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Message from the ACPSS President

Dear ACPSS Friends and Colleagues,



I hope everyone had a great summer and that your new semester is off to a good start.

Summer 2007 marked another fruitful season for the ACPSS. From late May to early July, the ACPSS China lecture groups toured universities in Urumqi, Xi'an, Jinan, Beijing and

Wuhan. We were also invited by the Associations of Science and Technology of Hubei Province and Jinan Municipality to deliver talks and share ideas about the importance of the humanities and social sciences to China's fast-paced development and modernization. In early July, upon the invitation of China Reunification Alliance, a delegation of 12 ACPSS members visited Taiwan, where they held meetings and discussions with scholars and officials on important issues concerning the cross-strait relations and Taiwanese society. I want to extend my sincere thanks to Professors HAN Ai Guo and LI Jieli for leading those summer programs.

In addition to the above activities, many ACPSS members have been collaborating on several book projects and research initiatives with universities and government institutions in China. It gives us pride to see the publication of book series in China on the western research in the humanities and social sciences to which ACPSS members contributed significantly.

Ohio University is the host for this year's ACPSS conference. Our members are proposing multiple panels to discuss, from a variety of social sciences perspectives, issues pertaining to China's goals for a harmonious society and sustainable development. Prominent scholars from China are also invited to speak at the opening ceremony and the plenary sessions. We are looking forward to another successful annual conference this October.

During the last two years of my second term as the ACPSS President, I have had the pleasure of working with a group

of talented and committed scholars on the ACPSS Board. I want to recognize Professors TIAN Xiansheng, LIU Min, HAN Ai Guo, LI Jieli, LI Guofang, and JIA Wenshan for their service to the ACPSS community in their respective positions and assignments. Their selfless work has contributed to the growth of the ACPSS and helped raise the fame and visibility of our organization on both sides of the Pacific. Additionally, I would also like to express our genuine appreciation to the Asset Management Committee (Professors PAN Zuhong, YANG Zhiguo and JI Jianguo) and to the editor of our journal (Professor LI Xiaobing) for their dedication and professionalism in the work they have done for all of us. Many thanks to you all!

The ACPSS membership has steadily increased over the years. I am sure, with your continued support and participation, officers of the new ACPSS administration will lead us to more opportunities and greater success.

Finally, I want to thank all of you, the ACPSS members, for your trust and support. It has been a great honor to serve the ACPSS for two terms. Please feel free to stop by my home when you are visiting the New York City area. Best wishes for successful years ahead!

Sincerely,

Dr. LU Shuming
The City University of New York-Brooklyn College

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2007 ACPSS Summer Lectures in China

by HAN Aiguo

ACPSS summer lecture tour has become a major annual event in recent years. It has provided opportunities for ACPSS members to share their research, academic and other professional expertise and experiences in the United States with students and their counterparts in China. It has afforded ACPSS members opportunities to explore the possibilities of setting up joint research, teaching, and other applied projects with colleagues in China. The 2007 summer lecture tour saw the participation of 13 ACPSS members and delivered 29 talks or workshops at 12 universities and research institutions in Beijing, Xian, Wuhan, Xinjiang, and Jinan from May to July 2007.

The preparation for 2007 summer lecture tour started in January 2007. Following a discussion between ACPSS President LU Shuming and board members, Dr. HAN Aiguo, a board member from Rowan University, was asked to lead the organization and coordination of the lecture tour. Dr. LU Shuming from New York City University, Dr. ZHANG Jie from SUNY Buffalo College, and a few others offered their help in setting up initial contacts with hosting universities in China. Communications were established with academic and research institutions in Beijing, Shanghai, Xi'an, Gansu, Xinjiang, Hubei (Wuhan), Guizhou, and Shandong (Jinan).

Enthusiastic participation and support from ACPSS members marked this year's lecture tour and have made it a major success. Following the call for participation, 22 members submitted their topics and resumes for consideration. A total of 61 topics covering a wide range of subjects in humanities, social science, and arts were proposed. An impressive list of expertise and experiences was presented to the hosting institutions in China, illustrating the rich intellectual resources, strength, and great potential of ACPSS as a professional organization. Even though not all those who applied initially were able to participate largely due to scheduling conflicts, their careful preparation and enthusiastic participation left a strong positive impression on our Chinese hosts during the initial selection process. Several hosts indicated that had it not been for such constraints of time and funding, they would have invited everyone on the list to lecture at their university. The decision to pick just a limited number of topics was a difficult one for them.

