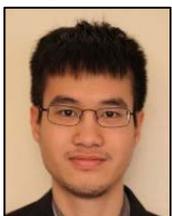


Srivunnabood

Fulbright scholar and Mahidol University political scientist Punchada Sirivunnabood (PhD political science 2009) will present "Thailand Year Forward: Analyzing the Outcomes and Implications of the 2019 Election" at noon Friday, **Oct. 25**, in Campus Life 100. While on campus, Sirivunnabood is working on Thai relations with ASEAN nations with Political Science associates Scot Schraufnagel and Aarie Glas and on her own book-length project about recent Thai elections. Chef Ken Fleming returns this week to prepare Southeast Asian lunch. To order, submit an online request by 6 p.m. Wednesday (**note change**) 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 \$6 for faculty, staff and others. Payments may be made in cash or by check. For lunch details, e-mail cseasbrownbag@gmail.com. Feed your body and mind.

2. Special lecture this week: How the Khmer Rouge interrupted regional integration **NEW**



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Hoang Minh Vu, a Ph.D. candidate in Southeast Asian history at Cornell University, will present "The Third Indochina War and the Making of Present-Day Southeast Asia," in a special CSEAS lecture from 1 to 2 p.m. **Oct. 24** in Campus Life 100. Vu's research focuses on Vietnam's efforts to integrate itself into the economic fabric of the non-Communist global market through the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) after the end of the Vietnam War in 1975--and how the outbreak of the Khmer Rouge war in Cambodia in 1975 interrupted that process. Vu's talk highlights

the role of epistemic communities in helping the Indochinese state redefine their national interests following the Khmer Rouge defeat, galvanizing ASEAN's future enlargement and transformation.

3. Study abroad in SEA next summer **NEW**

NIU and CSEAS are offering three opportunities to study abroad for credit next summer in Thailand, Vietnam and Cambodia. The NIU Study Abroad office will post registration and detailed program information soon on its portal. For details in the meantime, email program directors, niuabroad@niu.edu, or CSEAS at cseas@niu.edu.

- **Thailand:** Humanitarian Aid, Sustainable Development and Refugee Studies Global Internship, **June 1–July 26**, is an interdisciplinary program that begins with one month of campus study in June, followed by a three-week internship experience in Bangkok and Chiang Mai **July 5–26**. The program is designed to allow you to broaden your field of study by exploring such topics as sustainability, social entrepreneurship, community development, diversity leadership, migration, curriculum design, public health and international/global relations among others. Courses offered are at both undergraduate and graduate levels: SEAS 490/590 and INTL 301/501; six hours credit. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 1**. For more information, contact program director Karla Findley at kfindley1@niu.edu.
- **Vietnam:** War and Peace in Vietnam, **June 15–July 7**, is a month-long program that includes six days of on-campus study before and after a 12-day study tour to Vietnam. Led by Associate History Professor Stanley Arnold, the program focuses on the American experience in Vietnam and examines the impact of the war on Vietnam, the region and the world. You will visit Hanoi, Hue, Ho Chi Minh City, Khe Sanh, My Lai and other historical



sites, and interact with local communities. Three undergraduate and three graduate courses are offered: HIST 396, HIST 469, HIST 493, HIST 569, HIST 600 and HIST 736; six hours credit. **Deadline to apply: Feb. 1.** For more information, contact Arnold at sarnold@niu.edu.

- **Cambodia:** Cambodian Culture and Civilization, **June 8–26**, is an immersive three-week



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program offering a global and cultural perspective on rural and urban cultures in Cambodia. You will spend two weeks in Siem Reap and one week in the capital city of Phnom Penh, including the Angkor Wat temple complex in Siem Reap, Buddhist temples, and Cambodian Genocide historical sites. You will attend lectures on politics, sociology, language, the environment, archaeology and culture and dance at the Center for Khmer Studies in Siem Reap. The program also includes service learning, meaningful

community engagement and immersion in Khmer culture. Undergraduate and graduate courses offered include SEAS 225, SEAS 590, and INTL 201 and 501; six hours credit.

Deadline to apply: April 1. On-site directors are sociologist Kathleen Westman and Sauk Valley Community College political science professor Paul Edleman. For more information, contact Westman at kwestman911@gmail.com.

4. **Mandala 2019: Looking back at an event-full year** **NEW**

CSEAS and NIU launch new academic initiatives in SEA. A FLAS fellow meets his father in Laos. State Department youth exchange programs by the numbers. A banner year for donations to the Donn V. Hart Southeast Asia Collection. Plus faculty news, student accomplishments, alumni updates and more in the 2019 edition of *Mandala*, now [online](#) and soon to be available in print. Read all about it!



