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Advisory Committee Annual Meeting 2016 (2016.6.6)



From left to right:

(1st row) Mr. Conrad Lee (Chairman, Kowloon Chamber of Commerce), Prof. Xu Guoqi (Professor, Department of History, University of Hong Kong), Mr. Li Hexie (Vice President, Luen Thai International Group and Secretary General, Tan Siu Lin Foundation), Prof. Ricardo King-sang Mak, and Mr. Wang-fai Wong (Senior Curriculum Development Officer, Curriculum Development Institute, Education Bureau, HKSAR)

(2nd row) Prof. Clara Wing-chung Ho, Ms. Qi Gan (Director, The Chinese University Press), Ms. Vivien Lau (General Manager [Clinique and Lab Series], Estee Lauder Inc.), Ms. Pui-lui Chu (Principal, Lingnan Dr. Chung Wing Kwong Memorial Secondary School), Ms. Fione Sau-lai Lo (Museum Director [Hong Kong Heritage Museum], Leisure and Cultural Services Department, HKSAR), Prof. Stephanie Po-yin Chung.

The second meeting of the History Department Advisory Committee was held at the Meeting Room (AAB 1153) of the Department on 6 June 2016. The Committee has been formed to advise and assist the development of the Department. Internal members include Prof. Clara Wing-chung Ho (Convener), Prof. Adrian J. Bailey (Ex-officio), Prof. Ricardo King-sang Mak and Prof. Stephanie Po-yin Chung. External members include Ms. Fione Sau-lai Lo (Chairman), Ms. Pui-lui Chu, Ms. Qi Gan, Ms. Vivien Lau, Mr. Conrad Lee, Mr. Li Hexie, Dr. Shuk-wah Poon, Mr. Wang-fai Wong, Ms. Rosa Siu-kam Yau, and Prof. Xu Guoqi. Most of the committee members managed to attend the Meeting.

To start the meeting, Ms. Fione Lo gave a welcoming introduction to committee members and extended appreciation to them for taking time to attend the Meeting, which was followed by Prof. Clara Ho's report on recent departmental matters related to teaching programmes and student admission, academic, teaching, and administrative staff, academic activities, faculty-student relations, the peer mentoring program, scholarship



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opportunities, the department anthem, and the time capsule project. Furthermore, two aspects were discussed in the Meeting, including general comments on the development of the Department / University and advices on coaching students for the job market of various professions. Members of the Committee not only emphasized the necessity for encouraging History Majors to participate in the local and overseas internship programmes, but also stressed on the importance of their soft skills' improvement so that History Majors could be well-prepared for job seeking after graduation.

The meeting was conducted productively in a friendly atmosphere. Committee members provided valuable comments and constructive suggestions on the meeting, which are useful for planning the future development of the Department.



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Congratulations to Six Faculty Members on Receiving the 2016 RGC General Research Fund (GRF)/ Early Career Scheme (ECS) Awards

The Department takes pride in reporting that six faculty members of the Department, including Dr. Bettina Dietz, Dr. Michael Hoeckelmann, Dr. Chi-man Kwong, Dr. David Schley, Dr. Guangxin Fan, and Dr. Kin-sum (Sammy) Li received the 2016 RGC General Research Fund (GRF)/ Early Career Scheme (ECS) Awards. Project details are as follows:

Dr. Bettina Dietz

Project title:

A Bookish Science: Eighteenth-century Botany and Its Use of Books (HK\$340,000)

Abstract:

This project will address the fact that the knowledge-making process of eighteenth-century natural history, botany in particular, was as dependent on books as on herbaria and botanical gardens and examine widely-used practices of procuring, exchanging and working with botanical books. It also intends to analyse the epistemological function of the use of books and therefore of second-hand experience in a knowledge culture that has so far been defined as predominantly empirical. But even a cursory reading of the botanical correspondences of the eighteenth century makes it clear that, as a rule, botanical books were not available where they were needed. As work even on local and regional floras depended fundamentally on a wide and comparative use of literature, ways had to be found to make up for the deficiencies of the book market. This situation forced scholars to resort to personal contacts and use their correspondences for the exchange and acquisition of books. The functioning of this system will be described, from initial contacts with potential partners and the complicated logistics of shipping to the fact that the exchange of locally available books propelled the dynamics of international exchange. On the basis of the correspondence of leading eighteenth-century botanists, including Johann Jakob Dillenius, Nikolaus von Jacquin, and Carl Linnaeus, it will then be demonstrated that the exchange of books was a pillar of what can be called the collaborative publication system of botany. Scholars used the publications of others, incorporating material from them into their own work while making reference to the original author. Within the framework of this type of cooperation, an author sent his most recent writings to his partners as quickly as possible so that they could complete their own publications, which guaranteed him the same privilege in return. The constant procure ment of books was, like the exchange of plants, an indispensable part of botanical work. This is why establishing and maintaining exchange relationships was vitally important for every scholar. It will be shown that everyone who took part in this international system of exchange had to submit to a code of behaviour which sanctioned the symmetry of gift and return gift and punished violations, thus guaranteeing the long-term functioning of a mechanism that was essential for all involved.

