

Weekly Highlights

Asia@Noon this Friday April 7: Myo Thant will present "Transition from Military Rule to Representative Democracy in Burma." See more below.

Apply **TODAY** April 3-7 for AAS registration reimbursement if you are an Asian Studies undergraduate or graduate student. Learn more below.

NOW HIRING: We are seeking an adjunct instructor to teach AS395: Southeast

Events

Asia@Noon

Undergraduates, graduate students, faculty, and people from the Buffalo community are invited and encouraged to attend our Asia@Noon talks. If you are a scholar of Asia-related research, we invite you to contact us about speaking at Asia@Noon.

April 7
Noon
280 Park Myo Thant, Buffalo, NY.
Transition from Military Rule to Representative Democracy in Burma.

This talk provides insight into historically unsolved issues that cause a chaotic and dysfunctional environment for the transition from military rule to representative democracy.



Campus Events

Film screening: Homeland Iraq

The Center for Global Media and Department of English presents *Homeland: Iraq Year Zero* (2015) Directed by Abbas Fahdel (attending in person). In February 2002—about a year before the U.S. declared war in 2003—Iraqi filmmaker Abbas Fahdel traveled home from France to capture everyday life as his country prepared for war. He zeroed in on family and friends as they went about their business, with much of the action seen through the eyes of the director's 12-year-old nephew, Haider. When Fahdel returned in 2003, two weeks after the war started, daily activities like going to school or shopping at the market had become nearly impossible; many areas of Baghdad had been closed off to ordinary citizens, yet everyone pressed on. Screening, Part I in the Student Union 330. [Learn more.](#)

April 5
4-6:40pm

Exploring All Sides

The Rotaract Club of UB is hosting a community engagement event: Exploring All Sides. Local community leaders will speak on topics including immigration and refugee rights and cultural and religious differences in our community. A panel discussion will encourage participants to share their differing opinions to find common ground and mutual respect. Davis Hall Atrium and Room 101. [RSVP.](#)

April 5
5-8pm

Confucius Institute Chinese Language Club Film Screening

April 5 Film screening: "Monkey King: Uproar in Heaven," the classic Chinese 1963 animation. Presented by Wang Zhao. The Commons 113

REPORTING 'FROM BURMA TO BUFFALO' & THE FUTURE OF REFUGEES IN THE TRUMP ERA

Come and listen to the panel of speakers about their experience of reporting a remarkable series on the lives of refugees from Burma. The speakers will also share their thoughts on how the Trump administration's stance on refugees will affect both resettled refugees and refugee resettlement program. 403 Hayes Hall, South Campus
Light refreshments will be served, please RSVP to attend: [here.](#)
Questions?: Please email Wooksoo Kim (wkim5@buffalo.edu)

April 12
3:30-5:30p

UB's History Facts Series

April 12 Prof. Kristin Stapleton and Students present: "Is Conflict between the US and China Inevitable?: Historical Perspectives" Norton 17 North Campus.
UB's department of History presents the History Facts series, a semester long set of presentations focusing on historical perspectives on current debates. [Learn more.](#)

5-6:30p

Triveni Event: Singing Drums

April 23 A percussion/flute concert by Damaru Ensemble featuring Flute, Tabla, Khanjira, Ghatam and Mridangam. Screening Room, Center for the Arts, 7pm

Confucius Institute Chinese Language Club Film Screening

April 26 Film screening: "Dearest," based on a true story, an award winning 2014 drama. Presented by Nie Xi. The Commons 113

7pm

Confucius Institute Chinese Language Club Film Screening

May 4 Film screening: "Chinese Zodiac," a 2012 action film written, directed, and starring Jackie Chan. Presented by Chen Rongying. The Commons 113

7pm

Conferences

Researchers: New York Conference on Asian Studies (NYCAS) 2017 Call for Papers

Theme: Consuming Asia | September 23-24, 2017 | Hobart and William Smith Colleges

Scholars in New York, neighboring states, Canada, and elsewhere are cordially invited submit proposals for individual papers, panels, and roundtables. Panels, papers, and roundtables may focus on the conference theme "Consuming Asia" or other aspects of East Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia, or Asian American Studies. Submissions within the conference theme might focus on how "Asia" is both the object of consumption and the consumer. **Paper and panel proposals may be submitted between January 15, 2017 and May 1, 2017.** Graduate student participation is especially encouraged and welcomed. [Learn more.](#)

Researchers: Call for Papers for "MOBILE BODIES: A Long View of the Peoples and Communities of Maritime Asia"

Deadline May 1. This interdisciplinary conference held at Binghamton University, November 10-11, 2017 will explore the mobility of individuals across maritime Asia with an interest in disaggregating different types of bodies and different types of travel. We welcome papers that address a broad range of themes, with particular interest in the following topics: Labor flows and recruitment, Voluntary and involuntary movement, including slave and refugee communities, Cultural meanings and representations of maritime travel and pilgrimage, etc. Graduate students welcome. [Learn More.](#)

