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Asian Studies Newsletter

Program News

Kidder Smith

Asian Studies is still on the go! In January we hired Lance Liangping Guo, currently at the National University of Singapore, to a new, joint tenure-track appointment with the Department of Government. Guo is a specialist in the political and economic changes of contemporary China and has published widely in this area. He will be joining the faculty in the spring of 2001, after he has completed his work in Singapore.

In December the College received a grant from the Freeman Foundation to continue funding student and faculty research in Asia as well as supporting the current position in advanced Chinese language and literature for another two years. The grant will also allow Nancy Riley to take students to China for six weeks in the summers of 2001 and 2002.

Three new faculty will be on visiting appointments next year. Sudarshan Seneviratne will teach a course on early Buddhist society as a Distinguished Tallman Professor during the fall semester. Karen Nakamura, who studies the deaf community of Japan, will teach Asian Studies and Anthropology courses, which we have not offered for three years. And Chieko Numata will teach East Asian politics. Her specialty is Japanese electoral behavior.

Some sad news, too: Chris Lupke is leaving for a tenure-track job at Washington State University after two years with us. He will be missed. We are still seeking permanent funding for his position in advanced Chinese. This will allow us to continue teaching a full range of Chinese language courses, as we currently do in Japanese.

News inside!

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http://www.bowdoin.edu/dept/asian_s

Faculty News

Tom Conlan has had a productive and enjoyable year at Bowdoin, teaching interesting classes on the course of Japan’s history, “Living in Sixteenth-Century Japan” and a comparative study of war and military heroes with lots of great students. Having finished his translation of sources about the thirteenth-century Mongol invasions of Japan, which is slated for publication in the Cornell East Asia Series this fall, and submitting his manuscript about warfare in fourteenth-century Japan, he is now continuing his work on the role of Shingon Buddhism and political legitimacy in fourteenth-century Japan. He lectured about medieval Japanese warfare at Harvard, Columbia, and in San Francisco among other places, and will visit Kyoto and Northern Kyushu this summer, with his wife Yuko, who is enjoying her life in Maine, and well on her way to becoming a five-star chef of Japanese cuisine.

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Songren Cui enjoyed his first year at Bowdoin, working closely with his first and second year Chinese students, watching them progressing and developing in particular. He has remained active in the field of Chinese language teaching, organizing panels and presenting papers at various conferences. Next year, he will continue to work hard to strengthen the Chinese language program. In the meantime, he will focus more on his research and publication. He has just started a project which will lead to the development of a Chinese textbook at the advanced level.

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John Holt has been in Sri Lanka this year directing the ISLE Program and researching a book on Vishnu in Buddhist culture. Next year, he will be a visiting professor teaching graduate studies at the University of Calgary in Alberta, Canada, during the fall, before returning to more research and writing in Sri Lanka in the spring.

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Henry Laurence will be on sabbatical in 2000-2001, after three highly enjoyable years teaching Japanese and East Asian politics. His latest research project, paid for by a grant from the Abe Foundation, will compare public television in Britain, Japan, and the U.S. He will be traveling to London in the summer of 2000, and Tokyo in the fall of 2000 and the spring of 2001 to do research. His

book, *Money Rules: The New Politics of Finance in Britain and Japan*, will be published by Cornell University Press in November 2000. An article on the Asian Currency Crisis was published in *Asian Survey* and one on Japanese organized crime appeared with the Japan Policy Research Institute.

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Sung-Yoon Lee has thoroughly enjoyed teaching this semester “Twentieth-Century Korean Politics,” the first course on Korea at Bowdoin. He was fortunate to have 26 highly ambitious students who were eager to learn about Korean history in the context of international politics. The course reflects the growing interest in Korea on the part of the students. Next year he will teach at Tufts pre-modern and modern Korean history, the history of Euro-America in Northeast Asia, and a course examining wars in East Asia and their effects on national destinies. He will also teach at The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy courses on diplomacy of the Asia-Pacific and on Korean foreign relations.

