

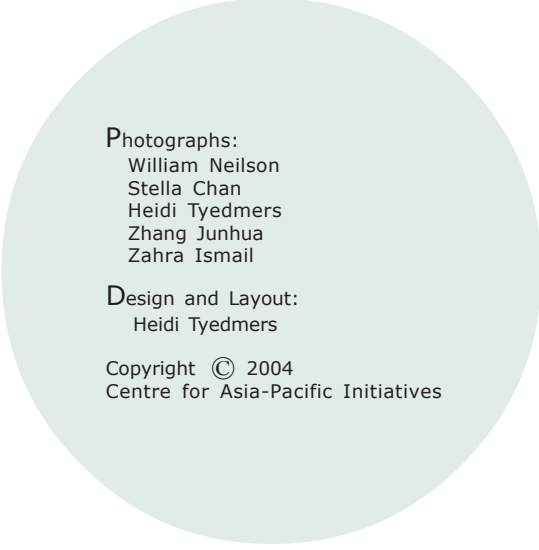


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# Director's Message



William A. W.  
Neilson

Director July 1992  
to June 2004

In this space last year, I forecast that CAPI would be much concerned with 'renewal realities' in 2003-04 with the planned recruitment of a new China Program Chair, a new Law Chair and a new Director on our action list. As you will read elsewhere in greater detail, we were hugely successful in our recruitment efforts.

On the local front, we are immensely pleased that Dr. Richard King of Pacific & Asian Studies will take up the CAPI Directorship. He brings to CAPI his world-ranked scholarship in Chinese language and culture, considerable managerial experience honed in Beijing and Victoria and an inquiring intellect that, I am confident, will prod CAPI forward in both new and familiar directions.

From SOAS at the University of London, CAPI and the Faculty of Law attracted Dr. Andrew Harding, one of the pre-eminent comparative law scholars specializing in the public law of Southeast Asia. A popular visitor at law schools around the world from Harvard to Singapore, Dr. Harding will bring several collaborative research projects to CAPI, plus his general editorship of the London-Leiden Series on Law, Governance and Development (8 volumes and counting). In the Law School, he will take up and refashion my course in Asia-Pacific Comparative Law and introduce a new course offering in Law and Development. Dr. Harding's global reputation will add to the Faculty's intellectual capital servicing Law's new LL.M. and Ph.D. programs.

Our CAPI makeover was completed with the recruitment of Dr. Wu Guoguang, our new China Program Chair, in partnership with the Departments of Political Science and History. Dr. Wu comes to UVic from the Chinese University of Hong Kong where he has been teaching and publishing on a wide range of China-related governance topics since 1996, following graduate work and visitorships at Princeton, Harvard and Columbia from 1992 onwards. His extraordinarily unique career, particularly in the 1984-92 period, when he worked closely with the senior reform echelons of the Chinese leadership, richly informs his productive and widely read scholarship. He will bring to CAPI, History and Political Science a whirlwind energy, an unparalleled network and a wealth of research outputs that are awaited and admired by China watchers around the world.

Speaking of energy and admiration, I happily pay tribute here to the contributions over the past year of our Japan Chair, Dr. Joe Kess, Assistant Director Helen Lansdowne, Heidi Tyedmers, our Program Officer, and most definitely, our one and only Stella Chan, whose quiet and thoughtful service ensures that CAPI provides a sane, civil and cooperative work environment for the rest of us.

This is my last Message as I head for the retirement door. I wanted to concentrate on CAPI's regeneration instead of looking back over the past 12 years. In that time, we have survived and learned from two external reviews and the competitive challenges of building an intellectual presence in the most dynamic and diverse part of the globe. We were able to develop support for both faculty and student research, to spearhead UVic contacts with other universities and research institutes in the Pacific Rim and build an enviable record in competing for grants and project awards to underwrite our research, conference, student internship and advisory programs that reach into every part of the region.

I wish to thank those many campus colleagues who have served on the Executive Committee over the past dozen years as well as our External Advisors and Associates for their wise counsel and considerable assistance. I am confident that a 'new and better' CAPI is just around the corner.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'W. Neilson'.

# CAPI's Mission and Objectives



CAPI was established in 1987 as an important element of the University of Victoria's plan to expand and strengthen its links with universities and other institutions in the Asia-Pacific region, especially with China, Japan, Southeast Asia, Korea, and the developing island states of the Southwest Pacific.

The Centre's primary mandate is to conduct and facilitate research on policy issues related to the Asia-Pacific region. In addition, the Centre serves as a regional research facility to the University and to the larger community.

More specifically, CAPI was established to fulfill six functions:

To serve as a clearing house for the collection and dissemination of information regarding activities on campus, and in the community;

To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and information among interested persons at the University, and to organize and publicize visits by specialists and other visitors with Asia-Pacific expertise;

To promote publication and public information activities appropriate to the University;

To organize and conduct short and medium-term teaching, training and research projects;

To organize and administer long-term, cross-disciplinary programs in collaboration with other relevant groups and institutions, on and off campus; and

To participate in networks of organizations and individuals sharing similar goals and interests.



