

# Center For East Asian Studies Newsletter

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This is our last newsletter for 2014. Good luck on finals, happy holidays, and see you in January 2015!



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The weekly CEAS Newsletter notifies East Asianists in our region of events and opportunities of interest. Notices appear under **eight** headings:

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## (I) University of Pennsylvania East Asia Events for 12/06/2014—12/19/2014

### \* Penn Museum Peace Around the World

**Saturday, 12/06/2014**

11:00-4:00pm

University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology  
3260 South Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19104

Guests of all ages are invited for the free 19th annual "Peace around the World" holiday celebration. Visitors receive Museum "passports for peace" upon arrival, then "depart" on a world tour throughout the Museum's galleries to explore holiday festivals, history, cuisine, and traditions from China, Haiti, India, Japan, Lithuania, Mexico, Poland, and Russia. In the spirit of cultural understanding, this joyful and

distinctively international celebration includes family crafts to share personal wishes for a peaceful world. Free admission. Supported in part by the William M. King Charitable Foundation, the Women's Committee of the Penn Museum, and CxRA.

\* [Penn Museum](#)

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### \* **Central Party School Delegation**

**Tuesday, 12/09/2014** 12:30pm, CSCC Conference Room, Fisher-Bennett 345  
Please join our visiting delegation from Central Party School for a roundtable discussion on current affairs in Sino-US relations.

Lunch provided.

\* *Center for the Study of Contemporary China*

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### \* **Monsters of Japan Film Series: "Pacific Rim" - Film Screening**

**Wednesday, 12/10/2014** 6:30-9:00pm, Claudia Cohen Hall Room 402  
Guillermo Del Toro, 2013.

Giant monsters appear from a rift in space at the bottom of the Pacific, and men in mechanical suits fight to contain them.

\* *CEAS Monsters of Japan Film Series*

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## **(II) Regional Events Related to East Asia for 12/06/2014— 12/19/2014**

### \* **Shofuso Japanese House and Garden - Holiday House Tours**

**Sat/Sun, 12/6-7/2014** 10:00am - 4:00pm  
Horticultural and Lansdowne Drives  
Philadelphia, PA 19131

The Japanese House has never looked like this before! Shofuso is decorated with ancient winter symbols like traditional Japanese greens, ikebanaflower arrangements, straw and paper ornaments, and kagami mochi 鏡餅 (mirror rice cake), for Japanese New Year 正月 oshōgatsu.

Borrow our warm slippers and tour the traditional-style Japanese house while sipping warm green tea, or visit the nationally-ranked garden, weather permitting, and experience a Japanese New Year at Shofuso for the first time. Hitch a ride on the Fairmount Park Conservancy's free Holly Trolley on Saturday and visit other park houses, too.

\* [Shofuso Holiday House Tours](#)

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## \* Human Rights and Press Freedom: Global and Domestic Challenges

**Wednesday, 12/10/2014** 6:00-8:30pm

Ethical Society of Philadelphia  
1906 Rittenhouse Square  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Program is free and open to the public, and will include food and beverages.

- **Keynote Speaker:** Courtney Radsch, Advocacy Director, Committee to Protect Journalists <http://cpj.org/press/courtney-radsch.php>
- **Moderator:** Peter Chawaga, Editor of Global Philadelphia's Emerging International Journalists Program.
- **Responder panel:** Michael Matza, Staff Writer and former foreign correspondent, Philadelphia Inquirer; Signe Wilkinson, Editorial Cartoonist, The Philadelphia Daily News and Philadelphia Inquirer

Objectives of Human Rights Day: Celebrate the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and inform the public concerning the many threats, global and domestic, to journalists trying to report on matters that impact human rights. In addition, to offer ideas on how journalists can be better protected to carry out their jobs.

A key element of protecting and promoting human rights is the work of journalists who are free to report on the activities of public and private institutions and individuals; in particular, there is a link between the free flow of information and the human right of democracy that can hold public and private institutions and individuals accountable for their actions.

