



**13th East-West Center  
International Graduate Student Conference  
on the Asia-Pacific Region**

*Imin International Conference Center  
Honolulu, Hawai'i*

*February 13-15, 2014*

**Program**

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**Thursday, February 13, 2014**

**Registration**

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

**Opening Ceremony**

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm

**Welcoming Hula and Chant**

Kumu Hula, Vicky Holt Takamine  
*Halau Pua Ali'i 'Ilima*

**Conference Report**

Mr. Brian Alofaituli  
*Conference Chair*

Ms. Duyen Bui  
*Conference Co-Chair*

**Opening Remarks**

Dr. Terance W. Bigalke  
*Director, Education Program, East-West Center*

Dr. Charles E. Morrison  
*President, East-West Center*

**Keynote Address**

“The Challenges of Governing China”  
Dr. David M. Lampton  
*George and Sadie Hyman Professor and Director of China Studies  
School of Advanced International Studies  
Johns Hopkins University*

**Reception**

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm  
Wailana Room, Garden Level



Dr. Lampton's keynote address is sponsored by the Confucius Institute at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Distinguished Speaker Series.

## Friday, February 14, 2014

**Parallel Session 1**  
8:30 am – 10:15 am

- 1.1 Language Policy
- 1.2 Food Production and Consumption
- 1.3 Performative Culture Through Dance

**Break**  
10:15 am – 10:30 am

**Parallel Session 2**  
10:30 am – 12:15 pm

- 2.1 Exploring Challenges for Student Success:  
Policy, Social, Cultural and Financial Support
- 2.2 Disaster Management: Impact and Preparedness
- 2.3 Visual Representation: Stereotypes, Gender, Decolonization  
and Identity

**Lunch**  
Wailana Room, Garden Level  
12:15 pm – 1:30 pm

**Parallel Session 3**  
1:30 pm – 3:15 pm

- 3.1 Moving Towards Equity: Transforming Teacher  
Practice Through Engagement and Intervention
- 3.2 East Asia Geopolitics: The Role of US and China
- 3.3 Cooperation and Group Affirmation on a Micro and Macro Scale

**Break**  
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm

**Parallel Session 4**  
3:30 pm – 5:15 pm

- 4.1 Different Kinds of Social Movements
- 4.2 Climate Change: Policy Planning
- 4.3 Tourism: Environmental and Cultural Aspects

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**Saturday, February 15, 2014**

**Parallel Session 1**

8:30 am – 10:15 am

- 5.1 Encountering Diversity and Complexity in Language and Culture
- 5.2 Asian Philosophy and Religions
- 5.3 Ecological Conservation, Evolution and Bioengineering

**Break**

10:15 am – 10:30 am

**Parallel Session 2**

10:30 am – 12:15 pm

- 6.1 Trade, Investment and Property Rights
- 6.2 Domestic Issues in the Philippines
- 6.3 Language Documentation and Multilingualism

**Lunch**

Wailana Room, Garden Level  
12:15 pm – 1:30 pm

**Parallel Session 3**

1:30 pm – 3:15 pm

- 7.1 Issues in Contemporary China
- 7.2 Regional Security Issues
- 7.3 Korean-Popular (K-Pop) and Social Media

**Break**

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm

**Parallel Session 4**

3:30 pm – 5:15 pm

- 8.1 Negotiating Identity Through Language and Discourse
- 8.2 Political, Social and Human Rights Dimensions of Population Mobility
- 8.3 Reminiscence of Cultural Past

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**1.1 Language Policy**

**Friday, Feb. 14, 8:30 am – 10:15 am, Sarimanok Room**  
**Moderator:** Prem Phyak (Nepal), Second Language Studies

*Shahin Firoozmand. University of California, San Diego (USA)*  
Uyghur Ethnogenesis and China's Nation-Building in Xinjiang

*Ken Watanabe. Texas A&M University (Japan)*  
Rhetoric of Education Reform in Japan: The Ten-Year Anniversary of  
MEXT's 'Action Plan' and Political Roadmap for English Language  
Curriculum

*Thuy Bui. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and Alumni East-West Center (Vietnam)*  
English Spread in Vietnam: Neoliberal Ideologies and Youth Agency in  
Promoting Equitable Education and Diversity

*James Utley. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (USA)*  
Language, Nation and Empire: The Search for Common Languages  
During the Second World War

**1.2 Food Production and Consumption**

**Friday, Feb. 14, 8:30 am – 10:15 am, Kaniela Room**  
**Moderator:** Josh Levy (USA), History

*Weranuj Ariyasriwatana. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center  
(Thailand)*  
Why We Eat Fast-Food: Revealing Insights From Yelp Reviews of Fast-  
Food Restaurants on the Island of Oahu (Hawaii)

*Md. Shahidul Islam. Khon Kaen University (Bangladesh)*  
Factors Affecting Adoption Towards Organic Vegetables Production in Sam  
Sung District, Khon Kaen Province, Northeast Thailand

*Tanisha Ann Aflague. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*  
Adaptation and Evaluation of the *WillTry* Tool For Use Among Children 3-12  
years in Guam

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**1.3 Performative Culture Through Dance**

**Friday, Feb. 14, 8:30 am – 10:15 am, Pago Pago Room**

**Moderator:** Anjali Nath (USA), Political Science

*Pablo Jiménez. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

The Phenomenology of Maurice Merleau-Ponty and Dance Embodiment

*Billie Lee. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and Alumni East-West Center (USA)*

Geo-Choreographies of the Colonial Dancing Body

*Ruby MacDougall. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

Branding Dance in Yunnan: The Peacock Reimagined