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# People at CAPI

## Director and Staff

William A. W. Neilson ~ Director  
Helen Lansdowne ~ Assistant Director  
Heidi Tyedmers ~ Program Officer  
Stella Chan ~ Secretary



## Executive Committee

William A. W. Neilson (Chair) ~ CAPI  
Gregory Blue ~ Department of History  
Leslie Butt ~ Pacific and Asian Studies  
Chris Garrett ~ Physics and Astronomy  
Joseph Kess ~ CAPI Japan Program Chair and  
Department of Linguistics  
Hua Lin ~ Department of Linguistics  
Hiroko Noro ~ Pacific and Asian Studies  
Jim Anglin ~ Office of International Affairs  
Martin Taylor (Ex-Officio) ~ Vice-President,  
Research

CAPI's Executive  
Committee advises  
on policy directions  
and contributes to  
achieving the goals  
and objectives of the  
Centre.

## Associates

Ercel Baker  
James Boutilier  
Christine Bradley  
Timothy Craig  
Philip Dearden  
James Dickson  
Derek Ellis  
Nicholas Etheridge  
Randall Garrison  
Geoff Hainsworth  
Ralph Huenemann  
Douglas Johnston  
Isabel Lloyd  
Gordon Longmuir  
Lu Ding  
Kenneth MacKay  
Peter Maidstone  
Ted McDorman  
Chris Morgan  
Catherine Morris  
Linda Pennells  
David Strong  
Tad Suzuki  
Chris Tollefson  
Robby Tulus  
Stephen Tyler  
Art Wright  
Francis Yee

CAPI Associates are attached to CAPI through projects and through their involvement in the activities of the Centre. They are drawn from the campus and the community.

## External Advisors

CAPI External Advisors serve as a valuable resource to the Centre, provide feedback on our work and help us to extend our networks.

Do Duc Dinh  
Jingjai Hanchanlash  
Timothy Lindsey  
Lawrence Liu  
Kimitada Miwa  
Masafumi Nakahigashi  
Murray Smith  
Yuen Pau Woo  
Shoichi Yokoyama



## Visitors and Fellows

Zou Keyuan  
Senior Research Fellow, East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore  
CAPI Visitor  
May 03 to July 03

Zhang Junhua  
Research Associate, Free University of Berlin  
Visiting China Associate  
September 03 to December 03

Wu Zhongwei  
Associate Professor, College for International Cultural Exchange, Fudan University  
Visiting China Associate  
January 04 to April 04

Leslie Butt  
Department of Pacific & Asian Studies  
CAPI Faculty Research Fellow

## Program Professors and Chairs

Robert Bedeski  
Department of Political Science  
CAPI Program Professor in Human Security and Peace in the Asia-Pacific Region

Joseph Kess  
Department of Linguistics  
CAPI Chair in Japan and Asia-Pacific Relations

William Neilson  
Director & CAPI Chair in Asia-Pacific Legal Relations

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## New Faces at CAPI

The year 2003-04 has seen a number of new people join the CAPI team. Dr. Richard King of Pacific and Asian Studies at the University of Victoria will replace outgoing Director William A. W. Neilson as of July 1, 2004. Dr. Andrew Harding, from the Law Department at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) at the University of London, will be joining CAPI in July 2004 as our new Chair in Asia-Pacific Legal Relations. And Dr. Wu Guoguang of the Department of Government and Public Administration in the Chinese University of Hong Kong will start in his position as CAPI's China Chair on July 1, 2004.



Richard King

**NEW CAPI Director**

Dr. Richard King will be joining CAPI from the Department of Pacific & Asian Studies, University of Victoria



Wu Guoguang

**New CAPI China Chair**

Dr. Wu Guoguang will be joining CAPI from the Department of Government and Public Administration, Chinese University of Hong Kong



Andrew Harding

**New CAPI Chair in Asia-Pacific Legal Relations**

Dr. Andrew Harding will be joining CAPI from the Law Department, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London



# CAPI Program Initiatives



## Governance & Economic Law Development in Southeast Asia

William Neilson  
Director and  
CAPI Law Chair

The CAPI Law Program concentrated on the delivery of two major 5-year legal reform projects in Cambodia and Vietnam, partnered with Cambodia's Parliament and Vietnam's Ministry of Justice, respectively.

As CAPI Law Chair, I am the chief legal services advisor to the Vietnam Project (LERAP), as well as the Team Leader of the Comparative Law & Civil Judgment Enforcement components. In the case of the Cambodia Project (CCLSP), as Team Leader for Legislative Reform, I am responsible for the design and implementation of all advisory programs in the legislative stream of the Project as well as serving as senior legal advisor to Cambodian parliamentarians and their legal/research staff.

In October 2003, I presented, by invitation, a paper on *The Global Economy and the Legal Order* to the annual Conference of the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice in Banff, Alberta. The publication of selected Conference papers is destined for this July. In May, World Scientific Press of Singapore published *West China Development: Domestic Strategies and Global Implications* (William Neilson & Lu Ding, co-editors), a timely collection of papers from CAPI's March 2003 conference which attracted over 60 scholars, practitioners and government officials from around the world. Later this year, it is expected that the papers from CAPI's *Vietnam's Legal Culture* March 2003 symposium will be published by the University of Washington Press.

