



KENNETH G. LIEBERTHAL AND RICHARD H. ROGEL  
CENTER FOR CHINESE STUDIES  
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

## From the Director

The Lieberthal-Rogel Center for Chinese Studies at the University of Michigan continues to grow and develop through the generosity of the Rogel family. We welcomed our first cohort of postdoctoral fellows this fall, expanded our student and faculty funding opportunities, and hosted several conferences and workshops.

In October, we brought together leading experts on the Chinese economy, many of them trained at Michigan, to honor the legacy of Professor Robert Dernberger who passed away in March 2015. Through our noon lecture series, research seminars, film series and interdisciplinary workshops, we covered topics from Song pottery to Xinjiang oil fields. The year closed with the LRCCS Annual Conference, New Directions in Manchu Studies, which brought together top scholars of this evolving field.

With the generosity of other donors, we have expanded our funding for student travel, internships, and experiential learning. We continue to expand our collaborations with Chinese universities. We also collaborate with many other units on campus to improve the university's offerings on China, including UMMA, the Confucius Institute, other centers at the International Institute, and the University Musical Society. I would like to thank all our committed faculty and center associates, students, and community members for their enthusiasm and hard work during the year!

### Mary Gallagher

*Director*

*Lieberthal-Rogel Center for Chinese Studies*



Yasheng Huang, MIT Sloan School of Management with LRCCS Director, Mary Gallagher. China's Economy Today Symposium, Oct 30, 2015. Photo: Peter Smith

## LRCCS Faculty Associates

**Director:** Mary Gallagher (Political Science)

**Associate Director:** Pär Cassel (History)

**Professors:** William H. Baxter (ALC), Miranda Brown (ALC), Chun-shu Chang (History), San Duanmu (Linguistics), Susan N. Erickson (History of Art), Mary Gallagher (Political Science), Nicholas Howson (Law), Joseph Lam (Musicology), Jersey Liang (Health), Linda Y.C. Lim (Business), Daniel Little (Philosophy), Donald Lopez (ALC), Kevin Miller (Psychology; Education), Erik A. Mueggler (Anthropology), Markus Nornes (Screen Arts & Cultures), David Porter (English; Comparative Literature), Martin Powers (History of Art), Bright Sheng (Music), Xiaobing Tang (ALC; Comparative Literature), Twila Tardif (Psychology), Arland Thornton (Sociology), Wang Zheng (Women's Studies, History)

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**Assistant Professors:** Yuen Yuen Ang (Political Science), Jing Cai (Economics), SE Kile (ALC), Silvia Lindtner (School of Information), Emily Wilcox (ALC)

**Researchers/Lecturers:** Shuming Bao (China Data Center); Liangyu Fu (Asia Library); Kening Li (Chinese Language, ALC); Wei Liu (Chinese Language, ALC); Hongwei Xu (Institute for Social Research)

**Emeritus Professors:** Kenneth J. DeWoskin (ALC), Yi-tsi Mei Feuerwerker (ALC), Luis O. Gómez (Buddhist Studies; Psychology), Whitmore Gray (Law), Albert Hermalin (Sociology), Noriko Kamachi (History), Kenneth Lieberthal (Political Science; Business), Shuen-fu Lin (ALC), Donald Munro (Philosophy; Chinese), Deborah Oakley (Nursing), Cho-Yee To (Education), Marshall Wu (UMMA; History of Art), Ernest P. Young (History)

## LRCCS Center Associates

Brian Bruya (Professor of Philosophy, Eastern Michigan University); Thomas Buoye (Associate Professor of History, University of Tulsa); Sui Wah Chan (Professor Emeritus, Michigan State University, U-M China Mirror Project); Gene Chang (Director of Asian Studies Institute at University of Toledo); Shelley Hsueh-lun Chang (History, University of Michigan); Wen-Chien Cheng (Curator of Asian Art, Royal Ontario Museum); Ellen Johnston Laing (Professor Emerita of Art History, former Maude I. Kerns Distinguished Professor of Oriental Art, University of Oregon); Bo Liu (Assistant Professor of Art History and the Humanities, John Carroll University); Julia Ya Qin (Professor of Law, Wayne State University); Xuefei Ren (Assistant Professor of Sociology, Michigan State University); Kidder Smith (Professor Emeritus of Asian Studies and History, Bowdoin College); Sarah C. Swider (Assistant Professor of Sociology, Wayne State University); John Timothy Wixted (Professor Emeritus of Asian Languages, Arizona State University); Yiching Wu (Assistant Professor of East Asian Studies, University of Toronto); Yi-Li Wu (Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Michigan); Chuanwu Xi (Associate Professor of Environmental Health Sciences, University of Michigan); Guoqi Xi (Professor of History, University of Hong Kong); Louis Yen (Associate Research Scientist, Kinesiology, University of Michigan)

*Acronym Key: ALC Asian Languages and Cultures; CI Confucius Institute; SAC Screen Arts and Cultures; SNRE School of Natural Resources and Environment; UMMA University of Michigan Museum of Art*

## LRCCS Faculty Grants, 2015–16

### Michigan-Fudan Collaboration in the Social Sciences Grants

Fellowships for short-term exploratory travel to Fudan University (Shanghai, China) or research proposals with Fudan faculty to foster faculty and student collaboration and exchange between Fudan University and the University of Michigan.