*\* Sponsored by the UN Association of Greater Philadelphia, and co-sponsored by Global Philadelphia Association and the Ethical Society of Philadelphia*

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## \* Shofuso Japanese House and Garden - Oshogatsu, New Year's Family Workshop

**Sunday, 12/14/2014**

1:00-3:00pm  
Sakura Pavilion  
Horticultural and Lansdowne Drives  
Philadelphia, PA 19131

Celebrate Oshogatsu at Shofuso as a family! Learn about the holiday while creating nengajo (New Year postcards), otoshidama-bukuro (gift envelopes) and mini kadomatsu (New Year tree) ornaments.

Nonmember Parent-Child Pairing \$25 / Member Pairing \$20, Each

Additional Child \$10

All winter programs are conducted at Shofuso's Sakura Pavilion, two brick buildings 75 yards from Shofuso's gate, behind the greenhouses.

\* [Shofuso Oshogatsu Workshop](#)

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\* **Japan-America Society for Greater Philadelphia - Conversation Club**

**Wednesday, 12/17/2014** 5:30-8:00pm

The Bellevue, 7th Floor  
Broad & Walnut Streets  
Philadelphia, PA 19102

Conversation Club is JASGP's informal, bi-monthly language exchange meeting, free to all! Whether you are looking to improve your Japanese or your English, or just talk about Japan-related topics, speakers of all levels are welcome! Coffee, tea, and snacks are provided for free.

To RSVP and receive a reminder email before the event, visit our events calendar. (RSVPing is not necessary, but it helps us prepare the right amount of snacks and materials!)

\* <http://japanphilly.org/civicrm/event/info?reset=1&id=26>

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\* **Japan-America Society for Greater Philadelphia - Bonenkai Party**

**Thursday, 12/18/2014** 7:00-10:00pm

Yakitori Boy  
211 N. 11th St  
Philadelphia, PA 19107

With 2014 coming to an end, it's time for our annual Bonenkai! Join JASGP members and friends as we say so long to the year of the horse in proper fashion: with drinking and singing! Admission is only \$10 if you are a JASGP member, or \$15 for non-members, and gets you two free drink tickets (must be 21 or over, of course!) and free karaoke. For more information and to register, visit our website.

\* <http://japanphilly.org/civicrm/event/info?reset=1&id=56>

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**(III) Employment and Internship Opportunities** *(in order of application deadline)*

**Texas A&M University - Assistant Professor of Chinese - *deadline to apply: ongoing until filled***

The Department of International Studies at Texas A&M University announces a tenure-track assistant professor position in the area of Chinese cultural studies. Candidates must be prepared to teach at all levels of the language curriculum as well as to develop a set of courses in literature, cultural studies, and/or media studies. Preference will be given to those candidates with an interest

in transnational studies. Ph.D. required by August 15, 2015. Applicants should forward a letter of application and complete dossier with curriculum vitae, writing sample, and three letters of recommendation to Robert R. Shandley, Department Head, Department of International Studies, Texas A&M University, 4215 TAMU, 102 Academic Building, College Station, TX 77843-4215. E-mail submission is acceptable: [ede@tamu.edu](mailto:ede@tamu.edu). The committee will begin reviewing applications on October 15, 2014 and continue until the position is filled.

**Website:** <https://chroniclevitae.com/jobs/0000849340-01>

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**Pomona College - Tenure-track Professor in Asian Languages and Literatures - *deadline to apply: open until filled***

The Department of Asian Languages and Literatures at Pomona College invites applications for a tenure-track position in either modern and contemporary Chinese literature or Chinese linguistics to begin August 2015. Applicants must have native or near-native fluency in Mandarin Chinese and English, demonstrated excellence in and/or commitment to undergraduate teaching, and Ph.D. in hand at time of appointment. This position carries a 2/2 teaching load, including three language courses and a literature/culture in translation course. Area of specialization is open, but preference will be given to applicants who have training and are equipped to offer courses in areas such as Chinese film and visual culture, contemporary literature and popular culture, or linguistics.

