

**American Association for Chinese Studies
55th Annual Conference Program
October 11-13, 2013**

**Hosted by Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
New Brunswick, New Jersey**

Friday, October 11, 2013

7:00-9:00 pm Opening reception

Saturday, October 12, 2013

7:00-8:00 am AACS Board Meeting

8:30-10:15 am Panel Session One

10:15-10:45 am Coffee Break

10:45-12:30 pm Panel Session Two

12:30-1:30 pm Luncheon and Keynote Speech
Professor Jerome Cohen, New York University

1:45-3:30 pm Panel Session Three

3:30-4:00 pm Coffee Break

4:00-5:45 pm Panel Session Four

7:00-9:00 pm Banquet

Sunday, October 13, 2013

7:30-8:45 am AJCS Board Meeting

8:30-10:15 am Panel Session Five

10:15-10:45 am Coffee Break

10:45 am -12:30 pm Panel Session Six

Panels

Session I: Saturday, 8:30-10:15 AM

1A. China Since the 18th Party Congress: a One-Year Assessment

Chair and Organizer: June Teufel Dreyer, University of Miami

“Economics”

Vincent Wang, University of Richmond

“Legal Development”

Jacques deLisle, University of Pennsylvania

“Foreign Policy”

Kevin Cai, University of Waterloo

“Military”

June Teufel Dreyer, University of Miami

Discussant: Ed Friedman, University of Wisconsin, Madison

1B. Governing the Emerging Challenges in China

Chair: Tse-Kang Leng, Academia Sinica

“Toward Fiscal Discipline and Transparency in Governance: The Case of State-Owned Enterprises in China”

Chia Chen, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics

“Urbanization of Water: Beijing and the South–North Water Transfer Project in China”

Jenn hwan Wang, National Chengchi University

Shu-wei Huang, National Chengchi University

“Money for Stability? Political Use of Public Expenditure in China”

Shu Keng, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics

Chaoran Ren, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics

Discussant: Ching-Ping Tang, National Chengchi University

1C. Chinese Foreign Policy in the New Era

Chair: Katherine Tseng, National University of Singapore

“An Empirical Assessment of China's Peaceful Rise”

Jun Xiang, Rutgers University

Chris Primiano, Rutgers University
Wei-hao Huang, Rutgers University

“Will China’s Foreign Policy Become More Assertive?”
Jinghao Zhou, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

“China’s Soft Power Promotion and Public Diplomacy since 2000: A Preliminary Assessment”
Zhiqun Zhu, Bucknell University

“National Identity, State Emotion, and Memory-Encoded Social Norms: A Social Constructivist Account of China’s Foreign Policy”
Ning Liao, Old Dominion University

Discussant: Katherine Tseng, National University of Singapore

1D. Grassroots Organizations and NGOs

Organizer: Chien-Chung Huang, Rutgers University
Chair: Xing Wang, Nankai University

“Interests Separation and Resident’s Participation: The Puzzle and Theoretical Transition of the Urban Grass-Roots Society Management”
Xing Wang, Nankai University

“An Ecosystem-based Analysis of Environmental Problems in Chinese Rural Areas: A Case Study of Social Development Practice in Yunnan Province”
Qi Wu, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Shiyu Wu, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

“Expanding Political Space in Contemporary China: A Comparative Study of the Advocacy Strategies of Three Women’s Groups”
Weiting Wu, The City University of New York

Discussant: Chien-Chung Huang, Rutgers University

1E. Ang Lee and His Art: Ang Lee’s Filmic Rendition of Culture(s)

Chair and Organizer: Tan Ye, University of South Carolina

“Ang Lee: An Idealist and Practitioner of Cultural Integration”
Xuguang Chen, Peking University

“A New World View of Cultural Glocality in Ang Lee’s Film Production”
Chia-rong Wu, Rhodes College

“Individual Time as Repudiation of the Subject of the History in *Lust, Caution*”

Leihua Weng, Pacific Lutheran University

“Ang Lee’s View of the East and the West”

Tan Ye, University of South Carolina

Discussant: Ya-chen Chen, Clark University

1F. Confucianism and Americanism: Cultural Diversities.

Organizer: Yu-long Ling, Franklin College

Chair: Thomas Bellows, University of Texas, San Antonio

“The Human Nature Premise: Is It Possible to Reconcile Christian and Confucian Cultures?”

