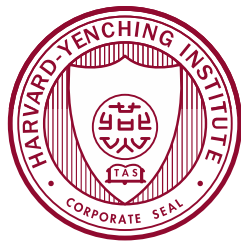


Harvard-Yenching Institute



Origins



- Harvard-Yenching Institute founded in **1928**, funded by the estate of Charles M. Hall, inventor of the process for refining aluminum and founder of ALCOA

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Be it Known That whereas Roland W. Boyden, George H. Chase,

Eric M. North, George G. Barber,

Wallace B. Donham, A. Lawrence Lowell

and James L. Barton

have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of the

Harvard-Yenching Institute,

for the purpose of the following:- To conduct and provide research, instruction and publication in the culture of China, and/or elsewhere in Continental Asia and Japan, and/or Turkey and the Balkan States in Europe, by founding, developing, supporting, maintaining and/or conducting one or more educational institutions and/or by supporting in whole or in part, cooperating with or joining or affiliating with other institutions now in existence or hereafter formed, and otherwise; and, in furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing; (1) To carry on, for properly prepared Chinese and Occidental scholars, research and educational work of the type appropriate to a graduate school of arts and sciences, and, in so far as it may appear expedient in order to prepare scholars for admission to the work of the Institute, to develop through other institutions undergraduate work in China; to explore, discover, collect and preserve objects of culture and antiquities, or to aid museums or others to do so; (2) To acquire, hold, sell and dispose of buildings, real estate and any interest therein; and to construct buildings; (3) To borrow money, issue obligations therefor, and mortgage or pledge any or all of the corporation's property as security therefor; (4) To hold, sell and dispose of, invest and reinvest funds, stocks and securities donated to the corporation and otherwise acquired by it; (5) To make donations to other charitable institutions or individuals absolutely, conditionally, or in trust. Provided, however, that nothing in this agreement of association contained shall authorize the corporation to hold real and personal estate to an amount exceeding two million dollars without special authority from the General Court of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts;

and have complied with the provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of the Proper Officers of said corporation, duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation and recorded in this office:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FREDERIC W. COOK, Secretary of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that said

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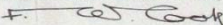
and James L. Barton,

their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as, and are hereby made, an existing corporation under the name of the

Harvard-Yenching Institute,

with the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

WITNESS my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the Great Seal of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed, this fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.


Secretary of the Commonwealth.



Mission

- Charles M. Hall's vision: to promote the study of **liberal arts** in Asia and to support the **development of higher education** in Asia
- China-focused programs to 1951
- Expansion to other countries in Asia after 1951
- Since 1954: More than **1000** faculty from Asia have received fellowships and more than **300** doctoral students from Asia have received their degrees with HYI support

Harvard-Yenching Library



The largest
university library
for East Asian
research in the
Western world

Directors

Serge Elisséeff

1934-1956

Edwin O. Reischauer

1956-1964

Glen Baxter, *Acting Director*

1961-1964

John Pelzel

1964-1975

Albert Craig

1976-1986

Patrick Hanan

1987-1995

Tu Weiming

1996-2008

Elizabeth Perry

2008-

Fellowship Programs



1962-1963

Fellowship Programs



1965-1966

Fellowship Programs



1974-1975

Fellowship Programs



1987-1988

Fellowship Programs



1994-1995

Fellowship Programs



2001-2002

Fellowship Programs



2015-2016

Fellowship Programs

- **Visiting Scholars Program:** for **faculty** at HYI partner universities in Asia (10 month research grants at HYI in Cambridge)
- **Visiting Fellows Program:** for **advanced graduate students** from Asian Partners to conduct dissertation research at HYI for 17 months

Supported fields

Fields of research in the **humanities and social sciences** to be considered are:

- Anthropology
- Archaeology
- History
(including art history, economic history and legal history)
- Linguistics
- Literature
- Philosophy
- Politics
- Religion
- Sociology

Scholars in the fields of *Economics, Education, Law, and Psychology* may be considered, but should check with the Institute before submitting applications.

Visiting Scholars Program

- For **faculty members** in the humanities and social sciences
- **10 months** of independent research at Harvard University
- Proposed research project should be related to the humanities and social sciences with an emphasis on **culture**. Asian and comparative studies are especially welcome.

