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Asian Mode

From the Section Chair



Greetings Asia and Asian America section members! I hope this newsletter finds you well and preparing to travel to Las Vegas for the annual meeting. This year's conference theme is, "*Social Conflict: Multiple Dimensions and Arenas.*" After a lengthy deliberation process, ASA leadership decided to move the meeting location from Chicago to Las Vegas, where the average temperature will be (gulp) in the low 100s. The meetings will take place August 20-23 at Caesars Palace – all of our section activities (minus the reception) will take place on Tuesday, August 23.

Our offerings include:

- Diversity within the Asian Diaspora: South Asian Perspectives, 8:30-10:10am
- Transnational Asian America, 10:30-12:10pm

- Space, Place, Identity and its Impact on the Asian Diaspora, 12:30-2:10pm
- Ten Thematic Roundtables: 2:30-3:30pm
- Business meeting: 3:30-4:10pm

Our section's reception will take place on Monday, August 22nd, at **Ginseng BBQ Restaurant**, located a short walk from Caesars Palace. Ginseng is located at 3765 S. Las Vegas Blvd. Please join us at 6:30pm for food, merriment, and to honor our Section's 2011 award winners.

As of this writing, the Asia and Asian America section currently has 348 members. Like other ASA sections, our section took a hit this past year in response to budgets cuts across the country and beyond. That said, I receive monthly updates from the ASA and can say that our numbers are steadily rising. Numbers matter because they symbolize relevance within the discipline and are tied to regular session allotment. More members mean more sessions that we can offer on themes relevant to the Asian and Asian American experience.

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About *Asian Mode*

Asian Mode is the newsletter of the Section on Asia and Asian America of the American Sociological Association and is edited by Jiannbin Lee Shiao, Section Secretary/Treasurer, Department of Sociology, 1291 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-1291; JShiao@UOregon.edu; Phone: 541-346-5366; Fax: 541-346-5026. Contributions to the newsletter are very welcome. Previous issues can be found online at: <http://www2.asanet.org/sectionasia/news-archive.html>.

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More members also means a bigger social network to exchange ideas, share professional opportunities, and have an impact within the ASA.

My term as steward of the section will officially end at the conclusion of the Vegas meetings. I would like to offer my sincere gratitude to my fellow Council members who have helped to make the experience both rewarding and positive. I pass the proverbial baton to the very able hands of Lisa Park who will serve as the new chair of the section.

Lisa brings an impressive academic footprint to the position. She is a faculty member at the University of Minnesota and author of numerous articles and books including, *Consuming Citizenship: Children of Asian Immigrant Entrepreneurs* (2005, Stanford University Press), *Silicon Valley of Dreams: Immigrant Labor, Environmental Injustice, and the High Tech Global Economy* (2002, NYU Press, with D.N. Pellow) and two forthcoming books, *The Slums of Aspen: Immigrants vs. the Environment in America's Eden* (NYU Press, with D.N. Pellow) and *Entitled to Nothing: The Struggle for Immigrant Health Care in the Age of Welfare Reform* (NYU Press). Lisa will be joined by several new Council members including Anna Guevarra, Yingyi Ma, Valerie Francisco, and Lynn Fujiwara who will serve as chair of the section in 2012-13. Please join me in thanking Lisa, Lynn, and our new Council members for their service to the section.

In closing, please know that it has been my pleasure to serve as chair of the section. I have enjoyed my time in the role and appreciated the insights that have come with the job. My best wishes to all of you and to the health of our section! And to quote Elvis, *Viva Las Vegas!*

Warm Regards,
Mia Tuan, *University of Oregon*

Your Section Officers

Chair: Mia Tuan, University of Oregon (2010-2011)

Chair-Elect: Lisa Sun-Hee Park, University of Minnesota (2010-2011)

Past-Chair: Yanjie Bian, University of Minnesota (2010-2011)

Secretary-Treasurer: Jiannbin Lee Shiao, University of Oregon (2008-2012)

Council Members:
Xiaogang Wu, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (2008-2011)

Margaret Abraham, Hofstra University (2009-2012)

Monisha Das Gupta, University of Hawai'i (2009-2012)

C.N. Le, University of Massachusetts – Amherst (2010-2013)

Bandana Purkayastha, University of Connecticut (2010-2013)

Leland Saito, University of Southern California (2010-2013)

Student Representative:
Phi Hong Su, University of California, Los Angeles (2010-2011)

2011 Section Election Results

Congratulations to the new section officers!

