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In 2010/11 CAPI’s usual round of outstanding events was mounted alongside our quinquennial review process. Despite being overstretched CAPI welcomed the opportunity to take a look at itself with the benefit of expert advice and ideas from within and beyond UVic, and was happy with the outcome of the review process, which both confirmed our great performance and underlined our own assessment of a changing Asia and UVic’s changing role in Asia. The review process led to a recommendation to take a thorough look at its future activity via a strategic planning process, which occupied much of 2011.

Robyn Fila joined us in November 2010, and quickly became an essential part of the CAPI team, working on the internship program. In May 2011 Heidi Tyedmers moved on after eight years of sterling work for CAPI as our Program Manager. We thank Heidi for all her wonderful work for CAPI and wish her all the best in her future endeavours. Heidi was able to place the internship program on a firm footing and her shoes have been filled very well by Robyn, who was fortunate to have a good lead-in period before taking over Heidi’s position in mid-2011.

Our Lunch and Learn series continued to provide UVic and the community in Victoria with unique insights into Asia present and past, and attendance at these events increased greatly during the year. Notable other events were the visit and lecture by Vilsoni Hereniko, the Fijian writer and film director, organised in conjunction with the Pacific People’s Partnership; and the visit and lectures by Chinese environmental activist Dai Qing; our conference on Human Security on China’s Foreign Relations which brought about a dozen leading scholars from around the world to the University of Victoria. We were delighted to have Colin Jones from Doshisha with us as our Japan program visitor. Colin taught Japanese Law in the Faculty of Law, and organised an excellent seminar on Japanese legal reforms. A number of events were also organised for the benefit of students, such as the Graduate Symposium and the Global Engagement Showcase which celebrated International Development Week.
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 organize and administer long-term, cross-disciplinary programs in collaboration with other relevant groups and institutions, on and off campus;
• 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 participate in networks of organizations and individuals sharing similar goals and interests; and
• To serve as a clearing house for the collection and dissemination of information regarding activities on campus, and in the community.
People at CAPI

Director and Staff

Andrew Harding ~ Director
Helen Lansdowne ~ Associate Director
Heidi Tyedmers ~ Program Manager (until Apr 2011)
Kristy Farkas ~ Program Assistant (until Sept 2010)
Robyn Fila ~ Program Assistant (Oct 2010-Apr 2011)
~ Program Manager (since May 2011)
Douglas Thompson ~ Secretary

To learn more about the people at CAPI
visit our website at: www.capi.uvic.ca/about/people

Executive Committee

Andrew Harding (Chair) ~ CAPI and Faculty of Law
Jim Anglin ~ Director, Office of International Affairs
Howard Brunt (Ex-Officio) ~ Vice-President, Research
Philip Dearden ~ Department of Geography
Jon Muzio ~ Department of Computer Science
Peter Keller ~ Dean of Social Sciences
Jeremy Webber ~ Faculty of Law
Feng Xu ~ Department of Political Science

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
Connie Carter
Xiaobei Chen
Timothy Craig
Philip Dearden
Derek Ellis
Nicholas Etheridge
Stewart Goodings
Thomas Guo Guoting
Geoff Hainsworth
Jingjai Hanchanlash
Carin Holroyd
Ralph Huenemann
David Lai
Stacey Lambert
Sharon Lee
Tim Lindsey
Lawrence Liu
Isabel Lloyd
Gordon Longmuir
Lu Ding
Kenneth MacKay
Peter Maidstone
Ted McDorman
Chris Morgan
Catherine Morris
Masafumi Nakahigashi
Pip Nicholson
Linda Pennells
William Ross
Randall Sach
Anne Park Shannon
Mark Sidel
Ivan Somlai
Tad Suzuki
Robby Tulus
Stephen Tyler
Art Wright
Francis Yee