I was very honoured to receive the 2003 Internationalization Leadership Award from the Canadian Bureau for International Education, a particularly gratifying honour because my campus peers nominated me for the Award. I did not start out my academic life as a comparativist, either at Osgoode Hall Law School, York University (1966-73) or at UVic Faculty of Law when I took up my professorship in January 1977. However, an invitation to mount a Law & Development Program in Malaysia in 1985, coincident with my taking up the Law Deanship, broadened my horizons and prodded my commitment to the Asian comparative law experience, particularly in Southeast Asia. It changed my life — much for the better. I am immensely pleased that the CAPI Law program will be taken to new heights very quickly by my successor, Dr. Andrew Harding. For myself, I plan to be quite busy in my 'retirement' continuing to manage and deliver the Cambodia and Vietnam Projects, researching and publishing and also teaching in the International Business Law LL.M. Program at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok. I was very privileged to direct CAPI's Law Program.

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## Japan Program



Joseph Kess  
Department of  
Linguistics  
CAPI Japan Chair

Japan Program Initiatives for this year feature several important events in both Japan and Canada. In May of 2004, the Japan Program Chair was the keynote speaker at a Symposium convened at Doshisha University in Kyoto. This invitational conference was intended by our Japanese colleagues as a follow-up to CAPI's highly successful August 2002 conference on 'Changing Japanese Identities', with the goal of exploring language policies in Japan and the application of multiculturalism in an ethnically unique society.

Later in May of 2004, the Japan Program Chair was invited by the Japan Association for Canadian Studies to give four lectures in Japan, under the auspices of the Cultural Personalities Exchange Program. This includes one lecture among the three keynote addresses at a special invited Symposium marking the Anniversary Year of Japan-Canada Relations, to be given at the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo. In addition to this keynote address, Dr. Kess also gave lectures to the Japan Association for Canadian Studies and the Tokyo University for Foreign Languages, as well as to the Japan-Canada association in Gifu City, in Gifu prefecture between Osaka and Tokyo. While in Japan, Dr. Kess also visited a number of Universities, among them Osaka University, Doshisha University, Gifu Shotoku University, Meiji University, and Sophia University.

Another major initiative is coming to fruition in October of 2004, namely, the Japan Studies Association of Canada annual meeting. JSAC will hold its meetings under CAPI auspices in Victoria from October 15 to 17, and we expect good representation by government, academe, and research institutions. The conference program offers a venue for professional presentations by prominent government officers and respected scholars, as well as offering a platform for the work being done by our upcoming generation of Japan-specialized graduate students. Major funding and participation have been requested from sources as diverse as the Japan Foundation, Foreign Affairs Canada (formerly the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade), and the Department of Defense, as well as from more local sources such as the Asia-Pacific Foundation, the Office of the Special Advisor (Policy) to the Commander, Maritime Forces Pacific, and the UVic campus. The JSAC meetings are one of the major events planned in Canada for the year 2004, because this year is the 75th anniversary of the establishment of a diplomatic presence for Canada in Japan, as well as the 100th anniversary of our establishing a trade commission there.

## Thanks for your support

This year CAPI received financial support from the following organizations for our various programs and initiatives:

Foreign Affairs  
Canada

Canadian  
International  
Development Agency

International  
Development  
Research Centre

Asia Pacific  
Foundation of Canada

The Japan  
Foundation

The Department of  
National Defence

Social Sciences and  
Humanities Research  
Council of Canada

As well as generous  
support from many of  
our partners at the  
University of Victoria

## AIDS in Oceania Project



Leslie Butt  
Department of  
Pacific & Asian  
Studies  
CAPI Faculty  
Research Fellow

### AIDS, Culture, and Politics in Oceania

In island Oceania, there have been few studies exploring social and cultural factors affecting the spread of HIV/AIDS. This complacency stems from seemingly low rates of infection. And yet, in certain parts of Oceania, the number of infected adults is higher per capita than other "high risk" areas of Asia, with Papua New Guinea verging on the edge of a full-blown AIDS epidemic. Moving away from dominant epidemiological and clinical approaches, the goal of this fellowship is to explore the social context of AIDS in Oceanic societies.

This project investigates two facets of AIDS; culture and politics. Throughout Oceania, widespread ideologies of shame, strong stigma preventing open communication about matters of sexuality, and strong religious ideologies have all been identified as potential inhibitors to effective communication. How do these cultural factors affect local responses to AIDS? Equally understudied are political responses. In Oceania, where historically government representatives have been elected from among the elite of indigenous society, and where leaders have every reason to sustain cultural codes of restraint and decorum, we might expect strong opposition to full-scale government involvement in AIDS prevention. Evidence from other nations suggest that political institutions involved in late-onset epidemic locations are crucial players—is this also the case for Oceania? These questions will be addressed in a conference setting by scholars and AIDS activists from across Oceania. The issues will also be addressed in the analysis of data collected in 2003 on young sex workers in West Papua who are perceived and stigmatized as AIDS carriers by the broader community.

## Vietnam Legal Reform Assistance Project (LERAP)

In 2002 CAPI, along with a four member consortium of legal experts including BearingPoint LP, trade lawyer Mark Sills of Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP, and trade economist Murray Smith of Ticon Holdings, were awarded a bilateral, CIDA funded, five-year, 5 million dollar project to work with the Ministry of Justice in Vietnam. This past year has seen the completion of Year One of the Project's program, encompassing the delivery of technical assistance in three distinct areas: addressing WTO legal compliance, strengthening the system of civil judgment execution and improving capacity in comparative law analysis.

