



**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**  
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- 2.2 Disaster Management: Impact and Preparedness
- 2.3 Visual Representation: Stereotypes, Gender, Decolonization  
and Identity

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- 3.2 East Asia Geopolitics: The Role of US and China
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- 4.1 Different Kinds of Social Movements
- 4.2 Climate Change: Policy Planning
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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

**2.1 Exploring Challenges for Student Success: Policy, Social, Cultural and Financial Support**

**Friday, Feb 14, 10:30 am – 12:15 pm, Sarimanok Room**

**Moderator:** Ruobing Chi (China), Communication and Info. Sciences

*Kiana Shiroma. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

Factors that Motivate Underserved High-Achieving Students of Color: A Pilot Study

*Saori Doi. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (Japan)*

Social Support and Acculturation Process among Study Abroad ESL Students in the U.S.

*Viveka Kudaligam. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Sri Lanka)*

Funding Higher Education: Emerging Loan Markets in Sri Lanka

*Alessandra Bazo-Vienrich. Lehigh University (Peru)*

In College and Undocumented: An Analysis of the Educational Trajectories of Undocumented Students in North Carolina

**2.2 Disaster Management: Impact and Preparedness**

**Friday, Feb 14, 10:30 am – 12:15 pm, Kaniela Room**

**Moderator:** Jiwnath Ghimire (Nepal), Urban and Regional Planning

*Miriam Matejova. University of British Columbia (Canada)*

Complex Scenario Approach in Indonesia's Disaster Preparedness

*Asheshwor Shrestha. University of Adelaide and Alumni East-West Center (Nepal)*

Climate Change and Floods in the Nepali Tarai: Perceptions and Climactic Evidence

*John Rush, IV. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and Alumni East-West Center (USA)*

Natural Disasters and Poverty in Indonesia

*Upul Wickramasinghe. Australian National University (Sri Lanka)*

A Comparative Study of Groundwater Contamination and Mitigation Approaches in Sri Lanka and Bangladesh and its Policy Implications.

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**2.3 Visual Representation: Stereotypes, Gender, Decolonization and Identity**

**Friday, Feb 14, 10:30 am – 12:15 pm, Pago Pago Room**

**Moderator:** Gita Neupane (Nepal), Sociology

*Shulang Zou. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (China)*

*Lady's Room: The Role of Performance and Space for Women in Contemporary Chinese Society*

*Pahole Sookkasikon. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

*The Girl in the Picture: Trasher, Bangkok; Queering Empire; and Performing Pleasure on Screen*

*No'u Revilla. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

*Card-carrying "Natives": Hawaiian Identity and the Mahalo Rewards Card in South Park*

*Jessica Austin. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

*Gazing at Ogres and Cheering for Princesses - Decolonizing Heritage Film at Phnom Penh's Memory International Film Heritage Festival*



**3.1 Moving Towards Equity: Transforming Teacher Practice Through Engagement and Intervention**

**Friday, Feb 14, 1:30 pm – 3:15 pm, Sarimanok Room**

**Moderator:** Mary Chang (USA), Education

*Jennifer Holdway. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (Canada)*  
Mathematics and Multilingual Learners: Transformative Learning Through In-Service Teacher Professional Development

*Lynette Demegilio. University of Auckland (New Zealand)*  
Is Promoting Gender Equity in Early Childhood Centres, A Myth or Reality?

*Youxin Zhang. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (China)*  
*Yahna Kawa. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*  
K-12 Teachers' Attitudes Towards the Adoption of Game-Based Learning in Schools

*Lan Luu. Hanoi University (Vietnam)*  
Effects of Computer-Assisted Language Learning (CALL) on Attitudes of Vietnamese Tertiary Students of English

**3.2 East Asia Geopolitics: The Role of US and China**

**Friday, Feb 14, 1:30 pm – 3:15 pm, Kaniela Room**

**Moderator:** Alex Holowicki (USA), History

*Khury Petersen-Smith. Clark University (USA)*  
How the US "Pivots" to Asia: Militarization, Sovereignty, and Territory

*Maria Nymalm. German Institute of Global and Area Studies (Finland)*  
Theorizing the "Rise of China" vs. the "Decline of the West" – Unprecedented Historical Event or Just a Déjà-Vu?

*Erika An. University of Nevada, Las Vegas (USA)*  
East Asian Regionalism: China's New Role?

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**3.3 Cooperation and Group Affirmation on a Micro and Macro Scale**

**Friday, Feb 14, 1:30 pm – 3:15 pm, Pago Pago Room**

**Moderator:** Turro Wongkaren (Indonesia), Alumni East-West Center

*Eun Bin Chung. Ohio State University (Republic of Korea)*  
*Group-Affirmation and Trust in East Asia*

*Anna Lou Abatayo. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center*  
*(Philippines)*  
*Does External Regulation Really Crowd Out Cooperation?*

*Alice Neikirk. Australian National University (USA)*  
*The Elephant has Two Sets of Teeth: Refugees and Bhutan's Democratic Reforms*

**4.1 Different Kinds of Social Movements**

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**Moderator:** Micah Fisher (USA), Geography

*Isabel Chew. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (Singapore)*

The Case of Failed Revolutions: Burma's 8888 Uprising and the  
Philippine People Power Revolution -- Why People Mobilize and Why  
Revolutions Fail

*Wonkyung Rhee. Waseda University (Republic of Korea)*

Japan's Cyber Nationalism and its impact on East Asia

*Yuki Asahina. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (Japan)*

Global Framing of Domestic Racist Movements: The Rise of Racist  
Movements in Japan

**4.2 Climate Change: Policy Planning**

**Friday, Feb 14, 3:30 pm – 5:15 pm, Kaniela Room**

**Moderator:** Wendy Miles (USA), Geography

*Michael Schwebel. Temple University (USA)*

Flux in the Pacific: Nissology, Islands, and a Quest for Success in  
Addressing Global Climate Change

*Josef Falko Loher. University of Vienna (Austria)*

An Operational Methodology of Assessing Multi-Level Climate Change  
Governance in East Asia: A Three-Step Approach

*Katryn Pasaribu. University of Wyoming (Indonesia)*

Incorporating Uncertainty into Policy Planning: Indonesia Adaptation  
Options

*Zhihong Luan. Beijing Jiaotong University and Alumni East-West Center (China)*

Study on the Chinese Legal System of Preventing the Pollution of Solid  
Wastes in Rural Areas

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**4.3 Tourism: Environmental and Cultural Aspects**

**Friday, Feb 14, 3:30 pm – 5:15 pm, Pago Pago**

**Moderator:** Anna Lou Abatayo (Philippines), Economics

*T. S. Stumpf. Washington State University (USA)*

Conformity, Performance, and Efficiency: Identifying Strategic Templates  
for Developing Pacific Island Destinations

*Haruko Koike. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (Japan)*

Creating a Common Ground for Discussion: New Fishery Management  
Model that Considers Fishermen, Ecotourism, and Cultural Subsistence Use

**5.1 Encountering Diversity and Complexity in Language and Culture**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 8:30 am – 10:15 am, Sarimanok Room**

**Moderator:** Emerson Odango (USA), Linguistics

*Ruobing Chi. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (China)*  
A Case Study of the Relationship Between Social Networks and  
Acculturation in a Multicultural Community

*Madoka Nagado. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (Japan)*  
Translating the Untranslatable: Strategies and Reality of Translating  
Okinawan Literature

*Nozomi Tanaka. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (Japan)*  
Is Tagalog Accusative or Ergative? Adult and Child Elicited Production

**5.2 Asian Philosophy and Religions**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 8:30 am – 10:15 am, Kaniela Room**

**Moderator:** Minh Hieu Phung (Vietnam), History

*Christina da Silva. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*  
Architectonic Animism: Kyoto's Kyo-machiya-bumu and Kitarō Nishida's  
Spatial Self

*Robert Mamada. University of California, Irvine and Alumni East-West Center  
(USA)*  
Why Is the Supreme Deity of Shintō a Goddess?: The Effect of Anomie on  
Feminization of the Supreme Deity During the Yayoi Period in Japan

*Irmak Yazici. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (Turkey)*  
Das 'Hindu' Capital: On the Shared Moral Economy of Religious  
Fundamentalism and Neoliberalism in India

*Jarrod Brown. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*  
Trouble in the Theravada World: Buddhist Rhetoric of Violence and War

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**5.3 Ecological Conservation, Evolution and Bioengineering**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 8:30 am – 10:15 am, Pago Pago Room**

**Moderator:** Asami Nago (Japan), Medical Anthropology

*Chino Cabaltea. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

Peptide Bioengineering of Conotoxins: A New Twist to an Old Story

*Andersonn Prestes. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (Brazil)*

Science, Evolution and Humanism: A Lesson from Hawaiian Moths  
(Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)