James C. Hsiung, New York University

“How Does Confucius’ Ideology of Learning Shape Education in the Modern World”

Linda Chiang, Azusa Pacific University.

“Brief Discussion of Confucianism and Americanism”

Yu-long Ling, Franklin College.

Discussant: Yu-long Ling, Franklin College

Session II: Saturday, 10:45 AM-12:30 PM

2A. The Scholarship, Teaching, and Mentoring of Professor Nancy Bernkopf Tucker

Organizer: Steven Phillips, Towson University

Chair: Shelley Rigger, Davidson College

Panelists:

Meredith Oyen, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Eileen Scully, Bennington College

Steven Phillips, Towson University

2B. China’s Foreign Relations in Review: Directions under New Leadership

Organizer: James C. Hsiung, New York University

Chair: Yu-long Ling, Franklin College

“U.S.-China Relations in President Obama's Second Term”

Sheldon Simon, Arizona State University

“Speculating on the Foreign Policy Decision-Making Mode under the Xi-Li Team”
Chenshan Tian, Beijing Foreign Studies University

“China’s Quest for Soft Power: Building FTAs & Trying to Be a “Responsible Stake-holder”
James C. Hsiung, New York University

“The Taiwan Factor in U.S.-China Relations”
Thomas Bellows, University of Texas, San Antonio

Discussant: Vincent Wang, University of Richmond

2C. Civil Society in China: Too Vibrant to Manage?

Chair and Organizer: T.J. Cheng, College of William and Mary

“The Revival of Christianity in Rural China”
Deborah Brown, Seton Hall University
T.J. Cheng, College of William and Mary

“If I Hadn’t Come, We May Have Been One Person Short: Human Rights Advocacy in China”
Louisa Chiang, National Endowment for Democracy

“Setting the Agenda: The Tactics and Impact of Chinese Citizens’ Efforts to Defy Censorship”
Sarah Cook, Freedom House

“Law and Democracy in China: A Complex Relationship”
Jacques deLisle, University of Pennsylvania

Discussants:
Wei-chin Lee, Wake Forest University
Chien-pin Li, Kennesaw State University

2D. Taiwan’s Economy and Trade

Chair: Peter C.Y. Chow, City University of New York

"The Taiwanese Economic Miracle: a Narrative History, 1949-2013"
Murray A. Rubinstein, Columbia University and CCNY

“Effects of Firm-Specific and Macroeconomic Environmental Variables on Cost Efficiency:
The Case of the Banking Industry in Taiwan”
Sunil K. Mohanty, University of St. Thomas
Winston T. Lin, State University of New York at Buffalo
Hong-Jen Lin, Brooklyn College, The City University of New York

“Domestic Dilemmas of Taiwan’s Trade Policy”

Scott Wilbur and Ming-min Yang, University of Southern California

Discussant: I-Ming Chiu, Rutgers University at Camden

2E. Ang Lee and His Art: Of Nature and Man

Organizer: Tan Ye, University of South Carolina

Chair: Xuguang Chen, Peking University

“An Ecocriticism towards Ang Lee’s Film *Life of Pi*”

Hua Zhang, Beijing Language and Culture University

“Competing Narratives: Choosing the Tiger in Ang Lee’s *Life of Pi*”

Jason Coe, University of Hong Kong

“Translating Text into Film: Redefining the Adaptation and Translation Divide through Ang Lee’s *The Life of Pi*”

Melissa Chan, University of Southern California

“The Construction of Subjectivity by Narrating Stories in Movie *Life of Pi*”

Zhuo Feng, University of South Carolina

Discussant: Tan Ye, University of South Carolina

Session III: Saturday, 1:45-3:30 PM

3A. Roundtable Discussion: Chances and Challenges: Social Policy Development in the Socioeconomic Transition Period

Chair and Organizer: Chien-Chung Huang, Rutgers University

Panelists:

Xinping Guan, Nankai University

Ka Ho Joshua Mok, The Hong Kong Institute of Education

Yeun-wen Ku, National Taiwan University

3B. U.S. Pivot to Asia

Chair and Organizer: Peter C.Y. Chow, City University of New York

“An Indispensable Pillar of Obama’s ‘Pivot to Asia’: Continuing Strategic Ambiguity across the Taiwan Strait.”