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Dr. Michael Hoeckelmann

Project title:

Out of the Inner Quarters: A Study of Funerary Writings for Eunuchs of the Mid- to Late Tang (ca. 755–903) (HK\$472,984)

Abstract:

This project will open up new ways of understanding medieval Chinese society by examining epigraphic sources for eunuchs, a group still little understood despite its enormous impact on all areas of politics, society, and culture. The project is the first systematic study of the military role of eunuchs and the 'palace domestic service' (neishi sheng内侍省), the eunuch agency of the Tang 唐 dynasty (618-907), during the period of its radical transformation after the Rebellion of An Lushan (安史之亂, 755–63). In that time, the neishi sheng took control of much of the military, and eunuchs forged kinship ties with members of the military and civil elites of the empire through marriage and adoption. While past research on eunuchs has relied on traditional sources - depicting them as morally corrupt and politically subversive -, this study undertakes close readings of newly discovered epigraphic sources and thereby reconstructs the life worlds of eunuchs, their gender, family, and other relationships with members of the Tang elite. That way, it breaks new ground in taking eunuchs as a social entity with a group interest and agency of its own. In addition, it utilizes hitherto neglected literary sources on the homo-social bonds between eunuchs and other men at court. As this study will show, those bonds were not, as the traditional record suggests, all political in nature and constantly fraught with tension, but often characterized by friendship and common cultural (religious and literary) pursuits. Until recently, research on Tang eunuchs was greatly restricted by a scarcity of sources and mostly based on historical writings (Jiu Tangshu 舊唐書, Xin Tangshu 新唐書, and Zizhi tongjian 資治通鑑). The excavation of thousands of muzhiming 墓誌銘, tomb epitaphs buried with the dead, around the Tang capitals of Chang'an 長安 (Xi'an 西安) and Luoyang 洛陽 since the mid-20th century has changed that situation dramatically. At the moment, ca. 250 of those epitaphs are believed to be dedicated to eunuchs, their spouses, and adopted children. Apart from papers at international conferences, the project will produce articles in internationally peer-reviewed journals and a monograph on the social networks of eunuchs with other elites, and a searchable database of images, transcriptions, and translations of epitaphs into English and modern Chinese. In addition, the PI will seek further funding to host a conference with international experts in Hong Kong, to look at the military eunuch from a cross-cultural perspec-

Dr. Chi-man Kwong

Project title:

Envisioning Future Warfare in China: Tactics, Technology, State, and National Mobilisation, 1914-1937 (HK\$472,000)

Abstract:

The proposed study will look at how Chinese military officers from different parts of China envisioned future warfare and tried to prepare their forces, states, and societies accordingly between the First World War and the outbreak of the Second Sino-Japanese War. The First World War witnessed a comprehensive transformation of warfare. The effectiveness of modern weaponry and the massive scale of fighting forced the belligerents to fight a protracted conflict. The pace of technological advancement turned war into a contest not only of military strength but also of research and industrial capabilities. To survive, European states mobilised and controlled all aspects of national resources at an unprecedented level, even in democracies such as France and Britain. The idea that a new understanding of the relationship between the military force, the state, and the society would be required for a nation to fight a modern war prevailed in the postwar world. This study is a logical extension of the principal investigator's (PI) previous GRF project on the institutionalisation of modern military science in the Fengtian Army and the Nationalist Army during the 1920s and 1930s. The previous study illustrated that officers from the two armies formed intel lectual communities and forged military paradigms for their respective forces instead of merely copying lessons from abroad. This study, in turn, will reconstruct the discussions among the officers over the issues These discussions were governed by the social, political, economic, and geographical contexts faced by different military factions in China. To illustrate the importance of the regional context, this study will cover not only the above-mentioned armies but also the Guangxi Clique (guixi) and the Guangdong Clique (yuexi). The reform measures taken by these officers will also be studied and evaluated. By looking at the officers' vision of future warfare during the 1930s, we can gain a better understanding of the Chinese military between 1918 and 1937, a period that was usually overshadowed by the wars between the Chinese Nationalist and Communist parties and the role of German advisors. It will also allow us to gain a better understanding of the process through which the Chinese officers transformed their military according to foreign experiences and conditions in China, and enhance our understanding of the spread of military science in the world after the First World War.

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Dr. David Schley

Project title:

Making the Capitalist City: The B&O Railroad and Urban Space in Baltimore, 1827-1877 (HK\$201,981)

Abstract:

This project examines two of the critical transformations of the nineteenth century: the rise of the modern corporation and the development of the modern city. By looking at the relationship between the first railroad corporation in the United States, the Baltimore & Ohio (B&O), and its terminal city, Baltimore, this project shows that these two processes were intertwined in ways that historians have not yet recognized. Studying the corporation through the lens of urban history will contribute to a rapidly developing field, the history of capitalism. Historians have been attentive to the cultural dimensions of nineteenth-century capitalism, but this project will emphasize its spatial dynamics: the ways in which the development of capitalist institutions and ideologies entailed remaking urban space and reimagining economic geography. The railroad is widely recognized as a crucial agent in the development of the global economy, noted particularly for its critical role in the nineteenth-century's "annihilation of time and space." The unprecedented challenges of coordinating operations across hundreds of miles led railroad companies to develop business practices that later became standard procedures for large corporations. Yet the earliest railroads began not as engines of private profit but as agents of urban ambition. Baltimore's municipal government launched the B&O in 1827 as a public project in the hopes that it would bolster the local economy. By 1877, though, the B&O's private stockholders unhinged the company from its local moorings in order to manage it as an independent profit-seeking entity. This project suggests that to understand how an ambitious municipal project became a modern capitalist enterprise, we must look to an unlikely place – the city street. Applying tools of spatial analysis from urban studies to the field of business history, it will argue that competing visions of capitalism developed amid conflicts over the use of public space. As the railroad placed iron tracks in public thoroughfares to funnel shipments through Baltimore, it remade the street as a place of mechaimagined the city as a "mere place of transit," a node in a transnational economic network. It is a conception of the city that survives to this day in the notion of the "global city," a place defined by its position in worldwide information systems. This project aims to show that the streets of nineteenth-century Baltimore can help us understand the origins of twenty-first century urbanism.