Visiting Fellows Program

- For advanced PhD candidates to conduct **dissertation writing and research** at Harvard University for three semesters (17 months)
- Preference is given to those in **East Asian Studies** whose research would benefit from the resources of the Harvard-Yenching Library

Application process

- All candidates must be nominated by their home institution
- HYI is unable to accept individual applications directly
- All candidates apply online

Application materials

Visiting Scholars

- Research Proposal (3-5 pages)
- Recommendation Letters
- CV

Visiting Fellows

- Description of dissertation (2-3 pages)
- Recommendation Letters
- CV
- Graduate Transcripts

For helpful advice on preparing these documents, visit our website: www.harvard-yenching.org/fellowship

Qualifications

Visiting Scholars

- No nationality restrictions
- Preference to younger scholars, but no age restrictions
- Must have at least 2 years of full-time research/teaching at home institution
- Those with a PhD from an English-speaking university may not apply within 5 years of receiving their doctoral degree
- Ability to participate in activities in English

Visiting Fellows

- Must be a citizen of an Asian country
- Must be enrolled in a full-time doctoral program
- Ability to participate in activities in English

Stipend and Benefits

- Stipend:
 - Visiting Scholars: US\$5,835/month for 10 months
 - Visiting Fellows: US\$2,700/month for 17 months
- Health Insurance
- Round trip airfare
- Funding to attend an academic conference in N. America
- Additional funding:
 - Scholars: Research fund (can hire student for part-time help)
 - Fellows: Support for English tutoring/academic writing skills

Selection Process

- Nomination by your home institution
- Online submission of application to HYI: **Sept. 30**
- Applications undergo faculty review
 - Reviewers focus on candidate's academic background, strength of research proposal and recommendation letters
- **Interviews**
 - Held in country of residence in December or January
- Review and **final selection** by HYI committee
 - Notification by late February
- Program begins in late August

Year in Residence



Year in Residence

Visiting Scholars

- One **presentation** on research, in English, during the academic year
- Academic and social **activities** for all HYI affiliates
- Opportunity to **organize a workshop** at Harvard w/ HYI support
- Partnered with a **faculty 'mentor'** at Harvard or another appropriate university

Year in Residence

Visiting Fellows

- Participation in a **weekly seminar** with other HYI-affiliated graduate students
- Academic and social **activities** for all HYI affiliates
- Partnered with a **faculty 'mentor'** at Harvard or another nearby university

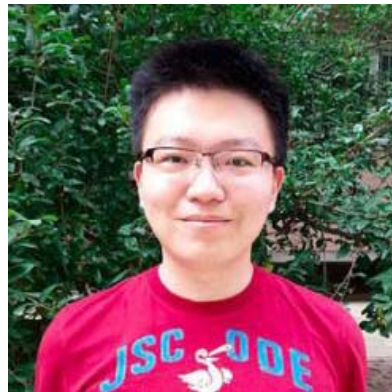
HYI Scholar/Fellow profiles



Wendy Gan

School of English, University of Hong Kong

Research interests: comic representations of China and the Chinese in British and American writing between 1880-1945



Li Zhen

PhD candidate in Philosophy, Peking University

Research interests: philosophical and intellectual history in the Song and Ming Dynasty, focusing on Neo-Confucianism in the 11th century, especially the theory of Shao Yong

Profiles (cont'd)



Sun Hyei-min

Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica

Research interests: socio-cultural history, legal history, urban history, and the history of education



Lee Hyeon Jung

Dept. of Anthropology, Seoul National University

Research interests: understanding the role of the state and social support in subject formation related to suffering and mental health among peasants in China and the urban poor in Korea

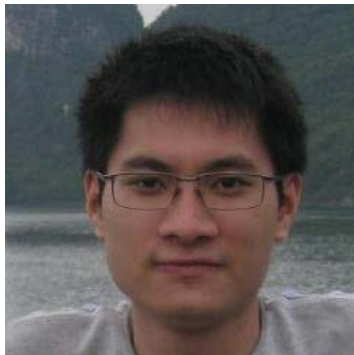
Profiles (cont'd)



Noriko Yamazaki-Unno

PhD candidate in History, U. of Tokyo

Research interests: the modern history of Central Eurasia, minority studies, and anthropological discourses over ethnicity and religion



Tran Dang Trung

PhD candidate in Literature, VNU-Hanoi

Research interests: war literature, literary theory, and comparative literature; focusing on Vietnam War literature from a comparative perspective