Dean Chen, Ramapo College of New Jersey

“The Nationalists and Taiwan’s Strategic Value”
Steven Phillips, Towson University

“The Economic-Security Nexus in East Asia “
T. J. Cheng, College of William and Mary
Peter C.Y. Chow, City University of New York

“Chimerica, Sinomania, or Sino-Americana?”
Dandan Chen, Farmingdale State College, State University of New York

Discussant, Wei-Chin Lee, Wake Forest University

3C. Health and Social Work

Organizer: Chien-Chung Huang, Rutgers University
Chair: Julian Chun-Chung Chow, UC Berkeley

“The Role of Perceived Happiness, Depression, and Discrimination in Social Service Use:
Chinese Immigrant Wives in Hong Kong”
Julian Chun-Chung Chow, UC Berkeley
Carol Peng, UC Berkeley
Christine Wei-Mien Lou, UC Berkeley
Yaohua Li, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
Qiaobing Wu, Chinese University of Hong Kong

“Crossing Disciplinary Boundaries: Social Work Education in Health and Mental Health”
Yin-Ling Irene Wong, University of Pennsylvania
Mary Mazzola, University of Pennsylvania
Yuyuan Liu, University of Pennsylvania

“Regional Political Economy and Local Social Health Insurance Reform in China”
Xian Huang, Columbia University

“A New Mode of Public-Private Welfare Mix? Promoting Partnership by Social Management in
China”
Shih-Jiunn Shi, National Taiwan University

Discussant: Jin Huang, Saint Louis University

3D. Whither the Taiwan Studies?

Chair: Shelley Rigger, Davidson College

"Studying "Taiwan Studies": The History and Historiography of a China-Related Subfield"
Murray A. Rubinstein, Columbia University and CCNY

“Paradigm Shift in Taiwan Politics: From Identity to Distribution”
Yu-Shan Wu, Academia Sinica

“Political Participation in Asia: The Case of Democratic Taiwan”
Lu-Chung Dennis Weng, University of Texas at Dallas

“Developing an Alternative Theoretical Framework for Examining Chinese and Taiwanese Americans' Academic Success”
Shelley Yijung Wu, Rutgers, State University of New Jersey

Discussant: Shelley Rigger, Davidson College

3E. Ang Lee and His Art: Lee’s Philosophic Landscape

Organizer: Tan Ye, University of South Carolina
Chair: Ya-Chen Chen, Clark University

“Feminism and Its 'Cinematic Glass Ceiling' in Recent Chinese Martial Arts Films: Cases in Ang Lee's *Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon* and others”
Ya-Chen Chen, Clark University

“Ang Lee and His Arts World”
Chengfeng Zhang, Chongqing University of Education

“Fantasy and Spirituality in *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* and *Life of Pi*”
Yun Zhu, Temple University

“*Lust, Caution*: from Literature to Film”
Lingqiang Kong, UC Santa Barbara

Discussant: Hua Zhang, Beijing Language and Culture University

Session IV: Saturday, 4:00-5:45 PM

4A. Elite Politics in China and Taiwan

Chair: Kelan (Lilly) Lu, University of South Carolina

“Elite Configuration and the Survival of Leninist Party: A Comparative Study of the CCP and KMT”
Hsin-hao Huang, National Taiwan Normal University

“Provincial Leaders in China: Changes and Continuities since 1988”
Xiaowei Zang and Rongrong Lin, University of Sheffield

“Who Gets Promoted and Why? Understanding Power and Persuasion in China’s Cadre Evaluation System”

Zhen Wang, University of Minnesota

Discussant: Kelan (Lilly) Lu, University of South Carolina

4B. US Pivot to Asia Policy and Cross-Strait Relations

Chair and Organizer: Wei-chin Lee, Wake Forest University

“The Pivotal Question: How Does China React to the U.S. Strategic Pivot to Asia?”
Yong Deng, US Naval Academy

“US Rebalancing: Implications for Stability across the Taiwan Strait”
Scott L. Kastner, University of Maryland

“The U.S.-China Economic Relations: The Implication of the U.S. New Asia Policy
Chien-pin Li, Kennesaw State University”

“The ‘Business-Government Relationship’: A Key Variable in the Relationship between Trade and Conflict”

Alex Hsueh, University of South Carolina

Discussant: Tun-jen Cheng, College of William and Mary

4C. Elder Well-Being and Care

Organizer: Chien-Chung Huang, Rutgers University

Chair: Wen-Jui Han, New York University

“Trajectory of Physical Health, Cognitive Function, and Psychological Well-Being Among Chinese Elderly”

Wen-Jui Han, New York University

Tazuko Shibusawa, New York University

“Elderly Care: Urban Community Care vs. Institutional Care”

Yihong Zhao, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

“Institutional Ageism and Public Policy Reform for the Elderly in China”

Fan Wu, Nankai University

Discussant: Dr. Xinping Guan, Nankai University

4D. Images and Truth of Women in Taiwan

Chair and Organizer: Linda H. Chiang, Azusa Pacific University

“Deviant Behavior among Taiwanese Young Teenagers: Do Foreign-born Mothers Make Differences?”