**Website:** <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/4847>

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**Williams College - Visiting Position in Japanese and Linguistics - *deadline to apply: January 1, 2015***

The Department of Asian Studies at Williams College invites applications for a three-year open-rank full-time visiting position in Japanese and linguistics beginning September 2015. The successful candidate will teach five courses over two semesters, including at least three language courses. We welcome candidates who can teach all levels of Japanese language and also contribute courses on Japanese linguistics or related topics (taught in English) to the broader curriculum. Minimum requirements include native or near-native proficiency in Japanese; Ph.D. or ABD; strong teaching experience at the college level; and ability to teach all levels of language courses in close coordination with departmental colleagues.

**Website:** <http://apply.interfolio.com/26736>

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**(IV) Fellowship and Award Opportunities *(in order of application deadline)***

**Blakemore Freeman Fellowships for Advanced Asian Language Study - *deadline to apply: December 30, 2014***

Blakemore Freeman Fellows have found careers using an Asian language at a professional level in international business, accounting, law, medicine, journalism, STEM (science, technology, engineering, math), architecture, academia/teaching, social and NGO work, and government/public service.

**Website:** [www.blakemorefoundation.org](http://www.blakemorefoundation.org)

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**Edwin O. Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies at Harvard University  
Postdoctoral Fellowship - *deadline to apply: January 02, 2015***

The Edwin O. Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies at Harvard University will offer several postdoctoral fellowships in Japanese studies to recent PhDs of exceptional promise, to give them the opportunity to turn their dissertation into publishable manuscripts.

**Website:** <http://rijs.fas.harvard.edu/fellowships/>

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**James Joo-Jin Kim Program in Korean Studies Moon Family Postdoctoral  
Fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania - *deadline to apply: January 09,  
2015***

The James Joo-Jin Kim Program at the University of Pennsylvania is now accepting applications for the Moon Family Postdoctoral Fellowship in Korean Studies for the 2015–16 academic year. The postdoctoral program is open to scholars from all fields whose research relates to Korea. The fellow will be expected to participate in Kim Program events and related activities at Penn and in the Korean Studies community. Depending on teaching interests and demand, the fellow may teach one or two courses.

The fellowship will cover up to a 12-month period between August 1, 2015 and July 31, 2016, and will carry a stipend of \$50,000. Health insurance (including medical, dental, vision, and life; more information can be found here: <http://www.sas.upenn.edu/deans-office/postdocs/postdocstaff.htm>) will be paid for by the Kim Program. The postdoctoral fellow will be provided an office and access to libraries and resources at Penn.

**Website:** <http://www.sas.upenn.edu/koreanstudies/academics.html>

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**Hong Kong Baptist University Fellowship Program - *deadline to apply: January  
15, 2015***

The Hong Kong Baptist University invites applications/nominations for the program of University Fellowships. The aim is to strengthen and enhance research and teaching within the Institution and to foster research collaboration among local and overseas scholars.

**Website:** <http://intl.hkbu.edu.hk/fellow.html>

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**Council of American Overseas Research Centers Multi-Country Research  
Fellowship Program - *deadline to apply: January 15, 2015***

The Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) Multi-Country Fellowship Program supports advanced regional or trans-regional research in the humanities, social sciences, or allied natural sciences for U.S. doctoral candidates and scholars who have already earned their Ph.D. Preference will be given to candidates examining comparative and/or cross-regional research. Applicants are eligible to apply as individuals or in teams.

