

This Month in Mongolian Studies – October 2009

This is a monthly listing of selected activities and resources related to Mongolian Studies in Ulaanbaatar and around the world. This list is based on information the Center has received and is presented as a service to ACMS members. If you would like to renew your membership, submit information to be included in next month's issue, or have received this message in error, please contact the ACMS at info@mongoliacenter.org

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ACMS Seminars

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Hamid Sardar, Ph.D (Independent Scholar), 'Reindeer Nomads of the Hovsgol Taiga'

October 22, 2009 5 PM

Jane Addison, (Ph.D Candidate), 'Spatial and Temporal Variability: Implications for Land Tenure in the Gobi Desert'

ACMS New Library Acquisitions

The list of books and materials acquired and added to the ACMS library collection in September 2009 is now available www.mongoliacenter.org/library/bibliography

Seminars, Meetings and Conferences

Centre for Mongol Studies, National University of Mongolia

October, 15, 2009, 5:00 PM, P. Lham, "Beyond Banner Society: Offering Ritual and Social Mobility in Mongolia in the 18-19th Centuries"

October 29, 2009, 5:00 PM, Yu. Boldbaatar "On the Name of Borjigin: The Heavenly Concept of the Ancient Mongols"

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China Eurasia Investment Forum (CEIF), Beijing, October 23, 2009

An international forum for decision-makers on the growing investment trends and trade opportunities and between China and Eurasia (Russia, Central Asia, Azerbaijan and Iran and Mongolia). Primarily for executives from international development agencies, stock exchanges, investment funds, private equity groups, major resource companies, investment banks and international media. Contact: Ms. Zhyldyz Sadyralieva [zhyldyz.sadyralieva@china-
eurasia.org](mailto:zhyldyz.sadyralieva@china-eurasia.org) (English and Russian) or Ms. Zultsetseg Chuluunbat [zultsetseg.chuluunbat@china-
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The Seventh International Mining Investors Forum – “Discover Mongolia 2009.” Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia November 5-7, 2009

The Mongolian National Mining Association and Investors' Exchange Exhibition includes sessions on geology and exploration, mining investment issues, sustainable mining, and a field trip to the Oyu Tolgoi site. Contact: 976-11- 314877 register@discovermongoliaforum.com

Buddhism in East Asia: Traditions, Changes and Challenges, Delhi, India, February 12-13, 2010

A call for abstracts for this conference has been issued by the University of Delhi on topics such as: merchants and monks on the Silk Road; origin and growth of Buddhist sects; transmission, translation and digitization of Buddhist texts; Buddhist art and architecture, and socially engaged Buddhist activities in East Asia. Deadline: November 30, 2009. Contact: Anita Sharma, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, anitasharmadu@hotmail.com

Contact Zones of Empires in Asia and Europe - Complexity, Causality and Contingency, Fukuoka, Japan February 27-March 4, 2010

For early career researchers from Europe and Japan to explore interactions between empires and their peripheries, including contact zones, from the formative phase of the earliest empires in these regions up to A.D. 1,000. Topics include: ethnic identities, language, population movements and social mobility; networks of interaction, production and exchange; ritual, symbolism and cosmology; and empires and their contested peripheries in long-term and global perspectives. Application deadline: November 5, 2009. Contact: [http://www.esf.org/activities/esf-
conferences/frequently-asked-question](http://www.esf.org/activities/esf-conferences/frequently-asked-question)

Resources

Archaeology and Landscape in the Altai Mountains of Mongolia Project

This NEH-funded resource development project is the result of many years of work in the Altai Mountains of Bayan Ölgii. Investigations focus on ancient Altai cultures through a digital archive of monuments, interactive maps and texts to understand the region, its physical character, cultural history, and the interrelationships of monuments and landscape. <http://mongolianaltai.uoregon.edu> An atlas *Archaeology and Landscape in the Mongolian Altai* will be published this month. Contact: Professor Esther Jacobson-Tepfer, University of Oregon, ejacobs@uoregon.edu, (541)346-3677.