Funding

Student Funding

TODAY
April 3-7 The Asian Studies Program is supporting student participation in the Association for Asian Studies (AAS) 2017 Annual Conference in Toronto (March 16-19)! We can reimburse up to 10 student registrations for the 2017 AAS conference. [Learn more.](#)

New App
CURCA Research and Scholarship App: An Online Resource for Research and Scholarships
This is a new offering through UB that will give you instant access to thousands of research and experiential projects, internships, conferences and scholarships. You can customize your sign-up profile to only receive updates on topics and majors that are of specific interest to you! This App was purchased and sponsored by CURCA – UB's Center for Undergraduate Research & Creative Activities, and The Academies. [Learn more](#) in the Student Opportunity Center.

Scholar Funding

Deadline
April 10 **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS** for the 2017-2018 Chancellor's Grant for Innovative Study Abroad Programs - ISAP Grant

The current competition provides financial support for the development of innovative study abroad programs as well as the addition of new elements to existing study abroad programs. The list of the elements and the criteria to be considered for the selection are included in the call for proposals. Four (4) grants of \$4,000 will be awarded (contingent upon funding availability) to programs administered during the 2017-2018 academic year. The application deadline is Monday, April 10, 2017. [Learn more.](#)

Deadline
July 1 **AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF INDIAN STUDIES (AIIS) FELLOWSHIP COMPETITION**

The American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS) invites applications from scholars from all disciplines who wish to conduct their research in India. Junior fellowships are given to doctoral candidates at universities in the U.S. to conduct research for their dissertations in India for up to eleven months. Senior long-term (six to nine months) and short-term (four months or less) fellowships are available for scholars who hold the Ph.D. degree. Scholarly/Professional development fellowships are available to scholars and professionals who have not previously worked in India. Creative and Performing Arts fellowships are available to practitioners of the arts of India. Eligible applicants include 1) U.S. citizens; and 2) citizens of other countries who are students or faculty members at U.S. colleges and universities (this rule does not apply to U.S. citizens). [Learn more.](#)

Deadline July 1 **AIIS/Ashoka University Research and Teaching Fellowships**
AIIS is pleased to announce a new research and teaching fellowship opportunity for senior scholars in collaboration with Ashoka University, Sonapat, Haryana. In addition to support for full time research, an R & T fellowship gives senior scholars an opportunity to teach for three- and a half months (if offering an undergraduate class), or for six weeks (if offering a mini-course for Ashoka's Young India Fellows post-graduate program). [Learn more.](#)

Language Programs

Wisconsin Program in India

Deadline May 1 for Fall Semester Program. The Fall semester program in Varanasi focuses on independent field-based research and Fall semester tutorials—in addition to language study and content courses. [Learn more.](#)

2017 Intensive Nepali Language Program

Deadline SOON. Nepali, the official language of Nepal, will be offered in the Cornell University Summer Session at both beginning and continuing levels. Taught by faculty from Cornell University and the Cornell-Nepal Study Program at Tribhuvan University on the beautiful Cornell campus in Ithaca, NY, this summer program provides an unusual opportunity to develop competence in Nepali. Reading and writing practice use both popular and scholarly materials in the Nepali (Devanagari) script. Students will spend five hours per day in class and two further hours working with recorded materials in addition to the time required for daily preparation. Films and guest lecturers complement the summer program. The program lasts six weeks for six credits. Class meets five days a week, June 5 - July 14, 2017. Students have the option of taking the variable credit course Nepal 1159 if they cannot come for the full program. They would have to start on June 5, but could leave early if need be (5 credits would be 5 weeks, 4 credits would be 4 weeks, etc.). Students enrolling in Nepal 1159 would not be eligible for a partial scholarship. An enrollment form should be submitted to the Summer Nepali Program by e-mail at kp16@cornell.edu. [Learn more.](#)

HIRING

Fall 2017 Adjunct in Southeast Asian Studies

The Asian Studies Program at the University at Buffalo, The State University of New York, invites applications from qualified instructors to teach one 3-credit course in the field of Southeast Asian Studies during the fall 2017 semester. Preference shall be given to candidates with prior teaching experience who employ interdisciplinary methods to address quality of life issues, with preference given to gender or labor in one or more of the following nations: Brunei, Burma (Myanmar), Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam (discipline open).

A master's degree in area studies or a relevant field is required; a PhD (or ABD) is preferred. The appointment will be made for the fall 2017 semester only; further appointments are contingent upon future budgetary approval. The compensation for teaching one course shall be \$4,000.

Applicants should submit a cover letter, CV (including contact information for three references), and brief statement of teaching philosophy by email to Asian-Studies@buffalo.edu. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Questions may be addressed to Prof. EunHee Lee (ehlee@buffalo.edu), Director of the Asian Studies Program.

UB is an AA/EOE and welcomes all to apply including veterans and individuals with disabilities.