**Website:** <http://caorc.org/fellowships/multi/details/>

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**Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University, Program on U.S.-Japan Relations, Postdoctoral Fellowships - *deadline to apply: January 15, 2015***

Scholars in a broad range of fields, including anthropology, economics, education, history, international relations, law, political science, public health, public policy, and sociology, are invited to apply. The focus of the Program is issues and problems relating to Japan; Japan's relation with the US or other countries or regions; and Japan in comparative perspective. While at Harvard, a postdoctoral fellow teaches one course in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. A knowledge of the Japanese language is not required. The annual stipend is \$50,000, disbursed over 10 months. The application deadline is January 15, 2015, and recipients must hold a doctoral degree by August 1, 2015.

**Website:** <http://programs.wcfia.harvard.edu/us-japan/apply-become-postdoctoral-fellow>

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**Fulbright Postdoctoral Scholar Award: United States-Korea Alliance Studies - *deadline to apply: January 15, 2015***

Over the last couple of decades, the Republic of Korea and the United States have developed an increasingly comprehensive global partnership underpinned by strong economic and people-to-people ties, shared values of democracy and respect for human rights and the rule of law, and the U.S.-Korea alliance – the linchpin of peace and security in the East Asia Pacific region.

In commemoration of the 60 years of U.S.-R.O.K. partnership and shared prosperity, the Fulbright Scholar Program is pleased to announce the Postdoctoral Research on United States-Korea Alliance Studies Award. This award will provide grants to American scholars interested in conducting collaborative research with Korean scholars on U.S.-Korean foreign policy, history, global governance, law and economic matters. Grants will support up to nine months of research at a public, national, or private academic institution in Korea.

Eligibility: Interested candidates must hold a PhD degree conferred by January 15, 2015 and no earlier than January 1, 2010 from an institution in the United States.

**Website:** <http://catalog.cies.org/viewAward.aspx?n=5549&dc=KS>

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**Guggenheim (Harry Frank) Foundation Dissertation Fellowships - *deadline to apply: February 1, 2015***

Ten or more dissertation fellowships are awarded each year to graduate students who would complete the writing of a dissertation within the award year. These fellowships are designed to contribute to the support of the doctoral candidate to enable him or her to complete the thesis in a timely manner and are only appropriate for students approaching the final year of their Ph.D. work.

**Website:** <http://www.hfg.org/df/guidelines.htm>

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**Educational Testing Service TOEFL Board Grants - *deadline to apply: February 15, 2015***

The Educational Testing Service (ETS) provides support for activities or projects in the field of international education or English language education. Grants generally range from \$5,000 to an upper limit of \$15,000 for one year. Proposals are invited from not-for-profit institutions and organizations involved in international education.

**Website:** [http://www.ets.org/toefl/grants/board\\_grants](http://www.ets.org/toefl/grants/board_grants)

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## **(V) East Asia Study Opportunities and Queries (in order of application deadline)**

### **Inter-University Board for Chinese Language Studies - deadlines to apply: January 15, 2015, January 29, 2015, and September 15, 2015**

IUP currently offers a 32-week Academic Year Program, a 16-week Semester Option, and an 8-week Summer Intensive Program. All programs are located on the Tsinghua University campus in Beijing. IUP continues to be the most intensive and cost effective Chinese language program available to intermediate and advanced students worldwide. Compared with other well-known language programs in Beijing, IUP remains the most economical program when considering its low teacher-student ratio and highly effective methodology.

The January 15, 2015 deadline is for the Academic Year and Semester programs. The Summer Program has a rolling admissions policy until January 29, 2015. The Spring Program has a rolling admissions policy until September 15, 2015.

**Website:** <http://ieas.berkeley.edu/iup/>

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### **Master of China Studies Scholarship, Yenching Academy of Peking University - deadline to apply: January 31, 2015**

The Yenching Academy offers international students a one-year Master of Arts in China Studies degree program. Academy courses will be available in both English and Chinese. It will be possible for international students to complete their degrees with courses taught in English. Chinese language study will be required for all international students; those with an advanced level of Chinese will be encouraged to take courses taught in Chinese.