*Linda Uyeda. University of Washington (USA)*

Human Perspectives on the Water Monitor Lizard (*Varanus Salvator*) in  
Banten, Indonesia: Exploring Local Beliefs and Assessing the Potential for  
Human-Animal Conflict

**6.1 Trade, Investment, and Property Rights**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 10:30 am – 12:15 pm, Sarimanok Room**

**Moderator:** Medah Mudiyansele (Sri Lanka), Economics

*Minh Son Le. Griffith University (Vietnam)*

Trade Openness and Household Welfare within a Country: A Micro Analysis of Vietnamese Households

*Yu Wang. Lehigh University (China)*

Unraveling International Dependency: Does Foreign Direct Investment Immiserate Poor Countries in Current World System? 1997-2011

*Thanh Nguyen. Radboud University Nijmegen (Vietnam and USA)*

Vietnam In Motion - The Transformation Process for Fair and Equal Urban Land Rights

*Garrett Halydier. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

A Hybrid Legal and Economic Development Model that Balances Intellectual Property Protection and Economic Growth: A Case Study of India, Brazil, Indonesia, and Vietnam

**6.2 Domestic Issues in the Philippines**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 10:30 am – 12:15 pm, Kaniela Room**

**Moderator:** Aaron Rom Moralina (Philippines), History

*Louie Blake Sarmiento. Silliman University (Philippines)*

Differences in Work Values across Generations among Silliman University Employees

*Julia Crowley. Cornell University (USA)*

Motivations for Clean Solid Waste Management Systems: A Comparative Analysis of Sarrat, Solsona, and Vintar, Ilocos Norte

*David Cao. University of Sydney (Australia)*

A Conceptual Framework for Inter-Island Transportation Planning in the Philippines

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**6.3 Language Documentation and Multilingualism**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 10:30 am – 12:15 pm, Pago Pago Room**

**Moderator:** Emerson Odango (USA), Linguistics

*Melody Ross. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

Mapping and Metalinguistic Knowledge in Dili, Timor-Leste

*Tyler Heston. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

Language Diversity in East Timor



**7.1 Issues in Contemporary China**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 1:30 pm – 3:15 pm, Sarimanok Room**

**Moderator:** John Friend (USA), Political Science

*Fanus Aregay. Northwest A&F University, China (Eritrea)*

Impact of Irrigation Water Pricing On Water Demand, Economic and Environmental Conditions: A Case Study in Guanzhong Irrigation Region, China

*Rui Zeng. National University of Singapore (China)*

The Grassroots Social Association and Its 'Authorised Autonomy': Cases from Rural China

*Katherine Whitworth. University of Sydney (Australia)*

Insuring China's future

*Matthew da Silva. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

Camouflaged Circumlocutions: How China's Users Evade Internet Police

**7.2 Regional Security Issues**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 1:30 pm – 3:15 pm, Kaniela Room**

**Moderator:** Robert Delaney (USA), Korean Studies

*Sheryn Lee. Australian National University (Australia)*

The 21st century Arms Race: Explaining the Naval Acquisitions Programs in East Asia

*Kristofer Gordon. Johns Hopkins University (USA)*

What Dilemma? An Analysis of China's Malacca Dilemma and its Recent Countermeasures

*Thiyagaraja Waradas. Uppsala University (Sri Lanka)*

Politics of Securitizing 'Kachchativu': Analysing the Discourse on Maritime Issues in the Palk Bay Between India and Sri Lanka

*Nicole Dicker. University of Sydney (Australia)*

Aiding Transitional Justice in Solomon Islands

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**7.3 Korean-Popular (K-Pop) and Social Media**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 1:30 pm – 3:15 pm, Pago Pago Room**

**Moderator:** Yejin Park (Republic of Korea), Music

*Bryant Murakami. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

Performing Fandom in K-Pop Dance Covers on Youtube

*Jungwon Kim. University of California, Riverside (Republic of Korea)*

Old-Fashioned Music on Up-To-Date Devices: An Examination of the  
Utilization of a Mobile Application in Monthly Project by Korean Popular  
Singer Jongshin Yoon

**8.1 Negotiating Identity Through Language and Discourse**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 3:30 pm – 5:15 pm, Sarimanok Room**  
**Moderator:** Bonnie Tolson (USA), Alumni East-West Center

*Kenneth Gofigan Kuper. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (Guam)*

Tulaika i Fino', Tulaika i Hinasso: Changing Minds Through Language

*Chen-Yi Yang. National Tsing Hua University (Taiwan)*

A Study of Language Proficiency, Use and Attitude of Adolescents in Taiwan

*Emerson Odango. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and East-West Center (USA)*

Epistemic Stancetaking in Mortlockese Metalinguistic Discourse

*Gitte du Plessis. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (Denmark)*

Critiques of Globalization: Neocolonialism and the Novel *Eat, Pray, Love*

**8.2 Political, Social and Human Rights Dimensions of Population Mobility**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 3:30 pm – 5:15 pm, Kaniela Room**  
**Moderator:** Micah Fisher (USA), Geography

*Yiqian Xu. Johns Hopkins University (China)*

Policy Implications of Cross-Strait Marriage in Taiwan

*Yao-Tai Li. University of California, San Diego (Taiwan)*

Diffuse or Enclosed Ethnoscapes? The Spatial Forms of Ethnic Communities of Taiwanese Migrant Workers in China

*Kristen Gleason. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

The Challenges of Addressing the Human Trafficking in Hawai'i: A Qualitative Study

*Won Geun Choi. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and Alumni East-West Center (Republic of Korea)*

China and the Janus-Faced Refugee Policy

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**8.3 Reminiscence of Cultural Past**

**Saturday, Feb 15, 3:30 pm – 5:15 pm, Pago Pago Room**

**Moderator:** Gita Neupane (Nepal), Sociology

*Yuka Polovina. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (Canada)*

Negotiating Multiple Identities – A Bio-Ethnography of a Chinese-Mauritian Beach Volleyball Olympian from Canada

*Deloris Guttman. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

Silent Voices: Overlooked Africana Peoples Contributions in the Making of Hawaiian History

*Dylan Beatty. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (USA)*

The Devil in our Pews: Locating Latter-Day Saints in Colonial Samoa



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**Presentation Summary**

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

*Abatayo, Anna Lou*

*Does External Regulation Really Crowd Out Cooperation?*

3.3 Cooperation and Group Affirmation on a Micro and Macro Scale

The Tragedy of the Commons arise from individuals acting in self-interest. There is therefore a need to provide common pool resource users an incentive to cooperate with one another and safeguard the resources. In this paper, we design a laboratory experiment to determine whether common pool resource users are more likely to follow the rules to safeguard the resources when these arise from within the user group or not. Our results show that there are no differences in cooperation levels between users with rules that they themselves created and users with rules that were imposed on them.

*Aflague, Tanisha Ann*

*Adaptation and Evaluation of the WillTry tool for Use Among Children 3-12 years in Guam*

1.2 Food Production and Consumption

Inadequate F&V intake is associated with childhood obesity. The *WillTry* is a psychometric tool designed to measure willingness to try F&V. The primary objective of this study was to determine if the *WillTry* tool, previously validated, would be valid among children aged 3-12 years in Guam. Internal consistency (Cronbach's  $\alpha$ ), test-retest reliability (ICC), and average responses (scores) for the adapted *WillTry* were similar to the original *WillTry* tool. The adapted *WillTry* tool incorporating foods of Guam promises to be a useful adjunct for outcome assessment of programs promoting F&V consumption among children.

**An, Erika**

*East Asian Regionalism: China's New Role?*

3.2 East Asia Geopolitics: The Role of US and China

This paper assesses the changing influence of Japan and China within the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). Scholars have used numerous measures to describe Japan and China's influence within the ASEAN region. An overlooked political measure is bilateral voting affinity in the United Nations (UN) General Assembly. Using UN voting affinity as a measure of political influence, how has China and Japan's influence shifted within the ASEAN region? The surprising and counterintuitive findings suggest that China's perceived growing sphere of influence in politics may not be as substantial as people assume.



***Aregay, Fanus***

*Impact of Irrigation Water Pricing On Water Demand, Economic and Environmental conditions: A Case Study in Guanzhong Irrigation Region, China*

7.1 Issues in Contemporary China

Increasing irrigation water price for water demand management and improving farmers' awareness of water is considered among Chinese government and policy makers. Therefore, this paper examines the possible impact of irrigation water pricing policy on economic and environmental conditions of the Guanzhong irrigation region. The price simulation result using positive mathematical programming model shows that water demand is price inelastic at the lower water price level and farmers' farm income is significantly reduced when the water price increases to the level that water demand is elastic. Similarly, environmental benefit from the reduced water and fertilizer consumption is minimal.

