The Institute welcomed its first two MA-level graduate students in the Regional Studies-East Asia program. Three additional students were selected for the coming year. This program is a three-year fellowship program with the third year portable to other departments and universities in the event that the student is accepted into an approved program of doctoral studies.

The Institute has introduced several new grant programs. The Harvard-Yenching Library Research Grant was established to promote academic research utilizing materials uniquely available in the Harvard-Yenching Library. Each year up to two such fellowships may be awarded to Asia-based scholars. A conference grant program to bring scholars from Asia to attend major conferences on Asian studies at Harvard University has facilitated the participation of scholars in conferences with topics ranging from revolutionary legacies to sexually transmitted disease. Another new program encourages small-scale workshops organized by Institute alumni on a well-focused theme and likely to result in a significant publication. These workshops are inter-disciplinary gatherings with participants from more than one Asian country.

Academic year 2009-2010 saw the successful completion of the two-year training program in comparative literature organized by Professor Stephen Owen. Five Chinese scholars were selected to spend the academic year at the Institute as part of this program. In addition, preparation was started for a two-year training program in art history organized by Professor Eugene Wang. There were also two training programs held in China, one in Beijing on grassroots society and popular culture and another in Shanghai on urban studies.

What follows are listings of the Institute’s in-house seminars, titles of papers and books reviewed on the HYI website, publications supported by the Institute, as well as reports on the Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies, the Harvard-Yenching Library and the HYI training programs.

SEMINARS
These seminars were presented by Harvard-Yenching Institute affiliates unless otherwise noted.

9/25 Elizabeth J. Perry, Director and Henry Rosovsky Professor of Government, Harvard University
Community and Citizenship in Modern China

10/2 Ge Zhaoguang, Fudan University
Self-reflection by Mirroring: Understanding the culture of China from Japanese and Korean Literature

10/9 David Damrosch, Professor, Department of Comparative Literature, Harvard University
Comparative World Literature: China and the United States
10/23  Robert Weller, Professor and Chair of Anthropology and Research Associate, Institute of Culture, Religion and World Affairs, Boston University  
Religion and the Public Good in Modern Chinese Societies

10/30  Melissa McCormick, Professor of Japanese Art and Culture, Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, Harvard University  
(Co-sponsored by the Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies)  
“The Spirit of the Chrysanthemum” (Kiku no sei monogatari) and Flower Personification in Medieval Japanese Art

11/6  Han Joon, Associate Professor of Sociology, Yonsei University; Discussant: Frank Dobbin, Professor of Sociology, Harvard University  
(Co-sponsored by the Korea Institute)  
Social Consequences of Rapid Expansion of Higher Education in South Korea

11/13  Eugene Wang, Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Professor of Asian Art, Harvard University  
The Alchemy and Jouissance of Death: Sichuan Sarcophagi in New Perspective

11/16  Gao Fengfeng, Professor of Literature, Peking University; Discussant: Richard Thomas, Professor of Greek and Latin, Classics Department, Harvard University  
Proba’s Virgilian Cento

11/20  Liu Heng, Discussant: Michael Herzfeld, Professor of Anthropology, Harvard University  
Ethnographic Biography: How the Personal Connects with the Professional  Zhou Enlai

12/11  Itagaki Ryuta, Professor of Anthropology, Doshisha University; Discussant: Andrew Gordon, Lee and Juliet Folger Fund Professor of History, Harvard University  
(Co-sponsored by the Korea Institute)  
The Politics of “Illicitly Brewed Liquor” in Colonial Korea

1/28  Wang Wei, Professor of Linguistics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences; Discussants: Gennaro Chierchia, Haas Foundations Professor of Linguistics and James Huang, Department of Linguistics, Harvard University  
Is the Past Always Behind Us? A Past-Oriented Model for the Chinese Perfective Aspect Marker “Le”

2/10  Kuah-Pearce Khun Eng, Chinese University of Hong Kong; Discussant: Arthur Kleinman, Esther and Sidney Rabb Professor, Department of Anthropology, Harvard University and Professor of Medical Anthropology in Social Medicine and Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School; Director, Harvard University Asia Center  
Humanistic Buddhism and Its Global Philanthropic Reach