Chair-Elect: Lynn Fujiwara, University of Oregon (2011-2012)

Council Members:
Anna Guevarra, University of Illinois at Chicago (2011-2014)

Yingyi Ma, Syracuse University (2011-2014)

Student Representative:
Valerie Francisco, CUNY, Graduate Center (2011-2012)

Orientation for New Section Officers
• Mon, Aug 22 - 8:30-10:10am, (location TBA)

2011 Section Award Winners

Congratulations to all of the award winners and honorees!

2011 Book Award
Winner: Joel Andreas. *Rise of the Red Engineers: The Cultural Revolution and the Origins of China's New Class.* Stanford University Press.

Honorable Mention: Anna Guevarra: *Marketing Dreams, Manufacturing Heroes,* Rutgers University Press.

2011 Research Paper Award
Winner: Philip Q. Yang. "A Theory of Asian Immigration to the United States." *Journal of Asian American Studies.*

2011 Graduate Student Paper Award
Co-Winner: Andrew Le (University of British Columbia), "Destiny of the Poor: The Transnational Migration of Vietnamese Laborers to Trinidad and Tobago"

Co-Winner: ManChui Leung (University of Washington), "Do Asian American Women and Men Differ in Their Response to Stress? Discrimination, Financial Strain and Mental Health"

Honorable Mention: Kimberly Hoang (University of California, Berkeley), "She's Not a Low Class Dirty Girl! Sex Work in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam"

Section Activities at the 2011 ASA Meeting in Las Vegas

(Note: Save for the off-site reception, all locations remain TBA.)

Monday, Aug 22 – 6:30-8:00pm: Section on Asia and Asian America Reception

- **Ginseng BBQ Restaurant**, located at 3765 S. Las Vegas Blvd, a short walk from Caesars Palace (3570 S. Las Vegas Blvd)

Tuesday, Aug 23 – 3:30-4:10pm: Section on Asia and Asian America Business Meeting

- Immediately following the Section Roundtables (2:30-3:30pm)

Tuesday, Aug 23 - 8:30-10:10am: Section on Asia and Asian America Paper Session.

Diversity within the Asian Diaspora: South Asian Perspectives

Session Organizer: *Margaret Abraham*, Hofstra University

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- Resistance and Reconfigurations: A Gendered Settlement Narrative of Tamil Immigrant Women in Atlanta. *Namita N. Manohar*, Brooklyn College
- Virtual Commemoration and 1984: Trauma, Memory and Sikh Identity. *Shruti Devgan*, Rutgers University
- What is 'American' about American Hinduism: Hindu Umbrella Organizations in the United States in Comparative Perspective. *Prema Ann Kurién*, Syracuse University
- "Negotiating Identity and Ethnicity": Queer South Asians "Doing Family" in the United States. *Shweta Majumdar*, University of Connecticut

Discussant: *Bandana Purkayastha*, University of Connecticut

Tuesday, Aug 23 – 10:30 am- 12:10pm: Section on Asia and Asian America Paper Session.

Transnational Asian America

Session Organizer: *Robyn Magalit Rodriguez*, Rutgers University

- Skype Mothers: Technology, Multi-Directional Care in the Transnational Filipino Family. *Valerie A. Francisco*, City University of New York-Graduate Center
- The Extended Case Study of Affluent Asian Transnational Families as Educational and Lifestyle Migrants. *Hiroki Igarashi*, University of Hawaii at Manoa
- Theorizing Later Generation Transnational Migration to the Ancestral Homeland: "Japanese" as a Heterogeneous Global Ethnic Group. *Jane H. Yamashiro*, Loyola Marymount University

Tuesday, Aug 23 – 12:30 am-2:10pm: Section on Asia and Asian America Paper Session.