Dr. Guangxin Fan

Project title:

The Rise of a New Political Horizon: The Chinese Reception of Rousseau's *Of the Social Contract*, 1895-1925 (HK\$ 155,000)

Abstract:

This project explores the rise of a new political horizon through the case study of Chinese intellectuals' reception of Rousseau's Of the Social Contract, 1895-1925. Compared with all other Western classics, Rousseau's work was most popular among the first generation of Chinese intelligentsia. Its reception decisively changed their political horizon. According to Gadamer, "The horizon is the range of vision that includes everything that can be seen from a particular vantage point." People use their own horizons to imagine others' to overcome the boundaries between present and past (Gadamer, 2004). While Gadamer focuses on the "fusion of horizons" within one tradition, the project uses his theory to frame dialogues between two traditions of political thought. Rather than focusing on an individual thinker's response to Western political thought, this project studies how a group of influential intellectuals interacted with each other as critics of Rousseau's work. Rather than concentrating on prestigious figures, this project also scrutinizes less well-known intellectuals' writings in newspapers and journals. The project reveals that Chinese intellectuals' reception of Western political thought was facilitated by at least four different horizons, whereas previous studies focus on only one or two of them. More importantly, the project shows how these horizons interplayed, contradicted, compromised and eventually fused into one unique horizon, whose formation accompanied the rise of the Chinese intelligentsia as both agents and products of modernization. It is the synthesis of the four horizons but not particular concepts or doctrines that characterized modern Chinese political thought. The research outputs, which include a monograph and three articles, will advance understanding of the resources the Chinese intelligentsia have been mobilizing to reflect upon their past, to confront the problems of the present and to imagine a brighter future. Furthermore, while previous studies focus on Rousseau's influence on liberalism and statism in China, this project sheds light on a neglected aspect of the story, namely the connection between the Chinese reception of Rousseau and the origin of radical movements. Finally, the project helps understand Rousseau's legacy in Chinese politics by uncovering various political visions evident in the Chinese writings on Rousseau. The project combines the methods of intellectual history and political philosophy. Rather than focusing on a few concepts and phrases or paragraphs, the project performs close readings and contextual analyses of a text from beginning to end to grasp its overall arguments and the line of reasoning.

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Dr. Kin-sum (Sammy) Li

Project title:

The Mass Production of Bronzes in 500-300 BC China (HK\$770,480)

Abstract:

The proposed project aims at reconstructing the history of mass production of bronzes in China between 500 and 300 BC. Barbara Keyser and Robert Bagley have reconstructed the pattern-block method of bronze casting in approximately 500 BC, which lays the foundation of this study. However, there are various other methods of mass production unknown to scholars, including the component-model and multiple-transfer methods, altogether proposed as a new hypothesis established by the principal investigator's (PI). Bronze casters in this period had adopted these methods in producing bronze mirrors, vessels, and sculptures. To prepare the clay models and molds for mass-producing these bronzes, casters had to manipulate multiple transfers between the models and molds formed by clay components, which were eventually bronzes whose shapes and decorations are completely identical were cast, and the components of their surface decorations would be identical to those on other bronzes. The operation of their foundries also desired a higher efficiency of production, intelligent division of labor, and an assembly-line method. Active eco nomic activities, a booming population, a convenient transportation system, and high social mobility are some of the reasons explaining the mass production and consumption of bronzes. Future scholars of this field cannot ignore the facts that mass production of bronzes had significantly shaped socio-economic activities during this period. However, it is very difficult to locate evidence of mass-produced bronzes since they had been scattered throughout the world after over 2,000 years. The PI has already identified thirteen groups of mass-produced mirrors but more evidence is needed to validate the hypothesis. The PI and two co-investigators (Co-I) propose to develop and improve four tools to efficiently collect more datasets of 3D models of bronzes to constitute the evidence. This study consequently requires an interdisciplinary approach by incorporating assistance from computer scientists. A portable 3D scanner, computer programs that automatically generate, superimpose, and match 3D models, and an online database are needed to enable experimentations to identify mass-produced bronzes and their identical components. We will make Any 3D models of bronzes that superimpose perfectly during the experiments will prove that they were mass-produced in these foundries. The application of 3D technology to the field of mass production will

The Department offers its congratulations to the six faculty members for their accomplishments on receiving the well-deserved awards, announced on 30 June, 2016.

Mr. Tyrone Tai-lun Siu 蕭泰崙先生 (Class of 1974)

Current Position: President of the Hong Kong Baptist University Alumni Association



Foundation News

HKBU receives HK\$600,000 from Mr. Tyrone Siu

06 June 2016



The University recently received a generous donation of HK\$600,000 from Mr. Tyrone Siu (centre), President of the HKBU Alumni Association, in celebration of its 60th anniversary. Mr. Siu presented the donation cheque to Mrs. Pamela Chan, BBS, JP, Deputy Chairman of the Council and the Court, and Professor Roland T. Chin, President and Vice-Chancellor, on the occasion of the HKBU Diamond Jubilee Wines Tasting Event held on 6 June 2016.