2/18  C.T. James Huang, Professor of Linguistics, Harvard University  
Variation and change in language: an East Asian perspective

3/2  Joseph Fewsmith, Professor, Department of International Relations, Boston University  
Institutions, Institutionalization, and Governance in China
3/11  *Martin Whyte, Professor of Sociology, Harvard University*
The Impact of Market Reforms on the Health of Chinese Citizens: Examining Two Puzzles

3/19  What is Chinese Philosophy? Four Expositions on its Characteristics by Scholars from National Taiwan University; Discussants Michael Puett and Sato Masayuki
Chair: Masayuki Sato, Associate Professor, National Taiwan University
Bau-rueri Duh, Associate Professor, National Taiwan University
Chinese Philosophy on Self-cultivation: With Cosmological and Ontological Approach
Yao-ming Tsai, Associate Professor, National Taiwan University
Chinese Philosophy on Meaning of Life and Death from a Buddhist Viewpoint
Chair: Michael Puett, Professor, EALC, Harvard University
Wim De Reu, Assistant Professor, National Taiwan University
Chinese Philosophy on Language and Knowledge: With a Close Focus on the Zhuangzi
Masayuki Sato, Associate Professor, National Taiwan University
Chinese Philosophy on State and Society: The Concept of Li in the Xunzi

3/31  *Lee Sung Yup, Professor of History, Kyoto University; Discussant: Andrew Gordon, Lee and Juliet Folger Fund Professor of History*
( Co-sponsored with the Korea Institute and the Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies) Re-examining the Relations between the Imperial Diet of Japan and Colonial Korea

4/7  *Kim Sung-ho, Professor of Political Science, Yonsei University; Discussants: Professors Carter Eckert and Andrew Gordon*
( Co-Sponsored with the Korea Institute and the Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies) How the East Was Won: “Imposed Constitutionalism” in Postwar Japan and Postcolonial Korea, 1945-1948

4/8  *Wu Xiaohong, Professor of Archaeology, Peking University; Discussant: Rowan Flad, Department of Anthropology*
( Co-sponsored by the Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies) Precision of Radiocarbon Dating for the Key Project of Origins and Development of Chinese Civilization in China

4/13  *Cao Jin, Professor, School of Journalism, Fudan University; Discussants: Joan Kaufman, Lecturer in Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School and founding Director of the AIDS Public Policy Training Project, Harvard Kennedy School and Bradley S. Epps, Professor of Romance Languages and Literature and of Studies of Women, Gender, and Sexuality, Harvard University*
Case Study of a Lesbian Health Hotline in a Peripheral Chinese City

4/21  *Lu Hongliang, Professor of Archaeology, Sichuan University; Discussant: Rowan Flad, Anthropology Department, Harvard University*
*Trans-Himalayas Interaction during the First Millennium BC*

4/22  *Hu Suhua, Professor, Institute for Chinese Minority Languages, Minzu University of China; Discussants: Professor James Huang, Linguistics Department and Professor Feng Shengli, EALC Department, Harvard University*
The Morpheme SU—Determiner and Complementizer in Nuosu Yi Language
NEW FRONTIERS IN ASIAN SCHOLARSHIP
The following books were reviewed for the series which was established in 2009.

1968: Youths’ Revolts and Their Background / The End of the Revolts and Their Legacy by Oguma Eiji. Reviewed by Hideaki Fujiki

ASEAN Economic Community: Content and Roadmap edited by Nguyen Hong Son. Reviewed by Nguyen Manh Hung.