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

Chairs and Program Professors

Andrew Harding
~ Faculty of Law,
~ CAPI Chair in Asia-Pacific Legal Relations

Wu Guoguang
~ Departments of Political Science and History
~ CAPI Chair in China and Asia-Pacific Relations
During this reporting period, the CAPI China Chair was actively engaged in research, services, and outreach as well as teaching and graduate supervision with the Departments of Political Science and History. He was involved in numerous academic events and research trips, primarily including:

- Organization of a major international conference, visits of Chinese scholars, and a panel at the annual conference of the Canadian Asian Studies Association;
- Awarded 3 grants;
- Attendance at 11 conferences;
- Delivered 8 papers and 3 presentations;
- Served as a panelist and/or panel chair on different occasions;
- Refereed publications of 2 journal articles, 1 book chapter, 1 paper-back edited volume, 1 book review, and 10 non-refereed items;
- Traveled to China, Austria, Brazil, France, and Latvia, as well as other 6 trips in North America; and
- Served on CAPI committees as well as connecting with academic communities and international society.

In November 2010, with the award of a SSHRC conference/workshop grant, the CAPI China Chair organized a conference on ‘Human Security in China’s Foreign Relations.’ Leading scholars came from China, Hong Kong, Britain, United States, and Canada to present their research update on issues such as climate change, environmental protection, water resources, food safety, pandemic control etc. and resulting implications for China’s connections with the rest of the world. The China Chair then edited the conference papers into a volume, which will be published by Routledge in 2012.

The China Chair continuously sits on the editorial board of several international academic journals on Asia and China Studies, including China Perspectives/ Perspectives Chinoises (Hong Kong and Paris), China: An International Journal (Singapore), and East Asia: An International Quarterly (Durham, UK), East Asian Policy (Singapore), International Journal of Politics and Good Governance (Agra, India). He was invited to in the fall 2010 to join the Executive Committee of Editorial Board of the Journal of Pacific Affairs based at UBC.

During this period the China Chair was intensively interviewed and cited on various Asia- and China-related issues by Canadian and international media, which included: Dajiyuan (Feb 26, 2011), Radio France (March 8, 2011), The Economist (April 1, 2011), New Tang TV (April 30 and May 16, 2011) etc. Because of his engagement in commentaries of public affairs in China, at the end of the year 2010 he was listed by the Chinese websites ‘Zhongyoujingzuo’ as one of the ‘100 Chinese Public Intellectuals of the Year.’
For some details of activity organizations, grants awarded, CAPI services, publications, and conference participations of CAPI’s China Chair during this period, see below:

**Activity Organization:**
Organizer, the international conference on ‘Human Security in China’s Foreign Relations,’ CAPI, University of Victoria, November 5-6, 2010.
Principal organizer, Chinese writer and environmentalist Dai Qing’s speech tour to UVic and other BC universities, November 2010.
Organizer, Chinese expert on religions Liu Peng’s talk at UVic, February 9, 2010.
Organizer, the panel on ‘Wei wo suo yong (For My Own Utility): Science, Market, and Political/Legal Institutions in PRC,’ the annual conference of the Canadian Asian Studies Association, Ottawa, October 29, 2010.

**Grants Awarded:**
SSHRC grant for conference/workshop to sponsor the conference on ‘Human Security in China’s Foreign Relations,’ November 2010, $17,550.
Special grant from the Pacific Institute for Climate Solution to sponsor Dai Qing’s visit to British Columbia, November 2010, $6,500.
University of Victoria internal research grant, March 2011, $4,000.

**CAPI Services:**
CAPI Executive Committee, member, 2010-2011.
CAPI Student Fellowship Committee, chair, January 2011.
Nominator, the CAPI Service Award, January 2011.
CAPI China Chair - Publication Update

Refereed publications:


Guoguang Wu, a book review on Regime Legitimacy in Contemporary China: Institutional Change and Stability, China Perspectives, no.84 (August 2010), p.141-142.

Public-affairs pieces:


Wu Guoguang, ‘China under the Shock of the Arabian Spring,’ The Trend magazine (Hong Kong), the March issue, 2011, pp.41-44 [in Chinese].


