The center’s sarimanok emblem, on display all year at every 50th anniversary event including the Rarely Seen Southeast Asia exhibit (above) at the Anthropology Museum, will officially be on sabbatical after the academic year ends May 10 and the exhibit closes May 15. Best wishes to all for successful final exams, happy graduations, excellent job prospects and fruitful research. The weekly bulletin will resume in August; have a great summer!

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1. Jones appointed assistant CSEAS director for 2013–14 academic year

Associate history professor Eric Jones will serve as assistant CSEAS director for the 2013–14 academic year, taking the place of current assistant director and fellow historian Trude Jacobsen, who will be in London next year. Jones, who received his PhD in history from the University of California-Berkeley in 2003, has taught undergraduate and graduate level history courses on Southeast Asia since coming to NIU in 2003. He has also led seven summer Study Abroad Malaysia programs for NIU. Acting director of undergraduate studies for the History department for the past year, he is also the author of Wives, Slaves, and Concubines: A History of the Female Underclass in Dutch Asia (NIU Press, 2010). He will be teaching HIST 469, The Vietnam War, over the summer and HIST 448, History of Indonesia, in the fall. “I am looking forward to being assistant director,” Jones said. “I plan on helping to maintain the strong momentum of the Center by doing more of the same. We have a big year ahead of us writing the next [U.S. Department of Education] Title VI grant, which should be a rewarding challenge.” Jones’ appointment will begin Aug. 16.

Jacobsen has accepted a 2013–14 visiting fellowship in the Centre for the History of Public Policy and the Global Mental Health Centre at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine where she will conduct research for her next book, Madness and Mental Health in Mainland Southeast Asia: Buddhism, Colonialism, and Medical Modernities, and work on developing short courses for NIU partner universities in Southeast Asia.

2. Fifteen receive 2013–14 FLAS fellowships

CSEAS announces that three undergraduate and twelve graduate students will receive 2013–14 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships. Graduate FLAS fellows are Scott Abel (PhD student, History; Indonesian), Krista Albers (MA student, History; Khmer), Robert Bulanda (MA student, Anthropology; Tagalog), Jesse Conrad (MA student, English; Indonesian), Julien Ehrenkonig (MA student, Anthropology; Indonesian), Colleen Gray (MA student, Anthropology; Indonesian), Scott Hanley (MA student, History; Indonesian), Nicole Loring (MA/PhD student, Political Science; Burmese), Thomas Rhoden (PhD student, Political Science; Burmese), Isabelle Squires (MA/PhD student, History; Tagalog), Laurence Tumpag (MA student, Anthropology; Indonesian), and Tiffanesha Williams (MA/PhD student, Political Science; Indonesian). Undergraduate FLAS fellows, all of whom are Southeast Asian minors, are Janet Gatz (History; Tagalog), John Hood (Anthropology; Burmese), and Ron Leonhardt (History; Khmer). FLAS fellowships are funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

3. Center associates update: Exploring censorship, Burma on the web

Tharaphi Than (Foreign Languages and Literatures) and her FLST 382 (Censorship in Literature) class will give a public presentation of a new website they have designed about literary censorship around the world, including Myanmar and Vietnam, at 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, in DuSable 256. “Our class has created a website to act as a resource for people who are interested in learning more about censorship around the world,” Than said. Than, who will be in Myanmar much of the summer, is looking forward to
the forthcoming publication of her new book, *Women in Modern Burma*, which is being published later this year by Routledge.

* John Hartmann (Foreign Languages and Literatures) and Center for Burma Studies Director Catherine Raymond (School of Art) spent the past year working with undergraduate student Nay Yan Oo on a 2012–13 Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (URAP) project exploring two journeys to the fabled city of Keng Tung, Burma, from Chiang Rai, Thailand. Entitled “Two Journeys: 1887 and 2010,” the project documented an 1887 expedition by a British military officer and a 2010 research trip by Hartmann following the same route. Raymond had previously visited the isolated and historically significant mountain city in northeast Burma. The project’s purpose was to develop a multimedia website to recreate the two different journeys separated by more than a century. You can find narratives, maps, photographs, and more on the project’s website.

