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**Annual
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2025-2026**

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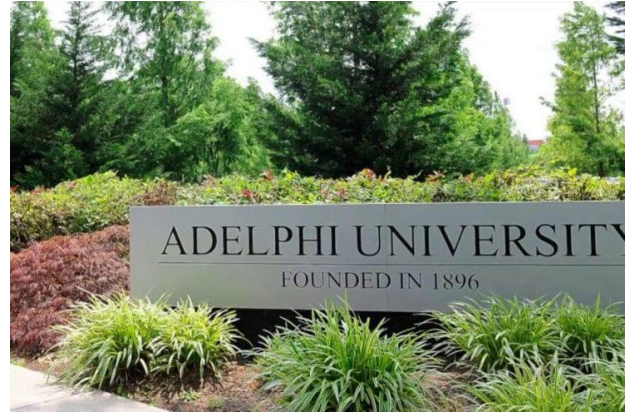
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**Institutional Host:
University of St. Thomas
Houston, TX
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The American Association for Chinese Studies (AACS) annual conference program committee invites proposals for panels, roundtables, and individual papers on issues concerning China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macao, other Chinese communities, and the Chinese diaspora for the 68th Annual Conference, hosted by the University of St. Thomas in Houston, Texas, October 23–25, 2026. The theme of the conference is “Governing Uncertainty: Institutions, Society, and Chinese Communities in a Changing World Order,” and we welcome submissions that engage this theme across multiple aspects of culture, diplomacy, economy, education, health, history, literature, politics, and society.

We welcome panels and papers from across a wide range of disciplines, including (but not limited to) economics, history, literature, political science, and sociology. The 2026 conference will feature roundtable discussions by specialists on the impact of the 2026 midterm elections in both the United States and Taiwan and their implications for international relations in the region, as well as a keynote address on the emerging world order. The organizers of the AACS meeting seek to offer a forum for interdisciplinary exchanges and policy dialogues and intend to construct a balanced program with panels on diverse issues of significance for scholarship across disciplines and for social and political policy.

The AACS is an interdisciplinary association devoted to the study of subjects related to China and Taiwan, broadly construed (www.americanassociationforchinesestudies.org). Membership in AACS is required for participation in the annual conference, but non-members are welcome to submit proposals, join the Association, and participate in the annual meeting. We encourage submissions from junior and senior scholars and Ph.D. students from the United States and overseas. Please note that this conference is in-person only.

The program committee will give preference to proposals for panels (a chair, four papers, and a discussant) and roundtables (a chair and four other panelists). We also encourage individual paper proposals. To maintain fairness and ensure broad participation, each individual may submit only one paper or proposal.

Panel proposals and individual submissions should include complete contact information, paper topics, and brief abstracts (not exceeding 250 words) as specified in the proposal forms at the end of this CFP. Panel and roundtable proposals should specify the names and roles of all participants. Please send your proposal by email to:

2025aacsmeeting@gmail.com

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Scholars submitting proposals by the deadline will be notified of the program committee's decision by Friday, May 15, 2026.

All accepted participants must register for the AACS 2026 conference and renew or apply for AACS membership before August 21, 2026. For those whose panels or papers are accepted, the AACS considers registration and attendance to be a professional obligation, to be honored unless exigent circumstances prevent participation. Please ensure that you secure travel funding from your own institution as soon as possible.

The 2026 AACS Conference Program Committee is composed of Dennis Weng (Sam Houston State University), Chair; Chien-Chung Huang (Rutgers University); Fang-Yu Li (New College of Florida); and Yenna Wu (University of California, Riverside).

For full submission formats and details, see:

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Paper panels will include a chair, four paper givers, and normally a discussant. The same person can serve as chair and discussant, or chair and paper presenter. Roundtables will have a chair, four speakers who are experts in the field, and no discussant since we want to leave time for questions from the audience. The chair and discussant, if any, should be scholars with a PhD in the field and affiliated with a university or research institute. The paper givers should submit their draft papers to their panel chairs and discussants at least two weeks before the conference. Paper abstracts should be in English and not exceed 250 words.



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The American Journal of Chinese Studies (AJCS) is the official publication of the American Association of Chinese Studies.

