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## This Month in Mongolian Studies - February 2005

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This is a monthly compendium of important and interesting events taking place at the ACMS in Ulaanbaatar in Mongolian Studies and among the Mongol peoples of the world. This list is based on information our center has received and is presented as a service to ACMS members. If you would like to become a member, have information you would like to submit to future newsletters or have received this message in error, please contact the ACMS at *information at mongoliacenter.org*.

For more information on each entry, please see the "Announcements" section of the ACMS webpage <mongoliacenter.org>

## Call for Papers with February Deadlines

#### Middle East & Central Asia Conference, September 2005

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: FEBRUARY 15, 2005

The third annual multidisciplinary Middle East & Central Asia Politics, Economics, and Society Conference will be held on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, USA, September 8-10, 2005. The objective of the conference is to bring together academics, analysts, and policy makers interested in the Middle East and Central Asia who wish to network and share their research endeavors. The three-day event will include as many as four prominent guests and keynote speakers. For more information, see the conference website: www.utah.edu/meca/2005Conf/CFP2005.htm

#### **Conferences**

## 4th East-West Center International Graduate Student Conference, February 2005

The East-West Center will host the 4th International Graduate Student Conference, taking place in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA on February 17-19, 2005, entitled "Asia-Pacific Challenges: Global, Regional, National, and Local Perspectives." This conference is intended to appeal broadly to graduate student scholarship in the social sciences and humanities and to policy-oriented intersections with applied sciences such as environmental science, health, and population studies. Further information may be found at <a href="https://www.eastwestcenter.org/studentconference">www.eastwestcenter.org/studentconference</a>.

### Annual Meetings, ACMS & Mongolia Society, April 2005

The Annual Meetings of the American Center for Mongolian Studies (ACMS) and the Mongolia Society in conjunction with the Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Chicago, March 31-April 2, 2005. The ACMS will hold its annual membership meeting on Saturday April 2, 2005 from 1:00-2:30 pm in the Acapulco Room of the Hyatt Regency Hotel. The meeting will feature a talk by Dr. Peter Marsh, the Director the ACMS office in Ulaanbaatar, who will discuss the current and planned programs of the ACMS and topics related to higher education and academic research in Mongolia. For more information about the meetings, please contact the ACMS at *information at mongoliacenter dot org* or at mongoliacenter.org and the Mongolia Society at *monsoc at indiana dot edu*.

## **Employment Opportunities**

# Research Assistant Positions at the Asia Research Institute, University of Singapore DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: FEBRUARY 15, 2005

The Asia Research Institute is seeking to appoint up to three Research Assistants. These will be expected to assist in a number of ongoing research projects, but to specialize respectively in one of the following three clusters: Migration studies; Religion and Globalisation; or Southeast-Asia China interactions. For more information, please see www.ari.nus.edu.sg/appointments.htm or e-mail: *joinari at nus dot edu dot sg.* 

## Teaching Positions at the Asia Research Institute, University of Singapore

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: FEBRUARY 28, 2005

Applications are invited for Senior Visiting Fellowships, Senior Research Fellowships, and Postdoctoral Fellowships at the Asia Research Institute (ARI), University of Singapore. The positions are intended for outstanding active researchers from both the Asian region and the world and to bring to completion an important program of research in the social sciences and humanities. Interdisciplinary interests are encouraged. For more information, please see <a href="https://www.ari.nus.edu.sg/appointments.htm">www.ari.nus.edu.sg/appointments.htm</a> or e-mail: <a href="mailto:joinari at nus dot edu dot sg">joinari at nus dot edu dot sg</a>.

#### **Grants & Other Awards**

#### Grants for NGOs, Central Eurasia Project, Open Society Institute

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: MARCH 4 & MAY 6, 2005

The Central Eurasia Project (CEP) strives to make available more and better information about human

rights and the social and economic health of the South Caucasus and Central Asia both within the region and internationally in order to shape policies that contribute to building open societies. The Central Eurasia Project uses grant-making to international and indigenous NGOs to help build local capacity, bring international expertise to bear on the region, and promote cooperation between local activists and international civic movements in the fields of human rights and transparent governance. The proposal format and detailed information about restrictions on grant funds are available at www.soros.org/initiatives/cep/focus\_areas/human\_rights. Final Applications Due: March 04, May 06, August 05, and October 07, 2005.

## **ACIE Eurasian Regional Language Program**

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 1 AND APRIL 1, 2005

Graduate students and advanced undergraduates are eligible for full and partial fellowships to study on the American Councils for International Education Eurasian Regional Language Program. The program provides participants the unique opportunity to study virtually any of the languages of the former Soviet Union in an overseas immersion setting. Also available are programs in Armenian, Azeri, Belarusian, Buryat, Dari, Farsi, Pashto, Tatar, Turkmen, and Yakut. Substantial financial aid is currently available for spring 2005 programs. Application deadlines: Summer Program: March 1; Fall Semester/Academic Year Program: April 1. For more information and an application, please see www.americancouncils.org and select "Language Learning."

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