**4. Student news: Kudos all around**

SarahEmily Lekberg, who will receive her master’s degree in music at May graduation, is on her way to Vietnam in August, where she will be a Fulbright English Language Teaching Assistant for the next year. Lekberg is the second Center student this year to be awarded a Fulbright ETA. Way to go, SarahEmily. . . . Malay Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Afni Md Yusuff has received a scholarship to University of Westminster in London to study for a master’s degree in teaching English as a second language and educational technology. Best wishes to Afni and to the rest of this year’s FLTAs, Dyah Mitayani (Indonesian), Maryelle Macapia (Tagalog), and Attapol Attanak (Thai), all of whom will be leaving NIU in mid-May to return to their home countries.

**5. Two summer classes top summer/fall SEA course offerings**

Two summer courses—one on the Vietnam War, HIST 469, taught by CSEAS associate Eric Jones (History) and the other on women in Asian history, HIST 346, taught by History PhD candidate Coral Carlson—top the list of summer/fall Southeast Asian Studies course offerings now posted on the [Center website](#). In fall, Southeast Asia language and literature classes on the list include Burmese, Indonesian, Khmer, Tagalog and Thai, in addition to Chinese. Students interested in learning to play gamelan may sign up for MUSE 370/670, Gamelan I, an ensemble
class open to music majors and to non-music majors with School of Music consent. While associate Jui-Ching Wang is on sabbatical next year, the class will be taught by gamelan master Ngurah Kertayuda. Fall anthropology classes include ANTH 422/522, Gender in Southeast Asia (Judy Ledgerwood); ANTH 304/790, Muslim Cultures in Anthropological Perspectives (Andrea Molnar); and ANTH 491/628, Current Topics in Anthropology: Religion and Cosmology in Southeast Asia (Andrea Molnar). The Geography department will offer GEOG 408/508, Tropical Environmental Hazards (Mace Bentley) and History will offer HIST 448, History of Indonesia (Eric Jones). Political Science classes include POLS 362, Politics of Developing Areas (Kheang Un), and POLS 665, Origins of Political Order (Michael Buehler). CSEAS will offer its Southeast Asia survey course, ILAS 225, Southeast Asia: Crossroads of the World (instructor of record, Judy Ledgerwood), in addition to an online course, ILAS 490, Southeast Asia through Film and Literature (Rhodalyne Gallo-Crail). Two courses will be offered online: ILAS 490, Southeast Asia through Film and Literature (Rhodalyne Gallo-Crail), and FCNS 384, Asian American Families (Florensia Surjadi). ILAS 490 is a hybrid online class, meeting online for all but three on-site sessions at the NIU-Hoffman Estates campus. All of these courses can be applied toward SEA Studies minors/contract majors or graduate concentrations. To learn more about these options, visit the CSEAS website or stop by Pottenger House, 520 College View Court.

6. Keep up with CSEAS over the summer
This is the last Center bulletin of the semester, but you can keep up with us all summer long. “Like” our Facebook page and we’ll pop up on your news feed whenever we post any news from CSEAS or about upcoming events this fall. For those graduating this year, get connected to our alumni network through the NIU-CSEAS Alumni Connection group on Facebook (email cseas@niu.edu to join). You may also follow us on Twitter at CSEAS_NIU. We’ll also be refreshing the Center website with new information and features over the break.

7. Summer deadlines for fall Thai studies, Asian affairs conferences
It’s not too early to be thinking about fall Southeast Asia conferences in the area. The annual Council on Thai Studies (COTS) meeting will return to NIU the weekend of Oct. 18–19. COTS, which was organized by NIU Thai studies faculty in 1972, is an informal organization of Midwest scholars interested in all aspects of Thai studies. Graduate students are encouraged to submit papers. Deadline for abstracts: July 1. The deadline to register is Sept. 20. Conference organizers include CSEAS associates John Hartmann (Foreign Languages and Literatures), Julia Lamb (CSEAS), Chalermsee Olson (Founders Library), Danny Unger (Political Science), and Grant Olson (Foreign Languages and Literatures), who is coordinating abstract submissions. Email brief abstracts including contact information and institutional affiliation to golson@niu.edu. See COTS website for additional details.