**Shuming Bao** (China Data Center). Fudan collaborator: Songdi Wu (Historical Geography). *"The Spatial Study of Historical Development of Christianity in China."*

**Weiyun Chen/Dale Ulrich** (Kinesiology). Fudan collaborator: Zhen Zhang (Physical Education). *"Impact of Physical Activity Participation on Physical Health and Psychological Well Being among Chinese College Students."*

**Nojin Kwak** (Communications). Fudan collaborator: Baohua Zhou (Journalism) *"Digital Media and Civic Engagement in China."*

**Christopher Brooks** (School of Information). Fudan collaborators: Xianghua Ding and Tun Lu (Computer Science). *"Towards Design Guidelines for Social Comparison Feedback in Uncompensated Online Experiments: A Comparison Between China and the US."*

**Liangyu Fu** (Asia Library) Exploratory Grant.

### Annual Thematic Conference Funding

LRCCS sponsors an annual conference on Chinese studies. The conference theme is determined by a competitive application process with proposals solicited from LRCCS faculty associates.

2014-15 **Yuen Yuen Ang** (Political Science). *"Building State Capacity in China and Beyond."*

2015-16 **Pär Cassel** (History) and **Benjamin Levey** (History). *"New Directions in Manchu Studies."*

2016-17 **Brian Wu** (Business) and **Jing Cai** (Economics). *"Micro-enterprises: Overcoming Growth Restraints."*

2016-17 **Emily Wilcox** (ALC) and **Liangyu Fu** (Asia Library). *"Dancing East Asia: Critical Choreographies and Their Corporeal Politics."*

### Experiential Learning Fund

This fund is designed to support faculty-led group travel for undergraduate, graduate or professional school students wishing to incorporate an education abroad experiential component into an ongoing China-related course during either winter break or spring-summer terms.

**Robert Adams** (Architecture and Urban Planning). Arch739: *Disability and Dragons: Health Infrastructure and Architecture in Rural-Urban China.*

**Brian Coppola** (Chemistry). *Advanced Coursework in Chemistry in China.*

**Ann Lin** (Public Policy). PP716: *Chinese Policy in Comparative Perspective.*

### Research Grants

Lieberthal-Rogel Center for Chinese Studies (LRCCS) Research Grants are awarded on a competitive basis to any LRCCS faculty associates pursuing research on any aspect of China. Funds may support individual or group projects and are designed to provide support for research assistants (including translators and interpreters), travel, lodging, meals, and supplies (including books directly related to the project). The grants do not provide permanent equipment.

**Pär Cassel** (History) with Joseph Ho, PhD Candidate (History). *"China Between Worlds: The Republic, the Civil War, and the PRC Through the Eyes of the Shanghai American School."*

**Mary Gallagher** (Political Science) and **Liangyu Fu** (Asia Library). *"Deep Dive into Digital and Data Methods for Chinese Studies."*

**SE Kile** (ALC). *"Translating the Obscene: A Study of Li Yu's (1610-1680) Works in Japan."*

**Joseph Lam** (CI). *"Chinese Film Series."*

**Emily Wilcox** (ALC). *"Martial Arts Residency: Zhao Jilong Chinese Embodiment Theory Beyond Western Models."* Sept. 28-Oct. 9, 2016



### ARBER LAJQI BA Economics

"I honestly didn't think I had much to offer—the youngest person at the company was 30. But by the end I felt like I really made a contribution; I felt like my project really meant something."

*Walter Power internship recipient 2015*

## LRCCS MA Graduates, 2016

**Erik Mueggler** (Anthropology). Subvention funds for manuscript, *"Songs for Dead Parents: Body and World in Southwest China."*

**Markus Nornes** (SAC). Travel funds for the project *"The Restlessness of the Calligraph: Calligraphy in East Asian Cinema."*

**Brian Wu** (Business). *"The Joint Effect of Institutional and Economic Forces on Firm Entry Choices in the Chinese Real Estate Industry (2004-2013)."*

**Hongwei Xu** (Institute for Social Research). *"Integrating Small Data and Big Data to Estimate Chronic Disease Prevalence."*

**Ming Xu** (SNRE). *"Impacts of China's Water Scarcity on the Global Trade Network."*

**Jing Cai** (Economics). *"Elected Managers and Productivity: Evidence from Auto Manufacturing in China."*

**Marty Powers** (History of Art). *"The Art Historical Vision of Song China."*

**Robert Adams** (Architecture and Urban Planning). Seed grant funding for *"Wet the Ropes: Beijing Fieldwork De-coupling the Institutionalization of Disabled Space."*