The Centre for Mongol Studies made its 2001-2009 Publication List available, in English:
<http://docs.google.com/fileview?id=0B-dUBKHxjVtoYWU0OTayNzEtZGI0YS00YWE0LTg3ZWYtMjY0NmM3NjZmZDQz&hl=en>
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Opportunities for Scholars

Fellowships

Ph.D.-level applicants of any nationality may apply to Princeton's Institute for Advanced Study to conduct up to a full academic year of research on campus. Principal interests are the history of western, near eastern and Asian civilizations, the history of Europe (medieval, early modern, and modern), the Islamic world, East Asian studies, the history of art, the history of science, philosophy, modern international relations, and music studies. Deadline: November 1 2009
Contact: mzelazny@ias.edu Administrative Officer, <http://www.hs.ias.edu/hsannoun.htm>

The one-year Campbell Fellowship for Women Scholar-Practitioners from Developing Nations (includes Mongolia) will support a female social scientist from a developing nation, at either the pre- or post-doctoral level, whose work addresses women's economic and social empowerment in that nation. Application deadline: November 1, 2009. Contact:
http://sarweb.org/index.php?resident_scholar_campbell_fellowship

Call for Chapter Proposals

"Post-Socialist Transformations in Education Worldwide" is the topic of the *Annual Review of Comparative and International Education* to be published as Volume 12 in the *International Perspectives on Education and Society Series*, Elsevier Science Ltd., Oxford, UK. Twenty years after the collapse of the Soviet Union, what educational transformations are taking place in post-socialist nations? Topics include: theories and policy implications of post-socialist education transformations; the role of international agencies and new donors in educational transformation processes; acculturation issues as they relate to educational globalization; the hidden curriculum and its change (or lack there of) since the collapse of the USSR; language marginalization or expansion through education; new philosophies of education; the changing status of the teaching profession; and the role education plays in citizenship creation in post-socialist nations. Deadline: November 1, 2009 (new deadline). Contact: cieannualreview@gmail.com.

Grants

The British Library's Endangered Archives Program www.bl.uk/engenderedarchives awards grants to applicants to locate and archive endangered collections (rare printed books, newspapers and periodicals, audio and audio-visual materials, photographs and manuscripts) on a particular subject, in a discrete region, or in a specific format from a 'pre-modern' period of a society's history. Grants are given to applicants in areas where resources and opportunities to preserve such material are lacking or limited. Since its establishment five years ago, the Program has funded 120 projects in 52 countries totaling £3.3 million. Deadline (preliminary applications): November 6, 2009. Contact: Cathy Collins, engenderedarchives@bl.uk

The Fulbright-Hays *Doctoral Dissertation* Research Abroad Fellowship Program [DOCID:fr05oc09-29] and the *Faculty* Research Abroad Fellowship Program [DOCID:fr05oc09-30] invite applications for new awards for fiscal year 2010. These Programs provide opportunities

to doctoral candidates and faculty of institutions of higher education to engage in full-time research abroad in modern foreign languages and area studies. The programs are designed to contribute to the development and improvement of the study of modern foreign languages and area studies in the United States. Competitive preference will be given to research projects that focus on any of the US Department of Education's list of Less Commonly Taught Languages (includes Mongolian). Deadline: December 1, 2009. Contact: Doctoral Dissertation Program - Amy Wilson, U.S. Department of Education, (202) 502-7700 or amy.wilson@ed.gov Faculty Research Program - Carla White, U.S. Department of Education, (202) 502-7700, carla.white@ed.gov <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/nara/index.html>

The 2009-2010 Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) Multi-Country Fellowship Program provides support for regional or trans-regional research for U.S. doctoral candidates and postdoctoral scholars. Preference will be given to comparative and/or cross-regional research project proposals. Approximately ten awards of up to \$10,000 each will be given to scholars who must carry out research in two or more countries outside the United States, at least one of which hosts a participating American overseas research center. Deadline: January 15, 2010. www.caorc.org/programs/multi.htm

News

Radio Free Asia has a new feature program on Mongolia www.rfa.org that will begin airing on October 8, 2009. Over the next three months, topics on Mongolian history, the transition to a democratic system, diplomatic efforts to become an important regional player, the economy, Mongolia's relations with Korea, cultural and trade exchanges with neighboring countries, and Mongolia's 'third neighbor' policy. Contact: Myeong Hwa Jang jangm@rfa.org

NOW AVAILABLE: "The Cambridge History of Inner Asia: The Chinggisid Age," N. Di Cosmo, A. Frank, P. Golden, eds., September 2009, ISBN: 0521849268. An international team of scholars examines the political and cultural history of the Mongol empire, its Chinggisid successor states, and the non-Chinggisid dynasties that came to dominate Inner Asia in its wake.

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