We shall not pass this way again

This is the last weekly bulletin of 2018-19. Best of luck to all on final exams, future endeavors, and research near and far

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1. The future calls: Support SEA studies on NIU Giving Day

NIU will hold its first-ever Day of Giving (NIUDOG) starting at 4:25 PM. May 7, an opportunity not only to support NIU but CSEAS as well. For 1,895 minutes, NIU graduates, students and friends from across the country have the opportunity to come together to show their Huskie Pride by making a gift to the areas they are most passionate about at NIU. Check out the [NIUDOG](#) website to learn about CSEAS’s academic home, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and its current priorities and challenges. If you choose to give, you may designate your gift to CSEAS or to an individual department, as well as to the six other academic colleges on campus and such entities as NIU Study Abroad, Northern Public Radio, and the Alumni Association. Note: All gifts made internationally can be made via credit card on the Day of Giving.

2. Center associates update: Farewells, China and beyond

* We bid a fond farewell this month to Andrea Molnar (Anthropology), who is retiring after twenty-three and a half years at NIU. A cultural anthropologist, Molnar received her PhD from Australian National University in 1995 and was an area specialist in Indonesia, southern Thailand and Timor-Leste. A Center associate since that time, she taught political anthropology; peace and conflict anthropology; religion, myth and ritual; Southeast Asian religions and cosmologies; Islam and Muslim cultures, among numerous other Southeast Asian studies courses at NIU. Named a Presidential Engagement Professor in 2013, Molnar supervised master’s theses for more than 20 students and served on committees for roughly the same number, including several outside NIU. She was active in university committees, led study abroad programs to Thailand, facilitated Memoranda of Understanding with a number of universities in SEA, and widely published and presented in her field throughout her career. CSEAS extends its very best wishes to Andrea on her retirement.

* Kenton Clymer (History) is a guest lecturer at South West University in Chongqing, China this semester teaching two courses about the history of U.S. foreign relations and about American connections with East and Southeast Asia with Dr. Wang Yong.

* Kikue Hamayotsu (Political Science) has published “Indonesian Society and Islam: Identity Politics and the Making of a Majority” in Asia Dialogue, the online magazine of the University of Nottingham Asia Research Institute.

* Jim Wilson (Geographic and Atmospheric Science) has received the Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award for his work as chair of the University Council’s Resources, Space and Budget Committee.
3. Student news: Congratulations to all NEW

Graduate: Congratulations to Eunji Won (PhD candidate, political science), who will be the 2019–20 teaching assistant for the Center’s Southeast Asia survey course, SEAS 225. Won began the MA/PhD program in 2013. Her first field is comparative politics and her research interests are democracy, authoritarian regimes and political economy in the region, in particular in Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand. Won has studied both Indonesian and Thai languages and conducted field research in the region. She has previously served as teaching assistant for POLS 371 (Politics in Southeast Asia), POLS 376 (Political Violence) and POLS 377 (Revolt, Revolution and Genocide). She published “Changes of the State-Capital Relationship in Thailand: Focusing on the Relationship between the State Macroeconomic Institutions and Commercial Banks” in Rian Thai, International Journal of Thai Studies, Vol. 7, in 2014. Most recently, she presented “Mechanism of Durability of Authoritarian Regime Operated in Strong State: Fungibility of State Capacity and Its Impact on Regime Viability” April 5 at the Midwest Political Science Association annual conference in Chicago. ●●● Three PhDs, one MBA, one JD, and six MAs are among the graduate students in CSEAS’s orbit receiving their degrees May 10, with five of them also receiving a Graduate Certificate in Southeast Asian Studies. Nicole Loring will receive her PhD in political science and Katie Chludzinski Dixon her PhD in history from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Randy Chaing will receive his MBA, having completed the College of Business’s one-year Global MBA Program. Daniel Wade will receive his Juris Doctor from the College of Law, after which he plans to pursue his MBA. Indonesian student Sirojuddin Arif also is receiving his PhD in political science. He presented “Rural Threats and the Distributional Outcomes of Pro-Rural Policies: The Politics of Agricultural Development in Indonesia and Malaysia” from his dissertation research April 5 at the Midwest Political Science Association annual conference in Chicago. ●●● CSEAS students receiving their master’s degrees this Friday are Thommy Brown (MA history), Kassandra Chhay (anthropology), Sinta Febrina (anthropology), Amanda Spradling (MA art history), Markie Striegel (MA art history with museum studies certificate), and Rachael Skog (MA Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages).