**Don Lopez** (ALC). Scholarship funding request *"Kristen Carosella Fund."*

**Xiaobing Tang** (ALC). Subvention funds for manuscript on contemporary Chinese visual culture.

**Emily Wilcox** (ALC). *"Women Dancing Otherwise: The Queer Feminism of Gu Jiani's Right & Left (2014)."*

**Ryan Etzcorn**, *"Sending the 'Soft Infrastructure' for Policy Reform: The Ford Foundation and Civil Society in China, 1979-2004."*

**Brett Hine**, *"History or Histrionics? Examining the CCP's Agency in the Use of Nationalism in Chinese Foreign Policy."*

**Samantha Hurt**, *"From 'Porridge Science Fiction' to Social Scientific Imagination: Gender and Stylistic Choices in Chinese Science Fiction."*

**Neal McKenna**, *"Feeling the 'Invisible hand': Transnational Chinese Students' Nationalism and Perception of CCP Control of WeChat."*

**Ting Su**, *"Historicizing Tibetan Cultural Heritage Across Time and Space."*

**Andrea Valedon**, *"Parallels Between the Chinese Three Teachings and Islam: Examining the Vocabulary of Wang Daiyu's The Real Commentary on the True Teaching and the Hui Hui Yuan Lai."*

Kenneth Lieberthal, Brookings Institute. China's Economy Today Symposium, Oct 30, 2015. Photo: Peter Smith



## LRCCS Student Grants, 2015–16

### LRCCS Academic Year Awards, 2015–16

*Tuition and stipend support for incoming and continuing graduate students in the Master's Program in Chinese studies.*

**Ryan Etcorn**, MA/MPP; **Brett Hine**, MA LRCCS; **Samantha Hurt**, MA LRCCS; **Andrea Valedon-Trapote**, MA LRCCS; **Ting Su**, MA LRCCS; **Jiannan Zhao**, MA LRCCS; **Mason Hinsdale**, MA LRCCS; **Alina Odom**, MA LRCCS.

### LRCCS Incoming Doctoral Fellowships, 2015–16

*Awarded to promising incoming PhD students at U-M in the fields of social sciences and humanities. This fellowship consists of \$5,000 a year for five years (\$25,000 total), which students are free to use for research, fieldwork, or as a supplementary stipend.*

5th year: **Ho-Chak Law**, Musicology; 4th years:

**Katherine Dimmery**, ALC and Anthropology; **Adrienne Lagman**, Anthropology; **Joshua Hubbard**, History and Women's Studies; 3rd year: **Angeline Baecker**, ALC; 2nd years: **Huazejia**, Anthropology; **Sheng Long**, Anthropology; **Blake Miller**, Political Science; 1st years: **Xiaoxi Zhang**, Comparative Literature; **Chuyi Zhu**, Musicology; **Yuequa Guo**, Political Science.

### LRCCS One Term Dissertation Fellowship, 2016

*This competitive award allows doctoral associates at LRCCS to be nominated for funding that will support the writing stage of the dissertation.*

**Patricia Chen**, PhD Sociology.

### Graduate and Undergraduate Academic Year Foreign Language & Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships, 2015–16

*Awarded to U-M undergraduate, graduate and professional school students for study of languages and related area studies with support from the U.S. Department of Education and LRCCS.*

**Alina Chau**, BA Asian Studies/Chinese; **Amelia Lachter**, BA Asian Studies/Chinese; **Neal McKenna**, MA LRCCS; **Adrian Carney**, MA/MPP; **James Meador**, PhD Anthropology.

### Graduate and Undergraduate Summer Foreign Language & Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships, 2016

*Awarded to U-M undergraduate, graduate and professional school students for intensive language study with support from the U.S. Department of Education and LRCCS.*

**Neal McKenna**, MA LRCCS; **Andrea Valedon-Trapote**, MA LRCCS; **Blake Miller**, PhD Political Science.

### LRCCS Summer Research & Fellowship Awards, 2016

*Awarded to students for summer or semester-long research projects on China in humanities and social sciences.*

**James Meador**, PhD Anthropology, current research: focused interaction between Russian and Chinese in Harbin; **Nicole Wu**, PhD Political Science, current research: political effects of China-Taiwan trade; **Gerui Wang**, PhD Art History, current research: Song Dynasty travel culture and landscape paintings; **Yujeong Yang**, PhD Political Science, current research: restructuring of Chinese state-owned enterprises and Chinese labor disputes.

### Peking-American Fellowship, 2016

*Academic support for traditional Chinese studies at U-M.*

**Joseph Ho**, PhD History, current research: American Protestant and Catholic missionary enterprises in China between 1890–1950; **Yan Dong**, PhD Linguistics, current research: motivation for creating elastic word length in Chinese; **Ujin Kim**, PhD Anthropology, current research: ethical management of speech among Kazakh nomads.