CAPI, in the person of the Law Chair and Director, Bill Neilson, directs the comparative law and civil judgment parts and serves overall as the chief legal services advisor to the Project. Assistant Director Helen Lansdowne undertakes senior management responsibilities as the Project's technical services coordinator. Also involved in the comparative law portion of the Project is UVic Associate Law Librarian, Caron Rollins, and UVic Law Professor and Canadian Research Chair Jeremy Webber.

During the past year, in the area of civil judgment execution, Bill Neilson assisted with conducting a baseline study of the existing civil judgment execution system in Vietnam and overseeing an informatics feasibility study. As well, CAPI was involved in the designing, preparation and delivery of a Canadian Study Tour for senior managers of the Department of Civil Judgment Execution.

In the area of comparative law analysis, technical assistance has included a series of workshops delivered by Bill Neilson and colleague Andre Braen from the University of Ottawa to selected legal experts from the Hanoi Law University and the Institute of Law Research. These workshops focused on the use of internet research resources while engaging in comparative law analysis and identifying and evaluating the complex treatment of civil liability for environmental damage plus the setting of required professional qualifications for a wide range of legal professionals in various jurisdictions.

In the coming year, programming includes the delivery of four-month Canadian study placements for four candidates from the Institute of Law Research and Hanoi Law University and continued delivery of workshops addressing the development of collaborative teacher trainer models and an advanced practical comparative methods program. Civil Judgment Execution activities will involve the development of a prototype informatics system to be tested in five provincial locations. As well, the completion of a management handbook for civil judgment enforcement operations is planned.



CAPI Director Bill Neilson and Assistant Director Helen Lansdowne deliver a workshop in Cambodia.

## Cambodia-Canada Legislative Support Project (CCLSP)

Over the past year, the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives, along with its partner, the Parliamentary Centre in Ottawa, have been actively involved in Cambodia delivering technical assistance for the Cambodia-Canada Legislative Support Project. This bilateral, CIDA funded, five-year, 4.5 million dollar project is directed at building the capacity of the National Assembly and Senate of Cambodia and their respective Secretariats.

The CAPI arm of the program has particular responsibilities for enhancing the capacity of the Parliament and the Secretariats to effectively review, monitor and supervise government legislative proposals, including public consultation and education. In January 2004, CAPI Director Bill Neilson and Assistant Director Helen Lansdowne delivered a series of workshops in Phnom Penh focusing on Cambodia's draft Domestic Violence legislation. In addition, during the course of the year, CAPI's work focused on the delivery of three online legislative analysis assignments involving selected legal staff of the two Secretariats. A regional study tour was organized with the help of CAPI, sending selected legal staff to the Philippines and Thailand to engage in comparative analysis with respect to Domestic Violence and Anti-Corruption legislation.

In the coming year, CAPI's work will continue to focus on capacity building of the Secretariat with a series of workshops to be held in July in Phnom Penh addressing report writing and comparative legal analysis, as well as an orientation for the newly elected Members of Parliament.

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## CAPI International Internship Program

*"Working at the Foundation allowed me to observe an NGO "in action" - that is, doing hands-on community programs that affected children's lives in very tangible ways. During my internship, I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to engage in a very wide range of activities, from building playgrounds to filming documentaries to writing communications materials...and I will carry the experience with me in what I hope will be a lifelong commitment to social justice and human rights in the Asia-Pacific region."*

Joanna Wong, CAPI  
Intern 2003-04

*"This internship has really allowed me to get a sense of what it's like to work internationally. I've been able to become more familiar with the Asia-Pacific network of NGO's, and gained valuable knowledge about the most important and relevant human rights issues in the region...I've learned how to prioritize assignments and figure out how to tackle them with little supervision... Overall it's been a tremendous opportunity for personal and professional growth."*

Kate Vallance, CAPI  
Intern 2003-04

The year 2003-04 has seen much activity and growth in CAPI's International Internship Program. Our first interns, Kate Vallance, Joanna Wong and Shane Barter, completed their placements in late 2003 and early 2004. Kate Vallance returned from a four month placement with the Asian Regional Resource Centre for Human Rights Education in Bangkok in August 2003. Joanna Wong, who spent four months with the Foundation for Child Development in Bangkok, returned in January 2004. And Shane Barter, after an exciting eight months with the Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development completed his internship in January 2004 and returned to Southeast Asia on an independent contract, which will see him working in both Indonesia and Thailand through to July 2004.

All of our interns in this first year of our program were provided with incredible and diverse opportunities. Kate Vallance helped to develop a Human Rights Education Module focusing on the rights of the elderly and also played an integral part in the development of a Human Rights Education Pack and the launch of a human rights listserv. Joanna Wong found many opportunities to put her Pacific and Asian Studies and Communications degree to good use in Thailand, and participated in a range of activities from a self-defence course for child labourers, to building a playground in a small rural community near the Cambodian border and filming a mobile theatre project for a video that the Foundation will be producing. Shane Barter helped to organize and run several international and regional human rights conferences including one focusing on the International Criminal Court. He also worked very closely on a project on human rights issues in Burma and Indonesia, and in November 2003 was asked to accompany the Reverend Jesse Jackson on his international human rights and peace campaign, which took him to Burmese refugee camps on the Thai-Burmese border.