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It is my great honor to serve as president of the Association. I would like to thank my distinguished predecessors—our outgoing president, Prof. Jacques deLisle, as well as Prof. Tun-Jen Cheng, Prof. June Teufel Dreyer, and others—for their outstanding leadership. I am truly indebted to Vice President Dr. Yao-Yuan Yeh, who will also help host the AACCS conference in Houston in October 2026. In addition, my heartfelt gratitude goes to current Executive Director Dr. Abraham Lin and former Executive Director Dr. Peter Chow for their capable stewardship. Enormous appreciations are due to current AJCS Editor Dr. Wei-Chin Lee and former AJCS Editor Dr. Edward McCord for their dedicated, superb work; and we delight in the election of Dr. David Kenley as the next AJCS Editor beginning in 2027. Finally, I am deeply grateful to the current and former AACCS Board members and all the members of AACCS for your marvelous support of our Association. Your valuable contributions throughout these years have enabled the AACCS to continue to prosper even during tumultuous times.

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Thanks to the excellent work of our local host for the 67th Annual Conference of the AACCS, Dean & Prof. Vincent Wang, and Program Committee Chair Prof. Dennis Weng, we had a successful conference at Adelphi University in October 2025. For the 68th Annual Conference of the AACCS in Houston, TX, October 23-25, 2026, we will again have a wonderful, intellectually diverse and inspiring program covering a wide range of disciplines—including history, political science, literature, communication, economics, education policy, law, philosophy, and sociology—on issues concerning China, Taiwan, Chinese diaspora, and beyond. Many thanks to all for your continued support. I look forward to seeing you in Houston.

Sincerely,

Yenna Wu
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2025 Conference Report

The Report of the American Association for Chinese Studies' 67th Annual Conference

by the Executive Director Hong-Jen Lin

December 12, 2025

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This report is prepared by Dr. H.J. Abraham Lin, Executive Director of the American Association for Chinese Studies, Professor of Finance, Koppelman School of Business, Brooklyn College of the City University of New York.



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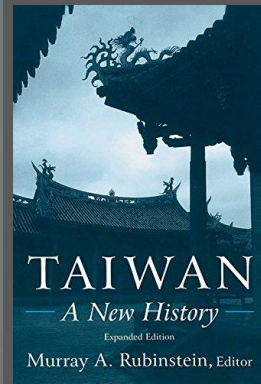
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In Memoriam: Murray A. Rubinstein



I became acquainted with Prof. Murray A. Rubinstein at one of the AACS conferences in the 2000s. I knew him as an expert on Taiwan as well as the religion in Taiwan and China, and appreciated reading his edited book, *Taiwan: a new history*, and co-edited volume, *Women in the new Taiwan: gender roles and gender consciousness in a changing society*. At the AACS conference in October 2010, Prof. Rubinstein joined me and other scholars on a panel devoted to the works of Li Ang, the renowned Taiwanese feminist writer. Between 2011 and 2012, Prof. Rubinstein and I corresponded quite a bit through emails and phone calls on matters related to my editing of the chapter he contributed to my edited volume, *Li Ang's Visionary Challenges to Gender, Sex, and Politics*. Writing about Li Ang from the unique perspective of his personal encounters with Li since 1991, Prof. Rubinstein contends in his chapter that Li Ang had utilized her writings, fame, and visibility to support Taiwan's women's movement and political movement. Through my communications with Prof. Rubinstein, I understood that he had continued to be—and enjoyed being—very active and prolific academically even after retirement. Prof. Rubinstein had maintained a long-term association with the AACS; and his paper, “The Evolution of Taiwan's Economic Miracle 1945-2000: Personal Accounts and Political Narratives,” presented at the 2013 AACS conference, won the “Hung-dah Chiu Memorial Award” from the AACS. Through my personal interactions with Prof. Rubinstein, I remember him as a dedicated, accomplished scholar in Taiwan studies and a kind, congenial colleague.

Prof. Rubinstein's great academic achievements, influence, and legacy are highly celebrated in, for example, Columbia University Weatherhead East Asian Institute's “In Memoriam” (<https://weai.columbia.edu/news/memoriam-pioneering-taiwan-scholar-and-weatherhead-affiliate-murray-rubinstein-1942-2026>), and Niki J.P. Alsford's “Mapping Taiwan, Mentoring Generations: Remembering Professor Murray Rubinstein” (<https://taiwaninsight.org/2026/02/19/mapping-taiwan-mentoring-generations-remembering-professor-murray-rubinstein/>).