Book reviews and introductions:


Wu Guoguang, ‘The Powerful Is the Youth’s Memories: Introduction to the special issue on the Harvard University student symposium on the history and memories of Tiananmen,’ Trend, the May issue, 2011, p.35 [in Chinese].

Conference Participation:

Papers and presentations:


Guoguang Wu, 'Political Reform in 1986-89,' a paper at the conference 'China in the 1980s: Re-Understanding the Process of Reform and Openness,' University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria, November 1, 2010.

Guoguang Wu, 'Wither Chinese Reform? Conference Conclusions,' a presentation at the conference 'China in the 1980s: Re-Understanding the Process of Reform and Openness,' University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria, November 2, 2010.

Guoguang Wu, 'Dilemmas of “Scientific Development”: The “China Model” in the Global Context,' a paper at the annual conference of the International Association of Political Science, Sao Paulo, Brazil, February 17, 2011.

Wu Guoguang, 'Sister Tang and Mister Democracy: Institution-Building of Chinese Democracy following the 1911 Revolution,' a paper at the conference 'Outstanding Historical Figures of the 1911 Revolution,' San Francisco, California, February 26, 2011.

Guoguang Wu, 'China's Asia Policy: Brief Reflections after the Japanese Quake/Nuclear Crises,' a presentation at the workshop 'Japan's Crisis Management: Extrovert and Introvert,' University of Victoria, March 25, 2011.


Guoguang Wu, 'China’s Political Leadership on the Eve of Succession: Policy Priorities and Political Insecurity,' a presentation at the 'Conference on China,' Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, California, April 7, 2011.

Wu Guoguang, ‘From Citizen Protests to Elite Splits: The Path of China’s Future Political Change,’ a paper at the conference on ‘The Legacies of the 1911 Revolution, Yu Yaobang, and Zhao Ziyang and China’s Democratization,’ organized by the Hu Yaobang/Zhao Ziyang Memorial Foundation for China’s Democracy, Ramblewood, New Jersey, April 30, 2011.


Other participations:

Panel chair and discussant, the panel on ‘Wei wo suo yong (For My Own Utility): Science, Market, and Political/Legal Institutions in PRC,’ the annual conference of the Canadian Asian Studies Association, Ottawa, October 29, 2010.

Panel chair, Paper Session I, the conference on ‘Human Security in China’s Foreign Relations,’ University of Victoria, Victoria, November 6, 2010.

Panel chair, the Concluding Session, the conference on ‘Human Security in China’s Foreign Relations,’ University of Victoria, Victoria, November 6, 2010.

Panel chair, ‘Japan’s Crisis Management (Introvert Perspectives): Earthquake and Tsunami on March 11, and Nuclear Power Plants in Fukushima,’ the workshop ‘Japan’s Crisis Management: Extrovert and Introvert,’ University of Victoria, March 25, 2011.

Panelist, the ‘Workshop on China’ panel II: ‘Chinese Domestic Politics and Foreign Policy,’ Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, California, April 8, 2011.

Panel discussant, the conference on ‘The Legacies of the 1911 Revolution, Yu Yaobang, and Zhao Ziyang and China’s Democratization,’ organized by the Hu Yaobang/Zhao Ziyang Memorial Foundation for China’s Democracy, Ramblewood, New Jersey, April 30, 2011.
Research Project: Law, Governance and Constitutional Reform in Thailand

This project, which occupied most of available research time since the present chair joined CAPI in 2004, and especially in 2009-11, reached a critical outcome with a major publication, 'The Constitutional System of Thailand: a Contextual Analysis', co-authored with Peter Leyland, which was published by Hart Publishing in May 2011 when it was launched at a seminar at London Metropolitan University. This book marks the culmination of work involving a large number of research visits, conferences, poster sessions, and publications. During 2010-11 material from this project was published in the Journal of Political and Parliamentary Law, was delivered at a conference presentation in Singapore, and resulted in two published book chapters. This work has contributed to our understanding of the complexity and trajectory of the constitutional reform processes in Thailand during a particularly difficult and polarised period of Thai history beginning with mass protests against PM Thaksin Shinawatra in 2005 and ending with the violent dispersing of ‘red shirt’ protests in Bangkok in May 2010. Material from this project has been disseminated widely in poster sessions and teaching seminars over the last five years in Victoria (including a Dean’s downtown lecture), Vancouver, Seattle, London, Leiden, Singapore, Melbourne, Wollongong, Chicago, Columbia North Carolina, Harvard, Kuala Lumpur, Shanghai, Xiamen, Bologna, Milan, and Siena, as well as Bangkok itself.