2007 summer lecture tour started in May with a group invited to give talks at the Beijing University of Chemistry and Technology. ACPSS professors DU Wenwei, TIAN Xiansheng, and ZHANG Yu delivered talks on the appreciation and studies of Chinese arts such as films and plays at American colleges, about academic life, administrative structures, and functions of university

senate, and on how to perfect the translation of public signs.

The group went to Xi'an included professors HAN Aiguo, LI Guofang, TIAN Xiansheng, and Bella Chiou. They visited Xi'an International Studies University (西安外国语大学) and Xi'an International Relations University (西安外事学院) in two separate groups. Their talks at these two universities focused on American college students, bilingual education, application of new technology in the classroom, and information literacy in the United States.

The group for Wuhan was the largest group this summer, consisted of 8 ACPSS members. The participants included professors LU Shuming, YU Yanmin, YU Huiming, LI Guofang, ZHOU Jinghao, XU Guangqiu, ZHANG Jie, and HAN Aiguo. With careful planning by the local host—Hubei Provincial Association of Science and Technology (湖北省科学技术协会), ACPSS professors visited and lectured at Hubei Industrial University (湖北工业大学), Huazhong University of Science and Technology (华中科技大学), Wuhan University (武汉大学), Hubei University (湖北大学), Wuhan University of Science and Technology (武汉科技大学), and Hubei Provincial College of Chinese Medicine (湖北省中医学院). Their talks covered a variety of subjects and issues, including research and studies in cross-cultural communication, American media and politics, the use of Internet and its impact on people's life, secondary education in the United States, citizen participation and media influence in American democracy, American congress and Taiwan policy, American college students, psycholinguistics and language teaching, and philosophical inquiries about life in the 21st century.



Wuhan lecture tour group with Ke Xie leaders

At Wuhan University, professor LU Shuming, ZHANG Jie, and HAN Aiguo were invited to comment and provide suggestions on a major research project funded by the Chinese Ministry of Education to assess the ability of creativity and innovation in social science and philosophy studies. Possibilities of further cooperation between ACPSS and Wuhan University on the project were discussed at the meeting.

The Wuhan group also had extensive discussions with leaders and members of Hubei Provincial Association of Science and Technology, acknowledging the success and positive impact that ACPSS lecture group brought upon hosting institutions. A memorandum of establishing long-term working relationship and continuing academic exchange was signed at the end of visit.



LU signs agreements with Hubei Ke Xie

The activities in Xinjiang took place after the Wuhan group. It marked the second visit of ACPSS in recent years in its effort to reach out to institutions in more remote regions of China. This time all major events took place on the campus of Xinjiang University of Finance and Economy (新疆财经大学). Professor YU Huiming, ZHANG Jie, and HAN Aiguo met with students and colleagues at the university and delivered talks on Internet security, academic honesty, and philosophical inquiries about life.



Beautiful Xinjiang

The city of Jinan (济南) in Shandong Province was the last stop for this year's lecture tour. Apart from the usual lectures and workshops for faculty and students on university campuses of Jinan University (济南大学) and the Shandong University of Architecture (山东建筑大学), Jinan Association of Science and Technology (济南市科协), our kind and friendly host and coordinator of all activities, organized a major forum on the theme of social

harmony. In a carefully decorated auditorium ACPSS professors LU Shuming, LI Jieli, and HAN Aiguo presented their research and ideas to a large group of audience consisted of scholars of social sciences, professors and graduate students from universities in Jinan, city government officials, and major news media of the city. At the forum professor HAN Aiguo discussed the essence of social harmony, relationship between the individual and society, and how individuals could make psychological adjustment to achieve internal harmony. Then Professor LI Jieli discussed the function and characteristics of None Government Organizations (NGO) and their roles in the development of local community and construction of social harmony. Afterwards professor LU Shuming shared his research findings on the practice of Buddhism in Taiwan, discussed the role of religion in construction of social harmony, and emphasized that harmony start from the heart. The presentations were followed by stimulating interactions with the audience and interviews with the media.