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Dr. Murray A. Rubinstein stands as a pioneering figure in the development of Taiwan Studies and modern East Asian historiography. Trained as a historian, he earned his Ph.D. in East Asian and Modern European History from New York University in 1976 and subsequently devoted more than three decades to teaching at Baruch College, City University of New York. Over the course of his distinguished academic career, he also maintained a long-standing affiliation as a Senior Research Scholar at Columbia University's Weatherhead East Asian Institute, where he contributed significantly to the cultivation of scholarly networks and the mentoring of emerging researchers in the field.

Dr. Rubinstein's scholarship is marked by its interdisciplinary breadth, encompassing modern Taiwanese history, Christianity in China and Taiwan, and the sociocultural formation of Taiwanese identity. His major works—including *The Protestant Community on Modern Taiwan*, *The Origins of the Anglo-American Missionary Enterprise in China, 1807–1840*, and the edited volumes *Taiwan: A New History* and *The Other Taiwan*—have become foundational contributions that reoriented the study of Taiwan as a subject worthy of independent and rigorous academic inquiry. In addition to his publications, he played an important institutional role in advancing Taiwan Studies internationally, notably through his coordination of Taiwan Studies panels and initiatives at the annual conference of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS), thereby helping to consolidate Taiwan Studies as a recognized and respected field within global academia.

Taken together, Dr. Rubinstein's career exemplifies a rare synthesis of rigorous academic inquiry, institution-building, and principled advocacy. His enduring contributions not only helped to establish Taiwan Studies as a globally recognized field but also demonstrated how scholarship can remain deeply connected to lived experience, ethical responsibility, and the pursuit of democratic ideals.

by Ya-chen Chen, Ph.D

Beyond his scholarly achievements, Dr. Rubinstein's intellectual legacy is deeply intertwined with his moral and political commitments. During periods marked by political suppression and persecution in Taiwan, he consistently chose to stand in solidarity with the Taiwanese people and the cause of democracy. He openly voiced support for dangwai (outside-the-party) opposition figures and advocated for genuine freedom in Taiwan, particularly the imperative to be free from political persecution. His personal familiarity with many democratic leaders—whom he knew by name—imbued his scholarship with a distinctive human dimension. As such, his writings transcend abstract terminology and quantitative analysis; they are animated by a profound sense of empathy and engagement, reflecting what may be described as a “flesh-and-blood” connection to Taiwan, its society, and its democratic struggles.

by H.J. Abraham Lin, Ph.D.

In Memoriam: Wen-hui Tsai

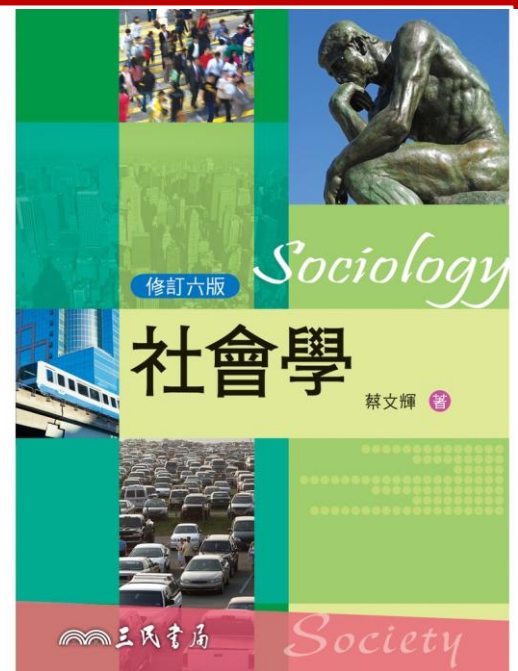
Dr. Wen-hui Tsai (蔡文輝), Professor Emeritus of Sociology, Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne (IPFW, now Purdue University Fort Wayne), a life member of the American Association for Chinese Studies (AACCS) and its President in 2001-02, passed away in 2021. Although we will not be able to reconnect with him in person this year at the 66th AACCS annual meeting (after his retirement, he moved to the West Coast), several AACCS board members / former presidents have shared their remembrances as a tribute to this great social scientist.