### Katherine Taylor Fellowship, 2016

*Study-abroad funding opportunity for up to a full year of research and language study in a Chinese-speaking environment.*

**Eric Haynie**, PhD Anthropology, current research: Tibetan Buddhist literature and praxis, textual production during 18th century in Tibet.

### Lieberthal Family Fellowship, 2016

*Travel awards to China to support research and language study.*

**Su Ting**, MA LRCCS, current research: self-identity and role of Tibetan folk dancers in inheriting Tibetan culture through choreographers, troupe leaders, and teachers.

### Walter Power Undergraduate Scholarships, 2015–2016

*Annual awards for undergraduates to pursue internships or study abroad in Greater China.*

**Arber Lajqi**, BA Economics; **Cheok In Tou**, BA Business Administration.

## Graduate Workshops, 2015-16

*Interdisciplinary, not-for-credit forums convened for graduate students working on issues related to greater China to broaden disciplinary horizons and build faculty and student connections.*

### Interdisciplinary China Reading Group Workshop

Faculty convener: **Mary Gallagher** (Political Science)

**Lili Song**, Visiting Scholar, Law; **Deanna Kolberg**, PhD Political Science; **Nicole Wu**, PhD Political Science; **Patricia Chen**, PhD Sociology; **Yujeong Yang**, PhD Political Science; **Ryan Etcorn**, MA LRCCS; **Blake Miller**, PhD Political Science.

### Chinese Studies Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Workshop

Faculty Convener: **Pär Cassel** (History)

**Joshua Hubbard**, PhD History and Women's Studies; **Mei-Chen Pan**, PhD Comparative Literature; **Glenn Tiffert**, LRCCS Post-doctoral fellow; **James Meador**, PhD Anthropology; **Sheng Long**, PhD Anthropology; **Angie Baecker**, PhD ALC; **Samantha Hurt**, MA LRCCS; **Blake Miller**, PhD Political Science.

## LRCCS Postdoctoral Fellowship 2016 Applicant Disciplines

East Asian Studies	25
Economics	23
History	22
Political Science	20
Literature	19
Anthropology	17
Sociology	11
Geography	6
Media Studies	4
Art History	4
Philosophy	4
Arts	2
Education	2
Law and Politics	2
Religious Studies	2
Translation	1
Environmental Studies	1
Leadership Studies	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>166</b>

## LRCCS Postdoctoral Fellows

*Postdoctoral Fellowships were introduced in 2015 to support research in the study of China and is open to scholars in the humanities or social sciences conducting well-designed research and writing projects. While at U-M, Postdoctoral Fellows pursue their research, present their work at the LRCCS Noon Lecture Series, and have the opportunity to teach undergraduate and graduate courses.*

1st cohort: **Yeongjin (Yasmin) Cho** (PhD Cultural Anthropology, Duke University), dissertation: *"Politics of Tranquility: Religious Mobilities and Materials Engagements of Tibetan Nuns in Post-Mao China."* **Laurence Coderre** (PhD Chinese, UC Berkeley), dissertation: *"Socialist Commodities: Consuming Yangbanxi in the Cultural Revolution."* **Glenn Tiffert** (PhD History, UC Berkeley), dissertation: *"Judging Revolution: Beijing and the Birth of the PRC Judicial System (1906-1958)."*

2nd cohort: **Kyoungjin Bae** (PhD History, Columbia University), dissertation: *"Joints of Utility, Crafts of Knowledge: The Material Culture of the Sino-British Furniture Trade, 1700-1850."* **Tarryn Li-Mir Chun**, (PhD East Asian Languages and Civilizations, Harvard University), dissertation: *"Lighting, Cameras, Action: Technological Revolutions in Chinese Theater."* **Will Thomson**, (PhD Socio-Cultural Anthropology, New York University), dissertation: *"China Constructs: Architecture, Labor, and Value on a Chinese Construction Site."*

### Tang Junyi Postdoctoral Fellow, 2015-16

*Funded by the Tang Junyi Lecture Fund and administered jointly by ALC and LRCCS, this fellowship supports scholars conducting research and writing projects on Chinese philosophy.*

**Sonya Ozbey** (PhD DePaul University), dissertation: *"Discontinuities in Immanent Worlds: The Human/Nonhuman Animal Split in Spinoza and the Zhuangzi."*

## LRCCS Distinguished Visitors

*The Lieberthal-Rogel Distinguished Visitor Program provides an opportunity for University of Michigan students, faculty, and community at large to connect with prominent individuals (diplomats and other government officials, journalists, public intellectuals, NGO leaders, business innovators, artists, etc.) whose lives and careers have had significant public impact on advancing relationships with China and deepening understanding of China.*

Inaugural Distinguished Visitor 2015, **Alexa Lam**, former Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission (SFC); Distinguished Visitors 2016, **Professor Justin Yifu Lin**, Peking University, Vice Chairman of China's National Economic Council and former Chief Economist of the World Bank; artists-in-residence **Wang Qingsong**, internationally recognized photographer focusing on modernization and its effects on China, and **Zhao Jilong**, martial artist expanding student awareness of non-Western embodiment techniques and theory.