Following COTS, Michigan State University is hosting the 62nd Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs the weekend of Oct. 25–27. The conference, the Midwestern affiliate of the Association for Asian Studies, is the largest such regional AAS meeting. Deadline for proposals
for panels, roundtables and individual papers: June 14. Assistant CSEAS Director Trude Jacobsen (History), the conference’s Southeast Asia representative, encourages undergraduate and graduate students to participate; the conference offers three prizes for papers written by students. For graduate students, the Percy Buchanan prize will be awarded for best original research paper. Papers should be no longer than 30 typewritten double-spaced pages (excluding bibliography); winners will have the opportunity to publish in Studies on Asia. For undergraduates, the Sidney DeVere Brown and Mikiso Hane prizes will be awarded to the two best papers. Submissions should be between 10 and 30 pages and must be accompanied by a letter from the student’s professor or adviser confirming the paper was written while author was an undergraduate. Winners have the opportunity to publish in The Wittenberg East Asian Studies Journal. For details, see the conference website.

8. Campus deadline for student Fulbright applications in September
Summer is a good time for students interested in applying for a Fulbright fellowship or English Teaching Assistantship to get their application materials together for this U.S. State Department-funded program. The last week of September is the campus deadline to apply through the Division of International Programs, with interviews with the Campus Fulbright Committee in early October. See the International Programs website or contact Fulbright program advisor Janet Hathaway (School of Music) at jhathaway@niu.edu or 815-753-7970.

9. Books for Indonesia at Chicago: Student collecting volumes for charitable project
Rahmi Hartati (EdD student) is conducting a book drive for a Chicago-based nonprofit organization, Books for Indonesia, which collects books from schools, libraries, and individuals to be redistributed in remote areas of Indonesia. The group is looking for fiction and non-fiction books for readers young and old, Hartati said. Books may be sent directly to the group at: Books for Indonesia, in care of Ira Raichandani, 1930 Gunderson, Berwyn, IL 60402. Hartati is also willing to pick up local donations; email her at rhartati1@niu.edu. For more details about the group, see Books for Indonesia on Facebook or email BooksForIndonesia@gmail.com.

10. Indonesian ambassador to speak at Northwestern May 14
Indonesian Ambassador Dino Patti Djalal will deliver a lecture, “Emerging Powers: Richer, Smarter, Assertive and Rebalancing the World,” at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 14, at Northwestern University in Evanston. The lecture will focus on Asia, the U.S.’s posture toward the region, and the role of emerging countries such as Indonesia. It is sponsored by the Equality Development and Globalization Studies (EDGS) program at the Buffett Center for International and Comparative Studies at Northwestern. For details, see the EDGS website.

11. U-M offers four-week research fellowship for Southeast Asian scholars
The Center for Southeast Asian Studies and the University Library at the University of Michigan is offering a four-week research fellowship to Southeast Asian scholars to use UM’s research resources, which include specialized collections on the Vietnam War, the Philippine-American period, and Philippine ethnology and archaeology. The fellowship provides reimbursement for international airfare, research funds, and stipend and housing while the scholar is in residence at Ann Arbor. Deadline to apply: May 31. See fellowship website.
12. Travel for teachers: Professional credits and Southeast Asia experience
Global Exploration for Educators Organization (GEEO), a nonprofit offering summer professional development travel programs for K-12 teachers, is offering four different trips to Southeast Asian countries, Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, and Vietnam this summer. Educators have an option to earn graduate school and professional development credits. For information, see the GEEO website.

13. Cultural fusion: National American batik competition
Got a flair for the artistic and want to learn more about Indonesian batik? The Indonesian embassy in Washington, D.C., is sponsoring the American Batik Design Competition, the theme of which is “The Spirit of America in the Heritage of Batik.” Create your own batik design in a digital format and submit by July 12. Prizes include tickets for a two-week batik tour to Indonesia as well as cash. For contest and submission details, see the competition website.

14. Job/internships opportunities
Asia Society
- Career opportunities: Internships and jobs posted regularly on website.

Cascade Asia Advisors
- Part-time senior analyst: Seattle-based research and consulting firm seeking analyst to contribute to firm’s Southeast Asia Report. PhD candidate or MA degree holder with experience living in SEA preferred. Job location negotiable. Send resume and cover letter to info@cascadeasia.com. See company website for details.

Freedom House
- Southeast Asia intern: Four- to six-month position open to BA in political science, international relations or Southeast Asian Studies. See website for details.

Kroll Advisory Solutions
- Full-time and part-time internships: Immediate openings in the company’s Washington, D.C., Research Center for candidates with Indonesia language, travel experience. See company job board for details.