Wen-hui was a member of the inaugural graduating class of Department of Sociology, National Taiwan University (1964)(His wife and fellow sociologist, Sarah, graduated in 1967). Wen-hui went on to earn a Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of California, Berkeley (1974) under the prominent sociologist Wolfram Eberhard. His pioneering dissertation was entitled *Patterns of Political Elite Mobility in China, 1912-1949*.

He began teaching at IPFW in 1974, rose through the ranks, and accomplished a distinguished professional career before retiring in 2003.

Wen-hui's "specialization is sociological theory, sociology for elders and family sociology," according to fellow AACCS sociologist Walter Kiang, who describes Wen-hui as "the most productive author for all kinds of sociology textbooks in the Chinese Society and one of the most famous sociology scholars."

- Long-time AACCS Executive Director Peter Chow shared that Wen-hui "published several books in sociology which were adopted as textbooks in several universities in Taiwan. With his credentials, he was able to convince his publisher to publish a series of social sciences in various disciplines for college students in Taiwan. With his effort, he was able to invite some social scientists in the States to join this task with him and publish several textbooks in various disciplines of social sciences for college students in Taiwan."
- AACCS former President Vincent Wang observed that "Over Wen-hui's distinguished career, he built a remarkable arc of interests and contributions to the fields of Chinese and Taiwan studies: elite mobility in the Republican era, mass mobilization campaigns and elderly welfare in post-Mao China, modernization and crime: The Taiwan case, social welfare programs in Taiwan, gerontology (or aging studies), particularly the Taiwan case – many of these studies pioneered the field and all of them solidly grounded in social science theories. The scope, breadth, and depth were all impressive."



In Memoriam: Wen-hui Tsai (Cont.)



Peter further points out that Wen-hui was “one of the first scholars to write about Taiwan's farmers movement in the colonial period before Taiwan study became an emerging field of study. His specialty in gerontology contributed much to the Center of studies for aged people at National Cheng Kung University in Tainan, his hometown.”

As the field of Taiwan Studies enters its fourth decade, it is useful to recall Wen-Hui's trailblazing contributions. Peter observed, “As Taiwan's democracy gained its momentum in the late 1980s and 1990s, Wen-hui joined with a group of social scientists in the States to engage in a series of seminars/ conferences to promote Taiwan's visibility in international academic circles. He also published several articles on Taiwan elections and democratic consolidations to promote the international understanding of Taiwan's democracy.”

After his retirement, he moved to Southern California, but continued to contribute his talents to the Chinese Community through Chinese American Human Services Association as a Board Member and went back to Taiwan to develop the first Gerontology Department and Research Center at National Cheng Kung University in Tainan, Taiwan.

In addition to his writings and teachings, Wen-hui made invaluable contributions to the field and the profession with his tireless work as the AACS President and his informal mentoring / role-modeling for young scholars. He was a life member of the AACS and served as the AACS president in 2001-2002. He was also a member of the editorial board at the American Journal of Chinese Studies for decades. He actively recruited junior scholars to join the AACS conference and invited many sociologists to serve at the AACS board of directors.

- AACS former President Professor June Teufel Dreyer remembers best about Wen-hui for “his cheerful disposition, always seeing the best in situations and in people. Telling his favorite joke about the lack of relevance in social science research— involving a group of sociologists seeking information about people in a balloon. And just generally being positive about the world and those around him. His students, Taiwan, and I, were fortunate to have known him.”
- AACS former President Professor Tun-jen Cheng summarizes his recollection of Wen-hui: “He's accomplished but unassuming, commenting on social science topics jokingly but not trivially, and in AACS sessions, kind to both old acquaintance and newcomers.”
- AACS former President Professor Yu-long Ling calls Wen-hui “a good and long friend of mine. We both taught in Indiana, so, we help each other in teaching (guest speak), we also published several books together. It is so sad to hear the news. I will be honored to contribute some thought to honor him.”
- The AACS proudly counts Professor Wen-hui Tsai as a devoted member and inspiring leader and gratefully honors his legacy.