***Ariyasriwatana, Weranuj***

*Why We Eat Fast-Food: Revealing Insights from Yelp Reviews of Fast-Food Restaurants on the Island of Oahu (Hawaii)*

1.2 Food Production and Consumption

Fast-food is popular despite its association with obesity and chronic and endemic health problems. This paper attempts to understand food choice by exploring Yelp reviews to better understand why people consume fast food on Oahu island, Hawaii, the colorful, diverse and multi-ethnic land of local and national/global fast-food restaurants. This study seeks to understand fast-food consumers using social media. It is hoped that categories of reasons deriving from qualitative content analysis and grounded theory's open coding and axial coding will lead to more effective intervention programs for healthy eating and marketing strategies for those who must compete with fast-food restaurants.

***Asahina, Yuki***

*Global Framing of Domestic Racist Movements: The Rise of Racist Movements in Japan*

4.1 Different Kinds of Social Movements

This empirical analysis of Japanese racist movements addresses two questions: 1) How have racist movements succeeded in mobilizing in contemporary Japan after long years of silence? and 2) How has the diffusion of global norms affected the mobilization of domestic racist movements? The analysis of interviews with Japanese racist movement activists suggests that the recent resurgence of Japanese racist movements owe much to their ability to create global frames. Thus, the analysis shows that diffusion of global norms may provide opportunities even for racist movements.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### *Austin, Jessica*

*Gazing at Ogres and Cheering for Princesses--Decolonizing Heritage Film at Phnom Penh's Memory International Film Heritage Festival*

#### 2.3 Visual Representation: Stereotypes, Gender, Decolonization and Identity

On June 2, 2013, over 500 people crowded into the Chaktomuk Theater in Phnom Penh, Cambodia to watch a 1965 film about a legendary Cambodian couple who struggle against fate and magic to discover their destiny together. This film had not been screened for more than 40 years, but thanks to the Memory! International Film Heritage Festival team, Cambodians had the opportunity to engage with a part of Cambodian history that had nearly been lost forever. This newly formed film community exemplifies a growing movement to decolonize global film heritage and rediscover the past in our love of cinema.

### *Bazo-Vienrich, Alessandra*

*In College and Undocumented: An Analysis of the Educational Trajectories of Undocumented Students in North Carolina*

#### 2.1 Exploring Challenges for Student Success: Policy, Social, Cultural and Financial Support

This thesis is an analysis of the educational journeys of currently or formerly undocumented college students in North Carolina. Through ethnographic research in the form of interviews and participant observation, I explore the unique experiences, obstacles, and achievements that these talented students have experienced in the pursuit of a higher education. Moreover, my research sheds light on the role that this group of the population plays in society, and contributes to the greater understanding of a group that until recently lived in the margins of American society.

### *Beatty, Dylan*

*The Devil in our Pews: Locating Latter-Day Saints in Colonial Samoa*

#### 8.3 Reminiscence of Cultural Past

The historiography of Colonial Samoa is dominated by the anti-colonial Mau resistance movement against New Zealand and American authority during the late-1920s. With the exception of historian Featuna'i Ben Liua'ana's significant research which can be found in Samoa Tula'i: Ecclesiastical and Political Face of Samoa's Independence, 1900-1962, little has been said of the role Samoan members of Christian congregations and Western missionaries played vis-à-vis the Mau resistance. This research examines exchanges and conflicts between Samoan members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS) and LDS missionaries amidst the larger Mau resistance to New Zealand colonial authority.

**Brown, Jarrod**

*Trouble in the Theravada World: Buddhist Rhetoric of Violence and War*  
5.2 Asian Philosophy and Religions

This paper provides a comparative examination of how specifically Theravada Buddhist rhetorical themes and ideas have been marshaled to motivate such Buddhist communities to acts of violence and war in instances such as the 1938 Rangoon Anti-Muslim Riots, the Sri Lankan Civil War, the late 1970s Communist Insurgency in Thailand, and the contemporary anti-Muslim violence on present day Myanmar. It identifies common themes of Buddhist advocates of violence, identifies rhetorical sources for the justification of violence, and provides a canonical critique of such rhetoric to demonstrate that the individual's use of violence is never legitimated by Buddhist dhamma teachings.

**Bui, Thuy Thi**

*English Spread in Vietnam: Neoliberal Ideologies and Youth Agency in Promoting Equitable Education and Diversity*  
1.1 Language Policy

Research shows that the global expansion of English impacts linguistic and cultural genocides and social inequalities. In resisting the threatening spread of English, McCarty (2011) calls for unpacking ideologies of LPs at global, national, and local levels. Using engaged ethnography (Davis, Phyak & Bui, 2012), I unravel ideologies of English expansion through the voices of minority youth. I suggest the need to examine the interconnection of ideologies at the micro, meso, and macro levels to better understand neoliberal agendas behind English LPs. I further emphasize ways to support minority youths' agency in promoting educational and linguistic equity.

**Cabalteja, Chino**

*Peptide Bioengineering of Conotoxins: A New Twist to an Old Story*  
5.3 Ecological Conservation, Evolution and Bioengineering

The genus *Conus*, or "cone snails", are carnivorous molluscan gastropods widely distributed throughout the Pacific. Their venom contains bioactive neuropeptides known as conotoxins, which are potent antagonists of different ion channels and receptors of the nervous system. The characteristic receptor-ligand interaction of these peptides is contingent on their tertiary structure, stabilized by several disulfide bonds. These disulfide bond connectivities can yield different permutations, generating peptide isomers with differing properties. This study investigates the novel conotoxin ViI from *Conus virgo* found in the Indo-Pacific and shows that, through peptide bioengineering, we can obtain new isomers that exhibit a degree of bioactivity.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### *Cao, David*

#### *A Conceptual Framework for Inter-Island Transportation Planning in the Philippines* 6.2 Domestic Issues in the Philippines

‘MIMAROPA’ is a cluster of 1,978 islands in the Philippine archipelago. This presents unique challenges to the transportation planning sector in achieving equitable accessibility. This study analyses the limits of systems, policies and procedures applied through standard conventions of transportation planning in supporting Filipino inter-island travel. It uses the MIMAROPA Intermodal Transport Development Plan as a case study to critique the application of generic planning processes within an idiosyncratic social, political and geographic landscape. This study supports the applicability of traditional transport planning conventions on the basis that key learning be integrated into a new conceptual framework for broader consideration.

### *Chew, Isabel*

#### *The Case of Failed Revolutions: Burma’s 8888 Uprising and the Philippine People Power Revolution -- Why People Mobilize and Why Revolutions Fail* 4.1 Different Kinds of Social Movements

Scholars have compared the 1986 Philippine People Power Revolution to the 1988 Burmese 8888 uprisings by contrasting a successful revolution against one that failed to topple the political regime. Beyond the surface, a picture of two failed social revolutions emerges. By placing these revolutions in a wider temporal perspective, this study teases out a deeper understanding of why and when people mobilize and why revolutions fail. This paper argues that economics and revolutionary momentum are key to explaining collective mobilization while the success of revolutions relies on the coherence of elite opposition coalitions and the effective control of violence.

### *Chi, Ruobing*

#### *A Case Study of the Relationship Between Social Networks and Acculturation in a Multicultural Community* 5.1 Encountering Diversity and Complexity in Language and Culture

This case-study maps out the social networks of an exemplary student community where long-term social relations are formed regardless of cultural differences. Findings suggest that cultural and physical distance do explain who is connected to whom, but to a very limited extent. Institutionalized and self-organized collective activities, spontaneous encounters in common areas, and community norms can facilitate social integration across countries and gender. Finally, suggestions are provided for organizations and individuals with an aim of promoting cross-cultural understanding and intercultural interactions.

***Choi, Won Geun***

*China and the Janus-faced Refugee Policy*

8.2 Political, Social and Human Rights Dimensions of Population Mobility

This research explains what the motivations of refugee policy in China are through the comparative study of Vietnamese boat people and North Korean escapees. China generously provided protection for Vietnamese refugees during the Indochinese refugee crisis. However, in case of North Korean escapees, China refused to grant them refugee status, and forcibly deported them back to North Korea. This research argues that the national security concern and the ethnic affinity caused China's participation or rejection of international refugee regime in these two contradictory cases. China's Janus-faced refugee policy indicates challenges and opportunities of refugee protection in East Asia.

***Chung, Eun Bin***

*Group-Affirmation and Trust in East Asia*

3.3 Cooperation and Group Affirmation on a Micro and Macro Scale

In East Asia, memory persists even when it counterproductively interferes with rational self-interest. This study aims to find what can improve relations between countries where animosity from past interactions vividly lasts and inhibits cooperation. I specifically focus on levels of trust as an indicator of group relations. I argue that group-affirmation increases levels of trust between Chinese, Korean, and Japanese nationals. My findings have implications for international peace and reconciliation policy: where negative emotions last between groups with different social identities, the remedy might not be to pursue a weakening or erosion of identities, but counter-intuitively, to strengthen them.