Space, Place, Identity and its Impact on the Asian Diaspora

Session Organizer: *Leland T. Saito*, University of Southern California

President: *Hyeyoung Kwon*, University of Southern California

- Cramming for Success: The Influence of Korean After School Programs in Postsuburban Communities in Southern California. *Mary Yu Danico*, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- Assimilation Pathways and Ethnic Identity Constructs Among Second Generation Korean Canadian and Korean American Young Adults. *Marianne S. Noh*, University of Victoria
- Searching for Lost Origins: American Adoptive Families' Experiences of Homeland Trips to China. *Leslie Kim Wang*, University of California-Berkeley

- Being a Korean, Becoming a New Yorker: How Young Koreans Keep Transnational Ties through Ethnic Consumption in New York City. *Jinwon Kim*, CUNY Graduate Center

Tuesday, Aug 23 – 2:30-3:30pm: Section on Asia and Asian America Roundtables

- **Session Organizer:** *Lisa Sun-Hee Park*, University of Minnesota
- **Followed immediately by the Section Business Meeting (3:30-4:10pm)**

Table 1. Culture, Acculturation, and Representation

Table President: *Matthew Torralba M. Andrews*, University of Michigan

- Asian Americans in Hip Hop: "So Ghetto" or as American as Elvis and Apple Pie? *Eileen O'Brien*, Saint Leo University; *Ninotchka McTaggart*, University of California-Riverside; *Leighton Vila*, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Indian, M.D.: The Media's Model Minority. *Bhoomi K. Thakore*, Loyola University-Chicago
- Moving beyond stereotypes: Examining viewer reception of Asian American images in film as racial schemas. *Carolyn M. Ly*, Yale University
- Shaping the Image of Well-rounded Achievers: An Analysis of U.S.-Based Chinese-language Newspapers in New York City. *Wei-Ting Lu*, City University of New York-Graduate Center

Table 2. Economy and Social Mobility in East Asia

Table President: *Mia Tuan*, University of Oregon

- Attitudes Regarding the Market Economy in Urban China: A Preliminary Analysis of China 2006 National Survey. *Ming Tsui*, Millsaps College; *Xiao Allison Li*, School of Social Work, University of Alabama

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- Cohort Size, Historical Times and Life Chances: The Misfortune of Children of China's Cultural Revolution. *Xiaoling Shu*, University of California Davis
- Economic Growth and Income Inequality Structures in Urban China and Taiwan. *Maocan Guo*, Harvard University
- Gaining Entry into a Regional Exchange System: Ritual
- Life in East Asia. *Daniel Sarabia*, Roanoke College; *J. David Knottnerus*, Oklahoma State University

Table 3. Education, Social Capital, and Stratification

Table President: *Jiannbin Lee Shiao*, University of Oregon

- Emerging High-Status Track in South Korea: Social Capital Formation in Foreign Language and General High Schools. *Doo Hwan Kim*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong; *Ji Hye Kim*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Filipino Parental Involvement and Children's Educational Performance. *Sampson Lee Blair*, State University of New York-Buffalo
- The Pattern and Process of Equalization of Gender Educational Inequality in Taiwan. *Jeng Liu*, Tung-hai University

Table 4. Ethnic Identity and Family Formation

Table President: *Jack Lam*, University of Minnesota

- Asian Values, Ethnic Identity, and Acculturation Among Ethnic Asian Spouses in South Korea. *Joong-hwan Oh*, Hunter College-CUNY; *Jung-Hee Lee*, Kyung Hee University
- Media Framing and the Social Movement: Abolition of the Family-Head System in Korea. *Myeongjae Yeo*, Boston College
- Timing of Parental Divorce, Parental Conflict and Taiwanese Adolescents' Marital Expectations in Late Adolescence. *En-Ling Pan*, National Taiwan Normal University

Table 5. Family, Marriage, and Acculturation

Table President: *Teresa Toguchi Swartz*, University of Minnesota

- Between Traditionalism and Modernity: Changing Values on Dating Behavior and Criteria in Mate Selection. *Renxin Yang*, Northern Michigan University
- Female Marriage Migration in Rural China: Evidence from the 2000 Census Micro-Data. *Yulan Xia*, Johns Hopkins University
- Why Do People Intermarry— A Multilevel Analysis of Asian American's Marital Assimilation. *Yujun Wang*, Cornell University; *Daniel T. Lichter*, Cornell University
- Can the Union of Patriarchy and Multiculturalism Work?: Family Dynamics in Filipina-Korean Rural Households. *Minjeong Kim*, Virginia Tech