Thai judicial Training

In July 2008 the Faculty of Law and CAPI collaborated in delivering the first judicial training program to a group of 34 high level Thai judges. The topic of this inaugural 10-day program was “Environmental Law”. This training program was so successful that a second group of 30 judges visited in March 2009 for a shorter program on Criminal Justice, and in July 2010 the law chair directed another CAPI/Law judicial training program. This program involved 42 Thai judges, and focused on “Juvenile and Family Law”, covering principally youth justice and child protection. On this occasion we collaborated with the National Judicial Institute of Canada, with other units on campus and officials of the BC government, and three days of the 10-day program were held in Vancouver. It involved visits to the youth detention facility, the Metchosin youth camp, and courts in Victoria and Vancouver.

Special Economic Zones in Asian Market Economies

On this project the law chair collaborated with CAPI Associate, Professor Connie Carter, whose full-time position is at Royal Roads University’s Faculty of Management. In February of 2009, CAPI in conjunction with the Faculty of Law of Kyushu University in Fukuoka, Japan, organized a highly successful conference under the title “Special Economic Zones in Asian Market Economies: [SEZAME] What is Next for SEZs?” held at Kyushu University in Fukuoka. This project culminated in the publication of a book published in July 2010 based on the 2009 conference proceedings, Special Economic Zones in Asian Market Economies, published by Routledge. This publication was preceded by a CAPI Round Table, held at UVic in June 2010, involving some of the contributors to the book and including as keynote Professor Zeng Huaqun of Xiamen University in the PRC.
Travel, outreach and invitations

In 2010-11 opportunities arose for outreach involving the following institutions
- Nanyang Technological University in Singapore
- National University of Singapore
- Universiti Sains Malaysia, Penang (USM)
- Asian Law Centre, Melbourne Law School, Australia (ALC/MLS)
- Asian Law Centre, University of Washington
- School of International Relations, Simon Fraser University
- The Bocconi University, Milan, Italy
- Van Vollenhoven Institute, Leiden University
- Centre for the Study of Religion and Society, UVic
- National Judicial Institute of Canada
- King Prajadhipok’s Institute, Bangkok, Thailand
- National Institute for Development Administration, Bangkok, Thailand

... in addition to numerous individual scholars.

CAPI Law Chair - Publication Update

Books:


Book Chapters:


Journal Articles:

CAPI International Internship Program

CAPI’s International Internship Program continued to thrive over the past year with all fourteen of the 2010-11 interns completing their placements with great success. These internships received generous support from the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada’s Students for Development Program (for seven placements) and the Canadian International Development Agency’s International Youth Internship Program (for seven placements). Interns were based in progressive civil society organizations in Vietnam, Cambodia, and the Philippines, and were working on a range of issues from community development and conservation, to migration, and human rights.

In our 2012-2015 program, CAPI was thrilled to receive funding for an unprecedented three year program with funding for eighteen international internships through the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada’s Students for Development Program. These placements will see University of Victoria undergraduate and graduate students participating in dynamic placements in the Philippines and Bangladesh. With pre-departure training taking place in late 2011 and the first group of interns departing for their placements in early January 2012. This group of interns is scheduled to complete their placements in mid 2012 with the next group starting as they finish.