***Crowley, Julia***

*Motivations for Clean Solid Waste Management Systems: A Comparative Analysis of Sarrat, Solsona, and Vintar, Ilocos Norte*

6.2 Domestic Issues in the Philippines

Ilocos Norte is a Philippine province that consists of 21 municipalities. The municipalities vary widely in the type of solid waste management systems used. This study provides a comparative analysis of disposal methods for the municipalities of Sarrat, Solsona, and Vintar. Sarrat lacks a formal waste management system, Solsona is a zero-waste community, and Vintar has a dumpsite with pick-up services. Of the three, Solsona residents reported the least trash burning and dumping, while Sarrat residents reported the highest. The level of political will of the local governments appears to be most influential in adopting sustainable disposal methods.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### *Da Silva, Christina*

#### *Architectonic Animism: Kyoto's Kyo-machiya-bumu and Kitarō Nishida's Spatial Self* 5.2 Asian Philosophy and Religions

The phenomenology of Kitarō Nishida (西田 幾多郎 1870-1945) recognizes the role of space and community in the formation of the social self. In particular, Nishida's concepts of "pure experience" (junsui keiken 純粹經驗), "place" (basho 場所), and "space" (kū 空) set up a useful framework for elucidating the role that the social self plays in the phenomena of the kyō-machiya-bumu, the movement to revitalize Kyoto's traditional townhouses.

### *Da Silva, Matthew*

#### *Camouflaged Circumlocutions: How China's Users Evade Internet Police* 7.1 Issues in Contemporary China

Combining concepts and techniques from the fields of electronic information dominance warfare and library and information science, this research explores cyrptic communication on the internet in China, documenting the techniques used by both sides in the struggle for electronic free speech. Starting from known physical and legal aspects, the research extrapolates concepts relating to two hidden worlds: the secret mechanisms used for oppression and the psychology of Chinese users. Care is taken to examine how the Chinese language allows phonetic subtext to be concealed in ideographical hanzi or in plain sight acrostics.

### *Demegilio, Lynette*

#### *Is Promoting Gender Equity in Early Childhood Centres, A Myth or Reality?* 3.1 Moving Towards Equity: Transforming Teacher Practice Through Engagement and Intervention

An action research was conducted to determine if gender equity is being promoted in early childhood centers. Interviews with teachers, observations and conversations with children were conducted at three early childhood centers. Results show that teachers believe they promote gender equity in their early childhood centers. Children's gendered play patterns are expressed in their choice of toys, play spaces, language used for communication and in their exclusion of the other gender from their play. Strategies were used to intervene in children's gendered play and teachers are challenged to confront gender equity as a real issue in their early childhood centers.

***Dicker, Nicole***

*Aiding Transitional Justice in Solomon Islands*  
7.2 Regional Security Issues

Transitional justice in Solomon Islands responds to the five year period of violent civil conflict, commonly referred to as the 'Tensions', that devastated the Pacific Island nation of Solomon Islands between 1998 and 2003. The Tensions resulted in the deaths of an estimated 200 Solomon Islanders and left some 20,000 people displaced; gross human rights violations were suffered. In this context, transitional justice endeavors to bring accountability for human rights violations, promote victims' rights, and achieve national healing and reconciliation. Transitional justice has been an area of foreign aid donor engagement in Solomon Islands in the aftermath of the 'Tensions', this paper explores the quality and effectiveness of that engagement.

***Doi, Saori***

*Social Support and Acculturation Process among Study Abroad ESL Students in the U.S.*  
2.1 Exploring Challenges for Student Success: Policy, Social, Cultural and Financial Support

The purpose of this study is to investigate the availability and types of social support that English as a Second Language (ESL) students have. Specifically, it aims to examine how acculturation measured by cultural identification can be accounted for by social support that ESL students can receive and difficulties that they need to deal with. The research takes place in an intensive ESL program at a state university in Hawai'i. Questionnaires are administered to approximately 100 students. Preliminary findings on common sources of difficulties as well as social support resources, and how they affect ESL students' cultural identification, are shared in the presentation.

***Du Plessis, Gítte***

*Critiques of Globalization: Neocolonialism and the Novel Eat, Pray, Love*  
8.1 Negotiating Identity Through Language and Discourse

This research is two-fold, consisting of a genealogy of the term "neocolonialism," followed by a critical literary analysis focusing on expressions of neocolonialism in the international bestselling novel *Eat Pray Love*, the main idea of which is that one can escape western stress and pressure by travelling to faraway places on a spiritual journey to "find oneself." This paper thus argues for the benefits of critical analyses that go beyond the discourse of globalization as a happy chaos of endless mobility and cosmopolitanism, also in cases where this discourse is implicitly distributed through mainstream media.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

***Firoozmand, Shahin Martin***

*Uyghur Ethnogenesis and China's Nation-Building in Xinjiang*

1.1 Language Policy

This paper examines the effects of language standardization and ethnic minority policies in China's Xinjiang province. Among the region's many groups, the largest ethnic minority, the Uyghurs, have undergone an unprecedented coalescence of ethnic identity since the 1949 unification of China under communism. This unique ethnic identity has been alternately supported and suppressed by the People's Republic of China at different periods of its history. By focusing on the language policies of the PRC, this paper examines the origins of the ethnic designation "Uyghur" and its use by the PRC to assert control over Xinjiang and its diverse peoples.

***Gleason, Kristen***

*The Challenges of Addressing the Human Trafficking in Hawai'i: A Qualitative Study*

8.2 Political, Social and Human Rights Dimensions of Population Mobility

Human trafficking is a horrific human rights abuse that involves labor or sexual exploitation. Often trafficking victims are undocumented immigrants whose vulnerability is used to coerce them into cooperation and silence. In recent years, Hawai'i has had several high-profile human trafficking cases and has established an anti-human trafficking task force to address the issue. In an effort to get a better empirical understanding of the situation shaping anti-trafficking efforts in the US, this study uses interviews with service providers and anti-trafficking advocates to explore the challenges they face as they seek to prevent and address human trafficking in Hawai'i.

***Gofigan Kuper, Kenneth***

*Tulaika i Fino', Tulaika i Hinasso: Changing Minds Through Language*

8.1 Negotiating Identity Through Language and Discourse

This paper analyzes the decolonization discourse in Guåhan. Guåhan is a colony of the United States. Self-determination has been ongoing, but is often seen as an extremist endeavor. Using the theory of framing, the words used for self-determination will be analyzed based on the images associated with them. Only by changing the images people see can the perception of decolonization be changed. This paper will also include the use of indigenous languages as a strong tool of decolonization. Since languages embody different knowledges, they offer new perspectives to viewing the world. Decolonization in Guåhan definitely needs a different perspective.



***Gordon, Kristofer***

*What Dilemma? An Analysis of China's Malacca Dilemma and its Recent Countermeasures*  
7.2 Regional Security Issues

The Strait of Malacca is one of the busiest shipping lanes in the world. China's economic ascension has led to it becoming increasingly reliant on this geostrategic chokepoint, and its lack of influence over it has been a cause of consternation among strategists and academics. The "Malacca Dilemma" and the potential countermeasures to address it have been debated widely within China. This presentation will analyze the viewpoints of academics and strategists, as well as the costs and benefits of the most commonly discussed countermeasures. Does the issue indeed constitute a dilemma, and if so, what make for appropriate countermeasures?

***Guttman, Deloris***

*Silent Voices: Overlooked Africana Peoples Contributions in the Making of Hawaiian History*  
8.3 Reminiscence of Cultural Past

The earliest known settlers of African ancestry in Hawai'i were crew members aboard merchant and whaling ships. In Honolulu, ship hands found Black-owned barbershops, boarding houses and grog shops for recreation and rest. One man called "Black Jack" (Mr. Keaka'ele'ele) living on O'ahu in 1796 made his living in the maritime industry as sail master for King Kamehameha I. Among other residents of the islands were Anthony D. Allen, from Schenectady, New York who accommodated ship captains and sailors at Waikiki's first resort complex. King Kamehameha III's royal band was directed by America Shattuck and David Curtis and included two other black musicians.