Table 6. Gender, Race, and Occupational Choices

Table President: *Phi Hong Su*, University of California, Los Angeles

- Educated Wives of the International Graduate Students and their Professional Identity in the US. *Gita Neupane*, University of Hawaii at Manoa
- Overrepresentation of Asian Women in Science and Engineering. *Bin Lian*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Race, Socialization, and Career Choices: The Case of Second Generation Korean Americans. *In Seo Son*, Duke University
- Regional Selectivity and the Earnings of Asian American Men. *Isao Takei*, Nihon University

Table 7. Migration and Labor in Multiple Contexts

Table President: *Stephen Suh*, University of Minnesota

- Indian IT Workers and the Transnational Subcontracting of Immigrant Labor in the United States. *Payal Banerjee*, Smith College

- Internal Migration, Labour and the Rise of Ethno-Religious Consciousness Among Uyghurs in Urban Xinjiang. *Reza Hasmath*, University of Toronto
- Labor Market Structure and Self-Employment in three Asian Countries. *Hirohisa Takenoshita*, Shizuoka University

Table 8. Politics, Nationalism, and Citizenship

Table President: *C.N. Le*, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

- Incorporating Irregular Migrants and Redefining Citizenship in a Multicultural Korean Society. *In-Jin Yoon*, Korea University; *Daemun Song*, Korea University
- Mourning for a National Monument: News Presentation of the Korea National Treasure Number 1. *Kirsten Younghee Song*, State University of New Jersey-Rutgers
- Nationalism Corner, Contested Identity: Notes on Firstgeneration Taiwanese American's Political Self-Identification. *Yu Ching Cheng*, State University of New York-Albany
- Transnationalism and Political Participation among 1.5- and Second-Generation Asian Immigrants in Los Angeles. *Chigon Kim*, Wright State University

Table 9. Race, Gender, and Belonging within South Asian America

Table President: *Monisha Das Gupta*, University of Hawaii at Manoa

- Are South Asians "Asian American"? Rethinking Analytical Racial Categories for South Asians. *Parang Kim*, University of Iowa; *Mary Elizabeth Campbell*, University of Iowa
- Identity and Belonging among Pakistani Immigrants in Montreal after 9/11. *Uzma Jamil*, University of Toronto
- The Attachments of Indo-Caribbean Immigrants to Indian Immigrants in New York City. *Pyong Gap Min*, City University of New York-Queens College

Table 10. Social Networks and Subjectivities of International Students

Table President: *Yu-Ju Chien*,
University of Minnesota

- Chinese International Students' Social Network and Networking. *Baiqing Zhang*, University of Kentucky
- Civic Perceptions of Asian Students from the IEA ICCS ARM. *Tae Jun Kim*, Korean Educational Development Institute
- Globalized Motivation and Neo-Liberal Subjectivity of Korean ESL Students. *Hyejeong Jo*, University of Pennsylvania
- Negotiating National Identity Abroad: The Experiences of Mainland Chinese Students in the United States. *Henry Chiu Hail*, University of California, Irvine

Section Mentoring Initiative

Dear Asia and Asian American section members,

Margaret Abraham and I are planning to set up a mentoring network. Briefly, we would like to connect faculty with graduate students (and junior faculty if they request such meetings) based on research interests. If you are planning to come to the ASA and will be around on the day the Asia and Asian American sessions meet, we would like to connect you with one or two other people. We hope you can make time to chat for 15-30 minutes sometime during the day according to your convenience. We will try to match people based on research interests. We will set up the initial contacts as a meet-and-greet session, you are free to continue networking/mentoring later if you wish. We think such one-on-one opportunities will help foster more active networks among members of our section and hopefully attract new members.

We hope you will let us know the following information if you are interested in being part of this mentoring initiative.

Sincerely,
Bandana Purkayastha, *University of Connecticut*

NAME:
INSTITUTION:
POSITION: Professor/Associate Professor/Assistant Professor/Graduate Student
Research interests:
Geographical Area specialization (if applicable):
Any special requests:

Please send to:
Bandana.Purkayastha@uconn.edu and
Margaret.Abraham@hofstra.edu

Selected Opportunities for Graduate Students

Announcements of jobs and other opportunities can be found on the section homepage at:

<http://www2.asanet.org/sectionasia/index.html>.

American Association of University Women (AAUW) International Fellowships

57 fellowships will be awarded for full-time study or research to women who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Both graduate and postgraduate study at accredited institutions are supported. Must hold the equivalent of a U.S. bachelor's degree. Applicants must intend to return to home countries after graduation. Preference is given to applicants who show prior commitment to the advancement of women and girls. Open only to women. **Deadline:** information not yet available.