The inaugural class of 100 Yenching Scholars will begin in September, 2015. Approximately 65 percent will be international students; the remaining 35 percent will be from China mainland. Yenching Scholars will be a diverse group of talented young leaders who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership, innovative thought, and a commitment to the betterment of society.

**Yenching Scholars receive a full tuition scholarship, accommodation in the residential college, and a stipend to cover living expenses.**

**Website:** <http://yenchingacademy.org/>

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## **(VI) Conferences and Workshops (in order of application deadline)**



**67th Japan-America Student Conference (JASC) - *priority deadline to apply:*  
December 31, 2014**

JASC brings together 72 delegates from Japan and the U.S. to explore U.S.-Japan issues. For 2015, the conference will take place in Japan.

**When:** July 30 - August 23, 2015

**Where:** Hiroshima, Shimane, Kyoto, Tokyo

**Application Deadline:** December 31, 2014

**Website:** <http://iscdc.org/jasc/>

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**8th Korea-America Student Conference (KASC) - *priority deadline to apply:*  
January 2, 2015**

KASC brings together 50 delegates from Korea and the U.S. to explore U.S.-ROK issues. For 2015, the conference will take place in the U.S.

**When:** July 1 - July 31, 2015

**Where:** California, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Washington D.C.

**Final Application Deadline:** January 2, 2015

**Website:** <http://iscdc.org/kasc/2015/>

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**(VII) Call for Submissions (*in order of submission deadline*)**

**\* Columbia University 24th Annual Graduate Student Conference on East Asia  
Call for Abstracts - *deadline to submit: extended until Sunday, December 7, 2014***

Graduate students (and qualified undergraduates) are invited to submit abstracts for the 24th Annual Columbia Graduate Student Conference on East Asia. This two-day conference -- the oldest of its kind in the nation -- provides students from institutions around the world with the chance to meet and share research in progress with their peers. In addition, participants will gain valuable experience presenting their work through discussion with fellow graduate students as well as Columbia faculty.

This year's conference will be both a forum for promoting and circulating new ideas within East Asian studies and an opportunity to engage with fellow graduate students across disciplinary and regional frontiers. The field of East Asian studies, broadly conceived, offers fertile ground for exploring and re-inventing conventional analytical categories such as nation, society, politics, objects, space, economics, race, class, mind, identity, culture, body, art, nature, and so on. To that end, we especially encourage work that crosses national, temporal, and disciplinary boundaries to critically rethink the categories that both bind and sub-divide area studies. With an eye toward using the methodological tools of particular disciplines to make connections that are broadly applicable to the East Asian field, projects presented at this conference will be the starting point for discussions that can create new frontiers of knowledge and invigorate the next generation of scholarship.

We welcome applications from students engaged in research on all fields in East Asian Studies, including but not limited to: history, literature, political science, economics, art history, religion,

sociology, archaeology, law, environmental studies, media studies, and anthropology.

**Website:** <http://ealac.columbia.edu/graduate/gradcon/>

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**Journal of Chinese Buddhist Studies Call for Papers- *deadline to submit: Monday, December 15, 2014***

Dan Stevenson and I are delighted to inform you that the *Chung-Hwa Buddhist Journal* is now called the *Journal of Chinese Buddhist Studies* (JCBS). Our new website is here: <http://www.chinesebuddhiststudies.org/>, where you will find the current and previous issues of the journal available for free download. Our current issue features five articles by Bryan Lowe, Erik Hammerstrom, Douglas Gildow, Venerable Guo Jing, and Thomas Newhall.

The JCBS is now soliciting articles for the next issue, but I would like to draw your attention to the fact that there are some funds available from Dharma Drum Mountain and the Sheng yen Foundation for organizing small regional academic conferences/workshops here in the States if any of you are interested in hosting a small cohort of scholars to work on some topics related to Chinese Buddhism. The specific topics would be of your choice. The regional conferences/workshops would be held at your university. The research papers from these regional conferences/workshops can then feed into future issues of the JCBS as "special issues" with you as the guest editor. Please email me if you are interested in this.