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Chris Lupke has had another hectic year. In addition to teaching advanced Chinese and the modern Chinese literature staples, this year he was able to get on the books a ground level introduction course to East Asian literature, designed to build enrollments and provide a broad cultural foundation. That worked out well. He’s also finished his translation of Peng Ge’s 1950’s Cold War potboiler *Setting Moon*. Though not the best novel ever written, it epitomized the era, and its lengthy critique by T.A. Hsia (elder brother to C.T.), which Chris also translated and has included as an appendix, proved to be a crucial critical watershed for the development of Modernism in Taiwan during the subsequent decade. Thus the book has a historical significance, and Chris goes on to talk about that and other books like it, as well as the general cultural milieu, in the introduction. It looks like it will be published in the Cornell East Asia Series. Chris also has organized a large scholarly conference on the Chinese notion of “ming” (roughly translated “fate,” “destiny,” or “life”), and this was held at the Breckinridge Public Affairs Center in York, a facility owned and operated by Bowdoin. Finally, with great regret, Chris has accepted a more permanent position at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington. He

will miss all the fine things about Bowdoin College.
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Ayumi Nagatomi enjoyed her first year teaching first, second, and third year Japanese. The article “Japanese responses hai, ee, and un: yes, no, and beyond” (co-authored with Jeffrey Angles and Mineharu Nakayama) appeared in *Language & Communication 20*.

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Takeyoshi Nishiuchi has organized a conference on comparative philosophy entitled “Place, Language, and Alterity” at Bowdoin College. During the 2000-2001 academic year, he will be in Kyoto and Berlin for research.

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Kidder Smith reports that his collaborative translation of the Sun Tzu *Art of War* will appear from Shambhala Publications next spring. In the fall he will teach a new course entitled “The Psychology of Subjective Experience” with Susan Burggraf of the Department of Psychology. The course will explore various aspects of contemplative mind, employing the methods of phenomenology, meditation, and psychology. He will be on leave next spring, when he and his wife Jane Robinson hope to spend some time visiting sacred places of India and Nepal.

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Alumni/ae Notes

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CLASS OF 1987

Suzanne Fox Hansen
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Suzanne and her family had an incredibly busy year with a lot of new things including a new job, a new home, and a new baby girl! They are back in Maine and loving it. She reports that she is speaking more Chinese in Maine than she did in California and has her boys enrolled in Chinese school.

CLASS OF 1988

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Jenn successfully defended her dissertation this past March. On May 18th the McIntires had baby #2 – Thomas Noering McIntire; their daughter, Mary Kate, is now 2.

Leslie Stone
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Leslie is enjoying her work as the Program Director for the Lingnan Foundation, which provides support for the development of higher education in mainland China and Hong Kong. She and her husband, Michael Sloan, are expecting their first child soon.

CLASS OF 1989

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Adrienne’s and her husband, Brent’s, animal hospital has been open for one year now and continues to grow. Most of the time, though, it seems she is running after their 1 1/2-year-old daughter, Alice!

Kate Farrington
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Kate is happily working at Harvard Law School supporting three tenured faculty. She had a one-woman show of 15 of her oil paintings at a gallery in Brookline last summer. She visited two fellow AS classmates this past year: Kathy Shao in San Francisco, and Mark Lenhart in Washington, D.C. She and her five-year-old son, Gage, live in East Cambridge.

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Ed is working as a consultant for a cargo airline and a steel company in Ohio, as well as many, many other things.

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Katherine and Gonzalo Ruiz have recently moved and bought a house they're fixing up.

CLASS OF 1990

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First and foremost, Jennifer wants to report the joy that her 16-month-old daughter is bringing Ben and her! On the other side of life, she will be graduating from medical school in May and will be beginning her residency at Bellevue Hospital (in Primary Care) in July.

Selena Cantor
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Selena is back in the States after five years in China. She is still working for the same company, developing online education and training courses and creating other web-based services for educators. She is also training for a distance swim in Key West.