The 2007 summer lecture tours were also filled with fun and excitements. Participants were able to get reconnected with old friends and make many new friends on the tour. It is for sure that some of those interesting stories will be "leaked" out. The warm welcome and extraordinary hospitality of our hosts made the experience very pleasant and memorable. Delicious local dishes frequently defeated the determination to stay on diet and to watch the waistline. The long feared heat of Wuhan did not materialize. The magnificent buildings of the Forbidden City, the beauty of the Three Gorges, the armature music and singing around Wuhan's East Lake, the vast landscape of Xinjiang, the breath-taking scenery of the Huashan Mountain, and the soldiers of the First Emperor all made us want to stay and to return to these places once more.

ACPSS Summer Trip to Taiwan

By HUANG Yonggang (Fred)

During the summer of 2007, ACPSS organized a delegation of professors to visit Taiwan upon the invitation

of China Reunification Alliance. 12 ACPSS members (10 from America, 1 from Canada, and 1 from Singapore) joined the journey and they are LI Jieli (the delegation head, Ohio University), HUANG Yong Gang (CUNY – Brooklyn), ZHANG Jun (University of Michigan), JIAO Xiao Xiao (New York University), YE Weili (University of Massachusetts-Boston), LI Yuhui (Rowan University), YU Josh (Savannah College of Art and Design), Edwin Leung (Seton Hall University), Robert Eng (University of Redlands), ZHANG Lening (Saint Francis University), WU Xiaoyan (University of Toronto), and LI Mingjiang (Singapore Nan Yang Technological University). The delegation stayed in Taiwan for 10 days (from 7/4 to 7/14) and visited various places including the headquarters of both major political parties (Democratic Progressive Party, and Nationalist Party), Taiwan Academia Sinica, some major research and think-tank foundations, as well as local grassroots institutions such as the Association of the Tea Farmers of Pinglin County and Ciji Buddhist Mercy and Charity Association of Taipei. The delegation was also formally received by Dr. CHEN Mingtong, the head of Executive Yuan Mainland Affairs Council, and Dr. XIE Zhiwei, the head of Executive Yuan Information Bureau, and Mr. YU Tengfang, the deputy head of Legislative Yuan.

All members of the delegation enjoyed the trip, and agreed that it was a successful and rewarding one. For most delegation members, it was the first time to set their feet on the soil of Taiwan, a land they had been long thought about and eager to see with their own eyes. Those who had visited Taiwan before, shared the view that the trip helped gain more first-hand knowledge, and deepened their understanding of the society and culture of Taiwan.



Through intensive visits to various organizations, delegation members found themselves often engaged in heated discussions with scholars of Taiwan over many subtle and sensitive issues regarding the triangular relations among Taiwan, Mainland China, and the United States.

Even though it was a fully packed schedule and was intellectually demanding, all the activities went in an orderly and smooth fashion, thanks to the careful and considerate arrangements of our Taiwan host, especially Mr. Ma Haoran, our liaison officer.



A trip to the Tea Farms' Association of Pinglin was instructive and helped the delegation members better understand the starting point of the successful economic development which Taiwan went through. The delegation members also came to know better about the distinctive features of the organization's self reliance, and how they built up its own financial institution, promoted new technology and marketed their products successfully.

The visit to the DA AI media center of Ciji Buddhist Mercy and Charity Association of Taipei and Ciji's local Trash Recycle Station were very touching and inspiring to all the members. Seeing a hundred or so volunteers busy sorting and cleaning various types of recycled items of daily use, the delegate realized the significant role of many civil/non-government organizations in building up global effort to make sustainable development possible.

All the members had amicable relations together during this trip. Sometimes the summer sun of Taiwan made the travelers doze a little on the bus ride. Yet it was a common scene that Dr. Li Jieli would strike a joke that usually made the bus burst into laughter and helped drive away some fatigue.

Over the weekend during the stay, the members spent a leisure time at the Sun and Moon Lake, a beautiful resort in the deep mountains of the central Taiwan. The tranquil scenery spots and simple life style of the local minorities relaxed the intensity of intellectual activities. For those new comers, another exiting discovery was that the delicate and refined cuisines of Taiwan. Toward the end of the trip, the delegation climbed up to the top of Taipei 101 – the skyscraper that brings visitors fantastic views, near and far around the city of Taipei. In one word, it was indeed a productive and rewarding journey.