### Hughes Scholars

*The Hughes Fellowship is a rotating fellowship between LRCCS, the Center for Southeast Asian Studies, and the Center for South Asian Studies to fund visiting scholars (faculty or researchers) or graduate students from East and Southeast Asia. The fellowship provides support for instructional or research activity that will strengthen the economic and educational resources of the countries in those regions.*

#### 2015–2016 Fellows

**Mi Zhao**, PhD History, University of Oregon. U-M host: Wang Zheng (Women's Studies). **Ni Jin**, award-winning dancer and teacher. U-M host: Emily Wilcox (ALC).

**Qiu Jie**, labor contract law specialist. U-M host: Nicholas Howson (Law). **Wen Jin**, Associate Professor of English and Associate Director, Fudan Institute of Foreign Literature. U-M Host: David Porter.

#### 2016–2017 Fellows

**Bin Guo**, civil and legal rights advocate, director of ACTogether, a PRC non-governmental rights organization. U-M host: Nicholas Howson (Law). **Fang Zhang**, independent curator, lecturer, and cultural attaché promoting contemporary Chinese art. U-M host: Robert Adams (Architecture and Urban Planning).



### LAURENCE CODERRE *Postdoctoral Fellow*

"To me, worthwhile research doesn't have to be about something huge or abstract. Just because something is quotidian doesn't mean it has to be banal."

## Outreach to Educators and Community

### East Asia National Resource Center Title VI

*The Lieberthal-Rogel Center for Chinese Studies along with other area studies centers form the U-M East Asia National Resource Center, supported under the auspices of Title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and the U.S. Department of Education, to strengthen training in the major languages of East Asia in conjunction with area studies training in the field. This award helps support U-M's role as one of the nation's major centers providing expert resources and a deeper understanding of contemporary and historical issues related to China to students, educators, and the public at large.*

Programming includes educator workshops offered through the **World History and Literary Initiative (WHaLI)** and **East Asia K-12 Immersion Program**; collaborations with the **Midwest Institute for International/Intercultural Education (MIIE)**, a consortium of 100 two-year colleges; language support at **Washtenaw Community College (WCC)**; **library travel grants** for researchers and educators; the development of an **East Asia Language Teacher Certification** program in partnership with the U-M School of Education; support of teaching workshops through area studies experts for faculty and students at **University of Puerto Rico (UPR)**; and the creation of a two-course world music teacher training program with **U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance (SMTD)**.

### LRCCS Social Media

LRCCS Website: Latest news and events, programming, video and audio recordings.

<http://www.ii.umich.edu/lrccs>

LRCCS on Facebook: Updates on faculty news, on-site event responses, cultural happenings and media bytes.

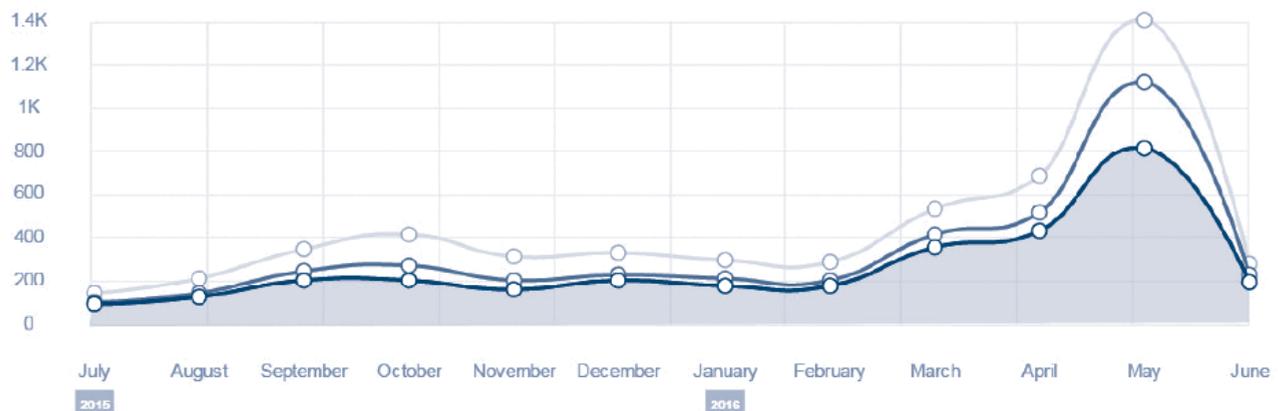
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LRCCS Blog: Substantive content related to the study of China with guest bloggers from LRCCS faculty, students, alumni, and commentators.

<http://www.chinese-studies-blog.org>



Blog traffic report, June 2015-June 2016.