Mr. Siu hoped that his donation could serve as a stimulus to encourage alumni to give back to their alma mater in support of its development. He welcomed any donation amount related to "6" to tie in with HKBU's 60th anniversary. In response to his appeal, Dr. Liu Chak Wan, Chairman of Liu's Commerce & Industry Limited, and Mrs. May Liu, both alumni of the Department of English Language and Literature, previously donated HK\$600,000 in support of the University's institutional advancement.

Alumni News 校友近況

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Ms. Fione Sau-Iai LO 盧秀麗女士 (Class of 1994) Current Position: Museum Director (Hong Kong Heritage Museum), Leisure and Cultural Services Department, Hong Kong SAR



Class of 2016 Graduation Photo-taking Day

The Class of 2016, including BA (Hons) in History, BSSc (Hons) in China Studies – History Concentration, and BA (Hons) in History and BEd (Hons) in liberal Studies Teaching, took the graduation photos during late May and early June. Most of the members of the Department joined the photo taking sessions and shared the happiness with the Class of 2016. The Department of History sends out sincere congratulations and best wishes to the Class of 2016!



Departures

- ◆Dr. Lei Chin-hau LEI, Visiting Lecturer Effective from 15 June 2016
- Miss Yiqiao WANG, Research Assistant Effective from 15 July 2016

Appointments

Miss Hoi-ching LEUNG, Student Research Assistant (Undergraduate Summer Research Programme) Effective from 13 June 2016

 Miss Tianpei CHEN, Student Research Assistant (Undergraduate Summer Research Programme)
 Effective from 15 June 2016

Mr. Chin-chung YUEN, P/T Senior Research Assistant Effective from 11 August 2016

Miss Joan Wai-kwan CHAN, Executive Assistant Effective from 1 July 2016

Members' Activities 本系成員學術活動

Prof. Clara Wing-chung HO (Professor & Head of Department)



◆ Presented a paper entitled "Seeking and Managing Wealth: Advice from a Guangdong Mother in Late Qing and Early Republican China," in Panel #15, "Aspirations in Transition: Educated Women of Guangdong from the Qing to the Republic," at the "Asia in Motion: Horizons of Hope" (AAS-in-Asia Conference) jointly organized by the Association for Asian Studies, Inc. and Doshisha University, Kyoto, 24-27 June 2016.

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Dr. Timothy Man-kong WONG (Associate Professor)





◆應浸大當代中國研究所邀請 ,於2016年6月25日在「《更 快、更高、更強——人生的體 驗》新書發佈會暨口述歷史研 討會」中,就其新作發表演講

Dr. Wing-chung FAN (Lecturer I)







◆麗末鮮初文人作品中的屈原 意象——以《東文選》為例> ,「『新視野——東亞世界知 識生產與研究方法』學術工作 坊」提交論文,香港城市大學 (2016年6月3-4日)。



◆〈預防勝於治療:戰後香港疫苗注射與疾病控制〉,「『新視野──東亞世界知識生產與研究方法』學術工作坊」提交論文,香港城市大學(2016年6月3-4日)。

◆ Presented a paper entitled "Disease Enters through the Mouth: The Outbreak of Cholera El Tor in Hong Kong during Early 1960s," in Panel #62, "Public Health, Social Construction and Disease: Infectious Diseases in East Asia," at the "Asia in Motion: Horizons of Hope" (AAS-in-Asia Conference) jointly organized by the Association for Asian Studies, Inc. and Doshisha University, Kyoto, 24-27 June 2016.

Dr. Chin-hau LEI (Visiting Lecturer)

◆在紐瓦克博物館 (Newark Museum) 擔任Research Fellow of Chinese Arts,時間是今年六、七、八月,主要負責處理該館收藏明代以前中國瓷器。(該館為紐澤西州公立博物館,創館將近一百年,在二十世紀前半葉,於美國博物館的公眾化有重大貢獻。其中國文物收藏共有約八千件,其中,西藏文物為全美屬一屬二,達賴喇嘛曾親臨為佛像開光。但中原文物多數未經整理,故邀我就陶瓷進行鑑定、斷代,指出窯口,並提示未來的研究和策展方向。)

Sharing by Faculty 老師的分享

Prof. Clara Wing-chung HO 劉詠聰教授



寫在本學年快將完結時

又到系訊最後一期了,也是時候應該向大家報告一下 過往一年系內的發展。整體來說,歷史系又渡過了充實和 令人自豪的一年,感恩感恩。

先說歷史系隊伍的壯大。2015-16年度內,我們迎來 了兩位助理教授、一位研究助理教授,以及兩名訪問學者 。學生方面,新的研究生有五名,另有十名修課式碩士新 生,以及一共七十八名三個本科課程主修歷史的新生。今 年周佳榮教授榮休,而新年度即將有一名助理教授加盟。 另外,由於財政樂觀,以及希望加強陣容、吸納其他專長 領域的學者,我系亦打算在下一學年內再增聘兩名助理教 授,有關的作業程序已經展開。至於2016-17年度加入的 新生,近九十名,包括三個課程的新生、高年級入學的新 生,以及從外系轉入的新生等。由於新血的加入,歷史系 的陣容將更為可觀。