In February 2004 CAPI received the good news that our proposal to Foreign Affairs Canada (formerly the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade) for funding under their Young Professionals International Program was successful. After an extremely competitive selection process - over 100 applications were received from across Canada - six interns were selected for our program. In 2004-05 CAPI will be sending five interns to placements in the Asia-Pacific region with support from Foreign Affairs Canada and will fund one additional placement for a UVic Student in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

In early June five energetic and bright young people joined us at UVic for an intensive three-day orientation program. Sessions focused on a variety of topics including culture shock, safety and security, and regional issues, as well as a session on human rights with CAPI Associate Isabel Lloyd and one on HIV/AIDS with CAPI Executive member Leslie Butt. Former intern Kate Vallance also shared her experiences in last year's program. Four of our interns then headed straight to their placements in the Cook Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and Thailand. Our final two interns will be heading off to their placements in Bangkok and Chiang Mai in August 2004.

### **Ms Gwyn Robinson**

Program Assistant  
Thai Youth Action Programs, Chiang  
Mai, Thailand

The Thai Youth Action Programs (TYAP) was established in 1995 to engage young people in social change so that they can find creative and powerful solutions to fighting HIV/AIDS and other social issues. As a Program Assistant Ms Robinson will be involved in the diverse work of the organization including supporting community-based activities, assisting with staff development (in areas such as HIV/AIDS, gender and reproductive health), helping to organize and facilitate workshops, and assisting with the development of publications.

### **Mr. Nathan Elliot**

Child Labour Project Officer  
Foundation for Child Development,  
Bangkok, Thailand

The Foundation for Child Development, established in 1982, works on every level of child development in Thailand, including poverty, the promotion of children's rights, and the complex issue of child labour. As a Child Labour Project Officer Mr. Elliot will be involved in organizing campaigns to raise public awareness about child labour issues and will directly support community-based activities, communications and media relations as well as interactions with international organizations and networks.



CAPI 2004-05 interns from left to right: Carla Schuk, Allison Eades, Gwyn Robinson, Zahra Ismail, Meghann Gregg and Nathan Elliot.

### **Ms Carla Schuk**

Science Education Officer  
Conservation Society of Pohnpei, Pohnpei,  
Federated States of Micronesia

The Conservation Society of Pohnpei (CSP) is internationally recognized for its work in protecting Pohnpei's forest and marine resources through the promotion of community-based management, compatible economic development and effective government policy. As the Science Education Officer Ms Schuk will be involved in researching the most cutting edge science and science education material available and working with staff to integrate it into their multi-media environmental education programs.

### **Ms Meghann Gregg**

Research and Communications Officer  
Pacific Islands AIDS Foundation,  
Rarotonga, Cook Islands

The Pacific Islands AIDS Foundation is the first regional non-governmental organization focusing solely on HIV/AIDS in the Pacific region. PIAF's CEO Maire Bopp Dupont has been recognized internationally with one of four UNDP *Race Against Poverty Awards* for her extraordinary work in the fight against AIDS. As the Research and Communications Officer Ms Gregg will be involved in researching and producing reports and media releases on a variety of issues including access to drug therapy, human rights issues, poverty and access to credit and employment, and gender and HIV/AIDS.

### **Ms Zahra Ismail**

Human Rights Project Officer  
ForumAsia, Bangkok, Thailand

ForumAsia was established in 1991 and is the leading regional organization supporting collaboration among human rights organizations in Asia, and the promotion of human rights and democracy in the region. As the Human Rights Project Officer Ms Ismail will be involved in regional human rights program development, assisting ForumAsia staff in organizing advocacy campaigns, conducting research, analysis and report writing, and liaising and networking with UN bodies as well as local, regional and international human rights organizations.

### **Ms Allison Eades**

Research and Public Education Officer  
Micronesian Seminar, Pohnpei, Federated States of  
Micronesia

Micronesian Seminar (MicSem) was established in 1972 and is recognized as a regional "thinktank" on social, economic and political issues affecting the region. As the Research and Public Education Officer Ms Eades will be involved in supporting MicSem's research into a variety of subjects including economic and social development and the history and ongoing relationship with Asia (in particular Japan), and will work together with MicSem staff to translate this information into a variety of public education tools including written materials, videos and CD Roms for the local community as well as for a regional and international audience.



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# CAPI Publications

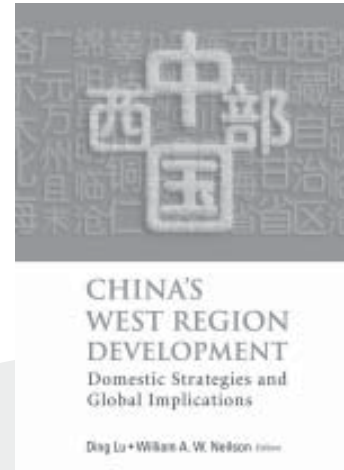


## Changing Japanese Identities in Multicultural Canada

**Edited by Joseph F. Kess, Hiroko Noro, Midge M. Ayukawa and Helen Lansdowne**

The papers in this volume are selected contributions to the Changing Japanese Identities in Multicultural Canada Conference that took place at the University of Victoria in August 2002. Topics range from ethnicity, identity and multiculturalism to language and gender.