**3,804** avg  
317  
Visits

**5,158** avg  
429  
Page Views

**3,038** avg  
253  
Audience Size

## Calendar of Events

### September 2015

**Sep 22 Noon Lecture.** *"Zhang Yimou: Globalization and the Subject of Culture."* **Wendy Larson**, University of Portland.

**Sep 22 Film.** *Golden Era.* Ann Hui, (2014). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

**Sep 29 Noon Lecture.** *"Is Lying Contagious? Spatial Diffusion of Agricultural 'Satellites' during China's Great Leap Forward."* **Hongwei Xu**, University of Michigan.

**Sep 29 Film.** *Police Story: Lockdown.* Ding Sheng, (2013). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

### October 2015

**Oct 2 Research Seminar.** *"Interpreting the 1954 Constitution: Scholars, Citizens and Law in Mao-era China."* **Neil Diamant**, Dickinson College.

**Oct 5 Presentation and Panel.** *"China Town Hall: Local Connections, National Reflections."*

**Jeffrey Wasserstrom**, UC Irvine, Live webcast. Co-Sponsored by the National Committee on US-China Relations.

**Oct 6 Noon Lecture.** *"Rewriting the Creation Myth: Revolution and the Birth of the PRC Judicial System."*  
**Glenn Tiffert**, LRCCS Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan.

**Oct 6 Film.** *Only You.* Zhang Hao, (2015). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

**Oct 7 Lecture.** *"A Talk on Contemporary Chinese Dance."*  
**Suhua Xiao**, Beijing Dance Academy.

**Oct 9 Research Seminar.** *"Is Disease Too a Market? Big Pharma, Big Food, and the Making of China's 'Obesity Epidemic.'"* **Susan Greenhalgh**, Harvard University.

**Oct 13 Noon Lecture.** *"Cross-Strait Relations on the Eve of Elections: A Shaky Status Quo."*  
**Steven Goldstein**, Smith College.

**Oct 13 Film.** *Aberdeen.* Pang Ho-Cheung, (2014). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

**Oct 15 Research Seminar.** "Constitutionalism Debates and Constitutional Change in China." **Cheng Jie**, Tsinghua University Law School.

**Oct 27 Noon Lecture.** *"Towards a New Qing Natural History."* **Jonathan Schlesinger**, Indiana University.

**Oct 27 Film.** *Let's Get Married.* Jiang Liu, (2015). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

**Oct 30 Symposium.** *"China's Economy Today: The New Normal and Old Challenges."* A symposium to honor the late Robert F. Dernberger, U-M Professor of Economics and former director of the Center for Chinese Studies.

### November 2015

**Nov 3 Noon Lecture.** *"Rethinking the Socialist Heroine: Feminine Agency in Chinese Dance Dramas of the Late 1950s."* **Emily Wilcox**, University of Michigan.

**Nov 3 Film.** *Dust in the Wind.* Hou Hsiao-hsien, (1986). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

**Nov 4 Film.** *A Time to Live, A Time to Die.* Hou Hsiao-hsien, (1985). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

**Nov 10 Noon Lecture.** *"Land and the Chinese Economy: The Politics of Economic Management."* **Meg Rithmire**, Harvard Business School.

**Nov 10 Film.** *Flowers of Shanghai.* Hou Hsiao-hsien, (1998). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

**Nov 11 Film.** *Good Men, Good Women.* Hou Hsiao-hsien, (1995). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.

**Nov 11 Film.** *Millennium Mambo.* Hou Hsiao-hsien, (2001). Co-Sponsored by Michigan Theater.



### GLENN TIFFERT *Postdoctoral Fellow*

"What led me to the history of law was a desire to understand the present. Law helps us test and destabilize received truths about Chinese history, and the 1949 revolution. Law tends to be a bit resilient; it doesn't change overnight. Through it, you can demonstrate how '49 is not the disjuncture that it's often presented as being. Ideology can shift quickly, but there are structures of knowledge and practice that carry through."



**YASMIN CHO** *Postdoctoral Fellow*

"My project examines a "reverse" migration by drawing on a growing number of Tibetan girls moving to Yachen, a very isolated and remote place, to practice Buddhism. Yachen is now one of the largest Buddhist communities in the world, and the young girls who gather and stay there sustain their lives by building their own huts and engaging in daily spiritual practices under highly restrictive political circumstances."

**Nov 12 Research Seminar.** "*The Impact of Property Rights in Rural China: Misallocation, Selection and Productivity.*" **Loren Brandt**, University of Toronto.

**Nov 17 Noon Lecture.** "*Is it Possible to De-Maoify the Cultural Revolution?*" **Yiching Wu**, University of Toronto.

**Nov 18 Research Seminar.** "*Labor Market Experience and Returns to Education in Fast Growing Economies.*" **Hongbin Li**, Tsinghua University.