Series on Western Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences: Monumental Book Project

by ACPSS Members with China Renmin University Press

《西方人文社科前沿述评》丛书出版发行
LI Jieli, Ohio University

On July 2nd, 2007, 15 Chinese scholars in the humanities and social sciences from the United States, Canada and other countries or regions gathered at Renmin University of China in Beijing to mark the release ceremony of the *Series on Western Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences* 《西方人文社科前沿述评》丛书 published by China Renmin University Press 中国人民大学出版社. Professors JI Baocheng and FENG Jun, President and Vice President of Renmin University of China were present and addressed the ceremony. Distinguished Chinese scholars and all major news media in Beijing were also invited to attend the meeting.



Professor LU Shuming from the City University of New York-Brooklyn College, the ACPSS President, is the organizer of this monumental book project and serves as the series editor. This past summer, China Renmin University Press released the first seven volumes of Sociology, Political Science, Education, Mass Communication, Library Information Science, Literature and Applied Linguistics. The rest 15-some volumes are being edited or organized and will be in print within the next year.



As some book reviews commented, this book series offers a panoramic view of Western research in the humanities and social sciences. Each volume is devoted to one discipline, tracing, summarizing and critiquing its most recent developments. Each of the chapters in the volumes focuses on one particular area in the discipline by discussing its origin, history, research approaches, major theories, most representative figures and their influential works, with special attention to new trends and hot issues over recent years. The authors not only summarize various theoretical approaches and research methodologies, but also offer their scholarly opinions on the issues, allowing the readers to understand the particular research area from multiple perspectives. Considering the scope and depth of scholarship needed to be represented in each volume, some non-Chinese Western scholars with particular expertise are also invited to participate in the project and their contributions make an invaluable addition to the series.

All those scholars who attended the ceremony highly commented on the value of the book series. They believed that the series will not only help scholars in the humanities and social sciences in China understand the latest developments in these fields in the West, but also help promote exchange between China and the West in the humanities and social sciences.

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Awards & Honors

Dr. Mei Zhong, Associate Professor of Music, Ball State University, recently received a faculty Outstanding Creative Endeavor Award at Ball State University, as only one faculty member selected from the campus for the year

Dr. Zhang Jie has received the SUNY College at Buffalo's President Award for Excellence in Research, Scholarship, and Creativity for his contribution and achievements in his research areas. The awarding ceremony is to be held on Buffalo State campus September 20, 2007.

Dr. Wenshan Jia, has been elected and serve as Chair of Faculty Personnel Council, Chapman University, 2007-2008 and has been elected into the Board of Directors of China Association for Intercultural Communication. Dr. Wenshan Jia also has been appointed on the editorial board of Intercultural Research book series published by Shanghai Foreign Language Education Press.

Dr. Ji Jianguo, Professor of Applied Linguistics at City University of New York – CCNY Chinese Language Teacher Certificate Program, won the 2007 New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers’ Anthony J. Papalia Award (publication award) for an “outstanding professional article for foreign language education” for a 2006 research writing, “Transcultural consciousness for teaching Chinese to American learners.” The award was conferred at the NYSAFLT 2007 Annual Conference.

Ji, Jianguo, won a 2007-2008 PSC-CUNY Faculty Research Grant (granted by the University Committee on Research Award, City University of New York) for conducting a study project on the program development and curriculum design for training Chinese language teachers.

Dr. Ji, Jianguo, won a 2007 BMCC/CUNY Faculty Development Grant (granted by the Borough of Manhattan Community College, City University of New York) for conducting a research on the pedagogy of teaching Chinese as a foreign language.

Dr. Ji, Jianguo, won a 2006-2007 New York University Adjunct Faculty Research Grant (granted by NYU School of Continuing & Professional Studies) for conducting a study on the teachability and learnability of Chinese language to limited-exposure and low-frequency American learners.

Other News

Dr. Zhong, Mei gave three presentations at College Music Society International Conference held in Thailand, Bangkok, and taught master classes at five universities in Beijing and Hunan this summer.

Dr. Zhang Jie, Professor of Sociology at State University of New York College at Buffalo, spent his summer at Central University of Finance and Economics in Beijing as an invited professor and taught two courses in its department of sociology. While in China, he also gave talks at Tsinghua University, Wuhan University, Shandong University, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, as well as Xinjiang University of Finance and Economics.