***Halydier, Garrett***

*A Hybrid Legal and Economic Development Model that Balances Intellectual Property Protection and Economic Growth: A Case Study of India, Brazil, Indonesia, and Vietnam*  
6.1 Trade, Investment, and Property Rights

This article combines economic, legal, and historical analysis with original case studies of India, Brazil, Indonesia, and Vietnam to analyze whether or not implementing different levels of intellectual property protections at varying stages of economic development has the potential to enhance or stagnate economic growth in the future. This article concludes that allowing the least developed and developing nations the option to adapt their intellectual property protections to their stage of economic development creates larger, more affluent markets; opportunities for international partnerships; and other benefits that may prove considerably more profitable for developed nations and multi-national corporations in the long run.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### *Heston, Tyler*

#### *Language Diversity in East Timor*

##### 6.3 Language Documentation and Multilingualism

The countries throughout Asia and the Pacific are home to an astonishing diversity of cultures and languages. One small country that is a particularly striking example of linguistic diversity and multilingualism is East Timor (Timor Leste). Located on an island in Southeast Asia, north of Australia and east of Bali, East Timor is home to many languages that are under-documented or endangered. This presentation gives an overview of the linguistic diversity of the country, describes the presenter's own research on the Fataluku language and suggests directions for future research in this remarkably complex and diverse area of the world.

### *Holdway, Jennifer*

#### *Mathematics and Multilingual Learners: Transformative Learning Through In-Service Teacher Professional Development*

##### 3.1 Moving Towards Equity: Transforming Teacher Practice Through Engagement and Intervention

This paper explores the engagement and reflections of 10 K-12 in-service teachers in a 15-week online, asynchronous professional development (PD) course. Offered to teachers across the state of Hawai'i, this course addressed a simultaneous focus on English language development and mathematics content instruction for emergent bilinguals. Informed by transformative learning theory, this study focused on in-service teacher reflections through weekly discussions and summaries posted in an online group forum. Results reflect transformative learning and critical engagement across a number of important themes, citing the importance of such PD courses and implications for future research.

### *Islam, Md. Shahidul*

#### *Factors Affecting Adoption towards Organic Vegetables Production in Sam Sung District, Khon Kaen Province, Northeast Thailand*

##### 1.2 Food Production and Consumption

This study was conducted in the Sam Sung district, Khon Kaen Province, Northeast Thailand in 2012 to investigate the factors that influenced the decisions by Thai farmers to adopt organic vegetable production (OVP). Farmers' personal, household, social and economic factors were studied and it was found that significant factors, like women's leading role, training, satisfaction with extension service, pesticide attitude, motivation by government organizations, and motivation by fellow farmers influenced OVP adoption positively, whereas only risk attitude influenced it negatively. The result indicated that motivation and technical knowledge and skill development are most important in the adoption of OVP.

***Jiménez, Pablo***

*The Phenomenology of Maurice Merleau-Ponty and Dance Embodiment*  
1.3 Performative Culture Through Dance

This research examines the phenomenology of Merleau-Ponty in the context of dance embodiment. It discusses how Merleau-Ponty emphasizes the relationship between the subject and its external environment. It also introduces the Haitian artist and researcher Maud Robart and her work with the Haitian ritual dance yanvalou, proposing Robart's pedagogy as an "unintended" phenomenology of the inner experience of dance. This paper concludes by highlighting how Merleau-Ponty's phenomenology prioritizes the mind over the body, and how this asymmetry fosters a perspective that precludes the acquisition of knowledge based on inner kinesthetic awareness and the affective perception of the dancer.

***Kawaa, Yahna***

*K-12 Teachers' Attitudes Towards the Adoption of Game-Based Learning in Schools*  
3.1 Moving Towards Equity: Transforming Teacher Practice Through Engagement and Intervention

Although many factors influence game-based instruction, a teacher's attitude is a major determining factor in their willingness to adopt technology that includes digital games for instructional purposes. Research on game-based learning reveals the benefits of incorporating games into instructional practices, including increased student motivation and engagement. In this research, the TAM model will be used to understand teacher attitude influences on the adoption of game-based learning in K-12 settings in Hawaii. The relationship between perceived usefulness and perceived ease of use and a teacher's attitude will be examined statistically. This research further contributes to the existing literature on technology acceptance.

***Kim, Jungwon***

*Old-Fashioned Music on Up-To-Date Devices: An Examination of the Utilization of a Mobile Application in Monthly Project by Korean Popular Singer Jongshin Yoon*  
7.3 Korean-Popular (K-Pop) and Social Media

While the pop ballad is currently considered outmoded in Korea, it is noticeable that Jongshin Yoon's Monthly Project shows a new way of mediating music through a mobile application. Focusing on the Monthly Project, this study explores how the mobile application is constituted, promoted, and circulated. It also examines the implications of mediation of Yoon's old-fashioned music via the up-to date technologies. This paper argues that this technological mediation can not only change the ways of listening and perceiving music but can also re-position music and construct new popular music scenes.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### ***Koike, Haruko***

#### *Creating a Common Ground for Discussion: New Fishery Management Model that Considers Fishermen, Ecotourism, and Cultural Subsistence Use*

##### 4.3 Tourism: Environmental and Cultural Aspects

Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC) and the University of Hawaii conducted biological stock assessment for Napoleon wrasse (Maml) and Bumphead parrotfish (Kemedukl) to improve Palau's fishery management for the two species. Additionally, social surveys were conducted in order to consider all three stakeholders for this fishery which are the fishermen, Palau's diving tourism industry, and cultural subsistence users. By combining biological information and social survey results, this study creates a model that will show the harvest limit accounting for all three groups' interests for these two species.

### ***Kudaligam, Viveka***

#### *Funding Higher Education: Emerging Loan Markets in Sri Lanka*

##### 2.1 Exploring Challenges for Student Success: Policy, Social, Cultural and Financial Support

Limited higher education opportunities in the public sector and globalization forces are changing the higher education landscape in Sri Lanka. University-level education, once primarily a public sector provision, now has new private institutions offering degree programs. In addition, a significant number of undergraduate students travel abroad seeking education opportunities. One outcome related to the marketization of Sri Lankan higher education is the emergence of a private loan market. This exploratory study considers the educational policy implications of the emerging market by analyzing bank websites, publicly available print material from commercial and specialized banks, and newspaper articles and advertisements.

### ***Le, Minh Son***

#### *Trade Openness and Household Welfare within a Country: A Micro Analysis of Vietnamese Households*

##### 6.1 Trade, Investment, and Property Rights

The idea that trade liberalization can affect many dimensions of poverty initiated many studies of the relationship between trade liberalization and poverty. This study investigates the determinants of rural welfare in Vietnam, emphasizing the impacts of trade openness on rural household welfare and poverty dynamics. It is based on a micro-growth model and uses panel data sets from the Vietnam Household Living Standards Surveys from 2002 to 2006. The main finding is that trade-related factors such as household rice productivity, local trade and commune employment in manufacturing, export, and import sectors are the important determinants of rural welfare.

**Lee, Billie***Geo-Choreographies of the Colonial Dancing Body*  
1.3 Performative Culture Through Dance

This paper traces a matrilineal genealogy of performance through the lives of two sisters who came of age in the colonial modern period of Korea. By looking at their performative acts as dancers, I argue that their public dance-acts need to be read as socio-historical texts of modern woman's self-assertion in negotiation with relations of power.

**Lee, Sheryn***The 21st century arms race: Explaining the naval acquisitions programs in East Asia*  
7.2 Regional Security Issues

Since 2000, a sustained and rapid build-up of naval capabilities has been underway in the Asia-Pacific region, particularly in Northeast Asia. There is no single-factor explanation for the arms acquisition programs of the past decade. Rather multiple variables have influenced countries at different times. Recent trends in East Asian naval acquisitions depict a regional arms race in Northeast Asia, which is fueled by geostrategic and geopolitical factors, especially the rapid military modernization of the PRC. In Southeast Asia, the picture is more complex – threat perceptions or arms race dynamics are generally less determinate than nationalistic and domestic political considerations.

**Li, Yao-Tai***Diffuse or Enclosed Ethnoscapes? The Spatial Forms of Ethnic Communities of Taiwanese Migrant Workers in China*  
8.2 Political, Social and Human Rights Dimensions of Population Mobility

This paper examines the formation of ethnic communities of Taiwanese migrant workers and the interactions with Chinese in China. By comparing data collected from 35 interviews, as well as by examining ethnic networks, ethnic communities, spatial organizations, and other potential factors such as the cultural practices of Taiwanese migrant workers in Beijing and Shanghai, this paper highlights either the openness or insularity of such communities, derived from factors not only based on ecological characteristics (such as physical arrangements for work and leisure), or industrial differences, but also on how Taiwanese immigrants perceive and interact with the local Chinese population. Those potential influences could appear to favor a 'pan-ethnicity' or continuing ethnic boundaries in different cities; that is, a more 'enclosed' Taiwanese ethnic community in Beijing vs. a more 'diffused' one in Shanghai.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

***Loher, Josef Falko***

*An Operational Methodology of Assessing Multi-Level Climate Change Governance in East Asia: A Three-Step Approach*  
2.2 Climate Change: Policy Planning

This presentation introduces a comprehensive and operational methodological framework for analyzing multi-level climate change governance in Japan, South Korea and China. The corresponding PhD thesis aims at achieving three interlinked goals: Firstly, it aims at establishing the first thorough comparative analysis of East Asian multi-level climate change governance. Secondly, it analyzes the degree of influence of climate networks including transnational organizations and other non-state actors. It thirdly aims at providing a proper analysis of the role of the state regarding such shifts in governance. This presentation assesses the methodological framework for achieving these goals and critically discusses operationality and applicability.

