CSEAS Weekly Bulletin
Center for Southeast Asian Studies at Northern Illinois University • Week of March 5, 2018

CSEAS welcomes Professor Xu Ke from Xiamen University, China, to campus in June, who will teach POLS 395 June 18-28. This summer class is cross-listed for both History (HIST 391/591) and SEAS (SEAS 490/690). Details below.

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1. March 30 Lecture: Ancient trade and a shipwreck in the Java Sea NEW

Anthropologist Lisa Niziolek of the Field Museum of Natural History will present “Ancient Maritime Trade Networks and the Java Sea Shipwreck” at noon Friday, March 30, in Room 100 Campus Life. Around 1200 CE, an ancient trading vessel foundered in the waters near Java and Sumatra and sank more than 85 feet to the bottom of the Java Sea. Eight centuries later, scientists have recovered more than 12,000 artifacts from the wreck site. The Field Museum’s anthropology collections now house more than half of these. Although most of the ship’s cargo was made up of high-fired ceramics from China, the traders on board also were transporting earthenware from Southeast Asia, elephant tusks, resin, perishables, and more than 200 tons of iron. Niziolek, who received her PhD in anthropology from the University of Illinois-Chicago, will discuss what she and other Field researchers are discovering about ancient maritime trade in Southeast Asia by studying the remains of this ship and the goods it carried. 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. Be a ‘home-bassador’: Seeking families for SEA youth programs

CSEAS and NIU’s International Training Office (ITO) are actively seeking area homestay hosts for two spring Southeast Asia youth exchange programs sponsored by the U.S. State Department at NIU.

CSEAS is looking for homestay hosts for 50 high school students and 10 adult leaders from ten Southeast Asian countries participating in the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program (SEAYLP). The homestay dates for SEAYLP are April 13–20. Students may be placed in pairs and adults as singles. Hosts provide a bed for each participant, breakfast each day and most dinners, all meals during any weekend days at home, and transportation to and from class sessions at NIU. SEAYLP host family orientation is at 7 p.m. Monday, April 3, in the Sky Room, Holmes Student center. You can find details and applications on the SEAYLP website. For more information, contact SEAYLP Homestay Coordinator Jenny Ruff at SEAYLP@jennyruff.com or SEAYLP Administrative Director Anastasia Kocher at akocher1@niu.edu. And for the host family perspective, check out what local families have to say about being a homestay host in NIU Today.

ITO is seeking host families for two weeks in April for the Philippine Youth Leadership Program (PYLP), which brings 24 youths and 4 adult leaders from the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao and surrounding provinces in the Philippines to NIU for four weeks. The homestay dates for PYLP are April 15–28. PYLP host family orientation is 7 to 8:30 p.m. April 11 in

Top 10 reasons to be a host family
10. You can experience a different culture without getting on an airplane
9. It beats watching “NCIS” reruns
8. You’ll be able to pick out Southeast Asia on a map
7. Your kids may start answering you in Burmese, Indonesian, Khmer, Lao, Malay, Thai, Tagalog or Vietnamese
6. You could become an expert at making mango sticky rice
5. It’s something different to write about on Facebook
4. You’ll be the envy of family and friends
3. It’s a good excuse for spring cleaning
2. Your family portrait could replace the flying corn cob as the international symbol of DeKalb County
1. You’ll will make friendships of a lifetime
the Holmes Student Center’s University Suite. For details, see the PYLP website or contact ITO Homestay Coordinator Leslie Shive at lshive@niu.edu.

3. Second chance to apply for summer FLAS grants
CSEAS has reopened applications for additional summer 2018 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships for a second round. You can find the application and information for the U.S. Department of Education grants online. **Deadline to apply: March 15.** 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.

4. Dwight Y. King Graduate Scholarship for the Study of Indonesia
Before his death in 2015, Political Science Professor and Center for Southeast Asian Studies Director Emeritus Dwight King established an endowment to award scholarships to international students, in particular Indonesian students, pursuing advanced degrees involving substantial Indonesia research. CSEAS invites students to apply for the first King award, the 2018–19 Dwight Y. King Graduate Scholarship for the Study of Indonesia. Applicants for this $1,000 award should be a student in good standing and at an advanced stage in their master’s or doctoral program. In keeping with King’s lifelong commitment to public affairs, students interested in working in developing countries will be given preference. Application must include a personal statement, research proposal, PDF of graduate transcript and a letter of recommendation. **Deadline to apply: March 15.**

5. James Hoesterey to be keynote speaker for student conference
Emory University cultural anthropologist James Hoestery will be the keynote speaker for the Southeast Asia Club’s Spring Southeast Asia Student Conference, Saturday, **April 7**, in Campus Life 100. Hoestery, 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). He will present “Diplomacy, Soft Power, and the Making of ‘Moderate Islam’ in Indonesia.” Hoesterey’s appearance is co-sponsored by the Graduate Colloquium. Awards will be given for best undergraduate and graduate paper. Email papers and any inquiries to niuseaclub@gmail.com (put Student Conference in the subject line).

6. Guest professor to teach summer POLS class
CSEAS and the Department of Political Science will welcome Professor Xu Ke from China’s Xiamen University in June to teach POLS 395, Contemporary Topics in Political Science—Selected Issues on
China. The summer course will cover current security issues facing China and Southeast Asia in the areas of cybersecurity, health, the environment, energy, transnational crime, terrorism and society. It will run from 1 to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, **June 18–28**, in Room 246 DuSable. The class is cross-listed under HIST 391/591 and SEAS 490/690.