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Ansley and her husband have recently moved to Durham, NC. She has started a new job as the Informal Programs Coordinator for the Museum of Life and Sciences.

John Breffni Kehoe
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After 2 1/2 years in Taipei, Breff is moving to Melbourne, Australia to practice infrastructure project legal work. His new law firm has offices in Jakarta, Shanghai, Kuala Lumpur, and Hong Kong, so he will have the excitement of working in Asia while living in the laid-back splendor of Australia.

Adam Najberg
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Adam has recently been promoted to news editor for Dow Jones Newswires in Germany and has moved to Frankfurt. His son, Mats, now 2 1/2, is well on his way to being bi-lingual.

CLASS OF 1991

David Herrmann
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David was awarded a FLAS for this past year at the University of Wisconsin where he is studying classical Chinese language and literature.

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Jim is an Assignment Editor for ABC News in New York City.

CLASS OF 1993

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Andrew has finished his first year as an executive recruiter at Heidrick. He specializes in finding executive talent for large pharmaceutical companies. Andrew and Kathy are busy taking care of 18-month-old Luke, who loves to climb stairs.

CLASS OF 1994

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Chandler recently moved to Washington, D.C. to work at his brother's software startup company.

CLASS OF 1995

Nathaniel Cormier
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Nate graduated from Harvard's Graduate School of Design last spring and is now working as a landscape architect and urban designer in Seattle. We here in Asian Studies are still thoroughly enjoying The Lancaster Garden, the Japanese-style karesansui (dry landscape) garden Nate created for his senior honors project.

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Trelawney has been working as a contractor at Microsoft, where she was the Managing Editor for Encarta Interactive English Language Professional – a multimedia CD-ROM that teaches Business English to Japanese and French learners. She plans on visiting Japan soon.

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Josh is working at a private equity firm, Leeds Group, in New York City. He was recently married to Kyoko Tokunaga (1995, Mount Holyoke College). They are planning on traveling to Japan to visit her family soon.

CLASS OF 1997

Ellen Chan
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Ellen is finishing her first year of medical school at the University of Nebraska College of Medicine in Omaha. She reports it's a lot of work, but she loves it.

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Cali made the great leap from investment banking to Internet startup. He is working for MyFamily.com, where he is responsible for raising all of their capital and evaluating potential acquisition or merger targets. He says it's a great job, serving a great principle, and he's really happy working there.

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Andrew has been traveling in India, Nepal, and China. He's thinking about law school for next year.

CLASS OF 1998

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Megan has been working and traveling in China for the past year and a half and is contemplating staying in China as a student.

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Greg is in Telluride skiing, climbing, and generally finding inspiration from the San Juan Mountains.

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Chris is currently working as a vocational case manager for Asian Counseling and Referral Service (ACRS). He highly recommends any AS graduate interested in community service in the Northwest to seek employment at ACRS. Chris will be attending the public policy program at Harvard this fall.

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Andrew is working as an insurance executive recruiter in Portsmouth, NH. He's engaged to marry Linda Li who, as a native of Beijing, is keeping his Chinese in shape.

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Dan is attending a joint program, JD/MA in East Asia Studies, at Washington University.

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Doug is now working at JP Morgan Investment Banking (Media and Technology) in San Francisco.

Announcements about Current Majors

Catherine Carroll completed her honors project entitled *Wang Shuo Steps Out*. It analyzes how the contemporary novelist Wang Shuo undercuts all political and other ideologies simply by having a good time.

Meredith Kuba completed her honors project entitled *Okinawa and Tokyo: The Protest Movement and Conflict Accommodation*. She shows how Okinawans have been systematically discriminated against by the American military presence and the Japanese government in Tokyo.

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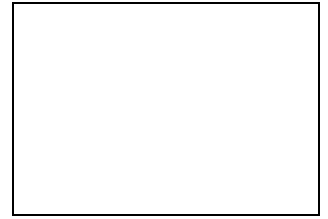
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