5. **Two FLAS opportunities, two deadlines, one application**

Whether you're applying for a summer 2020 or an academic-year 2020–21 FLAS fellowship, or both, you can apply for a Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowship with **one application**.

The application and all information on both summer and academic-year FLAS awards are posted on the CSEAS [website](#). **Summer FLAS applications will be due Jan. 1; the deadline for the academic-year FLAS is Feb. 1.** The U.S. Department of Education's Title VI Program of Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships funds FLAS fellowships. 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.

What's it like to be a FLAS fellow? See "Students Parlay Southeast Asian Studies into Scholarships, Travel, Leg Up in Job Market," in the [NIU Newsroom](#)

5. **Save the dates: Special lecture, Culture Fest 2019, Statement of Purpose workshop** **NEW**

- **Oct. 24:** Huang Minh Vu, PhD candidate Cornell University, Vietnamese scholar, 1 p.m. Campus Life 100.

- **Nov. 13:** CSEAS Outreach presents Multicultural Storytime Series: Thailand, 4:30 p.m., Sycamore Public Library, 103 E. State St.
- **Nov. 15–18:** Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program ASEAN summit, Jakarta, Indonesia. **NEW**
- **Nov. 21:** Culture Fest 2019, 6 to 8 p.m., Campus Life Atrium and Room 100. Food, crafts and performances by various campus groups. Organized by the Southeast Asia Club. For details, email Matthew Werstler at mwerstler1@niu.edu. **NEW**
- **Nov. 25:** NIU Gamelan Ensemble fall concert, 6:30 p.m., Recital Hall, Music Building.
- **Dec. 3:** Statement of Purpose Workshop, 3 p.m., Center for Latino and Latin American Studies.

6. Southeast Asia Crossroads: A monk and the modern Thai state **NEW**



Tune in to CSEAS's [Southeast Asia Crossroads](#) podcast series to hear University of Wisconsin-Madison anthropologist Katherine Bowie join host Eric Jones, CSEAS associate Kanjana Thepboriruk and NIU anthropology instructor Matthew Trew to discuss Bowie's new research on the influential monk, Kruba Srivichai, and his place in defining modern Thailand. Our podcast following (more than 18,500 listens since its 2016 debut) keeps growing around the world with listeners in 70

countries as we cover topics from history and politics to art and culture.

7. CSEAS offers distance Indonesian class fall and spring

Indonesian language professor Rahmi Aoyama's 10-week beginning Indonesian [distance class](#) through CSEAS begins this week. But you can also sign up to take it in the spring; just sign up and indicate spring on the registration form. No prior knowledge of the language is required. Instruction will be live and conducted by Aoyama. Contact her at rhartati1@niu.edu for details.

8. 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 Matt Jagel at mjagel2@niu.edu; graduate students should contact Assistant Director Jui-Ching Wang at jcwang@niu.edu.

9. Looking for a few good SEA manuscripts



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

10. Money for study

NIU

- **Undergraduate Student Engagement [Travel Grants](#):** Funding available for full-time students to attend professional conferences, NIU study abroad programs, Huskie Alternative Break trips and other student engagement projects. Applications reviewed the 15th of every month. **Deadline for study abroad funds: Dec. 8.** For details, contact engage@niu.edu.

Phi Kappa Phi

- **Study abroad grants:** Competitive \$1,000 grants for undergraduates at institutions with active chapter (NIU is one). **Applications open Dec. 15; deadline to apply March 15.** See [website](#).

U.S. Department of State

- **Critical Language Scholarships:** Open to undergraduate and graduate students for fully funded intensive summer 2020 study of Bahasa Indonesia. **Deadline to apply: Nov. 19.** See [website](#).

Blakemore Foundation

- **Fellowships for Advanced Asian Language Study:** 2020-21 fellowships for recent graduates, graduate students and working professionals, covering tuition and a stipend for educational, living and travel expenses. **Deadline to apply: Dec. 20.** See [website](#).

National Endowment for the Humanities

- **CAORC senior research fellowships:** Applications open for 2019-20 fellowships for U.S. and international postdoctoral scholars (who have resided in the U.S. for three or more years. Research to be conducted between May 2020 and November 2021 in an American overseas research center in Cambodia, Indonesia or Myanmar. **Deadline to apply: Jan. 23.** See [website](#).

Center for Khmer Studies

- **Senior research fellowships:** Applications open for in-country fellowships for doctoral students from U.S., Cambodia and France. **Deadline to apply: Nov. 15.** Other fellowship opportunities also. See [website](#).

Center for Indonesian Policy Studies

- **Visiting research fellowships:** Opportunities for Indonesian and non-Indonesian students completing their Indonesia-related doctorate and post-graduate theses to conduct field research in Indonesia over 3-6 month period. **No deadline to apply.** See [website](#).