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## China's West Region Development Domestic Strategies and Global Implications

**Edited by Ding Lu and William A.W. Neilson**  
Published by World Scientific Publishing Singapore

The papers in this volume are selected contributions to the West China Development Conference that took place at the University of Victoria from March 6 to 8, 2003 and drew in leading experts of diversified academic disciplines from China, Canada, the US, and other countries. Paper topics include poverty alleviation and eco-environmental protection, gender and education and urbanization.

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## CAPI's Occasional Paper Series

The following paper was published by CAPI this year:

**Starving Consumers: Culture, Gender, and Consumerism in the Aetiology of Anorexia in Japan**  
by Annamarie Ruelle

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# CAPI On-Campus Activities

## CAPI Brown Bag Lecture Series

Tuesday September 23, 2003

**Mr. Clive Ansley**

Former Shanghai-based Canadian Lawyer

Title: *A Chinese Court is Not a Court: Insights from the Lai Changxing Refugee Claimant Case*

Thursday October 16, 2003

**Ms Isabel Lloyd**

Former Deputy Minister in BC and Director of CIDA's Regional Governance Fund in Southeast Asia and CAPI Associate

Title: *Human Rights in Southeast Asia*

Tuesday September 30, 2003

**Mr. Randall Garrison**

Instructor, Camosun College and CAPI Associate

Title: *Fanning the Flames of Conflict: Maluku 1999-2003*

Wednesday November 12, 2003

**Dr. Per Bergling**

Department of Law, Umea University, Sweden

Title: *Radical Approaches to Human Rights and the Rule of Law: Lessons from Cambodia to Kosovo and East Timor*

Monday November 17, 2003

**Ms Stefanie Beck**

Canadian Ambassador to Cambodia

Title: *Is Cambodia A Governable State?*

Thursday November 20, 2003

**Dr. Zhang Junhua**

Research Associate, Free University of Berlin and CAPI Visiting China Associate

Title: *Whither China? Chinese Leadership in the Post-SARS Period*

Thursday February 5, 2004

**Mr. Youk Chhang**

Director, Documentation Center of Cambodia, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Title: *Cambodian Reconciliation and the Khmer Rouge Tribunal*

Wednesday January 14, 2004

**Dr. Xiobei Chen**

School of Social Work, University of Victoria

Title: *Babies in Transnational Migration: The Case of Inter-country Adoption from China to Canada*

Wednesday March 17, 2004

**Dr. Stephen Tyler**

International Development Research Centre and CAPI Associate

Title: *New Approaches to Rural Development in Marginal Asia*

Monday May 3, 2004

**Dr. Sheldon Shaeffer**

Director of UNESCO's Bureau for Asia and the South Pacific

Title: *Challenges for Education and Democracy in the Asia-Pacific Region*

Wednesday April 14, 2004

**Mr. Andrew Fischer**

Development Economist and PhD Candidate, Development Studies Institute, London School of Economics

Title: *State Growth and Social Exclusion in Tibet*



Photo: Zahra Ismail



# CAPI Research Roundtables

Tuesday October 21, 2003

**Ms Midge Ayukawa**

Historian and former Board Member  
of the Japanese Canadian National  
Museum

Title: *Japanese Picture Brides*

Tuesday November 25, 2003

**Dr. Chris Morgan**

Department of Pacific and Asian  
Studies and CAPI Associate

Title: *Islands in a World System:  
An Ethnographer's Perspective*

Tuesday January 27, 2004

**Dr. Lily Dyson**

Department of Educational  
Psychology and Leadership  
Studies

Title: *The Potpourri of Collaborative  
Research Between Canada and China:  
Processes, Outcomes, and  
Methodological Growth*

Tuesday February 24, 2004

**Dr. Michael Bodden**

Department of Pacific and Asian  
Studies

Title: *National Identity in Crisis?  
Indonesian National Culture*



Wednesday March 24, 2004

**Dr. Gregory Blue**

Department of History and CAPI  
Executive

Title: *Opium for China: Drugs,  
Commerce and Colonialism over the  
Long 19th Century*





# CAPI Student Events



## CAPI Student Coordinator

Danielle Edwards  
4th Year Student in Psychology  
and Women's Studies



## CAPI's Work & Study in the Asia-Pacific Region Fair

Tuesday November 25, 2003

CAPI's Work and Study in the Asia-Pacific Region Fair drew in young people from both on and off campus and featured presentations and exhibits from organizations including: CUSO, UVic Career Services, UVic Co-op, SWAP Japan, the Pacific and Asian Studies Students Society, the International Institute for Child Rights and Development, UVic's International Student and Exchange Services, the Japan Co-op Program and of course CAPI, featuring a variety of student opportunities including our popular International Internship Program. CAPI Associate Nick Etheridge, a UVic graduate and former Ambassador to Bangladesh, also shared insight into a career in the Canadian Foreign Service. We hope that this forum for highlighting the diverse array of opportunities for young people in the Asia-Pacific region will be an annual event on campus.