Undergraduate: Kudos to these students earning a minor in Southeast Asian Studies: Raul Gutierrez (BA political science), Ann Hodal (BA
rhetoric and public communication), Liam McCown (BA political science/IR), Jordan Niedziela (BA political science/IR), Adam Reedy (BA sociology), Elizabeth Russo (BA studio art) and Autumn Smith (BS geography). ●●● The Department of History has awarded Ann Hodal the first Anita M. Andrew Memorial Scholarship, an award set up in the memory of late History Professor Anita Andrew to go to a graduating senior committed to attending a master’s degree program in which they will pursue to some degree interdisciplinary study of Asia. Hodal is continuing at NIU for her master’s degree in communications and the Southeast Asian Studies graduate certificate. Eventually she would like to work with international or study abroad students in a university setting.

4. Notes from all over: Hands-on learning all around NEW

Twenty Chicago-area community college, high school, and middle school educators gathered May 4 in the Medill Room and Visitors Center at Cantigny Park, Warrenville, for a half-day CSEAS teaching conference about the Vietnam War (1955–75). CSEAS Acting Director and associate history professor Eric Jones and Outreach Coordinator Matt Jagel (PhD history, NIU, 2015) led the workshop, with additional lectures by associate history professor Stanley Arnold and CSEAS associate Alan Potkin PhD, all of whom shared their respective experiences in teaching about the conflict also known as the Second Indochina War. Conference attendees received historical background as well as curriculum ideas and teaching materials on a variety of topics related to the war. “Teaching methods focused on lecture strategies and engaged learning, including the use of personal narrative, audio/visual accompaniment, and having students put themselves in the shoes of decision-makers at critical turning points during the war,” Jagel said.

●●● This year’s team of Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistants, Reza Fahlevi (Indonesian), Lady Aileen Ambion Orsal (Tagalog) and Khin Thu Thu Win (Burmese) not only were aces in the classroom, but also as entertaining children’s story time leaders in area public libraries during spring semester. The three not only drew from CSEAS’s collection of SEA-themed children’s books, but brought in their own cultural materials to set the stories in the context of their respective countries. Outreach Graduate Assistant Rachael Skog organized the rotating reading event at DeKalb, Malta and Sycamore libraries. ●●● CSEAS introduced the cultures of

Teachers listen to Dr. Matt Jagel during the Teaching Vietnam workshop May 4 at the Medill Room and Visitors Center at Cantigny Park.

Kristie Amstutz with Rachael Skog’s daughter Mimi at the Jefferson Multicultural Fair.

Burmese FLTA Khin Thu Thu Win reads at the DeKalb Public Library.
Southeast Asia to students, teachers and parents at the annual Jefferson Elementary School Multicultural Fair **May 2** in DeKalb. Outreach GA Rachael Skog, Indonesian FLTA Reza Fahlevi and FLAS fellow Kristie Amstutz shared do-it-yourself *wayang* kits, paper boat folding, and Asian snacks at the annual event. Reza also taught a couple of simple Indonesian phrases (*Selamat malam* and *Sampai jumpa*—hello and goodbye).

**5. Summer intersession course: Introduction to museum studies**

CSEAS associate Catherine Raymond (Art History) and NIU Art Museum Assistant Director Peter Olson will teach Introduction to Museum Studies, ARTH 465/565, as a summer intersession course from **May 14** to **June 6**. The class, which will cover area museums including Chicago, has been scheduled as an evening class from 6 to 9 p.m. Room 202 in the School of Art and Design on the following dates: **May 14, May 16, May 21, May 22, May 23, May 28, May 30, June 1, June 4** and **June 5**. In addition, two Saturday meetings are set for 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **May 18** and **June 6**. No class over Memorial Day weekend.

**6. Get your fall SEAS courses here**

Revolt and revolution. America and Asia. Art and the arts. Interdisciplinary offerings, including two online classes, are the name of the game in Southeast Asian studies this fall in addition to all five SEA language classes: Burmese, Indonesian, Khmer, Tagalog and Thai.