The Banhar Epic Cycle in Kontum, By Phan Thi Hong. Reviewed by Tran Thi Phuong Phuong

A Biography of Dudgeon: A British Medical Missionary and the Medical Modernization of the Late Qing Dynasty by Gao Xi. Reviewed by Liu Ping

A Cliometric Review of Late Chosŏn History, Edited by Rhee Young Hoon. Reviewed by Ilsoo David Cho

Collectivism, Individualism and “the self” of the Vietnamese Today Edited by DO Long and PHAN Thi Mai Huong. Reviewed by Hoang M. To Nga

Disrespect/Respect: A theoretical viewpoint in philosophical and sociological studies, Vol. I by Tô Duy Hop. Reviewed by Le Ngoc Hung

Earthbreaking Studies on Illustrations in Shanhaijing: Ma Changyi and Her Recent Two Books on Shanhaijing Reviewed by Lihui Yang
Flying Dragon in Luoyang, Record of Three Generations of Literary Talent, and Records Showing the Distinction between Right and Wrong Reviewed by Yoong-hee Jo

From People to Citizens by Choi Jang-jip (Seoul: Dolbegae, 2009), reviewed by Professor Park Tae Gyun

Heritage and Betrayal: A Treatise on the Emergence of Modern Science in Western Civilization By Chen Fong-ching. Reviewed by Wu Fengshi

A Historical Outline of Daoist Rituals before the Tang Dynasty by Lü Pengzhi. Reviewed by Professor Guo Wu (Sichuan University)

Incarceration and the Incarcerated: Power and Resistance by Saipin Suputtamongkol, reviewed by Non Arkaraprasertkul.

Japanese Culture in East Asia By Murai Shosuke (Tokyo: Hoso Daigaku Kyoiku Shinkokai, 2005). Reviewed by Mitani Hiroshi (University of Tokyo)

Mental Disorders of the Tao Aboriginal Minority in Taiwan: Modernity, Social Change, and the Origin of Social Suffering By Yu-yeuh Tsai. Reviewed by Shang-Jen Li

The Military Establishment and the Integration of the People: From the Sino-Japanese War to the period of the Manchurian Incident by YUI Masaomi. Reviewed by Okamoto Koichi

Modernity, Asia, and the Yangming School by Ogyû Shigehiro. Reviewed by Makabe Jin.

Phoenix, Oh Phoenix: Collected Essays on Madness in Chinese Literature Edited by Tamotsu Sato, Reviewed by Akiyoshi Yagi

Mural Painting in Buddhist Monasteries By San Phalla. Reviewed by Heng Piphal

The Nomad’s Choice: The First Encounter Between Northern Nomads and Imperial China by Wang Mingke. Reviewed by Liang Zhao


Reading Against the Grain: Collected Essays on Literary Studies, and Criticism on Thai and World Literature By Chusak Pattarakulvanit. Reviewed by Janit Feangfu.

Studies on the Beliefs of Local Shrines in Song China by Pi Qingsheng. Reviewed by Dr. Lei Wen

Taste of Luxury: Consumer society and the scholar-literati circle in the late Ming dynasty by WU Jen-shu. Reviewed by Sylvia Wun-sze Lee


The Transformation of Religions and Religious Beliefs in Vietnam Today, Reviewed by Pham Quynh Phuong

Transforming Knowledge into Wisdom: a review of The Collected Works of Feng Qi Reviewed by YU Zhenhua

When Law Meets Economy: Commercial Law in Ming-Qing China by CHIU Peng-sheng. Reviewed by LI Cho-ying

WORKING PAPER SERIES
The following as yet published papers were posted on the HYI Website during 2009-2010.

Development of Property Law in Cambodia, Vietnam and China: What is behind the legal reforms in transition to a market economy? (KUONG Teilee, Nagoya University; HYI Visiting Scholar 2009-2010)


Cambodian Constitutional Provisions on Treaties: A Story of Constitutional Evolution Beyond Rhetoric (KUONG Teilee, Nagoya University; HYI Visiting Scholar 2009-2010)

Displaying Chinese Folklore to the World: the 2008 Olympic Games and International Folkloric Tourism in Gaobeidian Village, Beijing (YANG Lihui, Professor, Institute of Folklore and Cultural Anthropology, Beijing Normal University; HYI Associate, 2006-07)

Assessment of the Social Functions and Vitality of the Yi Language from the Perspective of its Domains of Use (HU Suhua, Minzu University of China; HYI Visiting Scholar 2009-2010)