## CAPI Graduate Student Symposium

Friday February 27, 2004

### Yuko Igarashi

Department of Linguistics  
Title: *Characteristics of Japanese Language Policy*

### Khalsa al-Aghbari

Department of Linguistics  
Title: *Metrical Footing and Template Mapping: An OT Account of the Broken Plurals in Omani Arabic*

### Yunjuan He

Department of Linguistics  
Title: *The Acquisition of English /l/ by Mandarin Speakers: A Pilot Study*

### Shadiya al-Hashmi

Department of Linguistics  
Title: *The Phonology of Nasal n in the Language of the Holy Qur'an*

### Heejoon Nam

Department of Linguistics  
Title: *The Acquisition of Syllable-Final Voiced Stops by Korean Speakers of English*

### Karsten von Hoesslin

Strategic Studies, University of Calgary  
Title: *Conflict Resolution for the South China Sea Territorial Disputes*

### Gigi Lee

Department of Pacific and Asian Studies  
Title: *Popular Responses: The Perspectives of China's Single Child Generation on the One-Child Policy in Urban Guangdong*



Former CAPI Intern Joanna Wong presents her research

### Sheryl Yu

Department of Political Science  
Title: *The Community of Chinese-ness and its Implications for International Relations*

### Jane Wu

Department of Pacific and Asian Studies  
Title: *In the Name of SARS: Regulated Mass Panic, Shanghai 2003*

### Emily Henry

Department of Geography  
Title: *Rural-Urban Migration: A Response to Vulnerability in Rural Cambodia*

### Tina Su

Department of Psychology  
Title: *Factors Influencing Ethnic Identity Development in Chinese Canadian Immigrant Children*

### Micaela Campbell

Department of Pacific and Asian Studies  
Title: *Inul Daratista: Issues of Empowerment in Indonesian Popular Culture*

### Joanna Wong

Department of Pacific and Asian Studies  
Title: *Sex, morality and industry: The question of legalizing prostitution in Thailand*

# CAPI Sponsored Events

## CAPI Fall Colloquium: Aspects of Democratization in China Friday November 28, 2003

On November 28, 2003 CAPI, along with Visiting China Scholar Zhang Junhua of the Free University of Berlin, organized an interdisciplinary colloquium on "Aspects of Democratization in China". To stimulate discussion presentations were made by Zhang Junhua ("Rethinking the Role of Chinese Intellectuals in the Democratization Process"), Robert Bedeski ("China's Democratization and Human Security") and Richard King ("Corpses as Cultural Commodities and Other Tests of Freedom of Expression"). These presentations were followed by a lively open-floor discussion moderated by CAPI's Helen Lansdowne.



Photo: Zhang Junhua



Ms Qian Wang, a graduate student in the Department of Linguistics, presents her research at CAPI's Spring Colloquium.

## CAPI Spring Colloquium: Comparative Approaches to Second Language Teaching Saturday February 28, 2004

This CAPI Colloquium brought together second language teachers of Chinese, Japanese and English to relate and share approaches and methodologies. Convened by CAPI's Visiting China Scholar Wu Zhongwei of Fudan University in Shanghai, this colloquium featured presenters and discussants from the University of British Columbia, the University of Toronto, the University of Victoria and Camosun College and covered a variety of pedagogical issues in second language acquisition in a diversified learning environment.

To find out about CAPI's upcoming events and Conferences visit our website at:  
[www.capi.uvic.ca](http://www.capi.uvic.ca)

## Asian Nationalisms Workshop

An International Workshop hosted by CAPI from October 2 to 5, 2003

In October 2003 more than 20 leading Asian scholars gathered at UVic's Dunsmuir Lodge for an intensive three-day workshop to comparatively examine the dimensions of nationalism in Asia, and to settle on a common framework of theory, and delineate chief themes and areas for further inquiry and collaboration. The contributors at the Asian Nationalisms Workshop 2003 were as follows:

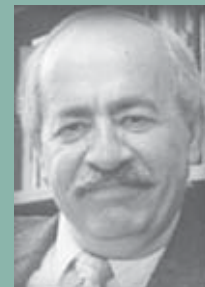
Delia Aguilar, University of Connecticut  
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 Benedict Anderson, Cornell University  
 Mohammed Bamyeh, Georgetown University  
 Joshua Barker, University of Toronto  
 Timothy Brook, University of Toronto  
 Uradyn Bulag, Hunter College  
 Martin Bunton, University of Victoria  
 Georgi Derlugian, Northwestern University  
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 Laura Hein, Northwestern University  
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 Epiphania San Juan, Philippines Cultural Studies Center  
 Sumit Sarkar, Delhi University  
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 Jonathan Spencer, University of Edinburgh  
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 Thongchai Winichakul, University of Wisconsin

This project was conceptualized and led by 2002-03 CAPI Fellow Radhika Desai, Department of Political Science, with the support of co-investigators Gregory Blue, Department of History, and Michael Bodden and Joe Moore, both of the Department of Pacific and Asian Studies. Funding for this initiative was provided by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, along with numerous units on campus including the Offices of the Vice-President Research and the Vice President Academic, the Deans of Fine Arts, Graduate Studies, Humanities and Social Science, the Office of International Affairs, the Humanities Centre and the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives.