Support for Alumni

- Continuing support for HYI alumni
 - Publication grant (for former scholars and fellows)
 - Can apply for financial support for workshops in Asia
 - Alumni gatherings in Asia
 - Associate Program
 - past grantees can return to Harvard for 3-12 months, with their own funding, to conduct new or additional research in their respective fields

Additional HYI Programs

- Fellowship for Master's Program in Harvard's Regional Studies – East Asia Program
- Training Programs held in Asia

RSEA Master's Program at Harvard University - HYI Fellowship

- The Regional Studies – East Asia (RSEA) Program at Harvard University is for graduate training in the languages, societies and cultures of East Asia
- The RSEA Master's program offers additional course preparation and mentorship for promising students in order to make them more competitive for admission to leading Ph.D. programs
- The HYI fellowship is for Asian nationals who are:
 - committed to pursuing a Ph.D. as preparation for an academic career
 - planning to return to Asia to teach upon completion of graduate studies
- This full fellowship covers the two-year Master's degree in Harvard's RSEA program
- More information: <http://rsea.fas.harvard.edu>

HYI Training Programs

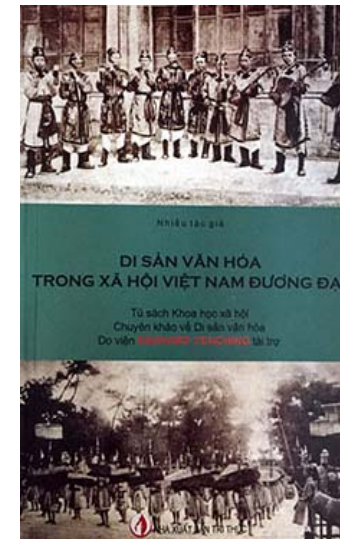
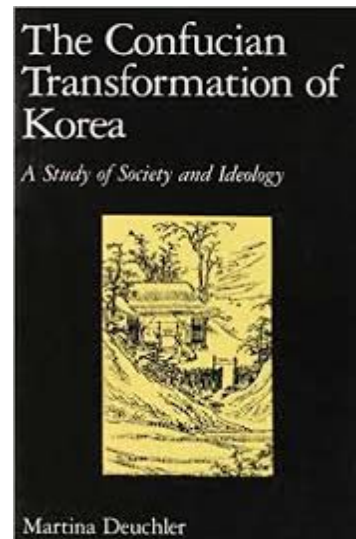
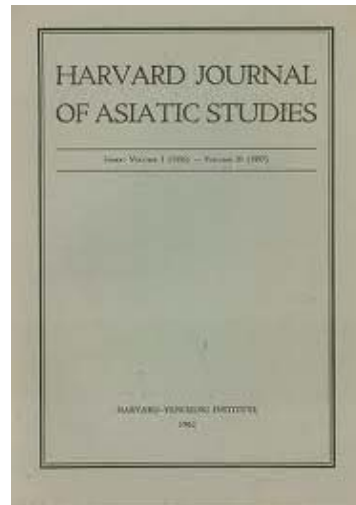
- Intensive **1-2 week programs** for graduate students and junior faculty (conducted with one of our partner universities)
- Participants can apply for a **one-year fellowship** at HYI following the completion of the training program
 - 2-5 from each program may be chosen for such grants

Recent HYI Training Programs



- *Civil Society and Grassroots Movements* (Seoul)
- *Urban Studies* (Shanghai and Hong Kong)
- *Sociological Approaches to Contemporary China* (Nanjing)
- *Comparative and World Literature Studies* (Beijing)
- *Medical Humanities* (Beijing and Tianjin)
- *Qualitative Approaches to Chinese Politics* (Nanjing, Guangzhou, Shanghai)

Publications



Partner universities - Taiwan

- **Taiwan:** 3 partner institutions
 - Academia Sinica
 - National Taiwan University
 - National Tsing Hua University

Other partner universities

- **China:** 19 Universities and Research Institutes
- **Hong Kong:** 3 Universities
- **Japan:** 12 Universities and 1 Research Library
- **South Korea:** 10 Universities
- **Southeast Asia:**
 - Universities/research institutes in: Singapore (1); Cambodia (3); Thailand (3); and Vietnam (4)

To see the full list, visit:

<http://www.harvard-yenching.org/partner-institutions>

More information

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