Dan Stevenson and I are also interested in short translations, like the Princeton Readings in Religion series of "Religions of Buddhism, China, Japan, etc.," where a translation of a short tract is preceded by a succinct introduction addressing the various issues therein. For a sample of what we're thinking, see the article by Bryan Lowe in our current issue. These would be useful for graduate classroom teaching as well as sources for further research. Again, if you have an idea, please feel free to email me (Jimmy Yu).

**Website:** <http://www.chinesebuddhiststudies.org/index.html>

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**Korea University - 3rd Annual Korea University Korean History Graduate Student Conference: Incorporating Different Perspectives on Korean History - *deadline to submit: Wednesday, December 31, 2014***

The Korea University Korean History (KUKH) Graduate Student Conference invites graduate students from around the world and conducting research in Korean history to submit abstracts for our 2015 conference. The KUKH Graduate Student Conference is an annual conference which aims to provide a forum for graduate students to exchange ideas and discuss current research on Korean history. This one-day conference on Korea University's Anam campus in Seoul is an opportunity for young scholars to present their research to both their peers and eminent scholars. All panels will be moderated by Korea University faculty and graduate students. The conference will also enable participants to meet others in their field conducting similar research, and to gain experience in presenting their work for discussion.

The 2015 Annual Korea University Korean History Graduate Student Conference special theme is "Incorporating Different Perspectives on Korean History," and welcomes papers that focus on any historical time period. Although broad, the theme for next year's conference hopes to encourage graduate students studying abroad to include innovative interpretations, new perspectives, and fresh approaches to Korean history. The May 2014 conference hosted eight graduate student

presenters from five countries, eight educational institutions, and approximately 100 in attendance.. The next conference will feature a special event the day before the conference for participants to share ideas and opinions, and to fraternize with Korea University graduate students and faculty.

**Website:** <http://koreanstudies.com/ksl/index.php?t=msg&goto=15796&>

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**\* AAS/SSRC Dissertation Workshop - "Religion and the State in Asia," March 23-26, 2015 in Chicago - *deadline to submit: Monday, January 05, 2015***

The workshop is jointly organized by the AAS and the Social Science Research Council with funding support provided by the Luce Foundation, and is scheduled immediately prior to the AAS annual conference in Chicago. It is intended to bring together doctoral students in the humanities and social sciences who are planning, conducting, or are in the early phases of writing up dissertation research on the dynamics of religion, community, and the state in Asia and who sense the substantive and theoretical value of locating their project in a comparative geographical or historical context.

**Website:** <http://www.ssrc.org/fellowships/aasworkshop/>

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**3rd International Conference of NextGen Korean Studies Scholars (NEKST)-  
*deadline to submit: Tuesday, January 13, 2015***

We invite graduate students within Korean studies across the humanities and social sciences to participate in the 3rd International Conference of NextGen Korean Studies Scholars (NEKST) at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. This annual conference aims to give graduate students in all academic fields an opportunity to present their research on Korea, share academic interests, as well as build a community of future Korean studies scholars. Any methodologies and disciplinary traditions are welcome for submission, as long as the proposed paper topic is specific to Korea.

Please send a 250-word or less abstract to [NEKSTconference@umich.edu](mailto:NEKSTconference@umich.edu) by January 13, 2015 and include "NEKST Conference Abstract" in the subject of the e-mail. Please indicate your full name, institution, academic discipline, contact information (e-mail and telephone), and paper title in your email or abstract. Applicants will be notified of abstract decisions in early February. If accepted, completed papers will be due by April 16. Lodging and on-site meals will be provided during the conference. Additionally, accepted speakers may apply for limited travel grants.