***Luan, Zhihong***

*Study on the Chinese Legal System of Preventing the Pollution of Solid Wastes in Rural Areas*  
2.2 Climate Change: Policy Planning

This paper analyses the legal reasons China's rural areas have encountered increasingly serious environmental pollution problems caused by solid waste, and proposes legal solutions. Additionally, it reveals anticipated future challenges. The paper is based on the theory of environmental justice utilizing statistical methods and legal hermeneutics. The main objective is to examine the relevant provisions and practices of the primary Law: Law of the People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Control of Environmental Pollution by Solid Waste and other laws, administrative rules, and regulations relating to the elimination or minimization of the aforementioned rural environmental pollution issues.

***Luu, Lan***

*Effects of Computer-Assisted Language Learning (CALL) on Attitudes of Vietnamese Tertiary Students of English*  
3.1 Moving Towards Equity: Transforming Teacher Practice Through Engagement and Intervention

Previous research has shown the close relationship between computer use and language learning. This study investigates the effects of a computer-assisted language learning intervention on EFL students at the tertiary level in Vietnam. The intervention included a computer-skills training workshop for EFL teachers, recommendations of websites, and weekly coaching sessions for the teachers in the project. Research data shows that the students developed more positive attitudes toward computer use in language learning, and strongly expressed the intention to use computers in their future language learning.

**MacDougall, Ruby***Branding Dance in Yunnan: The Peacock Reimagined*

## 1.3 Performative Culture Through Dance

This paper examines the political and aesthetic significance of “Feng Shui” a recent collaborative dance performance by a French hip hop dance crew (Metamorphoz Crew) and a Chinese hip-hop dance crew (Dangsters Crew) that took place in Kunming, China in April, 2013. The paper will specifically look at how and why distinct elements of Yunnan “minority” (少数民族) dances were combined with a globalized hip-hop style in the performance of “Feng Shui.” The paper will argue that the performance exemplified the ways in which many young dancers from Yunnan seek not to abandon but to redefine, the restrictive category of “minority” dancer.

**Mamada, Robert***Why Is the Supreme Deity of Shintō a Goddess?: The Effect of Anomie on Feminization of the Supreme Deity During the Yayoi Period in Japan*

## 5.2 Asian Philosophy and Religions

Why is the supreme deity of Shintō a female, not a male? Durkheim and Freud suggest that Japanese society should have a male supreme deity. However, Amaterasu, the supreme deity, is female. This paper argues that the shift from the hunting-and-gathering economy of Jōmon period to the agrarian economy of Yayoi period had brought the tremendous increase in wealth, and this sudden prosperity had caused anomie. As a result, the necessity to prevent further social confusion and normlessness urged people to adopt feminine authority because people regarded this authority as a reification of the limited and/or constrained aspirations.

**Matejova, Miriam***Complex Scenario Approach in Indonesia's Disaster Preparedness*

## 4.2 Disaster Management: Impact and Preparedness

This paper presents security analysis that considers risks outside of traditional security assessment. Through the complex scenario approach, this paper explores the possible impacts of a major volcanic eruption in Indonesia, focusing primarily on local and regional security implications of such an event. The paper demonstrates how to translate available scientific evidence into alternative futures to illustrate complex challenges of extreme environmental events. Additionally, the paper will scrutinize the current contingency capacities of the Indonesian government and regional institutions such as ASEAN and UN/OCHA, and suggest ways of anticipating and mitigating future environmental hazards in the Asia Pacific region.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### *Murakami, Bryant*

*Performing Fandom in K-Pop Dance Covers on Youtube*  
7.3 Korean-Popular (K-Pop) and Social Media

This presentation discusses the general trajectory of Korean popular music in the age of new media by examining the multi-faceted ways in which K-Pop is consumed and represented on Youtube through performative dance covers of songs. By addressing this relationship between Youtube and pop music as one that is defined and perpetuated by the mimetic responses of its fans, I argue for a new understanding between performance and agency; one that regards fan culture and new media networks as embodying both production and consumption within digital space.

### *Nagado, Madoka*

*Translating the Untranslatable: Strategies and Reality of Translating Okinawan Literature*  
5.1 Encountering Diversity and Complexity in Language and Culture

One of the most frequent problems that literary translators encounter is how to convey dialect. In this paper, I examine the problems peculiar to translating Okinawan literature by evaluating Andre Lefevere's idea of translation as "rewriting": rewriting/translation is the act of manipulation, since it reflects the rewriters'/translators' efforts in adapting the text to function in a given society in a given way. Upon closer examination of the cultural context of Okinawa, I will also compare and contrast examples of tentative translations of Okinawan short stories to consider what a "good" translation means.

### *Neikirk, Alice*

*The Elephant has Two Sets of Teeth: Refugees and Bhutan's Democratic Reforms*  
3.3 Cooperation and Group Affirmation on a Micro and Macro Scale

This research is the product of a multi-sited ethnography conducted with Nepali-speaking Bhutanese (Lhotshampa) refugees. After more than two decades in refugee camps, the community is now participating in the resettlement process. Both in the camps and in Australia, the theme of democracy is a political tool utilized in an attempt to achieve various aims. This research illustrates that refugees strategically engage with specific themes and narratives that are perceived as having the potential to positively impact current and future social status



**Nguyen, Thanh**

*Vietnam In Motion - The Transformation Process for Fair and Equal Urban Land Rights*  
6.1 Trade, Investment, and Property Rights

This research project investigates land use transformation in Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam and questions the impact of the privatization of land in real estate redevelopment. Through a detailed analysis of the recent transformation of the central city area, the research assesses the status of property rights and their impact on real estate development. Lessons for policy regarding spatial planning strategy and guidance at all levels are expected. Four case studies are included involving a range of quantitative-qualitative methods, particularly surveys and interviews with building owners and government officials. The findings show that Vietnam is successful in privatization property rights program.

**Nymalm, Maria**

*Theorizing the “Rise of China” vs. the “Decline of the West” – Unprecedented Historical Event or Just a Déjà-Vu?*  
3.2 East Asia Geopolitics: The Role of US and China

In this paper I address the U.S. economic discourse on the “Rise of China” in light of the earlier discourse on the “Rise of Japan.” I aim to shed light on the question of how far U.S. “liberal identity” played a role in articulating the main economic competitor as a threat not only to the U.S. itself, but to the global world order, and how this discourse played a crucial role in U.S. policies. My assessment of U.S.-Chinese economic relations originates in poststructuralist-inspired theories that regard every identity as differential and non-essential, thus in permanent need of a constitutive outside.

**Odango, Emerson**

*Epistemic Stancetaking in Mortlockese Metalinguistic Discourse*  
8.1 Negotiating Identity Through Language and Discourse

In this presentation, I investigate how epistemic stance—how a person positions oneself to a certain piece of knowledge—is realized in metalinguistic discourse in the medium of Mortlockese, a minority language in Micronesia. Through illustrative discourse examples, I identify linguistic realizations of various epistemic stances in Mortlockese. Within the framework of Interactional Sociolinguistics, I draw upon the concept of “stancetaking” and the typology of epistemic stance to analyze my interactions with speakers of Mortlockese during interview sessions in which metalinguistic knowledge is co-constructed, and I explain why certain stances are taken at particular moments in the communicative event.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### *Pasaribu, Katryn*

*Incorporating Uncertainty into Policy Planning: Indonesia Adaptation Options*  
2.2 Climate Change: Policy Planning

The 4th Assessment Report of IPCC indicates that a warming climate is inevitable, and even with current mitigation policies, global emissions will continue to grow. UNFCCC suggests that affected countries, predominately developing countries, implement climate change adaptation, and that Indonesia is one of them. Finding economically efficient adaptation options are necessary given limited government budgets, multiple development goals, and the possibility of adaptation failure. Micro concepts of decision making can be adopted for building macro policy planning in order to have better public investment decision. The result help provide information to governments on possible costs associated with each adaptation action.

### *Petersen-Smith, Khury*

*How the US "Pivots" to Asia: Militarization, Sovereignty, and Territory*  
3.2 East Asia Geopolitics: The Role of US and China

Central to the US' Pivot to Asia is an increase in its military presence in the region. This paper and presentation focus on the question of how the US constructs military bases in locations that are key to the Pivot to Asia. This empirical research study considers four locations: Guam, USA; Hawaii, USA; Okinawa, Japan; and Jeju, South Korea. It uses data from interviews and archives on these four cases. The study's hypothesis is that the historic marginalization of these territories allows for their militarization in ways that differ from the rest of their respective national territories.