Other fall courses include:

- ANTH 422/522, Gender in Southeast Asia
- ARTH 294, Introduction to Arts of Asia (Catherine Raymond)
- ARTH 370/570, Studies in Asian Art (Catherine Raymond)
- GEOG 382, Geography of Disease and Health (James Wilson)
- HDFS 384, Asian American Families (Florensia Surjadi) **Online**
- HIST 346, Women in Asian History
- HIST 469/569, The Vietnam War (Stanley Arnold)
- HIST 470/570, America and Asia (Kenton Clymer) **Online**
- MUSE 370/670, Gamelan I (Jui-Ching Wang)
- POLS 376, Political Violence (Kikue Hamayotsu)
- POLS 377, Revolt, Revolution, and Genocide (Kheang Un)
- SEAS 225, Southeast Asia: Crossroads of the World (Jui-Ching Wang)

All courses may be applied toward SEA Studies minors/contract majors or graduate certificates. For details, see course list **online**.

**7. Southeast Asia Crossroads: Famine in Khmer Rouge Cambodia **NEW**

Get your earbuds on and take a listen to CSEAS's Southeast Asia Crossroads podcast series. In our latest conversation, host Eric Jones and Rachel Jacobs, PhD candidate at University of Wisconsin-Madison, talk about the causes of non-violent deaths, primarily famine, in Cambodia under the Khmer Rouge (1975–79) her research on the history of opium in colonial Southeast Asia. Our following (more than 14,000 listens since its 2016 debut) keeps growing around the world with listeners in 70 countries as we cover topics from history and politics to art and culture.
8. Burnish your resumé with Southeast Asian Studies
Add a Southeast Asian Studies minor to a bachelor’s degree or a graduate certificate to an advanced degree and pull your resumé to the top of the pile. Visit the CSEAS website or stop by CSEAS at 520 College View Court. Undergraduates should contact adviser Matt Jagel at mjagel2@niu.edu; graduate students should contact Assistant Director Jui-Ching Wang at jcwang@niu.edu.

9. Money for study

**Rotary International**
- **Rotary Peace Fellowships**: Fully paid fellowships for master’s degree (up to two years) or professional development certificate studies (three months) offered through six universities worldwide. **Deadline to apply: May 31.** See website.

**East-West Center**
- **Affiliate Scholar Program**: Short-term affiliation with the East-West Center for graduate students from around the world to pursue thesis or dissertation research in 2018. **Revolving deadlines to submit.** See website.

**ProFellow**
- **Dissertation Research Fellowships**: Check the ProFellow website for 30 different opportunities for dissertation research funding.

10. Conferences, symposia, calls for papers

- **1st International Conference on Asia Pacific Ethnology and Anthropology**, May 20–24, Yunnan University, Kunming City, China. See website.
- **Aspirations for Change 4.0: Critical Perspectives from Southeast Asia workshop**, May 28–29, University of Zurich. See website.
- **Transformation of Youth Identities in East and Southeast Asia: Public Spaces and Intimacy**, May 27–28, University Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium. See website.
- **SEAMEO SPAFA International Conference on Southeast Asian Archaeology**, June 17–21, Bangkok. See website.
- **The Vietnam War in the Pacific World**, Aug. 15–16, Macquarie University, Sydney. See website.
- **Anthropology of Language in Mainland Southeast Asia workshop**, Aug. 19–21, University of Sydney. Limited availability. Email to nick.enfield@sydney.edu.au. See website.
EuroSEAS 2019, Sept. 10–13, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany. Call for papers for panel: New Focus on Old Archaeology: Reassessing Controversies in Southeast Asia. Deadline for abstracts: May 15. Contact: Lia Genovese at trinacria_1955@yahoo.co.uk.

Of Peninsula and Archipelago: The Landscape of Translation in Southeast Asia, Aug. 31–Sept. 1, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok. Hosted by the International Association for Translation and Intercultural Studies. See website.

Council on Thai Studies, Oct. 18–20, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Call for papers. Deadline for abstracts: Aug. 1. For details, email Taylor Easum, teasum@uwsp.edu.

Conference of Canadian Council for Southeast Asian Studies, Power in Southeast Asia, Oct. 24–26, Montreal, Quebec. For details, email Serge Gragner, University of Sherbrooke or Erik Martinez Kuhonta, McGill University.


11. Careers
U.S.-ASEAN Business Council
- Membership and business development associate: Entry-level position based in Washington, D.C. Recent graduates encouraged to apply. See job listing.

