Anthropologist Susan Russell and Tagalog language instructor Rhodalyne Gallo-Crail visit Malinta Tunnel, headquarters of General Douglas MacArthur and the seat of the Philippine government during WWII’s Battle of Corregidor, with Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad participants they took to the Philippines last summer. Learn more about the project at this week’s Friday lecture.

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1. This week’s lecture: Human rights in the Philippines: What we learned NEW

Susan Russell (Anthropology) and Rhodalyne Gallo-Crail will talk about the four-week Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad program they conducted this summer in the Philippines noon Friday, Nov. 6, in Room 100 Campus Life. Russell and Gallo-Crail will discuss the insights on human rights, extra-judicial killings and indigenous people in the Philippines they developed with their group during the one-month study tour. The group was composed of six high school teachers and six community college professors. Joining Russell and Gallo-Crail at the lecture will be Edward Davis, assistant professor of Africana Studies and Anthropology at Malcolm X College in Chicago. To order an Indonesian lunch, submit an online request by 6 p.m. Thursday at CSEAS Brown Bag Order. Orders must be cancelled 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.

2. Center associates update: Hao Phan NEW

Hao Phan, curator of the Donn V. Hart Southeast Asia Collection, has completed a three-year project to digitize endangered Cham manuscripts in Vietnam for the British Library. The 504 digitized manuscripts are now posted online in the library’s archives of endangered materials and at the University of Humanities and Social Sciences in Ho Chi Minh City. Hao Phan received a $15,000 grant from the British Library in 2013–14 to travel to Vietnam to conduct a pilot project surveying the manuscripts, many of which are in poor condition and still in use as religious materials, in Cham villages in Central Vietnam. In 2014–15 he received a $77,000 grant from the library to complete project. In July 2014, Hao Phan returned to the Center for Vietnamese and Southeast Asian Studies at the University of Humanities and Social Sciences where he conducted a three-day training workshop on manuscript preservation and digitization for local librarians, archivists and Cham scholars in Vietnam. He also provided archival boxes and basic preservation knowledge to the owners of the manuscripts. Two mobile teams then went to Cham villages to photograph the materials. The 504 manuscripts comprised 478 paper and 26 palm-leaf manuscripts. In the end, a total of 29,451 pages (26,403 paper pages and 3,048 palm-leaf folios) were converted to digital files. The Cham people, which number 162,000 in Vietnam today, are a unique cultural group with a writing system that has been used for centuries. However, much of their history and language have been inaccessible to scholars. “Doing this project not only contributes to the preservation of Cham culture, but provides a new and important library resource to the field of Southeast Asian studies,” Hao Phan said. The manuscripts will remain with their owners.
3. COTS 2015: CSEAS associate Alan Potkin, political science doctoral student Aaron Johnson and Thai language professor emeritus John Hartmann were among those assembled for this year’s Council on Thai Studies conference Oct. 23-24 at Ohio University.

4. Career diplomat to give talk about life and career in Foggy Bottom
Interested in a career in the Foreign Service? NIU journalism alumnus Keith Peterson, who went on to a career as a foreign service officer for the US Information Agency (USIA) and the US Department of State after graduating from NIU, will give a talk about life in the diplomatic corps from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4, in Room 110 Campus Life (Honors office). His talk will cover the role and work of the State Department, internship possibilities and the Fulbright Program.

5. Save the dates: Foreign Service career talk, history grad conference, International Ed Week
- Nov. 4: Learn about careers in the US Department of State from veteran Foreign Service officer and NIU alumnus Keith Peterson from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m., Room 110 Campus Life.
- Nov. 6: History Graduate Student Association Conference, Swen Parson Hall. Keynote speaker: University of Chicago historian Mark Bradley, author of *Imagining Vietnam and America: The Making of Postcolonial Vietnam* at 1:30 p.m. Workshop for undergraduates considering grad school in any field, 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Swen Parson 170. Lunch provided.
- Nov. 7: Campus GRE Fall Test Prep II and LSAT Fall Test Prep. For info, see website.
- Nov. 16-20: International Education Week. International foods, movies, career panel and more during the week. Sponsored by the Division of International Affairs. For more information, see item 7 below. NEW
- Dec. 4: Reception for CSEAS associate Kenton Clymer’s new book, *A Delicate Relationship: The United States and Burma/Myanmar Since 1945* (Cornell University Press), 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., Thurgood Marshall Gallery, Swen Parson Hall. NEW
6. Summer study abroad 2016: Cambodia field school

CSEAS Director and anthropology professor Judy Ledgerwood is leading a summer 2016 field school in Cambodia. The program, “Buddhism and Service Learning,” is set for May 27–June 23 in Siem Reap, Cambodia, the home of Angkor Wat. Students will explore Cambodian Buddhism and cultural reconstruction in the post-Khmer Rouge era, learn ethnographic field methods, and be placed with a Buddhist or non-governmental organization group for the service component of the program. For information, contact Ledgerwood by phone at 815-753-1771 or email her at jledgerw@niu.edu.

7. International Education Week Nov. 16–20

The Division of International Affairs hosts a week of activities for International Education Week Nov. 16–20, beginning with an international cookie giveaway on Nov. 16 in the MLK Commons, Holmes Student Center, DuSable Hall and Barsema Hall (College of Business). There also will be international foods served all week long in the Blackhawk Food Court and in the residence halls. Here’s some of what else is on tap for the rest of the week:

- **Nov. 17:** International Recognition Reception, 3 to 4 p.m. Sky Room, Holmes Student Center. International films screening, 4 to 6 p.m. Rooms 405 and 406, Holmes Student Center.
- **Nov. 18:** International Career Panel, 4 to 6 p.m., University Suite.
- **Nov. 19:** Study abroad social, 7:30 p.m., Fireside, Neptune Central.
- **Nov. 20:** CSEAS weekly lecture, Ingrid Jordt, associate anthropology professor, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, noon, Room 100 Campus Life.