In Memoriam: Thomas Bellows, Paul Tai, and Stephen Uhalley

Thomas J. Bellows (1935-2024)



Thomas earned his B.A. at Augustana College), M.A. at University of Florida, and M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science at Yale. He became a professor of Political Science at the University of Texas in San Antonio. Prof. Bellows did a great service to AJCS as the Editor-in-Chief from 1999-2017. He was also a member of the Board of Directors of the American Association for Chinese Studies (AACS). His scholarly publications included *The People's Action Party of Singapore: Emergence of a Dominant Party System. Singapore: A Story*

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Hung-chao Paul Tai (1929-2022)

Professor Tai received his B.A. in Political Science at the National Taiwan University (1954), as well as M.A. and Ph.D. at the University of Illinois (1961). He joined the University of Detroit as a professor on political economy, rural development, and international affairs from 1962 -1993. Prof. Tai served as the AJCS Editor-in-Chief in 1996 and 1998, AJCS Project Editor in 1999, and AACS President from 1999-2000. His publications included *Confucianism and Economic Development: An Oriental Alternative? Land Reform and Politics: A Comparative Analysis*, and others. Prof. Tai also translated *The Private Life of Chairman Mao: The*

Stephen received his B.A. in history at the University of California, Riverside in 1956, M.A. in international relations at Claremont Graduate School in 1957, and Ph.D., in history at the University of California, Berkeley in 1967. After teaching at Arizona and Duke, he became a professor of history at the University of Hawaii, Manoa, until 1995. Prof. Uhalley was an active AACS Board member for many years. His publications included *Mao Tse-tung: A Critical Biography (New Viewpoints, 1975)*, *A History of the Chinese Communist Party (Hoover Institution Press, 1988)*, *China and Christianity: Burdened Past, Hopeful Future (co-authored with Xiaoxin Wu, M.E. Sharpe, 2001; Routledge*



Stephen Uhalley, Jr. (1930-2024)

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Yenna Wu

The Southern Discourse in Sinophone Literature: Moving Borders, edited by Chia-rong Wu, Min-xu Zhan, Alison Groppe, and Yenna Wu. London: Routledge, 2025.

Professor Wu served on the Program Committee for The 66th Annual Conference of the American Association for Chinese Studies at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, in Las Vegas, NV, October 4-6, 2024. At the conference, she presented a paper, "Rescuing Memories in Wang Bing's Dead Souls," and chaired the panel, "Exploring Shifts in Identities, Anxieties, and Memories: Wang Bing's Dead Souls, PRC's Post-Covid Horror Cinema, and Namewee's Sinophone Music"

"Introduction: On the Sinophone South," by Chia-rong Wu, Min-xu Zhan, Alison Groppe, and Yenna Wu. In *The Southern Discourse in Sinophone Literature: Moving Borders*, eds. Chia-rong Wu, Min-xu Zhan, Alison Groppe, and Yenna Wu, 1-12. London: Routledge, 2025.

Wu, Yenna. "Curry Rice and Li Ang's Crafting of Transcultural Hybridity." In *The Southern Discourse in Sinophone Literature: Moving Borders*, eds. Chia-rong Wu, Min-xu Zhan, Alison Groppe, and Yenna Wu, 99-112. London: Routledge, 2025.

Sabella Ogbobode Abidde

1. **Palestine, Taiwan, and Western Sahara: Statehood, Sovereignty, and the International System** (Lexington Books, 2023). ISBN-13: 978-1666932003
 2. **China and Taiwan in Latin America and the Caribbean: History, Power Rivalry, and Regional Implications** (Palgrave MacMillan, 2024). ISBN-13: 978-3031451652
- Academic Fellowship:

1. January-July 2023: Taiwan Fellow (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of China).

Conference Papers Delivered:

1. "China and Taiwan in the Developing World: The Case of Africa and Paraguay," delivered at the 73rd Annual Conference of The Midwest Association for Latin Americas Studies (MALAS), Birmingham, Alabama, November 10-11, 2023.
2. "Russia's Invasion of Ukraine: Lessons and Implications for China-Taiwan Relations," paper delivered at the Association of Global South Studies Conference, 19-21 October 2023, Decatur, Georgia.
3. "Africa-Taiwan Relations: Preliminary Findings and Observations," a paper delivered at the Africa-China Research Network in Taiwan, June 21, 2023.
4. "China's Invasion of Taiwan: At What Cost?" a paper delivered at the 2023 Advanced Research Center of Humanities and Social Sciences (ARCHS), National Chung-Hsing University (NCHU), Taiwan July 3-4, 2023.

Invited Talks:

- "A Brief History of Modern Africa, 1945-2023," a talk given at the International Master's Program in Asia-Pacific Studies, National Chengchi University Taipei, Taiwan, May 15, 2023.
- "The Study of African Development," a talk given at the Department of Diplomacy National Chengchi University Taipei, Taiwan, May 3, 2023.