The 2010-11 CAPI interns are:

• Susie Miller (Social Work / Women’s Studies), Centre for Marinelife Conservation and Community Development, Hanoi, Vietnam;
• Chany Chea (Political Science / Pacific & Asian Studies), Centre for Migrant Advocacy, Quezon City, Philippines;
• Leah Staples (Sociology / Women’s Studies), Isis International, Quezon City, Philippines;
• Sabrian Buzzalino (Political Science / Women’s Studies), Isis International, Quezon City, Philippines;
• Andrew Kim (Law), Migrant Forum in Asia, Quezon City, Philippines;
• Stephanie Ellis (Biology), The WorldFish Centre, Los Banos, Philippines;
• Matthew Loewen (Environmental Studies/Political Science), The WorldFish Centre, Los Banos, Philippines;
• Kathryn Aedy, Isis International, Quezon City, Philippines;
• Katie Palmer, Centre for Migrant Advocacy, Quezon City, Philippines;
• Karen Campbell, Migrant Forum in Asia, Quezon City, Philippines;
• Furqan Asif, The WorldFish Centre, Los Banos, Philippines;
• Danielle Castellino, Centre for Marinelife Conservation and Community Development, Hanoi, Vietnam;
• Caitlin Devlin, Centre for Marinelife Conservation and Community Development, Hanoi, Vietnam;
• Rudelle DeSouza, The Community Based Natural Resource Management Learning Institute, Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Congratulations to this lucky group of 2010-11 CAPI interns!

To learn more about CAPI’s Internship Program visit our website at: www.capi.uvic.ca/programs
What did the CAPI internship experience mean to you?

“The most successful aspect of my internship was being able to routinely share a common space with those coming with different worldviews in their approach to migration. My access to forums in Manila, Jakarta, Lombok, Mexico City, and Nepal within a span of six months is testament to the relationships my officomates have built with those in the sector throughout the world. It’s been a constant reminder that knowledge is always fluid and never complete.”

Andrew Kim, Intern
Migrant Forum in Asia,
Quezon City, Philippines

“I learned how to engage with people from diverse places and how to be more culturally mindful. I also learned to challenge my assumptions and expectations, and to be more reflexive about my social location and privileges I have as a result of my location.”

Leah Staples, Intern
Isis International,
Quezon City, Philippines

“The internship has been very life changing in many ways. I had previously spent a year in the Philippines in 2005 so I had some knowledge of Filipino culture, but being back in the country in a working capacity instead of as a student has shown me different sides of the culture that I was not previously aware of.”

Stephanie Ellis, Intern
WorldFish,
Los Banos, Philippines

“My previously over-critical views of development work have softened, and I am recognizing the potential for empowering and meaningful exchanges across cultural barriers despite differences in access to mobility, wealth, opportunity, and funding. I have a deep respect for the challenges and contradictions I experienced within MCD, and recognize that my interpretation of these is located within my own cultural and academic background.”

Susie Miller, Intern
Centre for MarineLife Conservation and Community Development,
Hanoi, Vietnam

“This internship has given me the ability to see how a feminist organization works at the international level and meet so many amazing women leaders from different areas and countries whose work is inspiring and necessary.”

Sabrina Buzzalino, Intern
Isis International
Quezon City, Philippines

“I have had a phenomenal time living in Vietnam, it is my second time here, and I hope it is not my last. I have built strong relationships with countless wonderful people I have met through work and travels whom I plan to keep in close contact with. (Thanks to the Social Networking) I have also made a number of good contacts in the development field through many networking opportunities.”

Caitlin Devlin, Intern
Centre for MarineLife Conservation and Community Development,
Hanoi, Vietnam

“This placement has changed my life and my professional experience forever. This placement helped me adapt, multi-task and appreciate working in such a close-knit organization comprised of people that treated each other like family. These skill sets and appreciation is something I would like to carry on in my next journey after this placement. Also, the culture of Vietnam taught me to be patient and value relationships with co-workers and close friends.”

Danielle Castellino, Intern
Centre for MarineLife Conservation and Community Development,
Hanoi, Vietnam

“The opportunity of being able to be in a part of the world that I know little about, experientially, and being able to live and work in a different culture has been immensely rewarding, both personally and professionally.”