### *Polovina, Yuka*

*Negotiating Multiple Identities – A Bio-Ethnography of a Chinese-Mauritian Beach Volleyball Olympian from Canada*  
8.3 Reminiscence of Cultural Past

How did an ethnically Chinese Canadian immigrant end up representing a small African nation (Mauritius) in beach volleyball for the 2012 Olympics? Elodie Li Yuk Lo's bio-ethnography answers this question while exploring Chinese-African migration, Canadian multiculturalism, and inequalities in international sports. Moreover, this project investigates what it means to be an African and Asian immigrant in North America while challenging rigid definitions of who can make claims to, or represent, a country or region.

***Prestes, Andersonn***

*Science, Evolution and Humanism: A Lesson from Hawaiian Moths (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)*

5.3 Ecological Conservation, Evolution and Bioengineering

Island systems are considered test tubes to study patterns and processes of evolution. This research compares patterns of diversification of different groups of Hawaiian moths in order to understand their evolutionary dynamics. I focus the analysis on two species-rich lineages: *Agrotis* and *Haliophyle* (Noctuidae). Overall, the two groups consist of similar moths with distinct evolutionary histories. Contingency might be a key factor in shaping their evolutionary dynamics, as well as the possible lineages' constraints to environmental pressures. Finally, transposing the findings to humans, *Homo sapiens* should be viewed as a branch of a diversified primate clade.

***Revilla, No'u***

*Card-carrying "Natives": Hawaiian Identity and the Mahalo Rewards Card in South Park*  
2.3 Visual Representation: Stereotypes, Gender, Decolonization and Identity

In this paper, I provide a close reading of the 2012 South Park episode "Going Native," which parodies the uncritical practice of kama'āina culture by haole in Hawai'i. With specific attention to the fictitious Mahalo Rewards Card, I examine how settler claims to native identity are both staged and critiqued in a popular culture text like South Park. By drawing on Jean O'Brien's notion of "replacement narratives," I argue that the Mahalo Rewards Card functions as a commercial, material, and rhetorical strategy of settler domination. This paper attempts to disarticulate distorted understandings of Hawaiian-ness as an accessible and commercial product.

***Rhee, Wonkyung***

*Japan's Cyber Nationalism and its impact on East Asia*  
4.1 Different Kinds of Social Movements

This study aims to identify the characteristics of nationalism in Japanese cyberspace starting in the late 1990s and especially focusing on the emergence of the Net Right and its impact on Korea and China. The Net Right signifies ultra-nationalistic texts against ethnic Koreans and Chinese on the Japanese internet bulletin board. They emerged in the early 21st century and had differentiated from previous right-wing activism in Japan based on different theoretical backgrounds. Japanese cyber nationalism in these days is amplified by massive information exchange and the sharp drop in the cost of producing, storing and distributing digital content.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### ***Ross, Melody***

#### *Mapping and Metalinguistic Knowledge in Dili, Timor-Leste*

##### 6.3 Language Documentation and Multilingualism

Timor-Leste is a young country in Southeast Asia where the idea of a distinct Timorese cultural identity has recently begun to flourish. Issues of language are central to this ongoing identity construction, which makes this an exciting period for sociolinguistic research. This study uses a map task focusing on language use in the multilingual capital city of Dili. The results are presented using ArcGIS (geographic information systems), demonstrating to what extent participants agreed (or disagreed!) about language use within the city, as well as other correlations between non-linguistic factors and perceptions of language use and their significance.

### ***Rush IV, John***

#### *Natural Disasters and Poverty in Indonesia*

##### 4.2 Disaster Management: Impact and Preparedness

In the first decade of the 21st century, Indonesia made impressive progress against poverty. This presentation explores to what degree disasters contributed to poverty in Indonesia between 2003 and 2010. Indonesia is an ideal subject for research on natural disasters as its geographical location results in it being subject to a large number of natural disasters and data on poverty and natural disasters are available at the district level. The data suggest that amidst the overall picture of progress, Indonesia's frequent natural disasters have resulted in higher poverty over the period in question.

### ***Sarmiento, Louie Blake***

#### *Differences in Work Values across Generations among Silliman University Employees*

##### 6.2 Domestic Issues in the Philippines

This research examines differences in the work values of Silliman University Employees across three generations. A total of 267 respondents representing various departments and offices answered the 45-item Work Values Inventory (WVI) by Super (1973). Work values that showed significant difference are supervisory relations ( $F=4.90$ ), way of life ( $F=3.17$ ) and economic returns ( $F=3.05$ ). This contradicts generational stereotypes because it appears there are more similarities than differences across generations and the differences are inconsistent. The disparity in the results of this study with previous studies implemented in the West may be explained by differences between Asian culture and Western culture.

***Schwebel, Michael***

*Flux in the Pacific: Nissology, Islands, and a Quest for Success in Addressing Global Climate Change*

2.2 Climate Change: Policy Planning

Island states are often mentioned as bellwethers of global climate change (GCC) dilemmas as they lie on the forefront of emerging policy-based solutions. These solutions seek to address significant effects of forecasted GCC such as sea-level rise, increased storm frequency and ferocity, and augmented migration and displacement. The forthcoming research evaluates eighteen Pacific island states through their Climate Change Adaptation Plans to better understand their success – or lack thereof – in anticipating and reacting to GCC through an island-centric lens, and whether their self-identification as islands helps or hurts their ability to successfully precede and anticipate the forecasted outcomes.

***Shiroma, Kiana***

*Factors that Motivate Underserved High-Achieving Students of Color: A Pilot Study*

2.1 Exploring Challenges for Student Success: Policy, Social, Cultural and Financial Support

The United States dropped from 2nd to 13th place in undergraduate graduation rates among Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development member countries (OECD, 2012), which may be due to the low percentage of people of color who have a bachelor's degree within the U.S. Despite the challenges students of color face, some graduate with a bachelor's degree. This study aims to create knowledge about what motivates UHSCs. I pilot tested an interview protocol with five high-achieving undergraduates from underserved racial and ethnic populations. How the results of this pilot study inform research, policy, and practice will be discussed.

***Shrestha, Asheshwor***

*Climate Change and Floods in the Nepali Tarai: Perceptions and Climactic Evidence*

4.2 Disaster Management: Impact and Preparedness

This paper presents the preliminary findings of a background study for an ongoing research project on the dynamics of water-induced hazards, livelihood and migration in Nepal's plains. In light of high spatial variations of change, a study based on the micro administrative boundary level is desired. A village-level mapping of flood counts was conducted using DesInventar dataset for Nepal and hotspots of flood incidents were identified. Sites in eastern Nepal were selected for case studies and climactic records from the region were analyzed. While no significant patterns in rainfall were found, the temperature does show significant increase in the region.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### *Sookkasikon, Pahole*

*The Girl in the Picture: Trasher, Bangkok; Queering Empire; and Performing Pleasure on Screen*

#### 2.3 Visual Representation: Stereotypes, Gender, Decolonization and Identity

This paper looks at the queer and Thai performance troupe, Trasher, Bangkok. Known for reperforming popular Western music videos, particularly those sung by women, the group is fascinating in the ways they continually construct notions of sexuality, representation, and “Thainess” by way of their visible bodies. Their performances are politically campy, hypersexual, and deviate from “mainstream” conceptions of gayness as well as Thai body politics. As a site of cultural conflict and conflation of the normal, I argue that Trasher is a resituation of belonging that is self-sustaining and furthermore is a site for decolonization and understanding.

### *Stumpf, T. S.*

*Conformity, Performance, and Efficiency: Identifying Strategic Templates for Developing Pacific Island Destinations*

#### 4.3 Tourism: Environmental and Cultural Aspects

This study examines the performance implications related to various dimensions of hospitality and tourism conformity pressures in Pacific Island Countries (PICs). Using an approach that combines efficiency analysis with a profile-deviation perspective, the results reveal how alignment/deviation from a conformity-based strategic profile impacts tourism performance. More specifically, two divergent, yet optimal strategic templates found to be the most efficient at leveraging isomorphism pressures in PICs’ tourism and hospitality are identified and explained. How such templates are understood by PICs may have implications for the destinations, the tourism and hospitality organizations therein, and the tourist markets attracted to these places.

### *Tanaka, Nozomi*

*Is Tagalog Accusative or Ergative? Adult and Child Elicited Production*

#### 5.1 Encountering Diversity and Complexity in Language and Culture

One of the most fundamental divisions in human language is that of alignment: nominative-accusative (Nom-Acc) and ergative-absolutive (Erg-Abs). Tagalog, with its unique focus system, is highly controversial because linguists are divided on what its basic, canonical transitive pattern is. The current study elicits transitive sentences from children and adults to determine the basic transitive construction. Because children and adults cross-linguistically prefer the canonical pattern over non-canonical competitors (e.g., passive, antipassive), the pattern they frequently (and correctly) produce is likely the basic pattern. The results suggest that Tagalog is an Erg-Abs language.

