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Virginia and DC Area Secondary Teachers: Join NCTA for Its 2019-2020 Workshop Program!

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Stanford China Scholars Program. February – June 2020. Application deadline: October 15, 2019. Interested high school students can now apply for this intensive online course offered by the Stanford Program on International and Cross-Cultural Education (SPICE). The course provides an opportunity for students to engage in guided study with scholars, former diplomats, and other experts from Stanford and beyond. **Information and application**.

NCTA Webinars. NCTA at the Five College Center for East Asian Studies is offering

two webinars before the end of the year:

- *Thirty Minutes Over Oregon: A Japanese Pilot's World War II Story*, with author Marc Tyler Nobleman. October 24, 2019, 7-8 pm EDT. [Registration](#).
- *Nagasaki: Life After Nuclear War*, with author Susan Southard. December 10, 7-8 pm EST. [Registration](#).

Study Tour: Cambodia Educator Learning Service. December 27, 2019 – January 5, 2020. This course for educators offered by Where There Be Dragons allows participants to explore topics of democracy, development, and service through direct engagement with development professionals, advocates for social justice, NGOs, and community leaders; a rural home stay is included. [More information](#).

Opportunities to Teach in Asia. Teaching Nomad helps match U.S. teachers with schools in China, South Korea, and Taiwan, as well as Southeast Asia, providing personalized support to new and inexperienced international teachers. For more information, contact Madison Walker at madison.walker@teachingnomad.com.

Previously Announced National Opportunities

Columbia NCTA Online Book Groups: *Understanding China Through Comics, Graphic Novels, and Drama*. September 2019 – February 2020. The NCTA national coordinating site at Columbia's Weatherhead Institute is offering several book groups this fall and winter, each running at a different time period. Groups beginning in October and November include the following:

- *Division to Unification in Imperial China: The Three Kingdoms to the Tang Dynasty (220-907)*, October 9-29.
- *Mulan: Five Versions of a Classic Chinese Legend*, October 23 – November 19.
- *Forget Sorrow: An Ancestral Tale*, November 2 – December 17.

More information is available [here](#).

Workshop: *Using the Japan Disasters Digital Archive in the Classroom*. December 6-7, 2019. Application deadline: October 18, 2019. Harvard's Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies invites applications from high school and college faculty as well as librarians in public or private libraries to a two-day workshop on using the innovative Japan Disasters Digital Archive for teaching contemporary Japan. Japan's 2011 Triple Disaster of earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear meltdown was unprecedented both in its magnitude and scope. Study of the disaster and its aftermath offers a unique opportunity to engage students in learning about Japan, exploring issues of significance far beyond Japan, and engaging in authentic research with archival materials. Costs of travel and lodging are covered by the program. Full details and application can be found [here](#); the workshop webpage is [here](#).

Online Seminar: *Post 1990s Developments in China's Relationship to the World*. December 10, 2019, 7-8:30 pm EST. Led by Professor Xing Hang of Brandeis University, this seminar sponsored by Primary Source will help orient participants to how China's relationships and priorities have evolved over the past three decades and prompt them to consider the alternative global framework China has been developing for the future. [Information and registration](#).

Scholarships for Youth Study Abroad. 2020-2021 School Year. Application deadline: October 30, 2019. The NSLI-Youth program sponsored by the U.S. State Department offers scholarships to support high school students who wish to study language and

culture in such countries as China and Korea. **Information and application.**

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Talk: *Trump and Kim Jong Un: What Next?* October 10, 2019, 5 pm. Ambassador Joseph Yun, former U.S. Special Representative for North Korea Policy, senior advisor to the Asia Program at the U.S. Institute of Peace, and Global Affairs Analyst for CNN, will present this talk on future directions in U.S.-North Korean Relations in the Trump Administration. The free event is sponsored by the Center for Asian Studies and will be held in Eaton Humanities 150 on the University of Colorado Boulder campus. **More information.**