Furqan Asif, Intern
WorldFish,
Los Banos, Philippines

“Apart from the contribution this internship makes to my resume, this placement has tested my boundaries and helped me to gain confidence in my ability to try new things successfully. It has also been a consciousness-raiser, particularly with respect to the many and complex issues dealt with daily in South and Southeast Asia.”

Karen Campbell, Intern
Migrant Forum in Asia,
Quezon City, Philippines
Gender Equality and Gender Mainstreaming Issues in Malaysia
Professor Rashidah Shuib
Women’s Development Research Centre (KANITA), Universiti Sains Malaysia
Thursday, October 21, 2010

The Search for Perfect Paper: Constitutions and Political Division in Thailand
Professor Andrew Harding
University of Victoria Faculty of Law Professor of Law and Director, CAPI
Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Exploring Religion and Religious Policy in China
Professor Liu Peng, Director, Pushi Institute for Social Science, Beijing, China
February 9, 2011

Surfacing, Understanding and Leveraging the Hidden Strengths of Individuals with Multicultural Identities
Dr. Mary Yoko Brannen, Visiting Professor of Strategy and Management at INSEAD in Fontainebleau, France
March 2, 2011
The Chinese Poster Digitization Project: Preserving Ephemera

Professor Richard King, Pacific and Asian Studies, University of Victoria

March 7, 2011

Nation-Building in Timor-Leste: The Unfinished Contribution of Timor-Leste's Truth Commission

Pat Walsh, consultant to the Post-CAVR Secretariat

March 9, 2011

Engines of Growth and Change in the Canada-China Relationship

Mr. David Mulroney, Canada’s Ambassador to the People’s Republic of China

March 17, 2011

China’s Emerging Role in Global Economic Governance

Professor Wendy Dobson, Rotman School’s Institute for International Business, University of Toronto

March 30, 2011

Events

2010 Hung Lecture
Celebrating Connections: On Being Indigenous and Human in Oceania

Vilsoni Hereniko, author and filmmaker from Mea, Island of Rotuma

November 12, 2010

Conference
Human Security in China’s Foreign Relations

Keynote-Speaker: Dai Qing, Beijing-based free-lance journalist, writer, and environmental activist

November 5-6, 2010

Workshop
Legal System Reform in Japan: A Brave New World? Juries, Law Schools and Administrative Litigation

Featuring: Andrew Harding, Colin P.A. Jones, Shigenori Matsui, Hiroshi Fukurai, Matthew Wilson,

November 19, 2010

Symposium
BC China Scholars Symposium
University of Victoria

April 9, 2011

Symposium
CAPI Student Symposium on the Asia-Pacific 2011

Featuring: Natasha Fox, Erin Lofting, Yuko Kameda, Joel Legassie, Alicia Lawrence, Randip Bakshi, Angela Wong, Jason Wolf, Jing Qian.

March 11, 2011

For the latest on CAPI’s activities visit our website at: www.capi.uvic.ca/events
CAPI Student Events

2011 CAPI Student Symposium on the Asia-Pacific

March 11, 2011

In March 2011 UVic’s up-and-coming researchers shone at the bi-annual "CAPI Student Symposium on the Asia-Pacific". Nine graduate and senior undergraduate students presented their work from a diverse range of disciplines including History, Political Science, Sociology, Geography, Law, Linguistics and Business. The symposium not only gave students valuable presentation experience and provided an excellent opportunity for students to meet each other and to network, but also showcased the top-notch student research on the Asia-Pacific being carried out at UVic.

Presenters included: Natasha Fox, MA Candidate, Pacific and Asian Studies / Erin Lofting, 3rd Year Undergraduate Student, Pacific and Asian Studies / Yuko Kameda, MA Candidate, Pacific and Asian Studies / Joel Legassie, PhD Candidate, History / Alicia Lawrence, MA Candidate, Pacific and Asian Studies / Randip Bakshi, MA Candidate, History in Art / Angela Wong, MA Candidate, Asia Pacific Policy Studies, Institute of Asian Research UBC / Jason Wolf, MA Candidate, Pacific and Asian Studies / Jing Qian, PhD Candidate, Law.

