A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR, KIM KORINEK:

In this season of Thanksgiving, we are grateful for our students, faculty, alumnae and staff who have tirelessly persevered and innovated in the face of challenges and uncertainties caused by COVID19, creating virtual learning communities and conducting research that engages with Asia’s rich, complex history and its contemporary regional and global challenges. We are especially excited to welcome three new faculty affiliates to the Asia Center this year. This quarterly newsletter will profile just a few of the impressive achievements of our faculty, as well as a spotlighted student and alumna.

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UTES IN THE NEWS:

Student Spotlight: JACOB RIGBY ‘22

Major: Political Science
Minors: History & Asian Studies
Language: Vietnamese

Jacob is a FLAS recipient who studied abroad in Vietnam during the summer of 2019. FLAS allowed him to learn more about his culture and heritage. He plans to pursue a future as collegiate professor, intelligence analyst, or linguistic analyst.

Read about more featured students here.

New Faculty: ASHTON LAZARUS & MUJEEB KHAN

Please welcome Ashton Lazarus and Mujeeb Khan to the Asia Center. Professors Khan and Lazarus are from the department of World Languages and Cultures.

Featured Alumna: SAMI MOSHER ‘20

Sami received her MA in Asian Studies. She studied Japanese cultural anthropology and linguistics and researched Japanese folklore and religion. Sami received a FLAS scholarship where she studied Japanese and later Mandarin. Since graduation, Sami has begun teaching Japanese at Weber State University and hopes to pursue a PhD in Japanese folklore next year. Make sure to visit the Featured Alum website to learn more about Sami.
EVENTS

International Education Week Events by Asia Center and Partners
Nov. 16-20
More info here

Cultures and Languages Across the Curriculum Virtual Info Session
Nov. 17 | 3:00-4:00 p.m.
Register for Zoom link

Movie Screening: Inventing Tomorrow
Nov. 17 | 7:00 p.m.
Watch livestream here

Going Global Career Panel and Networking Event
Nov. 18 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Register for Zoom link
More info here

Asia Center MA Info Session
Nov. 19 | 3:00 p.m.
Email ias@utah.edu for Zoom link

Covid Series: Impacts of Covid in Asia and Latin America
More info here

DEADLINES

U.S. Department of State Critical Language Scholarship (CLS)
November 17

FLAS application
January 29

Asian Studies MA program
February 1

Hinckley Internship Local, Summer 2021
February 15
More info here

Hinckley Internship National, Summer 2021
January 15
More info here

Hinckley Internship Global, Fall 2021
January 15
More info here

RESOURCES:

FOR STUDENTS:

Chinese Corner
Conversation Hour
Tuesdays, 2-3 p.m.
Cooking with Chinese Corner
Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m.
To receive the Zoom link visit our website.

Asian American Student Association (AASA)
Fridays, 2-3 p.m.
Visit AASA website and Instagram to learn more.

Vietnamese American Student Association (VASA)
Fridays, 3:30 p.m.
Visit VASA on Instagram to learn more.

FOR ALUMNI:

Make sure to join us on LinkedIn to see who is hiring.
Check out several featured Asian Studies courses on the schedule in Spring 2021. The complete listing of Asian Studies courses for Spring 2021 can be found on our website.

**ECON 5430: ASIAN ECONOMIC HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT**

**IVC | TuTh | 10:45am-12:05pm**

Taught by Haimanti Bhattacharya

This course is designed to help students understand and explain the economic development of South Asia (the Indian subcontinent). We will study the historical evolution of South Asia from the colonial period and a selection of contemporary topics that shed light on the development challenges.

**HIST 4525: ASIAN FILM**

**Online**

Taught by Wesley Makoto Sasaki-Uemura

This course explores Asian history and culture from India to China to Korea and Japan through films that relate to social issues. The themes of these films range from the legacies of colonialism and the trauma of modernity to environmentalism and changing women’s roles and family dynamics in aging societies.

**HIST 3590: MODERN SOUTHEAST ASIA**

**In Person | TuTh | 2:00pm-3:20pm**

Taught by ShawnaKim Lowey-Ball

This course is a survey of Southeast Asian History from the mid-1800s to the present, including topics such as the fall of colonial powers, world war, and the birth of the nation states we know today. A major focus is on ethnicity and nationalism in the transformation of the region.

**CLCS 4900: TRADITIONAL ASIAN MEDICINE**

**IVC | TuTh | 12:25pm-1:45pm**

Taught by Mujeeb Khan

This course will explore traditional Asian concepts of medicine and the body. Accordingly, an important thematic focus over the semester will be contrasting this with our own understanding of medicine, from the perspective of both modern biomedical and popular conceptualizations.