再談過往一年的活動。學術活動方面,歷史系在去年主辦/合辦的較大型活動有四場,包括 學術研討會、論壇、數據庫啟用禮等。此外,也舉辦過三十三回公開學術講座,主講者有外地和 本地校外內的學者。至於其他活動,除周佳榮老師的榮休大會外,也有學期初的周年集會和學期 末的師生聯席會議。此外,我系今年推出新的朋輩輔導計劃,培訓優秀的學生擔任同學的輔導員 ,幫助有興趣參加的新生融入校園及學系文化,也為有需要的同學提供意見或協助。這項活動來 年將會繼續推行。

2015-16年度歷史系有幾件特別值得紀錄的事情。首先是「陳守仁博士獎學金」和「1985屆 畢業三十周年誌慶獎學金」的成立,將永久性嘉惠學子。陳守仁博士慷慨捐贈一百萬元,獎勵主 修歷史的新生,並資助他們到海外交流,是項獎勵每年將有五名新生受惠。此外,2015年是 1985屆校友畢業三十周年紀念,承蒙他們的深情回饋,慷慨捐資,今後每年亦將有兩名完成海外 交流計劃的系內本科生和研究生受惠。在這兩項新設獎學金成立後,歷史系為系內學生而設的獎 學金已增至十四項。另一件必須大書特書的事情是我們的「百年時間囊」計劃。2016年是花甲校 慶年,我系將準備一枚時間囊埋藏於校園內,並指定在2116年才開啟。凡是2016年歷史系在職 者和在學者,以及通過捐款參與這個計劃的校友,均可投放文字、圖像,或物件,供一百年後的 史學家重構我們今日的生活片段,並領會我們的所思所感。這是一個令人興奮的項目,也將見證 我們不但研讀歷史,還在締建歷史!

最後, 謹在此恭賀歷史系應屆畢業同學, 祝願您們前程錦繡、大展鴻圖。別忘了自己永遠是 歷史系大家庭的一分子, 請好好保持聯繫。事實上, 本學年是歷史系豐收的一年, 衷心感謝所有 同事、同學和校友在過往一年的努力付出和全方位貢獻。暑期愉快! 新學年再見! Sharing by Faculty 老師的分享

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Dr. Chin-hai LEI 雷晉豪博士

各位同仁與同學:

時光匆匆,距離我第一次踏入本系,已經將近一年。回想 剛從臺灣抵達香港的那一天,心裡是既緊張又期待。從研究生 轉變成老師並不是一件容易的事,其中職場適應、心態調整以 及知識準備,樣樣都是挑戰。幸運的是,本系同仁十分親切熱 情,同學們也踴躍回應我的授課,使我倍感榮幸。

我要感謝同仁對我的幫助,特別是系主任劉老師、李老師 、周老師、麥老師等前輩的提携,以及臺灣史、比較史專題以 及中國歷史地理等課程的同學,使我學習到如何作一位「老師」 ,並成為本系同仁的一位「同事」。我珍惜與每一位同事和同學 的相處時光,無論是討論學術、課業或是茶(酒)餘飯後的閒談 ,給了我愉快又充實的一年。



我遺憾的是,在五月底時接到香港教育大學文化與文學系的通知,希望我赴該校擔任助理教 授。在經過仔細的思考與溝通之後,決定接受這個職位。

要和諸位道別,實在是件很困難的事。最遺憾的是我不再能指導五位同學畢業論文,但在選 題時我還未收到教育大學的通知,未能預知事情的發展。但你們的題目都非常好,我相信在本系 其他同仁的接手之下,你們會得到很好的指導。我也歡迎你們隨時和我討論論文寫作問題。

最後,祝各位同仁、同學事事順利。請繼續保持聯絡,有空來教育大學找我喝茶聊天,把酒 話桑麻,共續這一段難得的,浸會情緣。





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Dr. Ka-lai CHAN 陳嘉禮博士

我很高興在此與大家分享,小女端靜於六月六日 下午在香港浸信會醫院出生了。小女取名端靜,乃出 自明代仁孝皇后所著的《內訓》中「貞靜幽閒,端莊 誠一,女子之德性也」一句。我相信,貞靜、幽閒、 端莊、誠一,是女子的主要德性,而我希望小女能做 到沉靜穩重,舉止端正齊肅。謹在此感謝歷史系各老 師同學的祝福。





美國紐約州立大學Geneseo分校歷史系韓子奇教授特來 探訪端靜,非常感激。

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Sin-yeung CHEUNG 張善揚

BA (Hons) in History & Diploma in Education programme (2+2), Year 4

今年畢業了,發覺原來求職一點也不簡單。覓得一份待遇較好的工作,我相信是每個畢業生的願望,但在求職過程中碰壁後,信心免不了稍受打擊,更不禁懷疑自己的能力和選擇:「難道 修習歷史真的在工作上沒有優勢嗎?」

每當我在生活上遭遇挫折,便會想起《近觀學者》一書中關於本系周佳榮老師的人物故事和 他對「歷史」的意義和價值之獨到見解。受到周老師的啟發,讓我認為今天的我正是由我個人歷 史發展累積而來的總和,所以沒必要為一切已成歷史的「選擇」而追悔。

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其實,我曾經考慮從事金融業,或當一名普通文員。在經歷一番掙扎後,我決定不背棄自己 的理想,立志投身教育界,勇擔「歷史」重任。我希望可以將過往四年大學生涯的所習所得,以 及我所領悟到的「歷史價值」傳授予學生,讓他們了解歷史之功用和重要性。