<http://www.aauw.org/learn/fellowships/grants/international.cfm>

American Sociological Association Minority Fellowship Program

The MFP is primarily intended for minority graduate students who are PhD candidates or are applying to PhD programs in sociology, who have demonstrated a strong record, interest, and commitment to research careers in sociology. Some special funding may be available for research related to drug abuse. The ASA Minority Fellowship Program is open to all sociology students of color, including those earlier in their graduate career. Fellowships are funded through annual contributions from Alpha Kappa Delta, Sociologists for Women in Society, the Association for Black Sociologists, the Southwestern Sociological Association, and generous contributions from ASA members. **Deadline:** information not yet available.

http://www.asanet.org/funding/mfp_application.cfm

Blakemore Foundation, Freeman Fellowships for Advanced Asian Language Study

20 Grants are available to individuals pursuing academic, professional or business career involving Asia for which a language study abroad at an advanced level is required. Grants cover a year of advanced language study of modern Chinese, Japanese, Korean, or Southeast Asian languages in advanced-level language programs or private tutorial programs in the given country. **Deadline:** November 30, 2011.
<http://www.blakemorefoundation.org/Language%20Grants/Language.htm>

Department of Education, Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program

Fellowships are awarded for graduate study leading to a doctoral or terminal master's degree in the arts, humanities, or social sciences. Open to undergraduate students about to enter graduate school and graduate students who have not yet completed their first year of graduate study and who intend to pursue a doctoral or master's degree. **Deadline:** information not yet available.
<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/jacobjavits/applicant.html>

Ford Foundation Diversity Predoctoral and Dissertation Fellowships

Approximately 35 one-year dissertation fellowships for the final year of dissertation writing. PhD candidates who have completed all requirements for degree except dissertation. Sixty predoctoral fellowships for students with 2 years or less of graduate-level study in fields supported by this program and who provide evidence that they can fully utilize a three-year fellowship award. Individuals holding a doctorate degree or pursuing a professional degree are ineligible. Membership in one or more of the following under-represented groups will be considered a positive factor: American Indian, Alaska Native (Eskimo or Aleut), Black American, Mexican American/Chicano, Native Pacific Islander (Micronesian or Polynesian), or Puerto Rican. **Deadline:** November 2011.

<http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/index.htm>

Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, Research Grant

The foundation welcomes proposals from any of the natural and social sciences and the humanities that promise to increase understanding of the causes, manifestations, and control of violence and aggression. Highest priority is given to research that can increase understanding and amelioration of urgent problems of violence and aggression in the modern world. Questions that interest the foundation concern violence and aggression in relation to social change, intergroup conflict, war, terrorism, crime, and family relationships, among other subjects. Research with no relevance to understanding human problems will not be supported, nor will proposals to investigate urgent social problems where the foundation cannot be assured that useful, sound research can be done. Priority will also be given to areas and methodologies not receiving adequate attention and support from other funding sources. **Deadline:** August 1, 2011.

<http://www.hfg.org/rg/application.htm>

Korea Foundation, Fellowships for Korean Language Training

This program is designed to promote Korean studies and foster young scholars in this field by providing graduate students majoring in Korean studies in North America with scholarships for their coursework and/or research while enrolled at their home institutions. It covers students only through the year that they are advanced to candidacy and only if they are in residence and not engaged in overseas research.

<http://www.kf.or.kr/>

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowships

Approximately 2,000 three-year awards, for study leading to a master's or doctoral degree in the sciences, mathematics, or engineering. Awards are tenable at U.S. and foreign universities. Note: Additional awards will be offered only to women pursuing degrees in engineering and computer and information science and engineering. BA degree earned prior to application deadline. Not have completed graduate study in excess of 12 months in a science, mathematics, or engineering field. Not eligible if earned an advanced degree in science, mathematics or engineering within the last 5 years. Underrepresented populations in the sciences and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. **Deadline:** information not yet available.

http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=6201

Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans

Approximately 30 fellowships support "New Americans" pursuing graduate studies for up to 2 years. "New Americans" include Green Card holders, naturalized citizens, and children of parents who are both naturalized citizens. Must be under 30 years old. Open to enrolled graduate students (not passed 2nd year), college seniors, and recent graduates. **Deadline:** November 1, 2011.