Thammasat University
- One-year professorship: Faculty of Sociology and Anthropology seeking PhD in anthropology, sociology or related fields. Contract extension possible. Teach one course per semester plus other academic activities. Email Deputy Dean Yukti Mukdawijitra, iamyukti@yahoo.com.

VIA
- Global Community Fellowship: 13-15-month program for graduating seniors (2019) and young professionals to work at NGOs, schools, universities and social enterprises in Indonesia, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam. Monthly stipend, travel insurance, 10-day training in Thailand, midyear conference and year-end wrap-up provided; participants pay for transport to and from Asia, plus funds for food during VIA gatherings. See website.

Bridge to Success
- English Teachers in China: Ten-month- internships and jobs for English speakers with bachelor’s degree minimum. See website.

Center for Strategic and International Studies
- Internships: Full- and part-time internships for undergraduates, advanced students and recent graduates who are interested in gaining practical experience in public policy. Based in Washington, DC. Rolling deadlines to apply. See website.

Eurasia Group
- Researcher, Political Risk Training Program: One-year training assignment in political risk assessment with possibility of returning for second year. BA in political science, regional studies or economics with deep knowledge, some in-country experience and foreign language fluency of relevant country or sub-region. See job listing.
- Careers: Submit your resume to be considered for other careers with Eurasia Group. See website.

Globaljobs.org
- Job/internship opportunities: Turn area studies into an internship or a career. See job listings at NGOs, think tanks, government, and private-sector employers. See website.
Chinese Mutual Aid Association
- **Interns:** Pan-Asian social service organization accepting candidates for interns for business development, grant writing and workforce development and outreach liaison duties. Contact Michelle White at michellew@chinesemutualaid.org or 773-784-2900. See website.

US Department of State
- **Student internship program:** Internship opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students at Washington headquarters and US embassies, consulates and missions worldwide. Explore postgraduate civil-service career paths as well. See program website.

ASEAN/ASEC
- **Job listings:** Check website frequently for open positions at the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and ASEAN Secretariat (ASEC).

Asia Society
- **Career opportunities:** Internships and jobs posted regularly on website.

Association of Southeast Asian Nations
- Jobs listed under Opportunities tab of ASEAN website.

Devex: Do Good. Do It Well
- International aid and development jobs in 1,000 agencies, companies and NGOs in 100 countries. See website.

DevMetJOBS.org
- International development jobs and consulting opportunities. See website.

Hess International Educational Group
- **Teach English across Asia:** Taiwan-based organization offers free training, benefits, and flex scheduling. Email NIU alum Derek Wright at derek.wright@hess.com.tw or see website.

Idealist.org
- Privately funded website offers searchable database of nonprofit international jobs and volunteer opportunities. See the Idealist website.

Learn How to Become
- Privately funded website offers searchable database of meaningful volunteer and nonprofit career options and resources. See website.

ReliefWeb
- Specialized digital service of the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs that posts jobs regularly. See website.

World Health Organization
- Global health agency in the United Nations system encourages online applications for potential employment. See website.

12. Area cultural opportunities
- **Cambodian Rock Band,** featuring the music of Dengue Fever, through May 5, Victory Gardens Zacek McCay Theatre, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago. “Part comedy, part mystery, part rock concert, this thrilling story toggles back and forth in time as father and daughter face the music of the past.” See website.
- Go behind the scenes of the Philippine Collections at the Field Museum. Contact the museum’s co-curation team at cocuration.philippines@fieldmuseum.org. To learn more about the museum’s Philippines work, see the co-curation team’s newsletter.
- Thai Cultural and Fine Arts Institute of Chicago offers classes in Thai language, dance and music among other programs. Phone 312-725-0640.
• “Remembering the Killing Fields” exhibit on display at the Cambodian American Heritage Museum and Killing Fields Memorial, 2831 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago. The Cambodian Association of Illinois also holds free Cambodian music and dance lessons.

• The Indonesian consulate in Chicago offers free Saturday classes: Indonesian language classes at 10:30 a.m. (intermediate) and 1 p.m. (children’s class); Indonesian traditional dance, 2 to 4 p.m.; and Javanese gamelan, 4 to 6 p.m. All classes held at the Indonesian Cultural Center, 711 W. Grand Avenue. Call 312-920-1880, ext. 104/105, or email icc@indonesiachicago.org. See the consulate’s Facebook page.

• Indonesian Dance of Illinois offers traditional dance and gamelan music lessons Saturdays in Evanston. See website.

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