雖然,近年來是教育界的寒冬期,教席競爭激烈,而且前景不被看好。可是,我卻了解自己 所追求的,無關金錢和地位。「求仁而得仁,又何怨?」





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Ka-wing WONG 黃家榮

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二零一二年八月,當我首次踏足浸大歷史系,感覺一 切都很新鮮,對大學生活亦充滿著無限的幻想。二零一六 年六月,順利畢業,再次步向人生另一個階段。

還記得一年級時時參與迎新活動,與各位老師和師兄 姐見面。譚生(譚家齊博士)分享大學生活就像「自助餐」,「可以不斷食不斷豐富自己的人生」,勸勉我們不要 浪費這四年時間。回顧這四年的大學生活,我得到的是參 與學會活動時的喜悅、同窗友誼,以及老師和師兄的支持 ,凡此種種都是人生的寶貴回憶。

談到學會活動,不得不分享在歷史足球隊的回憶。一 年級時,是球隊最光榮的一年。在眾師兄的帶領下,奪得 校內大小錦標,更首次在系際比賽封王。可惜,我在二年 級時因傷患無法再比賽,只能於場外支援隊友。我們屢敗 屢戰,上下一心,凝煉了一種不屈不撓的拼搏精神。



在大學生活得一知己是極幸運的事,同窗善揚正是我的知己好友。我們共同為足球隊付出心力,更一同矢志投身於教育。在最後一個學期,我們在圖書館一同為畢業論文、普通話考試和各 科報告而奮鬥,走過了既辛苦卻滿足的日子。

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幸運地,我在每段求學時期,總能遇上一位恩師。慶幸在二年級時遇到小毛老師(范永聰博士),指引我找到自己的研究興趣,更使我明白歷史就像一個無窮無盡的大海,可讓我任意暢泳。在小毛老師的課堂,我發現韓國理學是一個很有趣的題目。我更在小毛老師的指導下和羅樂然師兄的協助下,完成以退溪主敬思想為題的畢業論文,是我大學學業中最大的成就。



在歷史系的大家庭裡面,潮汕足球隊(編者按:由本系 畢業生組成的足球隊)師兄弟的情誼更是難能可貴。潮汕師 兄弟之間無所不談、無所不好、無所不玩。群組短訊長期數 百條,閒時總是嘻嘻哈哈,但當師兄弟有困難之時,定必提 供具體意見及各種支援。尤其近日求職屢遇挫敗,師兄們以 「集氣」(編者按:大概源出於日本漫畫《七龍珠》,意即 集眾人的力量作支持)的關心及支持,正是潮汕情誼的可貴 之處。

最後,感謝歷史系帶給我這麼珍貴的回憶,祝願歷史系在未來取得更快更好的發展!

Chun-kit CHOI 蔡俊傑

BA (Hons) in History & BEd (Hons) in Liberal Studies Teaching, Year 4

轉眼間大學四年的日子逝去。有喜有憂, 有笑有樂。

大學的生活是美好的,但又是艱難的,處處充滿著挑戰! 猶記得當年大學一年級,初出家門,來了「異地」,心懷好奇,傻裡傻氣混過了一年。到了大學四年級,日子似乎過的特別快,一種快要解脫的感覺。經歷一個從懵懂走向成熟的過程,而且隨著暑期的到來,我已經完結了這四年的學業,但回想起在大學裏的生活,卻宛如昨日。

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畢業了,在大學四年,印記見證我的成長。四年的 鍛鍊,帶給我人生初步的經驗。研習歷史最有趣的地方 是可以不斷地挑戰和不斷地思考,在不斷地犯錯的同時 ,也不斷地發現,讓我用各種不同的方法與角度去思考 ,然後在某個時候去推翻自己,才會發現自己的思維在 進步。「歷史」是一門永無休止的學問,即使將來社會 任何一個崗位,修習歷史都令自己一生受用。

畢業意味著別離。不過天下無不散之筵席,人也有 悲歡離合,月有陰晴圓缺。大學四年,帶給我許多珍貴 的回憶,也有許多快樂事無法忘懷,在這即將別離的時 刻,我想對諸位老師和同學們說聲:「謝謝。」



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歷史系的出路

在歷史系渡過了整整四年,看著身邊每位朋友都順利戴上四方帽,孰幸?孰不幸?幸者, 自然恭喜諸位完成學位,在學術路上立下一面新的里程碑。不幸者,諸位離開學術環境,走進 社會的大染缸。

同學們都經歷著最讓人焦躁的階段——迷惘。每人欣喜地望著眼前的「畢業證明」,而後 眼神卻又轉喜為憂——誰也不知九龍塘的下一站是哪裡。研讀歷史讓我們正衣冠明得失,增進 個人的修養與視野。然而,卻不得不承認,「個人修養與視野」在很多僱主心目中,確實是分

毫不值。有同學走向文字工作,有同學繼續進修,有同 學離開本科學習新法。無論前程如何,他們口中都會掛 上一句:「讀歷史,做得啲咩丫?」

很諷刺,亦很勵志。大家都不知道「歷史系」能讓 人到達哪裡,但我們卻同時走向這條沒有盡頭的道路。 若我們不是對歷史懷抱一絲尊敬、持有一份好奇,我們 又怎麼會來到「做得啲咩」的歷史系?