8. Anthropology Museum gets new name; Hmong exhibit opens in January

The NIU Anthropology Museum, which was officially renamed the James B. & Rosalyn L. Pick Museum of Anthropology Oct. 9, will open a major exhibit celebrating 40 years of Hmong American history in January. The exhibit will focus on the history of life in Laos continuing through the 1953–75 Laotian Civil War (known by Hmong veterans as the Secret War) and prominently feature the oral histories and material culture of Hmong Americans. The exhibit will also spotlight the museum’s permanent collection of Hmong textiles. Details on the opening to be announced.

9. Money for study

**NIU**

- **USOAR Grants:** Undergraduate Special Opportunities in Artistry and Research program funds student-generated research or artistry projects on campus, elsewhere in the US or abroad. Open to all colleges, majors and backgrounds. Proposal guidelines are available online. Students have between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2016 to complete their projects. **Deadline for spring 2016: Feb. 12.**

- **Graduate School Travel Grants:** Students invited to submit proposals for 2015–16. Rolling deadlines are Nov. 16, Jan. 15, and March 21. One year of school completed with 3.5 GPA or above. See website for details. Submit applications to Dean, Graduate School, 223 Adams Hall.

**American Council of Learned Societies**

- **Fellowships for advanced graduate students:** Fellowship program supports humanities and humanistic social science research. 2015–16 program open for to apply. See program website.
Blakemore Freeman Fellowships

- **Advanced language study abroad fellowships**: Tuition plus stipend for one year of advanced language study of Vietnamese, Indonesian, Thai, Burmese and Khmer. US graduate students with three years of language study eligible to apply. **Deadline to apply for 2016 fellowships: Dec. 30.** See [foundation website](#).

Rotary International

- **Rotary Peace Fellowships**: Fully paid fellowships for master’s degree study offered at six universities worldwide, including Duke University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in the US. **Applications for 2017–18 fellowships available Dec. 1.** See [website](#).

10. Job/internship opportunities

Lawrence University **NEW**

- **Assistant professor of art history (East and/or Southeast Asian art)**: Tenure-track position in art history and studio art program, with interdisciplinary connection to East Asian Studies program at Appleton, Wis., campus. Doctorate and teaching experience preferred. For details, see [job posting](#).
- **Assistant professor of religious studies**: Full-time tenure-track position to teach Asian religious traditions to begin Sept. 1. For details, see [job posting](#).

University of Wisconsin-Madison

- **Tenure-track position**: TransAsia/transdisciplinary scholar in language, culture and societies of Asia sought for newly forming Department of Asian Studies to begin August 2016. Expertise in one Southeast Asian or South Asian language required. Competitive salary. Send complete dossier and three reference letters to Chair, Search Committee, Department of East Asian Languages and Literature, 1208 Van Hise Hall, 1220 Linden Drive, UW-Madison, Madison, WI 53706.

University of Pennsylvania

- **Assistant professor in Asian religions**: Tenure-track position in Department of Religious Studies. Applicants welcome with SEA and gender specialization. Recent PhDs encouraged to apply. For details, see [job posting](#).

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**: 10-week unpaid internships for undergraduate and graduate students at Washington headquarters and US embassies, consulates and missions worldwide. See [program website](#).

Room to Read

- **Positions open**: San Francisco-based organization that helps develop literacy skills among primary and secondary school students. See [website](#).

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](#).

**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 [WHO website](#).

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

- **Southwest Conference on Asian Studies**, Nov. 6–7, Texas Christian University, Ft. Worth. See [conference website](#).
- **SPUP International Research Conference**, Jan. 14–16, St. Paul University Philippines, Tuguegarao City. Theme: Towards an Integrated ASEAN Community. See [conference website](#).
- **International Graduate Student Conference on the Asia Pacific Region**, Feb. 11–13, East-West Center, Honolulu, HI. See [conference website](#).
- **6th International Conference on Hmong Studies**, March 18-19, Concordia University, St. Paul. Call for papers. **Deadline for papers, proposals: Nov. 15**. Contact Lee Pao Xiong at Center for Hmong Studies at xiong@csp.edu.
- **Association for Asian Studies**, March 31–April 3, Seattle. See [conference website](#).
- **5th Southeast Asian Studies Symposium**, April 14–16, Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford. Theme: Human and Environmental Welfare in Southeast Asia. Call for papers, panels. See [conference website](#).
- **UC Berkeley-UCLA Southeast Asian studies Conference**, April 22–23, Berkeley, CA. Theme: Making Southeast Asian Cultures: From Region to World. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts: Jan. 8**. Email cseas@berkeley.edu. See [website](#).
- **Heritage as Aid and Diplomacy in Asia**, May 26–28, International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, the Netherlands. Call for papers. See [conference website](#).
- **AAS-in-Asia**, June 24–27, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan. Call for papers. See [conference website](#).
- **5th International Conference on Lao Studies: Lao PDR in the ASEAN Context**, July 8–10, Thammasat University, Bangkok. Call for papers. See [conference website](#).

### 12. Area cultural opportunities

- Go behind the scenes of the Philippine Collections at the Field Museum. Contact the museum’s co-curation team to make arrangements at [cocuration.philippines@fieldmuseum.org](mailto: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](mailto:icc@indonesiachicago.org). Also see the consulate’s [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com) page.

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