7. Latest podcast: Teaching about genocide and the Khmer Rouge

In this special Southeast Asia Crossroads podcast focused on teaching about Southeast Asia, we talk to Cambodia expert and anthropologist Judy Ledgerwood as she explains how she teaches about genocide and the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia. Accompanying lesson materials can be found on the CSEAS website (click on the link for Teaching about the Khmer Rouge under Lesson Plans and Curriculum). Check out our other podcasts as well. Our listenership keeps growing. Since the series’ inception in September 2016, Crossroads podcasts have been listened to by more than 5,700 times with listeners in 55 countries.

8. Hmong exhibit on display at Waubonsee’s downtown Aurora campus

A modified version of the Pick Museum of Anthropology’s 2016 exhibit “Storytelling: Hmong American Voices” is now on display at Waubonsee Community College’s downtown Aurora location, 8 S. River St. The exhibit, In/Visibility: Hmong America and the Art of Storytelling, will be on display through **April 14** and explores Hmong American identity through first-person reflections, textiles and artwork by Hmong American artist J. Tshab Her. The exhibit is free and open to the public through funding provided by the Pick Museum, the Dunham Fund and Waubonsee Community College.

9. Apply online for Graduate School travel funding

Are you going to a professional meeting or conference? You can apply online for Graduate School travel grants to travel to out-of-town (or out-of-country) professional meetings **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.

10. Outside SEA language, cultural study abroad opportunities

* indicates full or partial funding

- * The Study Abroad in Laos (SAIL) program offered by the Center for Lao Studies is a five-week language and culture experience conducted by the Lao-American College located in Vientiane, Laos. Some funding available. **Deadline to apply: April 2.** For details, see SAIL website. To receive NIU credit, contact the NIU Study Abroad at niuabroad@niu.edu.
- 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 College of Education at the University of Illinois-Urbana is offering a three-week study abroad program focusing on education, culture and history of Indonesia **July 9–31.** While learning about Indonesia’s education system, students will visit four islands: Java, Flores, Bali and Sumba. Program includes teaching workshops, cultural experiences and excursions, and a homestay. Some funding available. See [website](#). **NEW**

11. **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.

12. **Save the dates: Host families, gamelan, student conference, cultural events**
- **March 7:** NIU Gamelan Ensemble performs at noon at Triton College, River Grove.
- **March 15:** Deadlines to apply for second round of summer FLAS funding and to apply for the 2018-19 Dwight King Graduate Scholarship for the Study of Indonesia.
- **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.**
- **April 8:** World Music Concert, Boutell Memorial Concert Hall. **FREE.**
- **April 13–20:** SEAYLP Host Family Week.
- **April 21–26:** SEAYLP Global Youth Leadership Camp for area high school students.
- **April 23:** SEAYLP Culture Night, 6:30 p.m., location TBA. **FREE.**

13. **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.

14. **Money for study**
*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.

*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](#).

15. Conferences, symposia, calls for papers

- **Cornell Southeast Asian Studies Graduate Student Conference**, March 9–11, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Theme: Possession and Persuasion. For details, email seapgradconf@gmail.com.

- **Association for Asian Studies Conference**, March 22–25, Washington, DC. See [website](#).

- **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. 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](#).


- **Escaping the Homeland: Contesting Diasporic Narratives**, April 20–21, Yale University. 17th Northeastern Conference on Indonesia. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts: March 14.** See [website](#).


- **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](#).

- **13th Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies**, July 23–27, National University of Singapore. See [website](#).

- **13th International Burma Studies Conference**, Aug. 3–5, Bangkok. **Deadline for proposals for papers or panels: April 15.** See [website](#).

- **The Rohingya Crisis: A Multidimensional Tragedy**, Aug 24, Asia Centre, Bangkok. See [website](#).


- **Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs**, Oct. 19–20, Metropolitan State University, St. Paul, MN. **Abstract/panel proposals due: April 16.** See [website](#).
• **InterAsian Connections VI: Hanoi**, Dec. 4-7, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences. See [website](#).

16. **Careers**

**NEW**

**Singapore Management University**

• **Tenure-track Position**: Assistant, associate or full professor of humanities, School of Social Sciences, to begin July 2018. Application review to begin March 5. See [job listing](#).

**Oriental Institute, Czech Academy of Sciences**

• **Researcher, History and Society of Southeast Asia**: Three-year position in Prague to begin June or September 2018. Apply by March 9. See [job listing](#).

**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**

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

**University of San Francisco**

• **Assistant Professor International Studies**: Tenure track to begin August 2018. 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](#).

17. **Area cultural opportunities** NEW
- Lunar New Year Celebration, 6 p.m. to midnight, *April 21*, Furama Restaurant, 4936 Broadway, Chicago. Sponsored by the Cambodian Association of Illinois. Food, cultural performances, and music. Tickets $50 for adults. For information, call 773-878-7090. NEW
- Lantern Parade and Vesakha Day Celebration, 4 to 7 p.m., *May 19*, Blue Lotus Buddhist Temple & Meditation Center, 221 Dean St., Woodstock, IL 60098. NEW
- If you missed the “Storytelling: Hmong American Voices” exhibit at the NIU Pick Museum of Anthropology last year, you can see it at downtown Aurora campus of Waubonsee Community College, 8 S. River St., through *April 14*.
- The NIU Gamelan Ensemble will perform at noon *March 7* in the Student Center at Triton College, River Grove, part of the school’s World Music Series.
- 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, Ill. See website.

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