人人的出路不盡相同, 誰說出路必定與自己的本科 有關?與其「歷史系做得啲咩」, 不如問一下自己「想 要啲咩」。或許, 大家最需要思考的不是「歷史系的出 路」——「我的出路」才是那真正命題呢。



Mr. Login Lok-yin LAW 羅樂然先生

BA (Hons) & BEd (Hons), HKBU, 2012

MA, CUHK, 2013

PhD candidate, Division of Chinese, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, 2015 - present



4月30日至5月2日,一群2011、2012畢業的歷史系校友,參與了信和黃金海岸鄉村俱樂部 與兒童癌病基金合辦的慈善賽艇比賽。各參賽隊伍透過有限的物材,包括紙皮、紙管等,設計及 組裝各艘小艇進行比賽,並需在比賽前,籌得相關善款。在有限的時間及資源之下,團隊們製作 一艘在於水上行走的小紙船參賽。由於參與的校友們,一直私交甚篤,故大家在設計船隻時,亦 以日常的共同話題作為參賽小艇的設計元素。





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設計的船隻在比賽期間順利下水,亦沒有出現沉船情況,但是同樣以紙皮製作的船漿卻在入水後無法如常運作,故小艇在比賽不久後便無法前行,最終成員決定跳船退出,結束賽事。比賽 雖然沒有獲得勝利,但因設計期間的合作,獲大會頒發最佳合作獎,足以證明離開已久的校友們,留下求學期間的感情,促使至今仍然合作無間。參賽的校友亦表示,希望來屆能邀請更多校友 一同支持或參與這項有意義的活動。

Mr. Wai-li CHU 朱維理先生 & Miss Joan Wai-kwan CHAN 陳瑋君小姐

BA (Hons), HKBU, 2013



英國之旅

準備多時的英國之旅終於在5月下旬出發了!

事實上,這不盡是旅遊。嚴格來說,這是一趟研究之旅。是次我們的主要目的地是英國國家 檔案館,為我的碩士論文準備資料。結果,兩星期的旅程絕大部分時間都留在檔案館裏,與不同 的檔拼命。不過,每天除了工作的滿足感,檔案館外的池塘景色與天鵝也令人心曠神怡。

幸好,國家檔案館每週休息兩天,正好可以把握難得的機會在倫敦中心遊歷。西敏寺、大笨 鐘、大英博物館、大英圖書館、白金漢宮、溫莎堡等當然都是必到的勝地。不過,未能進入國會 大樓參觀實在令人遺憾。事實上,倫敦隨處也是旅遊景點——街道兩旁建築都甚具懷舊味道,只



是欣賞它們的建築特色也滿足了。

不過,更有趣的是隨處可見的街頭表演。當時,在國家美術館前有一位雜技演員在表演期間,不斷鼓動圍觀人士,希望獲得他們的支持,氣氛非常高漲。不過,該名雜耍者要求圍觀者專注 觀看他的表演,以示尊重。當他發現仍有一名觀眾以手提電話拍攝他的表演時,他激動地走向那 位觀眾說: "Why are you watching me in your phone? Come and face the reality. I am here." 雖然這看似很微不足道,不過想一想還是有意思的。在現今科技發達的時代,大家都習慣在看表 演時,拿著電子產品拍攝,以便日後可以回味。可是,表演除了演出者的精湛技術外,當下的現 場氣氛和「真實感」也才是節目精彩之處。這樣想,就明白該表演者希望觀眾放下手提電話的緣 由了。





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在國家檔案館十多天的收穫非常豐富。雖然整理工作長路漫漫,但是當中的發現實在令人意 想不到,確實不枉此行!

(朱維理按:「最後,當然要感謝陳瑋君的相伴與照料。」)

(陳瑋君按: "Yes, I do!")













1. Upcoming event: History Department Annual Assembly 2016

Date: 3 September 2016 Time: 9:30 a.m. Venue: Tsang Chan Sik Yue Auditorium (AAB 201) Details:



Please mark your calendar! The Annual Assembly is a very important event and is the best opportunity for everyone in the History family to get together. All faculty members and current History students are cordially invited and strongly encouraged to attend.

Certificates of Excellence and Certificates of Merit, as well as other forms of recognition will be given to qualified students. A grand group photo will also be taken, which will be used in the Department and will appear on the homepage of the Department's website for one year. Don't miss this chance to be included in the family picture! Also, members of the Department will sing along the Department Anthem in this special occasion to show our team spirit.

We are looking forward to seeing EVERYONE on 3 September 2016 in AAB201.





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Save the date!



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HIST SPRY DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY 2016

Date:	September 3, 2016 (Saturday)
Time:	9:30 am
Venue:	Tsana Chan Sik Yue Auditorium (AAB201)

All History majors of the following programmes are requested to attend and meet with the academic and teaching staff of the Department:

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- 2. BSSc (Hons) in China Studies History Concentration
- 3. BA (Hons) in History and BEd (Hons) in Liberal Studies Teaching

All potential History majors who are admitted to the Year One Broad-based programme and the Year One BSSc in China Studies programme, as well as all MCCS students in the History and Culture Concentration, are welcome to join.

During the Assembly, students with CGPA≥3.40 will be awarded Certificates of Excellence and students with CGPA3.30-3.39 will receive Certificates of Merit.

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Light refreshment will be served. A group photo of all participants will be taken.