**Nov 24 Noon Lecture.** "*Reforming Chinese Tax Administration.*" **Wei Cui**, University of British Columbia.

**December 2015**

**Dec 1 Noon Lecture.** "*Migrants Family Arrangement and Their Children's Wellbeing in China.*" **Youqin Huang**, SUNY Albany.

**Dec 8 Noon Lecture.** "*Invasion of the Body Snatchers: Remediation and the Model in the Mirror.*" **Laurence Coderre**, LRCCS Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan.

**January 2016**

**Jan 26 Noon Lecture.** "*Is There a Chinese Model of Legal Reform?*" **Benjamin Liebman**, Columbia Law School.

**Jan 30 Film.** *Red Amnesia.* Wang Xiaoshuai, (2014).

**February 2016**

**Feb 2 Noon Lecture.** "*Schema and Substance in a Northern Song Vessel.*" **Jeffrey Moser**, Brown University.

**Feb 4 Research Seminar.** "*'Free Love' or 'Sexual Misconduct': Singing Girls Remembering China's Socialist Past (1949-Present).*" **Mi Zhao**, LRCCS Visiting Scholar.

**Feb 9 Noon Lecture.** "*Architectural Versus Improvisational Thinking: Hut/Tent-Building Practices of Tibetan Buddhist Nuns in Post-Mao China.*" **Yasmin Cho**, LRCCS Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan.

**Feb 13 Film.** *The Chinese Mayor.* Zhou Hao, (2014).

**Feb 16 Special Discussion.** "*Dream of the Red Chamber, the Opera.*" **Bright Sheng**, University of Michigan and **David Rolston**, University of Michigan.

**Feb 20–May 29 Exhibit.** "*Xu Weixin: Monumental Portraits.*" University of Michigan Museum of Art.

**Feb 22 Research Seminar.** "*Behind Tiananmen: The Politics of Protest Repression in 1989.*" **Yang Su**, University of California, Irvine.

**Feb 23 Noon Lecture.** "*Wielding the 'Sharp Sword': Petroleum and State Power in China's Far West, 1955-1961.*" **Judd Kinzley**, University of Wisconsin.

**March 2016**

**Mar 8 Noon Lecture.** "*The Power of 'No' in Buddhist China: Refusal and Achievement in the Lives of the Monk-Artists Kuncan (1612-ca.1675) and Hongyi (1880-1942).*" **Raoul Birnbaum**, UC Santa Cruz.

**Mar 10 Research Seminar.** "*From China to the Big Top: Chinese Acrobats and the Politics of Aesthetic Labor, 1950-2010.*" **Tracy Zhang**, Queen's University.

**Mar 12 Film.** *Til Madness Do Us Part.* Wang Bing, (2014).

**Mar 15 Noon Lecture.** "*Adopting an Orphan: Theater and Social Energy in Ming China.*" **Yuming He**, UC Davis.



East Asia Immersion Workshop with LRCCS Center Associate, Yi-Li Wu, and teacher participants. Photos: Alex Mandrila

*Calendar of Events, continued*

**Mar 22 Noon Lecture.** *"Wang Guangmei's qipao and the Two Line Struggle in Communist Feminism."* **Tani Barlow**, Rice University.

**Mar 23 Research Seminar.** *"Tax Reform in Rural China: Revenue Resistance, and Authoritarian Rule."* **Hiroki Takeuchi**, Southern Methodist University.

**April 2016**

**Apr 5 Noon Lecture.** *"Digital Perspectives on Middle-Period Chinese Political History."* **Hilde De Weerd**, Leiden University. Co-Sponsored by University of Michigan Library.

**Apr 8 Panel.** *"Careers in International Affairs."* **Allen Choate**, Asia Foundation; **Louisa Greve**, National Endowment for Democracy; **Sande Schlesinger**, US Foreign Area Officer Corps.

**Apr 9 Film.** *Blue Sky Bones*. Cui Jian, (2013).

**Apr 12 Noon Lecture.** *"Violent Media: Beyond the Stereotype of Chinese Cruelty."* **Andrea Bachner**, Cornell University.

**Apr 13 Research Seminar.** *"Inequality in China: Has China Reached a Turning Point?"* **Terry Sinclair**, University of Western Ontario.

**Apr 13 Tang Junyi Lecture.** *"Overcoming Communicative Discontinuities and the Possibility of Teaching a Skill in the Zhuangzi."* **Sonya Ozbey**, LRCCS Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan. Co-Sponsored by ALC.

**Apr 23 Teacher Workshop.** *"Xu Weixin: Monumental Portraits."* **Xiaobing Tang** (ALC), **Laurence Coderre**, LRCCS Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan; **Natsu Oyobe**, UMMA. University of Michigan Museum of Art.

**Apr 25 Occasional Lecture.** *"The Chinese Communist Party's Strategy for Survival."* **Bruce Dickson**, George Washington University.

