

Newsletter

Association of Chinese Political Studies

International Symposium on China's Transition and Ascension & the 18th ACPS Annual Meeting at SFSU, July 30-31, 2005

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The Association of Chinese Political Studies will hold an international symposium on China's transition and ascension in conjunction with its 18th annual meeting at San Francisco State University in San Francisco, California in July 30-31, 2005. The conference will be hosted and sponsored by the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences at San Francisco State University. Please visit the association's website for more information: <http://acps.sfsu.edu/>

China's reform, open-up, and development over the last two decades have made enormous impact on the political, economic and cultural lives of the Chinese people as well as on the rest of the world. China's transition and ascension have become the two major themes in the field of China studies across all academic disciplines. We welcome all papers that address any aspect of the central theme and the main questions related to the broad theme, which could include domestic politics, economics, culture, society, military, foreign policy, foreign relations, Taiwan Strait relations, Hong Kong and Macau in transition, their origins and consequences, problems and challenges, domestic and global implications, continuity and change, and retrospective and prospects. **We will consider all topics and all important issues of Chinese politics.**

Paper proposals should include paper title, names of authors, institutional affiliation, address, phone number, fax number, e-mail address, and one-page abstract. The deadline for submission of paper proposals is **December 15, 2004**.

Paper proposals should be emailed to the **Program Chair**, Dr. Sujian Guo at sguo@sfsu.edu. Volunteers interested in serving as panel chairs and discussants and international travelers who need letter of invitation for visa application purpose should contact the Association's President, Professor Shiping Hua s0hua002@louisville.edu

The association will provide lodging and meal accommodation (two days and three nights) and possible travel subsidies for those who present a paper at the conference panel sessions and who serve as chairs and discussants. The association will issue notification of acceptance of the paper proposals on February 15, 2005.

New ACPS Board Members

• **Dr. Shiping Hua**, President (2004-2006), Assistant Professor of Political Science at University of Louisville. He will be a fellow at Woodrow Wilson Center-George Washington University for the 2004-2005 academic year. He has been working on his third project on Chinese political culture (under a book contract), tentatively entitled *Utopianism in Chinese Political Culture: A Comparative Study with Japan and Russia (1898-2000)*. He is the author of *Scientism and Humanism: Two Cultures in Post-Mao China (1978-1989)* and of an

edited book *Chinese Political Culture (1989-2000)*. Contact: Tel: (502) 852-3245, e-mail: s0hua002@louisville.edu

• **Dr. Sujian Guo**, President—elect, editor of JCPs, Assistant Professor of Political Science at San Francisco State University. He is the author of *Post-Mao China: from Totalitarianism to Authoritarianism?* He has been working on his second book entitled *The Political Economy of Asian Transition from Communism*.

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Conference

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JCPS to be published by Kluwer Academic Publishers

Journal of Chinese Political Science (JCPS) will be published by Kluwer Academic Publishers for the Association of Chinese Political Studies (ACPS), beginning 2005. Kluwer, located in Dordrecht, London, Boston, New York, annually publishes 650 academic journals and 1200 books. Kluwer publications have earned the esteem of scientists and professionals around the world.

JCPS is a refereed academic journal that publishes theoretical, policy, and empirical research articles, research notes, and review articles on contemporary Chinese politics across the whole spectrum of political science. However, JCPS also welcomes manuscripts on different aspects of contemporary China when these relate closely to Chinese politics, political economy, political culture, reform and opening, development, the military, law and

legal system, foreign relations, and other important issues of political significance.

JCPS articles are abstracted and indexed in OCLC PAIS International, International Political Science Abstracts, Historical Abstracts, America: History and Life, Sociological Abstracts, Social Services Abstracts, Worldwide Political Science Abstracts, and EBSCO Database.

The ACPS 17th Annual Meeting in 2004

The 17th annual meeting of the Association of Chinese Political Studies (ACPS) was successfully held between June 11-12, 2004 in Beijing in collaboration with Renmin University of China, the Carter Center, and other organizations. The broad theme of the conference is "Political Civilization and Political Modernization in China," which has become one of the most challenging topics in the field of China studies. The two-day conference brought together more than 250 scholars on China studies, among whom about 40 were from outside of China. There were 16 panels and about 100 papers presented. Participants explored a wide variety of topics related to the central theme, such as political civilization and reform in China, democratization and rule of law, develop-

ment and change of NPC system, governance at grassroots, transition of ruling party and democracy within the party, local elections, NGOs and civil society in China, historical reflections on democratic politics in China, political analysis of governance at grassroots, theories and practices of constitutionalism, community construction and urban governance, international comparison of democratic transition, contemporary discourse of political philosophy, political concepts and political civilization, interaction across the Taiwan Straits, reform of political institutions, political culture and institutional change, institutional change and analysis.

At the business meeting of the ACPS during the conference, the Association's Bylaws were adopted by vote of

the members present at the conference, which were aimed at making the organization more institutionalized and more professional. A new ACPS Board of Directors was elected by vote of the members present at the conference: Shiping Hua (president), Sujian Guo (president-elect), Baogang Guo, Christina Mao, Gregory Moore, Ka Zeng, and Baohui Zhang (in alphabetical order). Please check the ACPS website for updates. The new board of directors decided to hold its 18th annual meeting at San Francisco State University located in the beautiful coastal city, San Francisco, California, USA, between Saturday-Sunday, July 30-31, 2005. The board would like to thank the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences of SFSU, which has generously agreed to host the 2005 ACPS Annual Meeting on its campus.