Diplomatic Dialogue: *Japan-U.S. Cooperation in the Asia Pacific Region.* October 22, 2019, 12 pm. Noriyuki Shikata, former Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan in China, and Ambassador Christopher Hill, former Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, will engage in a dialogue about current and future Japan-U.S. cooperation in the Asia Pacific region. The event is sponsored by Global Engagement at the University of Denver and the Japan America Society of Colorado and will be held in Maglione Hall on the DU campus. **Information and registration.**

Talk: *Hong Kong on the Brink.* October 23, 2019, 5 pm. Jeffrey Wasserstrom, author of the forthcoming book, *Vigil: Hong Kong on the Brink*, will discuss patterns of protest and the tightening of political controls in Hong Kong, focusing particularly on the 2014 Umbrella Movement and the dramatic events of this year. The talk will be followed by a commentary and discussion moderated by CAS Director Tim Oakes. This free program is sponsored by the Center for Asian Studies and will be held in Hale 270 on the University of Colorado Boulder campus. **More information.**

Lecture: *The Colorful World of Japanese Prints: Competition, Globalization, and Technology.* November 4, 2019, 5:30-6:45 pm. Art historian Sarah Thompson, curator of Japanese art at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, will present this lecture at the Center for British and Irish Studies at Norlin Library on the University of Colorado Boulder campus. Thompson has created an online digital catalog of the MFA's collection of more than 50,000 Japanese prints and will bring her extensive knowledge of prints to this free event. More information is available [here](#).

China Town Hall. November 18, 2019, 4 pm. The Center for Asian Studies will provide

local programming for this national event, which will feature a panel discussion moderated by George Stephanopoulos and focusing on the Sino-American relationship and the issues that are impacting the United States. Local speakers will be announced soon. For information on the national webcast, visit the National Committee on U.S. China Relations [website](#). For information on the local event, to be held in Wolf Law 204 on the University of Colorado Boulder Campus, check the CAS [website](#).

Previously Announced Colorado Programs

Sumo Exhibition. October 23, 2019. 7-9 pm. The Japan America Society of Colorado is presenting an exhibition by USA Sumo. Although part of the Society's annual fund-raising gala, general admission tickets for the sumo exhibition only are also available. The program will be at the Exdo Events Center (1399 35th St., Denver). [Information and tickets](#).

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NCTA Massachusetts Seminar: *Human and Physical Geography of East Asia: A View of the Past and Contemporary Issues*. January 4 – February 8, 2020. This seminar welcomes teachers, librarians, and administrators interested in incorporating East Asia into their curriculum. The seminar will provide content and resources for teaching about China, Japan, and Korea. The seminar will meet on Saturdays from 9 am – 3 pm at Lexington High School. [Information and registration](#).

NCTA Texas Seminar: *Journey to Asia: A Cultural, Historical, and Political Overview*. January 29 – April 8, 2020. This seminar will emphasize the interconnections among Asian states and the rest of the world while exploring the cult of personality in authoritarian states, globalization and sport in Asia, the sociology of food and drink, and more. The seminar will meet three hours weekly at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth. For more information or to register, contact c.currier@tcu.edu.

Featured Resources

The Association for Asian Studies has recently updated its website, including the *Education About Asia* page, which now features a new easier-to-search platform for the journal's archive. Check it out [here](#).

Columbia University Professor Carol Gluck, a frequent presenter at NCTA professional development programs, has recently published an article in the *Nikkei Asian Review* entitled “***New Hirohito Documents Show Emperor’s Thoughts on the War.***” The article is based on newly released notes from a former palace official. The article is available [here](#).

Gale’s Digital Scholar Lab is a platform that integrates primary source databases with the tools of digital humanities and can be used by scholars and teachers. Basic keyword searches reveal numerous topical collections of sources in Chinese, Japanese, and Korean history. This resource is available on a subscription basis. More information [here](#).

The ***Arizona Geographic Alliance website*** features an extensive collection of lessons, including a number of lessons focusing on Asia. Many lessons make connections to STEM topics or history. Find the lesson collection [here](#).