2. HIST/CHSH courses offers in Semester 1, AY2016-17



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HIST/CHSH 4126 Selected Themes in the History of Chinese Women (C) Prof. Clara Wing-chung HO

HIST/CHSH 4145 Historical Anthropology of Chinese Society (C) Dr. Kam-chau KWOK

HIST 4335

Topic Studies in Global History: The Maritime Silk Road (E) Dr. Oiyan LIU HIST 7310 Global Colonial and Postcolonial Cultures (E)

Dr. Catherine LADDS

HIST 4215

Topic Studies in Western History: The Age of Enlightenment (17th & 18th Centuries) (E) Dr. Bettina DIETZ

HIST 7530

Graduate Seminar on Contemporary Chinese History (P) Prof. Kai-yin LAM

GE COURSES OFFERED IN SEMESTER 1, 2016-2017

GCHC 1005 China and the Global Economy 1800–2000 (C) Dr. Kam-chau KWOK

GCHC 1006 Modern China and World History (C) Dr. Yuen-han LAW

GCHC 1015 Culture and Everyday Life in Modern China (1840–1949) (P) Dr. Jie DING GCHC 1016

European Culture since the Enlightenment (E) Dr. Guangxin FAN GCHC 1007 Christianity and China (C) Dr. Ka-chai TAM

GCHC 1025

Historical Changes and Intellectual Trends in 20th Century China (P) Dr. Jie DING

GCHC 1026 Hong Kong in World History (C) Dr. Timothy Man-kong WONG

GCHC 1036 Tackling Popular Misconceptions about Chinese History and Civilization (E) Dr. Kin-sum (Sammy) LI

GDSS 1065

Eminent Figures in the History of Various Disciplines and Professions (E) Dr. David SCHLEY

GDSS 1066

Issues and Controversies in Modern European History (E) Dr. Raymond Kwun-sun LAU

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Human Nature Through Poets' Eyes (E) **Dr. Adam Craig SCHWARTZ**

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3. New courses in topic studies offered in Semester 1, AY2016-17

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NEW COURSES IN TOPIC STUDIES OFFERED IN SEMESTER 1, 2016-2017

HIST 4215 Topic Studies in Western History:

The Age of Enlightenment (17th & 18th Centuries) (E)

Dr. Bettina DIETZ

This course offers an overview of the European Enlightenment as an intellectual and cultural movement in the 17th and 18th centuries. We will discuss the emergence of new ideas concerning nature, reason, man, and government, their impact on society and politics as well as their long-term significance for individual and collective Western identities. But we won't reduce the Enlightenment to a set of disembodied ideas. To have an impact, ideas had to circulate through society. Therefore we will also address the proliferation of print media all over Europe in the 18th century, the related emergence of new reading publics, as well as coffee houses, salons, and societies as spaces of sociability and exchange of ideas.

Reading and interpreting a range of primary and secondary sources will be a component of this course.

HIST 4335 Topic Studies in Global History: The Maritime Silk Road (E)

(ENGLISH)

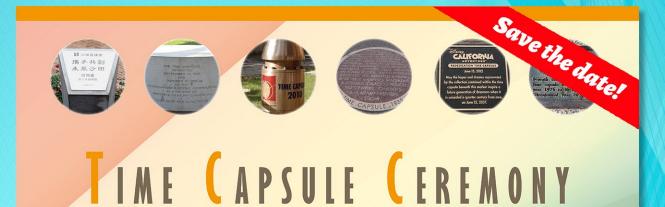
Dr. Oiyan LIU

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China's "one belt, one road" project has generated a revived interest in the importance of the maritime silk road. China's contemporary vision of silk roads, however, often deemphasizes those non-Chinese forces that played integral roles in the formation of this maritime route. This course, therefore, will examine the maritime silk road's connections between China, Southeast Asia, the Indian Ocean, and Europe from the 7th to 18th centuries. We will explore the circulations of people, goods, ideas, and institutions in and beyond maritime Asia, and study how these exchanges further produced societal, economic, and political changes in the settlements along the maritime silk road. This course is broadly divided into two periods. In the first part of this course we will examine intra-Asian connections before the arrival of Europeans by looking at, for example, the forging of riverine, archipelagic, and sea trade routes, tributary relations, networks of diasporas, knowledge production, and the spread of religion and cultural exchanges. The second part of this course will look at how oceanic voyages, increased demand for Asian goods in Europe, maritime technology, and Western presence further expanded these intra-Asian connections within a wider and global context.

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4. Time Capsule Ceremony



QUALIFIED CONTRIBUTORS

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Group 1:	The department,	all	current	academic/teaching	staff,	research/office	supporting	staff,	research	postgraduate	students,
	discipline-related student organizations										
Group 2:	Students, including year 2, 3, 4, and 5 students in October 2016, and class of 2016 students										
Group 3:	Alumni (donation r	equi	red)								

We welcome donations from all alumni who would like to contribute an item. Alumni who want to contribute a paper-form message should donate not less than HK\$100 / U\$\$15 / Euro14. Alumni who want to contribute a 3D item should donate not less than HK\$1000 / U\$\$1500 / Euro1400. Alumni who want to contribute items larger than the required size, please contact the Department to further negotiate on the size of donation.

Size requirements of the items and further information are provided at the following link: http://histweb.hkbu.edu.hk/pdf/news/lime_capsule.pdf. Contact Person: Joseph Wing-chung Liu (Tel: 3411 7174)

CAPSULE PREPARATION

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Date	October 4, 2016 (Tuesday)	This time capsule was deposited — 其意思用 +
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	Baptist University Road Campus, Kowloon Tong	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
C e r	EMONY The P/VC will officiate at the ceremony.	
Date	October 5, 2016 (Wednesday)	









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5. Time Capsule Participation and Donation Form

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