OVERSEAS PUBLICATIONS
In addition to the ongoing publications supported by the Institute, China Scholarship, Yenching Journal and History of Chinese Philosophy, the Institute supported the second volume, Literary Study in Vietnam: Possibilities and Challenges, of the Vietnamese language series HYI Publication Series in Social Sciences and Humanities Vietnamese, which is the first peer-reviewed, academically independent publication in Vietnam.
WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

The Institute (co)sponsored the following workshops:

7/7-8  Ideas, Networks, Places: Rethinking Chinese History of the Middle Period
(Sponsored by the Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, the
Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University Asia Center and the
Harvard-Yenching Institute) Conference in honor of Professor Peter K. Bol on the
occasion of his 60th birthday

8/8-9  13th Harvard (Biennial) International Symposium on Korean Linguistics
For more information on Harvard-ISOKL, visit http://www.harvard-isokl.org

9/10-11 Meanderings Between Borders—Cultural Transmission and the Production of
Knowledge in Contemporary East Asia-- Twenty papers were presented over the
course of the conference from scholars in Europe, the United States, Japan, Korea,
Southeast Asia, and Taiwan. Two round table discussions will also be held, the
"Revisiting Formosa," will focus on the issue of East Asian cultural transmission
in Taiwanese literature.
(Held under the joint administration of the Graduate Institute of Taiwanese
Literature at National Taiwan University and the Harvard-Yenching Institute,
with the assistance and backing of Taiwan's Ministry of Education as well as the
National Science Council.)

10/3  Twenty-First Century Urbanization: Social Science Perspectives on China’s
Urban Transformation
Sponsored by the University of Michigan Center for Chinese Studies, the
Association for Asian Studies and the Harvard-Yenching Institute (held in Ann
Arbor, Michigan)

11/7  Harvard-Yenching Institute Panel at the Beijing Forum: “Grassroots Mobilization
in 20th Century China: A Rural-Urban Comparison”. Panel Chair: Elizabeth Perry
Panel Discussants: Michael Herzfeld and Elizabeth Perry
Presenters: Jeong Jong-Ho, Liu Jundai, Liu Chun (Brenda), Yan Xiaojun, Yu
Jianrong, Zhou Yi

3/20  International Workshop on Research on Chinese Philosophy in Japan and Taiwan:
With Critical Retrospections and future Prospects
(Co-sponsored by the Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations)

3/31  Seeing Utopia, Past and Future: Wang Di and Xing Danwen Art Exhibit, Panel
Discussion, and Lectures (Co-sponsored by the Department of History of Art and
Architecture)
Red Legacy in China: An International Conference
(Co-sponsored by the CCK Foundation Inter-University Center for Sinology, the Harvard-Yenching Institute, and the Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies)

HYI Annual Forum
Explaining the Rise of China: A Challenge to Western Social Science Theories?
(Co-sponsored by the Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies)

The Sinic World in Perspective
A symposium in honor of Tu Weiming, Harvard Yenching Professor of Chinese History and Philosophy and of Confucian Studies, on the occasion of his seventieth birthday. Organized by the Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, in cooperation with The Harvard University Asia Center, The John K. Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies and The Harvard-Yenching Institute

Inner Asia and China: Cultural and Historical Connections
Conference website:

HYI Literature Symposium: Culture at the Intersection

Early Korea and Japan Interactions: New Perspectives on Old Issues
This workshop was planned and hosted by the Early Korea Project (EKP) at Harvard.

Social Suffering, the Culture of Compassion, and the Divided Moral Experience in China (Co-sponsored by the Asia Center)

18th Annual International Association of Chinese Linguistics Conference
Hosted under the joint auspices of the Department of Linguistics and the Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, Harvard University
(Co-sponsored by the Harvard-Yenching Insitute, the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange and the International Association of Chinese Linguistics, and further supported by the Fairbank Center and Asia Center of Harvard University, and the Haide Foundation of Hong Kong

What is Chinese Philosophy? Four Expositions on its Characteristics by Scholars from National Taiwan University
Burmese Lives: Ordinary Life Stories under the Burmese Regime