Member News

Jie Chen, Director of Institute of Asian Studies, Old Dominion University, was recently promoted to full professor of Political Science. His book, *Popular Political Support in Urban China*, was published by Stanford University Press and Woodrow Wilson Center Press in 2004 (see http://www.sup.org/cgi-bin/search/book_desc.cgi?book_id=4959%205057)

Baogang Guo, Assistant Professor of Dalton State College, has published "Utopias of Reconstruction: Chinese Utopianism From Hong Xiuquan to Mao Zedong" in *The Journal of Comparative Asian Development* 2 (2), Fall 2003

Zhiyue Bo was recently promoted to associate professor with tenure and just received the Trustees' Distinguished Scholar Award, the highest honor that St. John Fisher College's Board of Trustees can bestow on a faculty member in recognition of outstanding scholarly work. This award is granted once a year and to no more than one faculty member each time.

He Li was promoted to full professor of political science at Merrimack College in June 2004. His book, *From Revolution to Reform: A Comparative Study of China and Mexico*, was published by the University Press of America in 2004. He Li is a recipient of YAS Corporation Faculty Fellowship and Faculty Development Grant at Merrimack College as well.

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New ACPS Board Members

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Guo has published more than 20 articles both in American and Chinese journals. Contact: Tel: (415) 338-7523, Fax: (415) 338-2391, e-mail: sguo@sfsu.edu

• **Dr. Baogang Guo**, board member, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Dalton State College. He is a member of the [Asia Council](#) of the [University System of Georgia](#), and a Research Associate in [China Research Center](#) at Kennesaw, GA. His recent publications appeared on *Asian Survey*, *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, *Modern China Studies*, *Journal of Comparative Asian Development*, and *Twenty-first Century*. Contact: Tel: (706) 272-2678, Fax: (706) 272-2698, e-mail: bguo@em.daltonstate.edu

• **Dr. Kristina Mao**, board member, Assistant Professor in the Institute of International Studies at Bradley University. Her areas of interest include Northeast Asia Politics and International Relations, Concentrate and research on Chinese Politics and In-

ternational Relations, and theories of Political Culture and Regime Legitimacy. Contact: Tel: (309) 677-3444, Fax: (309) 677-3256, e-mail: kmao@bumail.bradley.edu

• **Dr. Gregory J. Moore**, board member, Assistant Professor of political science and East Asian politics at Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, Florida. His research and teaching interests and responsibilities include comparative politics, international relations, Chinese politics and foreign policy, East Asian politics and international relations (including China, Taiwan, North Korea, South Korea and Japan), Sino-American relations, and research methods and theory. Prior to his coming to Eckerd College, he served as Assistant Director of the Center for China-United States Relations at the University of Denver, and taught at the University of Denver, Renmin University of China, Metropolitan State College of Denver, and a number of other Chinese universities. Contact: Tel: (727) 864-8308, E-mail: mooregj@eckerd.edu

• **Dr. Ka Zeng**, board member, Assistant Professor of Political Science at University of Arkansas. She is the author of *Trade*

Threats, Trade Wars: Bargaining, Retaliation, and American Coercive Diplomacy (University of Michigan Press, 2003). She has also published articles in *International Studies Quarterly*, *East Asia: An International Quarterly*, and *Issues and Studies*. Her current research focuses on the domestic sources of international trade, Chinese economic negotiation behavior, and China's harmonization with international law. Contact: Tel: (479) 575-3356, Fax: (479) 575-6432, e-mail: kzeng@mail.uark.edu

• **Dr. Baohui Zhang**, board member, Associate Professor of Government at Daemen College in Buffalo, New York. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin. His research interests include politics of China, democratization, political economy of reform, and U.S.-China relations. He has published articles in journals such as *Comparative Political Studies*, *Theory & Society*, *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*, *Asian Affairs*, and so on. Contact: Tel: (716) 832-8425; email: bzhang@daemen.edu

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Greg Moore got a "real job" as Asst. Prof. of Political Science at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, FL, in 2003-2004 (his then-fiancee/nor wife said, "finally!"), he got married to Chenchen Shao (his mother said "finally!"), and he finished his dissertation on Sino-American relations between 1989 and 1999 (his dissertation committee said "finally!"). He also published an article in the *Journal of Contemporary China* (May, 2004) and participated in the East-West Center/University of Hawaii's Institute on Korean Studies.

Vincent K Pollard, University of Hawai'i at Manoa, presented his paper "Overseas Chinese Cyberspace, 1994-2003: Digitized Chinese Diaspora as Early Indicators of Emerging Trends," at the 3rd Annual Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, 16-19 June 2004. He was also on the Editorial board of *Innovate Journal of Online Education* (University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill) and the Editorial board of *E-AsPAC*, the official online journal of ASPAC (Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast ~ affiliated with the Association for Asian Studies).

Democracy Fellowship

The National Endowment for Democracy welcomes applications to its Reagan-Fascell Democracy Fellows Program. Based in Washington, D.C. The program offers a *practitioner* track (3-5 months) to improve strategies for building democracy and a *scholarly* track (5-10 months) to conduct research for publication. All fellows receive a stipend, health insurance,

travel support, and research assistance. Scholars must have a Ph.D. (or equivalent). *The program requires a working knowledge of English.* To apply, see instructions under Fellowship Programs at www.ned.org. The application deadline for 2005-2006 fellowships is November 1, 2004. For more information, contact fellowships@ned.org.

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