In October 2004 CAPI will host a second workshop in Victoria drawing in the same group of contributors. This year's meeting will focus on key thematic areas such as Empire and Nation, Global Identities of Cultural Nationalisms, State and Political Economy of Cultural Nationalisms, the Postmodern Nation, and Nationalism and the Management of Cultural Difference. One of the chief research outcomes of this project will be the development of a new comparative approach to studying Asian nationalism and assessing its implications for the future of Asia and for world politics in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. It is anticipated that these research advances will result in a volume of articles written by the contributors to the project, a set of teaching materials and methods to be developed into Professional Specialization Certificate courses, a permanent interactive website, as well as radio and TV news and documentary programming.



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Thongchai  
 Winichakul



Benedict  
 Anderson

# CAPI Awards and fellowships

## Faculty Research Fellowship 2004-05

Dr. Zhongping Chen  
Department of History

Project: *Elite Merchants,  
Social Networks and  
Political Change in Modern  
China: The Chambers of  
Commerce in the Lower  
Yangzi Region, 1902-1912*



## Anand-UVic Fund Graduate Scholarship

Ms Ubolthip Sethakaset,  
PhD Candidate  
Department of Electrical  
and Computer Engineering



William Neilson, CAPI Director and Ubolthip  
Sethakaset, Anand-UVic Fund Graduate Scholarship  
Winner for 2003-04

## Student Research Fellowship

Ms Micaela Campbell  
MA Student  
Department of Pacific  
and Asian Studies

Project: *No Woman is an  
Island: Issues of  
Participation and  
Representation in the  
Literary Works of Ayu  
Utami*



## Student Research Fellowship

Ms Jane Wu  
MA Student  
Department of Pacific  
and Asian Studies

Project: *In the Name of  
SARS: Regulated Mass  
Panic, Shanghai 2003*

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# CAPI Annual Asia-Pacific Service Award

Professor William Neilson  
CAPI and Faculty of Law

Dr. Gregory Blue  
Department of History



William Neilson receives the Asia-Pacific Service Award from Stella Chan, CAPI's Secretary

## CAPI Annual Asia-Pacific Service Award

This Award is made in recognition of exemplary service in fostering knowledge of, and experience with, the Asia-Pacific region, including teaching, research, scholarship, collaborative programs, international education, student support and service to the University community.

## Student Essay Prize

*Student Essay Prize Winner*

Ms Anne Nguyen  
Department of History

Title: *Seek and ye shall find: The Journeys of Matteo Ricci and Max Weber Through the Religions of China*



*Student Essay Prize Honourable Mention*

Ms Kate Vallance  
Department of Pacific and Asian Studies

Title: *Eurasians in the Asian Media: Beauty or the Capitalist Beast*

## Dorothy and David Lam Lecture Series

Thursday October 2, 2003

### Dr Romila Thapar

Professor Emeritus of History at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and holder of the Kluge Chair in Countries and Cultures of the South, Library of Congress, Washington D.C.

Title: *Politics and the Indian Past: The Future of History in India*



## Dorothy and David Lam Lecture Series

The Dorothy and David Lam Lecture Series is named in honour of Dr. David Lam, former Lieutenant Governor of the Province of British Columbia and Mrs. Dorothy Lam, his late wife. The Lam Lecture Series provides an opportunity for a distinguished visitor to address a community audience on a topic of current public interest in the Asia-Pacific region.

# CAPI Chairs ~ Publication Update

## Joseph Kess

Department of Linguistics  
CAPI Chair in Japan and Asia-Pacific  
Relations

Kess, J.F. *Comparing Ambiguity in Japanese and English. Report on Linguistic Informatics Research Project, The 21st Century CCOE Program*, submitted to the Japanese Ministry of Education, Science, Technology and Culture by the Center of Excellence, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies. Pp 12

Kess, J.F., Hiroko Noro, Midge Michiko Ayukawa, and Helen Lansdowne, eds. *Changing Japanese Identities in Multicultural Canada*. Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives, University of Victoria. Pp 573

Kess, J.F. Review of John E Joseph. *From Whitney to Chomsky. Essays in the History of American Linguistics*. *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences*, 2004, 40, 1-3

Kess, J.F. Review of A. Partington. *The Linguistics of Political Argumentation. The Spin-doctor and the Wolf-pack at the White House*, *Journal of Sociolinguistics*, 2003, 7, Issue 4

## William Neilson

Director &  
CAPI Chair in Asia-Pacific Legal Relations

Neilson, William A.W. and Lu Ding, eds. *China's West Region Development: Domestic Strategies and Global Implications*. World Scientific, Singapore, 2004. Pp 578

Neilson, William A.W., *The Global Economy and the Legal Order*. Presented to the Annual Conference of the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice, Banff, Alberta, October 2003.

## Keep in Touch

### Asia-Pacific News



CAPI's newsletter *Asia-Pacific News* is published twice a year in the Spring and in the Fall and contains interesting articles on the Asia-Pacific region as well as updates on CAPI's initiatives and events. Issues of *Asia-Pacific News* are available on CAPI's website at: [www.capi.uvic.ca](http://www.capi.uvic.ca) or by contacting the CAPI office.

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