**Utley, James**

*Language, Nation, and Empire: The Search for Common Languages During the Second World War*

1.1 Language Policy

While the status of English as the international language is taken for granted, during World War 2, other languages competed with English for hegemony. This paper examines efforts made by the Japanese to promote Japanese as a common language for Asia. At the same time, while Japanese was being promoted within the occupied Philippines, Philippine intellectuals, with official Japanese support, promoted Tagalog as a common national language. This paper examines the two language projects to show their common themes connected to nationalism and empire-building and invites us to consider a moment when the dominance of English was not assured.

**Uyeda, Linda**

*Human Perspectives on the Water Monitor Lizard (*Varanus salvator*) in Banten, Indonesia: Exploring Local Beliefs and Assessing the Potential for Human-Animal Conflict*

5.3 Ecological Conservation, Evolution and Bioengineering

Throughout Indonesia, natural areas are being converted for human use, bringing wildlife and humans into close proximity. When a large, ecologically flexible species such as the water monitor lizard, *Varanus salvator* (<2 m in length), adapts to human-disturbed areas, it can lead to greater potential for human-animal conflict. The severity of resulting conflicts is determined not only by *V. salvator* behavior in such areas, but also by the beliefs of the individuals involved. This study explores local perspectives regarding *V. salvator* in Banten Province, Indonesia, with the goal of identifying community-level concerns and informing future conflict mitigation efforts.

**Wang, Yu**

*Unraveling International Dependency: Does Foreign Direct Investment Immiserate Poor Countries in Current World System? 1997-2011*

6.1 Trade, Investment, and Property Rights

When the entire world stands up to acclaim globalization, glaring disparity among countries piques us to reconsider international connections, especially consequences of globalization for poor countries. Foreign aid and investment on low-development countries fosters development miracles: increasing income, improved infrastructure and more secured food supply. However, does foreign investment escalate poor countries position in current world system or is it no more than money for broader exploitation? This research uses a 15-year dataset consisting of 203 countries to reveal association between trade and investment dependency.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### ***Waradas, Thiagaraja***

*Politics of Securitizing 'Kachchativu': Analysing the Discourse on Maritime Issues in the Palk Bay Between India and Sri Lanka*

#### 7.2 Regional Security Issues

This paper examines the discourse of maritime issues including fishing rights and security of Indian and Sri Lankan fishermen, centering on Kachchativu, an uninhabited island in the Palk Bay between India and Sri Lanka. The research focuses on how and why these maritime issues are propagated in the public domain by Indian politicians and activists. It also looks at the consequences of the present political tug-of-war between the two countries and how that will impact the future diplomatic and maritime relations between India and Sri Lanka.

### ***Watanabe, Ken***

*Rhetoric of Education Reform in Japan: The Ten-Year Anniversary of MEXT's 'Action Plan' and Political Roadmap for English Language Curriculum*

#### 1.1 Language Policy

This study investigates Japan's curriculum trends in English language education reform by looking into MEXT's policy document "Action Plan: Cultivating 'Japanese with English Abilities.'" At the ten-year anniversary since its release in 2003, this study reviews attainment of goals set and key agendas, and discuss issues and problems with mismatched targets and benchmarks that account for its deviation from language pedagogy. Specifically, "Action Plan" successfully raised public awareness of the importance of mastering English language through materialistic arguments for national improvement and individual success, but it failed to account for the academic needs of teachers and students in classroom.

### ***Whitworth, Katherine***

*Insuring China's future*

#### 7.1 Issues in Contemporary China

China is undergoing the demographic transition to an aging population and is confronting the challenge of how to provide for those no longer able to work. The notion of a pension for the aged occupies an awkward space of law, policy, and the expression of a preferred ideology of state-society mutual obligations. The focus of this research is on how the Chinese government is building a new institutional framework for the provision of pensions to aged migrant workers in the private sector. Variations in the implementation of this new structure are examined by comparing data collected from Yunnan and Shanghai.



***Wickramasinghe, Upul***

*A Comparative Study of Groundwater Contamination and Mitigation Approaches in Sri Lanka and Bangladesh and its Policy Implications.*

2.2 Disaster Management: Impact and Preparedness

This study focuses on the similarities and differences of groundwater contamination in Sri Lanka and Bangladesh. The comparison focuses on sources that lead to groundwater contamination as well as the magnitude of the contamination. The health and social implications of groundwater contamination will also be examined. Furthermore, this study highlights the successes and failures of proposed and implemented policies. The paper ends with policy recommendations that will help to fill certain gaps in existing groundwater mitigation policies in Sri Lanka and Bangladesh.

***Xu, Yiqian***

*Policy Implications of Cross-Strait Marriage in Taiwan*

8.2 Political, Social and Human Rights Dimensions of Population Mobility

As cross-strait marriages have increased in recent years, Chinese spouses have drawn the attention of governments on either side of the strait. Compared with other foreign spouse immigrants, Chinese spouses face more suspicion and are stigmatized socially. Due to their importance in cross-strait relations, future policies should focus on protecting Chinese spouses' legal rights and interests as well as provide an equal and favorable environment for them to live and work in Taiwan. More importantly, governments in Taiwan and China should make every effort to understand Chinese spouses and work with them to promote better cross-strait relationships.

***Yang, Chen-Yi***

*A Study of Language Proficiency, Use and Attitude of Adolescents in Taiwan*

8.1 Negotiating Identity Through Language and Discourse

This study investigates Taiwanese junior high school students' language proficiency in, use of and attitude toward Mandarin Chinese, indigenous languages and English. 57,726 valid questionnaires were collected and analyzed with the statistical software, SPSS. In addition, field work was conducted on the attitude of students' parents toward indigenous language teaching and language use at home. The study provides a comprehensive survey of the language-related issues of junior high students in Taiwan. It also demonstrates a change in the population structure in the past two decades, and represents the opinions of different ethnic groups in both the questionnaire and interviews.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARIES

### *Yazici, Irmak*

*Das 'Hindu' Capital: On the Shared Moral Economy of Religious Fundamentalism and Neoliberalism in India*

#### 5.2 Asian Philosophy and Religions

This paper analyses the common grounds that cultivated the rise of Hindutva and neoliberalism not as contradictory but rather complementary developments involved in the transformation of contemporary Indian society. Following the lead of Gopalakrishnan, who outlined the resonances and tensions between these two ideologies in his article “Defining, Constructing, and Policing a New India: The Relationship between Neoliberalism and Hindutva”, this paper aims at making a contribution to the literature by analyzing such relations with reference to the concept of moral economy.

### *Zeng, Rui*

*The Grassroots Social Association and Its 'Authorised Autonomy': Cases from Rural China*

#### 7.1 Issues in Contemporary China

This paper explores how associational autonomy is possible in rural China. It presents the confrontation and cooperation between grassroots social associations and local governments – county and township levels – with descriptive data collected from three localities. I will explain why these associations are allowed to, and have been successful in maintaining substantive autonomy regardless of encompassing social control. Preliminary findings suggest that associational autonomy can survive in situations where the developmental interests of the local government correspond with the working principle of the association, and the key for mutual incorporation lies in empirical appeals from the public.

### *Zhang, Youxin*

*K-12 Teachers' Attitudes Towards the Adoption of Game-Based Learning in Schools*

#### 3.1 Moving Towards Equity: Transforming Teacher Practice Through Engagement and Intervention

Although many factors influence game-based instruction, a teacher's attitude is a major determining factor in their willingness to adopt technology that includes digital games for instructional purposes. Research on game-based learning reveals the benefits of incorporating games into instructional practices, including increased student motivation and engagement. In this research, the TAM model will be used to understand teacher attitude influences on the adoption of game-based learning in K-12 settings in Hawaii. The relationship between perceived usefulness and perceived ease of use and a teacher's attitude will be examined statistically. This research further contributes to the existing literature on technology acceptance.

**Zou, Shulang**

*Lady's Room: The Role of Performance and Space for Women in Contemporary Chinese Society*

2.3 Visual Representation: Stereotypes, Gender, Decolonization and Identity

Lady's Room (2000) is a six-minute video depicting prostitutes in a nightclub bathroom in Beijing. Artist Cui Xiuwen camouflaged herself as a prostitute in order to enter this bathroom unnoticed and make this candid video. I analyze Lady's Room from various perspectives, including the history of prostitution, stereotypes of women, and how women perform femininity. I also consider the question of surveillance and voyeurism. Since the video was secretly shot with a micro camera, its quality of surveillance suggests parallels with contemporary Chinese society, where the whole state is under watch by the government.

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