World Health Organization
- Global public health nonprofit based in Geneva, Switzerland, encourages online applications for potential employment. See WHO website.

Idealist.org
- Privately funded website offers searchable database of nonprofit international jobs and volunteer opportunities. For details, see the Idealist website.

15. Money for study
Institute for Indonesian Studies
- Research grants: $5,750 grants available for graduate and postdoctoral students pursuing research in Indonesia. Program funded by the U.S. State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Forms are available at AIFIS website.

University of Leeds
- Post-graduate Thai Studies research scholarships: Funded by Royal Thai Embassy, London, for three 2013–14 scholarships at Leeds School of Modern Languages and
Cultures with six months of field work in Thailand. Begins October 2013. **Deadline to apply: July 1.** For details, see [Leeds website](#).

### 16. Conferences, calls for papers and workshops

- **5th South and Southeast Asian Association for the Study of Culture and Religion Conference**, May 16–19, Manila. Theme: Healing, Belief Systems, Cultures and Religions of South and Southeast Asia. See [conference website](#).
- **8th International Convention for Asia Scholars (ICAS)**, June 24–27, Macao. See [conference website](#).
- **Dynamics of Religion in Southeast Asia**, June 26–29, University of Goettingen, Germany. For information, see [conference website](#).
- **7th European Association of European Southeast Asian Studies (EuroSEAS) Conference**, July 2–5, School of Social and Political Sciences, Lisbon, Portugal. See [EuroSEAS website](#).
- **Indonesia Council Open Conference 2013**, July 11–12, Hobart, Tasmania. Call for papers for multi-disciplinary conference at University of Tasmania. See [conference website](#).
- **The Study of Southeast Asia Today: Dialogue at NUS**, Aug. 14–16, Singapore. Call for papers for this inaugural conference organized by the National University of Singapore’s Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. For details, email Marcel Bandur at marcel@nus.edu.sg.
- **International Conference on International Relations and Development (ICIRD)**, Aug. 22–23, Bangkok. See [conference website](#) or email info@icird.org.
- **6th International Indonesia Forum**, Sept. 21–22, Yogyakarta, Indonesia. Call for papers for this conference at Sunan Kalijaga University. See [conference website](#).
- **Framing the Global**, Sept. 26–28, Bloomington, Ind. Sponsored by the Indiana University Center for the Study of Global Change and Indiana University Press. For details, see [conference website](#).
- **Inter-Asian Connections IV**, Oct. 2–5, Istanbul. See [conference website](#) or email interasia@ssr.org.
- **Canadian Council on Southeast Asian Studies**, Oct. 17–19, Montreal. Call for papers. **Deadline to submit: June 30.** See [conference website](#).
- **Council on Thai Studies**, Oct. 18–19, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL. Call for papers posted at [www.thaistudies.org](http://www.thaistudies.org). Send brief abstracts including contact information and institutional affiliation to golson@niu.edu. **Deadline for abstracts: July 1; deadline to register: Sept. 20.**
- **5th International Graduate Student Conference on Indonesia**, Oct. 30–31, Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta. Call for papers. **Deadline to submit: July 12.** For details, see [conference website](#).
- **Framing ‘Asian Studies’: Geopolitics, Institutions and Networks**, Nov. 18–19, Leiden, the Netherlands. Junior scholars encouraged to submit to this conference at the International Institute for Asian Studies. **Deadline to submit: April 30.** See [conference website](#) or email Dr. Albert Tzeng at a.tzeng.iias@gmail.com.
Thailand in the World: 12th International Conference on Thai Studies, April 22–24, 2014, University of Sydney, Australia. Deadline for abstracts: Sept. 1. For details, see conference website or email brenda.kranz@sydney.edu.au.

17. Area Southeast Asia cultural opportunities

- Chicago Friends of the Gamelan spring concert, featuring traditional and contemporary Javanese gamelan pieces directed by guest artistic director Midiyanto, will be held at 4 p.m. May 4, Hyde Park Union Church, 5600 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago. For the second year, an original composition by Alex Yoffe will debut. Suggested donation is $15 for adults, $5 for students. For details, see Friends website or find the group on Facebook.
- “Remembering the Killing Fields” exhibit is 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 Balinese and Javanese dance and gamelan classes on weekends. For details, see consulate website.

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