Global Engagement Showcase

February 9, 2011

In the afternoon of February 9th 2011, Pacific Peoples’ Partnership (PPP) and the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives (CAPI) hosted a "Global Engagement Showcase" in the Upper Lounge of the Student Union Building. Celebrating International Development Week, organizations and student groups inspired awareness and participation in the global movement for social change.

Sponsored by the BC Council for International Cooperation, with funding support from the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), the event engaged local youth and community members with spotlight speakers and global sounds.

The event was followed by "A Toast to Vancouver Island Global Citizens", at Felicitas, hosted by CAPI, PPP, and the Victoria International Development Education Association.
CAPI Sponsored Events

The 2010-11 Hung Lecture
"Celebrating Connections: On Being Indigenous and Human in Oceania"
Featuring Dr. Vilsoni Hereniko

November 12, 2010

In 2010, CAPI's Hung Lecture was delivered by leading scholar, playwright and filmmaker, Dr. Vilsoni Hereniko, Director of the Center for Pacific Islands Studies at the University of Hawai’i, and newly appointed Director of the University of the South Pacific's Oceania Center for Arts and Culture.

This talk, which took place on the evening of November 12, 2010, attempted to explore the following questions: What does it mean to be human? What does it mean to be indigenous and why is it important to privilege one's indigenous roots? As we seek to celebrate our shared humanity, what must we seek to retain and protect at the same time? And finally, how might we translate the answers to these questions into our academic research, writing, and teaching in order to reinvigorate Pacific Studies in Oceania?

Originally from the village of Mea on the island of Rotuma, Vilsoni Hereniko is the author of *Woven Gods: Female Clowns and Power in Rotuma* and co-editor of *Inside Out: Literature, Cultural Politics, and Identity in the New Pacific*, as well as numerous scholarly articles, essays, plays, and films, including the feature film "The Land Has Eyes".

This lecture was part of Pacific Peoples' Partnership's "Pacific Wayfinders: 35 Years of Action and Solidarity" conference that took place from November 10 to 13, 2010. Over 100 Pacific Wayfinders & Changemakers engaged in the event & cultural celebrations. Inspirational stories of action, reclamation and perseverance emerged from robust discussions on environmental stewardship, governance, and the use of Indigenous knowledge in modern times. The Conference created a legacy of ongoing action that has enhanced collaborations locally within Pacific communities, and globally across the North and South.
Legal System Reform in Japan: A Brave New World? Juries, Law Schools and Administrative Litigation

November 19, 2010

This exploration into legal system reform in Japan was organized by CAPI’s Japan Program Visitor for the Fall of 2010, Professor Colin Jones. The workshop was co-sponsored by CAPI and the UVic Faculty of Law.

Presenters included: Shigenori Matsui, Faculty of Law, University of British Columbia; Hiroshi Fukurai, Sociology and Legal Studies, University of Santa Cruz; Matthew Wilson, College of Law, University of Wyoming; and Colin P.A. Jones, Law School, Doshisha University and CAPI Japan Program Visitor.

BC China Scholars Symposium 2011

April 9, 2011

This event was sponsored by the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives, the Department of Linguistics, the Department of Pacific and Asian Studies, the Faculty of Humanities, the Office of International Affairs and University of Victoria. It explored topics such as "What Can Linguistics Offer to Chinese Language Teachers?"; "Painting a Modern Society: Westernizing Art Education in 20th Century China"; "New Electronic Resources for Research on China"; "China in the World; the World in China"; "Roundtable: China and the West - Thinking about The Other".