Organized by Wen-Chin Chang (Center for Asia-Pacific Area Studies, Academia Sinica, Taiwan) and Eric Tagliacozzo (Department of History, Cornell University, USA), and co-sponsored by the Harvard-Yenching Institute and the Center for Asia-Pacific Area Studies, Academia Sinica
Cultural Understanding and Cultural Dialogue in the Past 100 Years in China; Fourth in the series of the Nanjing University-Harvard-Yenching Dialogue between Chinese and Islamic Civilizations, held in Nanjing. The previous three meetings were entitled, 2002: “The Dialogue between Chinese and Islamic Civilizations” (Nanjing); 2005: “The Cultural dialogue and the cultural consciousness” (Yinchuan); 2006: “The Global Significance of Local Knowledge” (Kunming).

ALUMNI EVENTS

10/31-11/2 Harvard-Yenching Institute Alumni Conference: “Multiple Perspectives on the Meaning of Community and Citizenship”; Sponsored by Peking University and the Harvard-Yenching Institute (held in Beijing)

The conference aimed to promote active discussion among scholars from universities and research institutes in East Asia on the topics of citizenship and community. The fast pace of economic and information globalization in the latter half of the 20th century has greatly influenced human development. In China, after 1949, and particularly after the policy of reform and opening was implemented in 1978, the fast pace of modernization led to rapid changes of the social structure. This conference looked at China's social progress and social development from the perspectives of community construction, citizenship, and civil society. At the same time, the conference enhanced understanding of China's situation by offering international comparisons.

ASSOCIATION FOR ASIAN STUDIES

The Institute continued its collaboration with the Association for Asian Studies (AAS) in 2009-2010 to raise the international profiles of leading Asian academics. Towards that end, the Institute offered travel grants to six HYI alumni whose papers were presented on panels at the annual meeting of the AAS. Additionally, the Institute’s 2010 Pusey Fellow, Wang Hui, Professor of Literature and History, Tsinghua University served as a Keynote Speaker at the meeting.

HARVARD-YENCHING LIBRARY

The Institute continued its support of the Harvard-Yenching Library in the amount of $1,350,000 in academic year 2009-2010. Dr. James Cheng reports the following from the Library’s Annual Report

As of June 30, 2010, the Library’s collections included 1,299,623 volumes, marking an increase of 37,161 volumes in FY10. The library’s collections include the following numbers of volumes: 747,491 Chinese, 322,501 Japanese, 152,592 Korean, 18,778 Vietnamese, 50,547 in various Western languages, and 8,214 Tibetan, Manchu, and Mongolia. The Library subscribes to 8,765
serial titles, including Chinese statistical yearsbooks. The microform collection has grown to 112,976 reels/pieces.

In national rankings, the Chinese and Korean collections continued to be ranked first among all East Asian collections in North America, with the exception of the Library of Congress. The Japanese Collection is ranked third in the country, after the University of California, Berkeley, and Columbia University. Within Harvard, the Harvard-Yenching Library retained its ranking as the third largest among all library units, after Widener Library and the Law School Library.

The Harvard-Yenching Library’s biggest challenge in FY10 was to manage its operations with a 15% budget reduction. While the book budget was protected, nine staff positions were eliminated which represented almost 25% of Harvard-Yenching Library’s total staffing.

**Digitization Projects:** In December 2009, the Library completed a three-year cooperative digitization project with Princeton University, the Asian Division of the Library of Congress, and the Fu Ssu-nien Library of the Institute of History and Philology of the Academia Sinica in Taiwan, supported by a grant from the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange. More than 90,000 digital images, representing 273 Chinese rare books, were contributed to a central database which is maintained by the Fu Ssu-nien Library in Taiwan. The full texts of the digitized Chinese rare books appear in HOLLIS.

In June 2010, the Library also completed a three-year cooperative digitization project with the National Library of Korea. 473 Korean rare books, most of which are manuscript editions, were digitized under this project, which was funded entirely by the National Library of Korea. The full texts of the digitized Korean rare books also appear in HOLLIS.