Dr. Yuezhi Zhao is scheduled to deliver a similar lecture series at Beijing University from November to December 2007, after her participation at this year's Beijing Forum, November 2-4. Her co-edited book *Global Communications: Toward a Transcultural Political Economy* will be published by Rowman & Littlefield in fall 2007. Her single-authored book, *Communication in China: Political Economy, Power and Conflict* will be published by Rowman & Littlefield in spring 2008.

Dr. Li-hua Yu, Professor of Sociology at the College of Lake County, was awarded the FY 2007 Title VI Grant by the US Department of Education (2007-09) with a total amount of \$114,787 and the matching contribution of \$274,395 by CLC. The grant has three major objectives: 1) creating a range of new courses in East Asian studies, and facilitating the inclusion of modules and topics from this area in existing course offerings; 2) increasing faculty knowledge and skills in East Asian societies and cultures through professional development opportunities and study abroad opportunities; 3) establishing a multifaceted study abroad and faculty exchange program with Xian International Studies University. This partnership program would involve: a) a summer Chinese language immersion program at XISU; b) a faculty exchange program c) a semester-long study abroad program at XISU in fall 2008, accompanied by one CLC faculty member, which will offer full credit for students and which will be institutionalized in the spring of 2009 by Illinois Consortium for International Studies and Programs.

Dr. Yuezhi Zhao, Associate Professor and Canada Research Chair, Simon Fraser University, Canada, delivered the first political economy of communication lecture series in mainland China at Wuhan University in spring 2007, and is scheduled to deliver a similar lecture series at Beijing University from November to December

2007, after her participation at this year's Beijing Forum, November 2-4. Her co-edited book *Global Communications: Toward a Transcultural Political Economy* will be published by Rowman & Littlefield in fall 2007. Her single-authored book, *Communication in China: Political Economy, Power and Conflict* will be published by Rowman & Littlefield in spring 2008.

Dr. Ji Jianguo conducted a project on "Selection and Creation of Instructional Materials for Designing Chinese Lessons with Multimedia Sources." The results were presented at the 90th Annual Conference (2007) of New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers. Dr. Ji, Jianguo, is conducting a 2007-2008 research project (supported by a PSC-CUNY research grant) to investigate and compare major approaches and criteria adopted by teacher education programs, both in the United States and in China, that train teachers of Chinese as a foreign language, with a view to discovering the degree of relevance between program designs and classroom reality, and between the theoretical framework adopted by the training programs and the practical quality-competence demand of classroom operations. The goal of this study is to develop an integrated theoretical framework and methodological structure for programs that prepare teachers of Chinese for English-speaking learners.

Josh Yu's work on canvas, "Following the Heart" Fu Da Gallery, was featured in Shanghai Painting and Sculpture Institute during July 25-29, 2007.

Li Xiaobing's new book, *A History of the Modern Chinese Army*, is published by the University of Kentucky Press in 2007. It has been selected by the History Book Club and Military Book Club.

Li Xiaobing is elected President of Southwest Association of Asian Studies in 2006-2007. He also won the Da Vinci Award of the Oklahoma State (four awards each year cross the state universities and colleges).

More Pictures from Summer Lecture Tours



Professor Han Aiguo gives a talk in Jinan



Jinan lecture tour members



Wuhan lecture tour members



Professor Li Jieli gives a lecture in Jinan



Xi'an lecture group members



Members in Shangdong



Members on top of Hua Shan

Join ACPSS Today or Renew Your Membership

The Association of Chinese Professors of Social Science in the United States (ACPSS), a Texas-registered, non-profit, and non-political professional organization, was founded in November, 1994 by a group of Chinese academics of social sciences and humanities residing in North America. ACPSS aims at (1) promoting and protecting the rights and interests of Chinese scholars of social sciences and humanities who currently hold teaching and research positions in academic institutions in the West; (2) encouraging and sponsoring creative interdisciplinary research cooperation among social scientists; (3) pursuing scholarly exchanges among Chinese academics in North America, mainland China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong; (4) advancing the comprehensive development of social sciences in mainland China; and (5) supporting China's reform and opening to the World.

ACPSS Membership Application Form

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Greetings from East Lansing, Michigan! I hope you enjoyed reading this issue of ACPSS newsletter. I also want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to this issue of the newsletter. Your prompt response and support has made the work fun and rewarding! I look forward to hearing from you for the next issue of our newsletter. Best wishes to you all and hope to see you soon at the upcoming annual conference in October in Ohio!

I wish every member a very successful semester!

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