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. **Deadline to apply: May 31.** See [website](#).

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.

11. Conferences, symposia, calls for papers

- **Conference of Canadian Council for Southeast Asian Studies,** Power in Southeast Asia, Oct. 24–26, Montreal, Quebec. For details, email Serge Gragner, University of Sherbrooke or Erik Martinez Kuhonta, McGill University.
- **SEASIA Biennial Conference 2019,** Dec. 5–7, Academia Sinica, Taipei. Change and Resistance: Future Directions of Southeast Asia. See [website](#).
- **International Graduate Student Conference on the Asia Pacific,** Feb. 13–15, East-West Center, Honolulu. See [website](#).

- **Midwest Political Science Association**, April 16–19, Chicago. Call for papers. **Deadlines for proposals begin Oct. 3; undergraduate proposal deadline Dec. 5.** See [website](#).
- **Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast**, June 12–13, University of Hawaii-Hilo. Diverse topics in humanities, arts, social sciences, health, law or other disciplines related to Asia and Asian diaspora. **Deadline for proposals, etc.: Feb. 29.** See [website](#).
- **Association for Critical Heritage Studies 2020**, Aug. 26–30, University College, London. See [website](#).

12. Careers **NEW**

Northern Illinois University

- **Assistant Professor:** Tenure-track position in cultural anthropology; seeking SEA specialist, starting Aug. 2020. Joint hire with Department of Anthropology and CSEAS. [Submit](#) applications and documents through NIU online employment system. **Deadline to apply: Nov. 1.**

First Division Museum

- **Collections Manager:** First Division Museum at Cantigny Park, Wheaton, seeks individual with interest in working in museum setting; master's degree and some previous experience preferred. See [website](#). **NEW**

University of Florida

- **Assistant Professor:** Tenure-track position in modern Asian history, starting Aug. 2020. **Deadline to apply: Nov. 1.** See [website](#).

Singapore Management University

- **Professor:** Tenure-track position at full, associate or assistant level in politics and history of SEA, starting July 2020. **Application review begins Oct. 1.** See [website](#).

McGill University

- **Assistant or Associate Professor:** Tenure-track position in SEA religions, with research rooted in study of at least one tradition and comparative study of another. **Application review begins Oct. 1.** See [website](#).

ISEAS Yusof Ishak Institute

- **Visiting Fellow/China and Mainland SEA:** Two- to six-month fellowship to study social and cultural impact of Chinese capital and labor flows into villages, towns and cities of Vietnam, Thailand, Myanmar, Cambodia and/or Laos, starting Jan. 2020. PhD required (political science, sociology, anthropology or demography studies preferred). See [website](#).

Clark University

- **Visiting Assistant Professor:** One-semester, non-tenure track position in the history of Islam in early modern and/or modern world, starting Jan. 2020. ABD or PhD in history, Islamic studies, or related field required. See [website](#).

University of California-Santa Cruz

- **Assistant Professor SEA History:** Tenure-track position in history with emphasis on environmental history; all SEA geographical and topical subfields welcome. **Deadline to apply: Nov. 5.** See [website](#).

Vanderbilt University

- **Assistant Professor Asian Environmental Studies:** Tenure-track position beginning fall 2020. Open to humanities, social sciences, natural sciences specialists in Southeast, East or South Asia. **Application review begins Nov. 1.** See [website](#).

SNA International

- **Historian:** Full-time position to conduct historical research and writing for Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, based in DPAA lab in Joint Base Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. MA minimum educational requirement. **Position open until filled.** See [website](#).

U.S.-ASEAN Business Council

- **Policy and research internships:** Semester [internships](#) based in Washington, D.C. Recent graduates encouraged to apply. For details, email internships@usasean.org. See [website](#).

Yale-NUS College

- **Assistant anthropology professor:** Tenure-track [position](#) for 2020–21 academic year. **Application review begins Oct. 31.** Apply online. See [website](#).

VIA

- **Global Community Fellowship:** 13-15-month program for graduating seniors (2019) and young professionals to work at NGOs, schools, universities and social enterprises in Indonesia, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam. Monthly stipend, travel insurance, 10-day training in Thailand, midyear conference and year-end wrap-up provided; participants pay for transport to and from Asia, plus funds for food during VIA gatherings. See [website](#).

Bridge to Success

- **English Teachers in China:** Ten-month- internships and jobs for English speakers with bachelor's degree minimum. See [website](#).

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

- See [website](#) for job opportunities.

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. See [website](#).

Idealist.org

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

13. Area cultural opportunities

- 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. 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. See [website](#).

The future calls

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