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Huei-Ying Kuo

Democracy and Diplomacy: Ideas Concerning Huaqiao and Taiwan, 1898-2018

Journal title: American Journal of Chinese Studies, Vol. and Issue no.: 31, no. 1 . 2024, 22-45.

Book Review:

Catherine Lila Chou and Mark Harrison. Revolutionary Taiwan: Making Nationhood in a Changing World Order. Sinophone World Series. Amherst, New York: Cambria Press, 2024, American Journal of Chinese Studies Vol. and Issue no.: 31, no. 1

Article title:

Review of Vivian Kong, Multiracial Britishness: Global Networks in Hong Kong, 1910-1945. Cambridge; New York: Cambridge University Press, 2023." Amherst, New York: Cambria Press, 2024, American Historical Review Vol. and Issue no.: 129, no. 4

"Overseas Chines in Japanese Taiwan." Encyclopedia of Taiwan Studies Online. Editor-in-chief, Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao (Leiden and Boston: Brill Academic Publishers, 2025).

"Peoplehood beyond Nationhood: Triangulated Han Identity in Japanese Taiwan," paper presented at the conference, China in Motion: Mobility and Migration in Modern China, Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, November 21-22, 2025

"Crossing the Taiwan Straits and Moving Down to the South Seas: Migration from China and Capitalist Incorporation in East Asia," paper presented at the Conference of Postcolonial and Decolonial Discourses in Taiwan, Taiwan Sociology, July 26, 2024 (virtual meeting).

H.J. Abraham Lin

Lin, H. and S.R. Mohanty. "Chapter 80 International Trades, Capital Regulations, and Efficiency: Evidence from the Banking Sector in China during the Pre-China-US Trade War Era." in the book edited by C.F. Lee: for the Handbook of Financial Econometrics, Statistics, Technology, and Risk Management, ISBN: 978-981-98-0994-3. November, 2024 <https://doi.org/10.1142/14038>.

The internationalization and digitalization of Chinese Renminbi: from the projective of the Ancient Silk Road presented in the annual meeting of the American Association for Chinese Studies in Las Vegas NV, October 4-6, 2024.

MS24-264 "Trade Finance, China Exposure, and Banking Efficiency: The Case of Taiwan". Dr. Hong-Jen Lin and S. Mohanty, presented in Vaasa, Finland on July 2 nd , 2024, in the annual conference of the Multinational Finance Society.

Prof. Lin gets promoted to full professor, approved by the board of the City University of New York. The promotion will be valid on September 1 st , 2025.

China Exposure for the Banks in Taiwan during US-China Trade War

By Hong-Jen Abraham Lin and Sunil K Mohanty, Brooklyn College of the City University of New York.

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John F. Copper

Books

Taiwan's Presidents: Profiles of the Majestic Six 2025. Publisher: Routledge ISBN 978-1-032-69814-4 hbk. ISBN 978-1-032-69790-1 pbk. ISBN 978-1-032-69791-8 ebk

"The Outlook for Taiwan's New President, Lai Ching-te," East Asian Policy, September-December 2024

Historical Dictionary of Taiwan (Republic of China) fifth edition 2025. Publisher: Rowman Littlefield. ISBN 9781538184875 cloth. 9781538184882 epub

Journal Articles

2025

**"Taiwan: President Lai's Trials and Tribulations," China Brief, Jamestown Foundation, July 22, 2025 (online at Jamestown.org).
President Donald Trump's China/Taiwan Policy, East Asian Policy, August-September 2025
Taiwan rated a full democracy, US a flawed democracy, Substack, March 18, 2025**

Policy Papers

"Is Taiwan's Kuomintang Down and Out?" Background Brief, East Asian Institute (Singapore). April 25, 2024

Presented podcast Ops Room Podcast on November 14, 2024, on the topic of Taiwan's wars. Host: Rapid Media Co. in UK

**Professional or Scholarly Honors:
Addressed Book Event to announce the publication of my newly published book: Taiwan's Presidents: Portraits of the Majestic Six. It was held at National Central University in Taiwan on ~~December 2024~~ ~~Present 2024~~ podcast on January 9, 2025, on NucleCast in the U.S. on Taiwan's Future**

Blogs

"What Will Beijing Do If Lai Ching-te Wins Taiwan's Presidential Election?" Pearls and Irritations, January 10, 2024

"Taiwan's Elections: The Whole Story," Pearls and Irritations, January 16, 2024

"Democracy in Decline in the West, Not in Asia," Pearls and Irritations, March 23, 2024

"How Terrible is Inflation?" Quora, May 3, 2024

"Socialist America, State Capitalist China," Pearls and Irritations, July 4, 2024.

