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## Call for Papers

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Keynote Speaker: Professor Jerome Cohen, New York University School of Law

The American Association for Chinese Studies (AACS) annual conference program committee invites proposals for panels, roundtables, and papers concerning China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and the Chinese diaspora for the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, hosted by Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ, October 11-13, 2013. We especially want to invite panel or paper proposals dealing with the change of leadership in China and its effects on the Chinese society, politics and economy, and its relationships with the United States, Taiwan, and the rest of the world.

The AACS is an interdisciplinary association devoted to the study of China broadly defined. Submissions from all disciplines are welcome. Membership in AACS is required for participation in the annual conference, and non-members are welcome to submit proposals, join the Association and participate in the annual conference. We encourage submissions from graduate students as well as junior and senior scholars, and overseas participants.

The program committee prefers proposals for complete panels (a chair, 2-3 papers, and 1-2 discussants) and roundtables (a chair and 3-4 other participants). The committee also welcomes proposals for individual papers and will attempt to place them on appropriate panels. Panels and roundtables concerning special events or topics of broad significance are welcome. Overall, our goal is to construct a **balanced** program, including panels representing the **humanities, social sciences, education and business-related disciplines**.

Our keynote speaker, Jerome Cohen, has been the driving force behind East Asian legal studies in the United States for nearly five decades. He has been a professor of law at New York University (1990-present), Harvard University ('64-'79), and the University of California, Berkeley ('59-'64). Professor Cohen is a leading promoter of human rights and the rule of law in East Asia, meting out criticism and advice with an unbiased hand and helping both nations and individuals find their way to justice. Most recently, he played a key role in securing the freedom of Chinese human rights activist Chen Guangcheng, whose flight to the U.S. embassy in Beijing made headlines last spring.

Members of the program committee include John Fuh-sheng Hsieh (University of South Carolina), Linda H. Chiang (Azusa Pacific University), and Jacques DeLisle (University of Pennsylvania). Proposals should include the names and roles of panel/roundtable participants, contact information, paper topics and short abstracts.

Please send your proposal, preferably by e-mail, to Professor Hsieh at AACS2013@gmail.com. Make sure to include complete contact information (address, telephone number, and e-mail). The deadline for **panel proposals is March 1, 2013**, and the deadline for **paper proposals is May 1, 2013**. Scholars submitting proposals by the deadline will be notified of their inclusion in the program by May 30, 2013.