Three Decades of Chinese SEZs: Old Roads and New Roads

June 2010

"To end poverty, build a road", so goes a Chinese saying. SEZs, with their focus on massive infrastructure-building and labour-intensive manufacturing of low-tech goods exported to western markets, are the accepted drivers of China's rapid economic growth during the past three decades. The game began with the opening of coastal cities such as Shenzhen and Xiamen in 1980 and culminated with over 6,000 zones in the mid-1990s. Now, thirty years on, China’s new development road includes exporting its old SEZ model to Africa, as well as upgrading its "Made in China" paradigm with an "Invented in China" wish.

Professor Zeng Huaqun, International Economic Law Institute, Xiamen University, China was the keynote speaker at this Roundtable, which sought to identify and discuss the key factors that have sparked this transition and the oxygen that may support China’s new growth trajectory.

Other speakers/discussants included: Professor Connie Carter, Royal Roads University, Victoria, BC; Professor Feng Xu, UVic, BC; Professor Zhang Qianfan, Beijing University, China (currently Visiting Professor, UVic); and Professor Andrew Harding, CAPI, UVic, BC.
In November 2010, CAPI, with the support of the Pacific Institute of Climate Sustainability, was delighted and honoured to bring to the University campus to present a number of talks environmentalist Dai Qing. As a Probe International Fellow, activist and journalist, Dai Qing has been speaking out against the Three Gorges Dam since the 1980s. In 1989, she published *Yangtze*, a book of essays highlighting the concerns about the environmental and social effects of the dam, followed by *The River Dragon Has Come!* in 1998. Though Dai Qing faces constant harassment by Chinese authorities and is forbidden to publish in China, she has chosen to remain in Beijing where she continues to fight for freedom of the press, government accountability, and an open debate over the Three Gorges Dam.

Dai Qing was the keynote speaker to the conference that brought together scholars to discuss "Human Security in China’s Foreign Relations" at the University of Victoria in November 2010. Madame Dai gave two public lectures, tenaciously examining the intersection of the Chinese state, the country’s path to development and the environmental repercussions. In her Keynote address entitled, "China's "Rise" and the Environment's Decline", Dai Qing bravely spoke out against the inequities of China's chosen path to development and offered a surprisingly candid discussion of all that is politically wrong with China today. The audience was amazed, particularly in light of Beijing having announced a few days earlier that it would not allow the release of Liu Xiaobo from jail in order to receive his Nobel Peace Prize. Despite international pressure, the Chinese government would not budge from their decision, creating a reminder of the political atmosphere of harsh authoritarianism that prevails in China. Not one to let an opportunity pass her by, Dai Qing in solidarity with her fellow political activists explained to the audience that for all of China’s economic gains, much politically has remained the same over the past 2000 years.

Dai Qing’s second public lecture, "On the Completion of the Three Gorges Project", was an examination of the failure of the Three Gorges Dam. By analyzing hydropower generation, flood control, navigation, resettlement, water pollution and geological disasters, weather impact and the project’s budget, Madame Dai was able to offer the audience a poor report card, more than twenty years after her first public protest against the dam.
CAPI Awards and Fellowships

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Department of Anthropology

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Ruji Auethavornpipat
Department of Pacific and Asian Studies
Title: Primitive* Re-Accumulation of Capital in China: Reverse Investment from Overseas Chinese in Thailand in the Capitalist World System

Student Essay Honourable Mention

Nicole McFadyen
Department of Pacific and Asian Studies
Title: Strategic Kink: The Japanese State, Social Management, and the Sex Industry

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Chany Chea
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For the study of Indonesian at ACICIS, Indonesia

Alicia Lawrence
Department of Pacific and Asian Studies
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Dr. Zhongping Chen (Department of History)
"Socioeconomic history of late imperial China, sociopolitical history of Republican China, urban history of China, local history of the Lower Yangzi Region, and history of the global Chinese diasporay."

CAPI Faculty Research Development Grant

Dr. Cody Poulton (Department of Pacific and Asian Studies), "Research Encounters with the Non-Human in Japanese Theatre";

Dr. Colin Bennett (Department of Political Science), "Social Networking and Privacy Protection in Japan";

Feng Xu (Department of Political Science), "Research Governing Migrants, Developing Regional Economies and Building Harmonious Society in China"

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