"Next Year's U.S. Taiwan Policy: Trump Versus Harris," Pearls and Irritations, September 9, 2024.

"How threatening AI? Opinions differ in the United States and China," Pearls and Irritations, September 27, 2024

A US-China War is Just Around the Corner, True or False? Pearls and Irritations, January 12, 2025

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Wei-chin Lee

Professor Wei-chin Lee, Wake Forest University, will end his five-year service as the Editor of American Journal of Chinese Studies at the end of 2026. Professor David Kenley, Dakota State University, will assume the editorial responsibility in 2027.

Dennis Lu Chung Weng

The Myth of War in the Taiwan Strait: Elite Perspectives from Beijing, Taipei, and Washington amid the Yizhou Dilemma.
Publisher: Lexington Books
ISBN: 978-1-66696-500-1

Professional meetings and public lectures/seminars:
“Navigating the Cross Strait Currents: Disinformation, Democracy, and the 2024 U.S. Presidential Election”
The 2024 Taiwan & Asia Program Conference at Sam Houston State University
October 25th-27th

Yanjie Wang

“Korean Chinese in the Borderland: Border Existence, Fractured Community, and Minor Transnational Friendship in Zhang Lu’s Dooman River”, Screen Vol. and Issue no.: 66:4, Year of publication: 2025
PP. 406-430.

Stephanie Su

History Painting Crossing Borders: A Transnational History of Modern Art in Early 20 th Century China and Japan
Year of Publication: 2025
Publisher: Brill
ISBN: 978-90-04-73298-8

Article title: “Redefining Femininity in Imperial Japan: The Chinese Female Body in Uemura Shōen’s Yōkihi (1922)”
Japan Forum vol. 37, no. 4, 2025 P: 442-466

Ann van Biema Fellowship
Granting Institution: Smithsonian National Museum of Asian Art
Year: 2024-2025

Peter C.Y. Chow

Technology Rivalry between the USA and China, Publisher: Palgrave MacWilliam, ISBN: 978-3-031-76168-3
The book addresses the geopolitics and geoeconomics of technology rivalry between the two great powers. It is an edited volume of 12 chapters from renowned scholars all over the world on wide-ranging topics of contemporary national security, trade, technology and industrial policies in the US and China, as well as US allies and trading partners such as India, Japan, Korea and Taiwan. It also covers US-China rivalry in Africa and the Gulf region.

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Robert Sutter

Congress and China Policy: Past Episodic, Recent Enduring Influence. Publisher: Lexington Books. ISBN:9781666929485.

Honor/Prize/Award:
Joseph P. Dymond Writing in the Discipline Distinguished Teaching Award. Granting Institution: George Washington University

Honor/Award:
At the Institute for International Relations, National Cheng Chi University in March 2024, Sutter gave the keynote speech at the Institute's international conference in Taiwan titled "Opportunities and Challenges for China and the Indo-Pacific after the Pandemic". Granting Institution: IIR, National Cheng Chi University

Sutter was the lead author of a 57-page East West Center Report Asia Navigates Uncertainty and Continuity of US Regional Policy in the 2024 Elections, published in October 2024. It was based on interviews with 200 specialists from 10 Indo-Pacific countries.

The research provided the basis for a book proposal that was approved by Polity press in March 2025, entitled Sino-American Competition and Regional Dynamics in Asia.

Aleksander Sedzielarz

**Transnational Crime Cinema
August 31, 2024 (paperback release)
Publisher: Edinburgh
ISBN: 978-1399505680**

"I felt the borders of my self blur": Artificial Bodies and Worlds in Signalis and Citizen Sleeper, Journal of Media and Culture, Vol. and Issue no.: vol. 27 no. 6

**"After Dark: The Aesthetics of Post-Covid Horror in the PRC"
Hangzhou Normal University (invited public lecture)
Granting Institution: IIR, National Cheng Chi University**