<http://www.pdsoros.org/>

Sarah Pettit Doctoral Fellowship

This biennial fellowship provides a year of support to a graduate student, from an institution other than Yale, who is writing a dissertation in LGBT Studies, with lesbian studies as its focus. The winner receives \$20,000. The next fellowship runs from September 1, 2013-June 31, 2014. Residence in New Haven and participation in LGBTs is required during the tenure of the fellowship.

<http://www.yale.edu/lgbts/peppetit.html>

Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, Student Research Grants

Each year The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality (SSSS) awards two grants of \$1,000 each to student members who are doing human sexuality research. The purpose of the research can be a master's thesis or doctoral dissertation, but this is not a requirement. Applicants must be enrolled in a degree-granting program and a member (student) of SSSS. Student research grant awards are funded by the [Foundation for the Scientific Study of Sexuality](#). **Deadlines:** February 1 and June 1 of every year.

http://www.sexscience.org/student_research_grants/

Announcements

The Sociology Department of Sherubtse College in Kanglung, Bhutan (www.sherubtse.edu.bt) is requesting your kind assistance. The department is now concluding its second year offering sociology courses. Because we do not yet have a sociology library we are asking for book donations from the global community of sociologists. Our need for literature is vital in that Bhutan is undergoing profound and rapid social change and we believe that the discipline of sociology – and your book donations – can significantly contribute to its betterment. Both contemporary and time-tested classics will be greatly appreciated with single-subject books more useful than textbooks. We

especially need books that focus on social theory, qualitative research methods, social statistics, the sociology of development, political economy, globalization, environmental sociology, rural sociology, social change, sociology of the family, sociology of religion, the sociology of health and medicine, technology and social forecasting and social demography. Questions can be directed to sherubtsebookdonations@gmail.com. Please send your donations by October 15, 2011 to our North American collection point at:

Sherubtse College Bhutan Book Donations
c/o Mr. Pema Gyeltshen
KPTL Express Corp
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Woodside, New York
NY 11377

Thank you,
The Faculty of Sherubtse College

Notes on Section Members

Evelyn Nakano Glenn was invited to the University of Washington, Seattle as the Walker Ames Endowed lecturer. Her Ames lecture, "Forced Labor: Race, Gender, and the Obligation to Care," was based on her recent book, *Forced to Care, Coercion and Caregiving in America*. Her ASA Presidential Address, "Constructing Citizenship: Exclusion, Subordination, and Resistance," can be found in the February 2011 issue of the *American Sociological Review*.

Becky Hsu recently received her PhD from Princeton University and will start this fall as Assistant Professor (tenure track) in the Sociology Department at Georgetown University.

Amanda Huffer recently accepted a tenure track position at University of California, Riverside beginning Fall 2011.

Ho-fung Hung is relocating to Johns Hopkins University as an Associate Professor of Sociology there. His book, *Protest with Chinese Characteristics: Demonstrations, Riots, and Petitions in Mid-Qing Dynasty*, was published by Columbia University Press in April. It received the President's Book Award of the Social Science History Association. His article (co-authored with Jaime Kucinkas), "Globalization and Global Inequality: Assessing the Impact of the Rise of China and India, 1980-2005," was published in the *American Journal of Sociology* in March (Vol. 116, No. 5)

Dr. Zhang Jie, Professor of Sociology and Director of the Center for China Studies at State University of New York Buffalo State, was appointed by Shandong University as the founding director of the Center for Suicide Prevention Research, which was established March 31, 2011 in Jinan, Shandong, China. Six top international suicidologists from the US, Norway, and Denmark attended the opening ceremony and gave talks to the Chinese students and faculty on their recent research in the international symposium after the opening of the Center. A total of 19 internationally known scholars were invited to be the Center's consultants. The CSPR is one of the very few research organizations in China today. Since 2010, he has published 13+ articles mainly in the area of suicide risk factors.

Miliann Kang's *The Managed Hand: Race, Gender and the Body in Beauty Service Work* (University of California Press, 2010) is the winner of the 2011 Distinguished Book Award from the American Sociological Association *Sex and Gender Section* and has been selected as the recipient of the ASA *Race, Gender, and Class Section's* 2011 Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Book Award.