**May 2016**

**May 6-8 Annual Conference.** *"New Directions in Manchu Studies."* An interdisciplinary and international conference on Manchu studies and Qing history. Organizers: **Pär Cassel** (History) and **Benjamin Levey** (History).

**May 14 Teacher Workshop.** *"Experiential Learning About East Asia: Sights, Sounds, and Tastes."* **Carrie Luke**, University of Michigan Library; **Natsu Oyobe**, UMMA; **Yongmin Kim**, DMA Voice (School of Music, Theatre & Dance); **Yi-Li Wu**, LRCCS Center Associate. Co-Sponsored by the Center for Japanese Studies, Nam Center for Korean Studies, UMMA, Matthaei Botanical Gardens, and supported by Title VI funding.

## Upcoming Events

### September 2016

**Sep 20 Noon Lecture.** *"The China Boom – Where did it Come From, Where is it Heading?"* **Ho-fung Hung**, Johns Hopkins University.

**Sep 27 Noon Lecture.** *"Native Seeds of Change: Writing and Reading Women into the Tradition."* **Pauline Lee**, St. Louis University.

### October 2016

**Oct 4 Noon Lecture.** *"Revolutionary Embodiments: Gender and Genre in Xie Bingying's War Diary and Autobiography of a Woman Soldier."* **Anup Grewal**, University of Toronto.

**Oct 11 Noon Lecture.** *"Rebellion and Repression in China, 1966-1969: New Perspectives on the Cultural Revolution."* **Andrew Walder**, Stanford University.

**Oct 21-22 Annual Conference.** *"Micro-enterprises: Overcoming Growth Restraints."* Organizers: **Brian Wu** (Business) and **Jing Cai** (Economics).

**Oct 25 Noon Lecture.** *"China's Growth Prospects and Implications for Southeast Asia."* **Wing Thye Woo**, UC Davis.

China's Economy Today: A Symposium to Honor Robert F. Dernberger, Oct 30, 2015. U-M Ross School of Business. Photo: Peter Smith

### November 2016

**Nov 1 Noon Lecture.** *"Populist Authoritarianism in China."* **Wenfang Tang**, University of Iowa.

**Nov 8 Noon Lecture.** *"Can China Reform? Economic Reform Policy Under Xi Jinping."* **Barry Naughton**, UC San Diego.

**Nov 15 Noon Lecture.** *"China and Europe in Global Economic History: From Europe's Divergence to China's Convergence."* **R. Bin Wong**, UCLA.

**Nov 22 Noon Lecture.** *"Violence in East Asian Buddhism."* **Jinhua Chen**, The University of British Columbia.

**Nov 29 Noon Lecture.** *"Along the Round Globe: the Material Culture of European Round Tables in Mid-Qing China."* **Kyungjin Bae**, LRCCS Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan.

### December 2016

**Dec 6 Noon Lecture.** *"China's Security Concerns: The Enduring Link between External and Internal Challenges."* **Avery Goldstein**, University of Pennsylvania.

**Dec 13 Noon Lecture.** *"Communication Strategies of Chinese Local Elites."* **Yiqing Xu**, UC San Diego.

### April 2017

**Apr 7-8 Annual Conference.** *"Dancing East Asia: Critical Choreographies and Their Corporeal Politics."* Organizers: **Emily Wilcox** (ALC) and **Liangyu Fu** (Asia Library).



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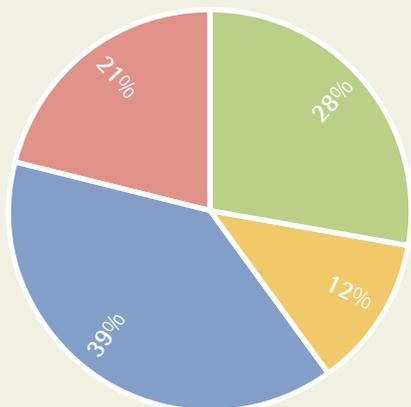
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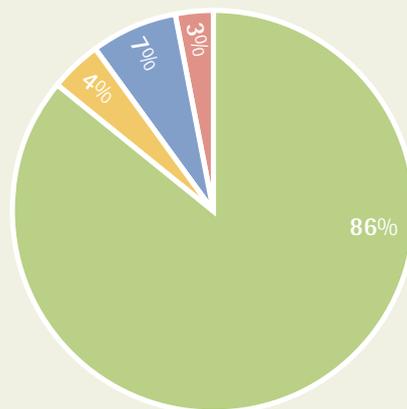
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"I'm interested in early Chinese texts in general. I believe many of the questions addressed in these texts are still relevant today—which, I guess, you can say about the majority of the canonical texts, regardless of the tradition they represent. Of course there are always differences in the ways these questions are formulated in texts that belong to a different temporal and intellectual milieu, which I also find fascinating. Sometimes changing the way you formulate a question could be more revealing of insights than all the answers you try to give to the initial question. By formulating the question differently, you already start seeing the issue in a different way."

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