Cheng-Hsien Lin, Lamar University

“The Acculturation and Mental Health of Foreign Women Who Married into Families in Taiwan”

Chiung-Fang Chang, Lamar University

“The Only Thing Oriental about Me Is My Face”: The True Picture of Madame Chiang Kai-shek”

Dan Palm, Azusa Pacific University

Linda H. Chiang, Azusa Pacific University

“The Puzzle of Why the Status of Women is Higher in Taiwan than Chile”

Evelyn A. Clark, SUNY, Oswego

Phyllis Mei-lien Lu and Cal Clark, Auburn University

Discussant: Phyllis Lan Lin, University of Indianapolis

4E. From ‘Green Island’ to ‘Dragon Gate’: Tracing the Great Composer Zhou Lanping’s Life and Work

Chair and Organiser: Szu-Wei Chen, National Taiwan University

“Reexamining the 1950s and 1960s: repositioning Taiwan in Mandopop history”

Szu-Wei Chen, National Taiwan University

“Zhou Lanping and the legendary ‘Green Island Serenade’”

Tung Shen, National Taiwan University

“An imaginary soundscape of ancient China: Zhou Lanping’s music in Come Drink with Me and Dragon Gate Inn”

Aimei Luo, National Taiwan University

Discussant: Tan Ye, University of South Carolina

Session V: Sunday, 8:30-10:15 AM

5A. Policy Implementation in China

Chair: Tse-Kang Leng, Academia Sinica

"The Dilemma of Implementation: The State and Religion in the People's Republic of China, 1949-1990"

Xiaoxuan Wang, Harvard University

"Golf Courses in China: Why Does a Strong State Produce Weak Policy Implementation?"

Xin Sun, Northwestern University

"Environmental Education Variation within China"

Gerald McBeath, University of Alaska

Discussant: Tse-Kang Leng, Academia Sinica

5B. Internal-External Nexus in Chinese Foreign Policy

Chair: Zhiqun Zhu, Bucknell University

"Elite Politics and International Strategy: Explaining Chinese Foreign Policy in the Periods of Leadership Transition"

Ziyuan Wang, London School of Economics and Political Science

"Regional Economic Integration and Provincial Reform on China's Periphery: Central-Local-International Linkages"

See-Won Byun, The George Washington University

"The Role of Antiquities in Sino-American Relations: A Century of Cultural Heritage Management"

Clayton D. Brown, Utah State University

Discussant: Zhiqun Zhu, Bucknell University

5C. Poverty and Social Welfare

Organizer: Chien-Chung Huang, Rutgers University

Chair: Dorothy J. Solinger, University of Calif., Irvine

"Three Models of Chinese Welfare: Confucian Values and Their Variable Application"

Dorothy J. Solinger, University of Calif., Irvine

"Three Worlds of the Chinese Welfare System"

Qin Gao, Fordham University

"Economic Inequality and Happiness in Urban China From the Perspective of Asset Poverty"

Jin Huang, Saint Louis University

"A New Mode of Public-Private Welfare Mix? Promoting Partnership by Social Management in China"

Shih-Jiunn Shi, National Taiwan University

Discussant: Dr. Yeun-wen Ku, National Taiwan University

5D. Culture and History

Chair: Murray A. Rubinstein, Columbia University and CCNY

“Church and State in Spanish Formosa”

Joel Fetzer, Pepperdine University

“China, Japan and Korea: Hegemonic Stability and International Society in Northeast Asia during Ming and Qing”

Lukas Karl Danner, Florida International University

“The Masquerade of Male Masochists: Anarcha-feminism in Late Qing China”

Ping Zhu, University of Oklahoma

“Food Culture as reflected from the Ming classic Xingshi Yinyuan Zhuan”

