

ACS Second Undergraduate Research Conference on Chinese Studies

April 16-18, 2010

Holiday Inn Decatur, Atlanta

Friday, April 16

Conference Opening

Henry Oliver Room at Holiday Inn Decatur

Presiding: Drs. Wayne Anderson/ Jinping Zhu, Associated Colleges of the South

5:25 – 5:45 p.m. Reception at Henry Oliver Room

5:45 – 6:00 p.m. Welcome Dr. Wayne Anderson, President of Associated
Colleges of the South

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Dinner at Henry Oliver Room

Introduction of the Keynote Speaker: Dr. Jinping Zhu

7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Keynote Address Dr. Ilan Alon, Cornell Chair of International
Business and Director of the China Center, Rollins College

Topic: *The Changing Socio-Economic and Political Environment of China*

Saturday, April 17

Presentations and Panel Discussions

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast at Henry Oliver Room

8:30 – 10:00 a.m. Concurrent Panel Sessions: I and II

**Panel I: China and Global Politics
Henry Oliver Room**

Chair and Discussant: Dr. Yusheng Yao, Rollins College

Sameera Shaban (Rollins): Comparing Success in China and India and the Role of a Successful India in Shaping Democracy in China

Taylor Roberts (Trinity): The Cautious Dragon: Chinese Reluctance in Multilateral Relations

William Wagstaff (Rhodes): China's Military—Reason to Worry?

Hunter Stoehr (Hendrix): The Gun versus the Mind: The Source of Power in Mao's Political Thought

**Panel II: Rereading Tradition
Henry Oliver Room**

Chair and Discussant: Dr. Jinli He, Trinity University

Tamara Wilson (Spelman): Traditional Chinese Medicine, Traditional African Medicine and African American Folk Medicine—A Meeting of the Minds

Amy Testa (Rollins): Changing Attitudes: Homoeroticism and the Male Homosexual Tradition in Late Imperial China through Present Day

Anne Roselli (Trinity): The Chinese Scholar, The American Scholar, and Their Studios

Derry Jameson (Southwestern): Shen Zhou's Lofty Mount Lu: Revitalizing Antiquity

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Coffee break at **Henry Oliver Room**

10:30 – 12:00 p.m. Concurrent Panel Sessions: III and IV

**Panel III: Confucianism and Comparative Philosophy
Henry Oliver Room**

Chair and Discussant: Dr. Daniel Coyle, Birmingham-Southern College

Michael Rodriguez (Trinity): An Abstraction on Ren

Brandon Underwood (Birmingham Southern): Zhengming: Delineating ideological differences between Virtue and Confucian Ethics

John McDaniel (Trinity): The Origins and Applications of Xiao: An Etymological of Xiao and Its Implications for the Han Dynasty

Philip Allman (Birmingham Southern): Let Beings Be: Heidegger's authenticity and the zhenren of the Daoist text, Zhuangzi

**Panel IV: Religion, Modernity and Contemporary application of Classical Chinese Philosophy
Henry Oliver Room**

Chair and Discussant: Dr. Zhengbin Lu, Spelman College

Jessica Perkins (Spelman): Chinese Wedding Traditions

Ian Wallace (Rollins): The Self-Strengthening Movement: China's Attempt to Leap into the Future

Tom Jackson (Birmingham Southern): Daoist Metaeconomics in American Business

Jasmine Shaw (Spelman): A Deep Dive into China's Consumer Market; An analysis of Shanghai's Disney Potential

12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch at Citrus Grove

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Break/Free time

2:30 – 4:00 p.m. **Panel V Contemporary Projects and Issues
Henry Oliver Room**

Chair and Discussant: Dr. Dongming Zhang, Furman University

Charlotte Ashford (Rhodes): China's Second Great Wall: The Decision to Build the Three Gorges Dam

Karim Kajani (Furman) Water Transfer Project

Marikaa Nixon (Spelman): China's Engagement in Africa-Implications for the West

Ariane Rosen (Rollins): China's Developing Civil Society: An Analysis of US Environmental NGOs

4:00 – 4:10 p.m. **Break**

4:10 – 5:40 p.m. **Panel VI: Art, Poetry and Literature: through Cultural and Political Perspectives**

Henry Oliver Room

Chair and Discussant: Dr. Carl Robertson, Southwestern University

Lindsey Waldrop (Southwestern): The Pupil becomes the Iconoclast?: Yuan Hongdao's Poetic Theory and Writings as an Expression of Frustration with Late Ming Orthodox Ideology

Eva Cheng (Southwestern): Lu Xun and the Reflective Identity

Elise Huff (Southwestern): Zhao Mengfu's handscroll, "Autumn Colors": Antiquity and Politics in Early Yuan Painting

Tracy Carlin (Trinity): Heirs of this New, Red World": Zhang Yimou's Early Use of Red in Red Sroghum, Raise the Red lantern and To Live

5:40 – 6:00 p.m. Break/free time

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Dinner at Oakhurst Room

Sunday, April 18

Conference Closing Ceremony

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast at Henry Oliver Room

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Certificate and Best Paper Award Ceremony

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Summary Representative of the Conference Committee

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Evaluation

10:00 a.m. Adjournment