**Website:** <http://tinyurl.com/kr6b2wo>

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**UC BERKELEY JAPAN STUDIES GRADUATE STUDENT CONFERENCE Call for  
Papers- *deadline to submit: Friday, January 16, 2015***

This conference will bring together graduate students from all disciplines in the field of Japanese Studies to explore the past and present role of media in Japan. What can the examination of various media (including images, texts, discourses, objects, and anything else that functions as a medium of transmission) tell us about the formation and transmission of culture and knowledge in Japan?

We welcome submissions from any and all disciplines. Papers may explore, but are not limited to, the following areas of study:

- mediation in literature
- new media studies

- print culture
- theater and film
- photography
- digital humanities
- premodern texts
- politicians and the media
- social theory
- aesthetic artifacts
- archives
- Japan and the world

**Website:** <http://cjsgradconference2015.weebly.com/>

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### **10th Annual Greater Philadelphia Asian Consortium (GPASC) Undergraduate Research Conference - *deadline to submit: Friday, March 13, 2015***

For the 10th consecutive year, GPASC will hold its annual undergraduate conference on Asian Studies. We invite you to submit proposals of no more than 250 words on any topic in any discipline relating to Asia. Include your name, email and other contact information, and a faculty sponsor's name. *Deadline for proposal submissions is Friday, March 13, 2015.* Papers written for a course are welcome.

Please submit proposals to: <http://tinyurl.com/gpascten>

Students will need to identify a faculty sponsor in the proposal. There is no conference registration fee. We will inform faculty sponsors and paper presenters of the schedule by **Friday, March 30**. A total of \$500 in prize money is available for awards to the outstanding papers of the conference.

This year's conference will be held at Villanova University on Saturday, April 11, 2015, from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. It includes a luncheon, a keynote speaker, and an awards reception. This is a wonderful opportunity to network and share your enthusiasm about Asian Studies.

**Website:** <http://greatphilaasia.wordpress.com/>

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### **(VIII) Opportunities for Teachers**

#### **Asia Society Global Competence Certificate: Transforming Teaching for the 21st Century - *deadline to register: December 12, 2014***

Apply now! The Global Competence Certificate is the premier online Master's-level certificate program in global competence education for in-service educators. Developed by leading experts at Columbia University Teachers College, World Savvy, and Asia Society, the GCC is designed to increase the number of K-12 teachers who are able to teach for global competence and effectively prepare students to be globally informed, engaged citizens. This first-of-its-kind program uses **online learning, international field study, and a capstone project** to build global competence among educators.

Applications are being accepted until December 12, 2014 for the 15-month online program, which

begins January 2015. Scholarships are available for participants applying for CEU credits who are not part of a district or school-sponsored group. For more information please visit: [www.globalcompetencecertificate.org](http://www.globalcompetencecertificate.org).

Informational webinars are being offered on November 13 and December 1. Please see here for more details: <http://globalcompetencecertificate.org/information-sessions/>

**Website:** [www.globalcompetencecertificate.org](http://www.globalcompetencecertificate.org)

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**\* Phila-Nipponica Program: Seminar and Japan Study Tour - *deadline to apply: January 16, 2015***

The University of Pennsylvania Center for East Asian Studies is pleased to announce that it will offer the Phila-Nipponica Project, the 14th year in a series devoted to preparing educators in schools in the Philadelphia region to convey knowledge and understanding of Japan to their students and colleagues. In 2015, the Center for East Asian Studies will offer a "graduate" program with a focus on: Teaching about Japan's Religious Culture. Teachers who have previously participated in Phila-Nipponica (or have equivalent experience through the study or travel of Japan), are invited to apply.

Project entails:

- Three full Saturday seminars on February 21, March, 21, and April 25, 2015
- A group study tour in Japan from Friday, June 26-Tuesday, July 14, 2015 (exact dates of departure and return are tentative).
- The total cost of the program is \$1500. The remaining costs are funded by the US-Japan Foundation and the Center for East Asian Studies.
- [Application](#)

**Website:** <http://www.ceas.sas.upenn.edu/Phila-Nipponica.shtml>

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