Xiaoyi Liu, Northern Arizona University

Discussant: Murray A. Rubinstein, Columbia University and CCNY

5E. Dissent and Displacement in Literature

Chair: Linda H. Chiang, Azusa Pacific University

“Li Ang’s Gendered Explorations of Dissent”

Yenna Wu, University of California, Riverside

“Youthful Taiwan: Chiang Hsun’s Nostalgic Haven of Nativist Longing and Adolescent Sexuality”

Chih-wei Chang, National Cheng Kung University

“A Lyricism of Loss: Mediating Displaced Identities in Wong Kar-wai’s In the Mood for Love”

Tara Coleman, Rutgers, State University of New Jersey

“The Face of Emotion in Early Communist China: The Loyalist vs. the Bourgeois Anti-Hero”

Alexandra Nikitina, St.Petersburg State University, Russia

Discussant: Linda H. Chiang, Azusa Pacific University

Session VI: Sunday, 10:45 AM-12:30 PM

6A. Cross-Strait Comparison in Modern Governance

Chair: Jenn-hwan Wang, National Chengchi University

“Governing Culture Politics across the Taiwan Strait”

Tse-Kang Leng, Academia Sinica

“Nourishing Non-Profit Sector in Red Crony Capitalism: The Case of the One Foundation in China”

Ching-Ping Tang, National Chengchi University

Ping-Lan Tu, National Chengchi University

“Beyond the Gray Principles: The Link between Democratic Administration and Public Service Ethics”

Kai-Jo Fu, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics

“The Shifting Role of Taiwanese Enterprises on China’s Technological Upgrading”

Ching-Jung, Tsai, National Chengchi University

Discussant: Shu Keng, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics

6B. Identity, Institutions, and the Internet

Chair: Yu-Shan Wu, Academia Sinica

“Alternative Locality: Geopolitics and Cultural Identity in Ann Hui’s A Simple Life”

Han Li, Rhodes College

“Modeling Where ‘Province-Leading-County-System’ Reform Occur in China”

Kelan (Lilly) Lu, University of South Carolina

“Grass Mud Horse”: Popular Resistance, the Politics and Poetics of Internet in Postsocialist Crisis”

Ying Xiao, University of Florida

Discussant: Yu-Shan Wu, Academia Sinica

6C. Peace and Stability in East and Southeast Asia

Chair: John Hsieh, University of South Carolina

“Domestic Audience Costs Regarding China’s Territorial Disputes”

Yue Zou, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

“The 2012 Territorial Spats and Taiwan’s Dilemma: Shedding New Lights on Old Disputes”

Katherine Tseng, National University of Singapore

“China’s Foreign Policy towards the Emerging US-Vietnam Partnership in the South China Sea”
Zou Yu, Nanyang Technological University

“Evaluating ‘One Country, Two Systems’ in Comparative Perspective”
Yew Chiew-ping and Kwong Kin Ming, National University of Singapore

Discussant: John Hsieh, University of South Carolina

6D. Migrant Workers and their Children

Organizer: Chien-Chung Huang, Rutgers University

Chair: Shuang Lu, Rutgers University

“Social Welfare and Status of Left-Behind Children in China”

Shuang Lu, Rutgers University

Yi-Ting Lin, Rutgers University

Juliann Vikse, Rutgers University

Chien-Chung Huang, Rutgers University

“Class Reproduction Among Migrant Youths in Beijing: A Life History Analysis”

Shiyong Wu, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Qi Wu, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

“Social Insurance for Migrant Workers in China: Impact of the 2008 Labor Contract Law”

Qin Gao, Fordham University

Sui Yang, Beijing Normal University

Shi Li, Beijing Normal University

Discussant: Ka Ho Joshua Mok, the Hong Kong Institute of Education

6E. Multilocality and Identity: Transnational Chinese Communities

Chair and Organizer: David Kenley, Elizabethtown College

“In Search of Legitimacy: Chinese Overseas and Anti-Chinese Discourse in Latin America and the Caribbean”

Kathleen López, Rutgers University

“Historicizing Chinese Identity: Jinan Academy, Nanyang Chinese, and the Chinese State, 1900-1906”

Leander Seah, Stetson University

“Music, Ritual, and Transmigration”

James Dale Wilson, Connecticut College

“When Islam Met China in America: A Historical Study of Chinese Halal Food in New York”

Raymond Pun, The New York Public Library / St. John’s University

Discussant: David Kenley, Elizabethtown College