Nazli Kibria published *Muslims in Motion: Islam and National Identity in the Bangladeshi Diaspora* (Rutgers, 2011, http://rutgerspress.rutgers.edu/acatalog/muslims_in_motion_pb.html)

C.N. Le was invited to speak at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Winchester, VA on May 4, 2011. His presentation was titled "Meeting the Challenges of the 21st Century: Connecting Asians, Americans, and Asian Americans."

Yingyi Ma published "Model Minority, Model for Whom? An Investigation of Asian American Students in Science/Engineering" in *AAPI Nexus Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders Policy, Practice & Community* (2010, 8(1): 43-73).

Robert Moorehead recently accepted a position as Associate Professor at Ritsumeikan University in Kyoto, Japan, and is publishing "Remedial Language Education and Citizenship: Examining the JSL Classroom as an Ethnic Project" in *Language and Citizenship in Japan*, edited by Nanette Gottlieb (forthcoming by Routledge).

Deenesh Sohoni and Amin Vafa published "The Fight to Be American: Military Naturalization and Asian Citizenship" in the *Asian American Law Journal* (2010, 17: 119-149).

Mia Tuan and Jiannbin Lee Shiao published *Choosing Ethnicity, Negotiating Race: Korean Adoptees in America* (Russell Sage Foundation Press, 2011). Their book examines how Korean adoptees form their social identities and compares them to 1.5 and later generation Asian Americans who are not adopted. It is the first and only study to collect in-depth interviews with a multigenerational, random sample of adult Korean adoptees.

Junmin Wang published "Enlightened Localism in Contemporary China: Political Change in Property-Rights Institutions of Township and Village Enterprises" in *Comparative Sociology* (2010, 9:631-662) and "Global-Market Building as State Building: China's Entry into the WTO and Market Reforms of China's Tobacco Industry" in *Theory and Society* (2009, 38:165-194).

Xiaogang Wu was promoted to full Professor in the Division of Social Science, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. His article with Zhuoni Zhang, "Social Change, Cohort Quality and Economic Adaptation of Chinese Immigrants in Hong Kong, 1991-2006" was published in *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal* (2011, 20(1)). He has also accepted invitations to serve as an editorial board member for *Social Forces*, *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, and most recently, the editor of the *Chinese Sociological Review* (formerly known as Chinese Sociology and Anthropology), a quarterly journal published by ME Sharpe since 1968. He is organizing the Spring meeting of the International Sociological Association-Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28) in Hong Kong, May 10-13, 2012.

Bin Xu accepted a joint position of Assistant Professor in Asian Studies and Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies at Florida International University.

Jane H. Yamashiro published "Racialized national identity construction in the ancestral homeland: Japanese American migrants in Japan" in *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 34(9).

Fenggang Yang of Purdue University published *Social Scientific Studies of Religion in China: Methodology, Theories, and Findings*, co-edited with Graeme Lang (Brill, 2011); "Religious Awakening in China under Communist Rule: A Political Economy Approach,"

pp. 431-455 in *The New Blackwell Companion to the Sociology of Religion*, edited by Bryan Turner (Wiley-Blackwell Publisher, 2010). He gave an invited presentation on "Why Christianity is Thriving in China Today" at Berkley Center for Religion, Peace and World Affairs of Georgetown University, March 24, 2011; and an invited presentation on "Religion and Immigration in the Era of Globalization" at the Second Biennial Conference on Religion and American Culture, Indianapolis, June 2-5, 2011.

Philip Yang recently published a book entitled *Asian Immigration to the United States* (Polity Press, 2011). This book focuses on three central questions: What causes Asian immigration to the United States? How do post-1965 Asian immigrants impact American society? How do new Asian immigrants and their children adapt to American life? This is the first book that systematically delves into post-1965 Asian immigration to the United States.

Akiko Yoshida was awarded the 2010 Provost's Ph.D. Dissertation Award by the University of Oklahoma. Her dissertation is entitled "Cultural Lag, Anomie, and Single Women in Japan." In addition, she published "No Chance for Romance: Corporate Culture, Gendered Work, and Increased Singlehood in Japan" in *Contemporary Japan* (2011, 23:213-234, DOI 10.1515/cj.2011.011).

Min Zhou is spending three summers (2010-2012) in Guangzhou to take up her role as the Changjiang Scholar

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