After almost a year of negotiations and preparations, an Agreement was officially signed at Harvard between the Harvard College Library and the National Library of China in October 2009. This Agreement calls for a six-year (2010–2015) cooperative digitization project to digitize all of the Chinese rare books in the Harvard-Yenching Library (4,210 titles in 51,889 volumes). While the National Library of China provides funding, the Harvard College Library provides staff and digital technology expertise. Digitization of the Chinese rare books takes place in the Imaging Services Department in Widener Library. Each month, a file of the digital images of Chinese rare books is sent to the National Library of China. The National Library of China, in turn, agrees to make these digital images available to Chinese citizens. The project began at Harvard in January 2010. We can expect to see more full texts of these Chinese rare books in HOLLIS as the project advances.

**Visiting Librarian Programs:** In FY10, the Library hosted two visiting librarians from China, Ms. Lucy Tie-wei Liu of Fudan University Library, who focused on online cataloging, and Ms. Xiaooyuan Yuan of Nanjing University Library, who focused on public services. Ms. Liu’s program was partially funded by a grant from the Edna & Yu-shan Han Charitable Foundation; Ms. Yuan’s program was funded by the Harvard-Yenching Institute.
Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies
Report by Joanna Handlin Smith

The Journal continues to receive manuscript submissions at a healthy pace, one that has yielded four worthy articles apiece for the December 2009 and June 2010 issues. Also gratifying has been the generally high quality of in-depth book reviews, in large part by scholars of considerable distinction whose contributions signal that they value HJAS. See the two tables of contents, herewith attached. Starting with HJAS 69.1 (June 2009), every new issue of HJAS has been immediately available online through Project Muse. The usage statistics for HJAS at both Project Muse and JSTOR are gratifying. The list of the twenty-five most frequently accessed titles on JSTOR for 2009 show: a strong interest in articles dating from the 1950s and ’60s as well as in those from more recent years; and that roughly 90 percent of all materials (dating back to 1936) have been accessed at least once. The statistics for Project Muse show that users in over forty-five countries have accessed HJAS.

The Journal is extremely fortunate to have the services of David Goodrich, whose commitment to and pride in his work, as well as his skill in handling maps, tables, and illustrations is extraordinary. During the past year, the Journal has also been well served by Nancy Sullivan, an expert proofreader, and, as needed, by the occasional editorial assistance of Alice Cheang and book-review assistant Jeffrey Moser.

Professors David Howell and Tomiko Yoda, both of Harvard University, have joined the Editorial Board.

HYI Training Program

The Comparative Literature Training program concluded its two-year program with a Symposium held on May 1, 2010, entitled “Culture at the Intersection.” This symposium included scholars from the first year of the comparative literature training program as well as HYI doctoral scholar grantees.

In January 2010, the Institute sponsored a training program in collaboration with the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences on grassroots society and popular culture. The program featured three lecturers from the US, Grzegorz Ekiert of the Harvard Government Department, Martin Whyte of the Harvard Sociology Department, and Helen Siu of the Yale Anthropology Department, along with six Chinese faculty and members of the Rural Development Institute at CASS. The training program attracted graduate students and young faculty from China and Hong Kong. Three graduates of this program were selected to spend the 2010-11 year in residence at HYI.

Additionally a training program in Urban Studies was held at East China Normal University in Shanghai in June. This training program was conducted in collaboration with New York
University and the Hong Kong Institute of Social Sciences and Humanities. Elizabeth Perry lectured as well as Lizabeth Cohen, Harvard Department of History, Tom Bender, NYU Department of History, Zhang Xudong, NYU Department of Comparative Literature, and a number of outstanding Chinese scholars.

**STAFF CHANGES**

In 2009-2010 the Institute said goodbye to one of its long-time affiliates and staff members, Dr. Nam Nguyen, who accepted a teaching position in comparative literature and film studies in Vietnam. Dr. Nguyen had overseen the doctoral scholarship program and the lecture and seminar series at the Institute. Additionally, Larry Wendell, who had worked for the Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies for more than 40 years on a part-time basis, retired from his position. Responsibilities for both these staff members have been distributed among the remaining four staff.