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Trimble Student Research Fellowship

Deadline: February 15, 2020

This fellowship provides up to $4,000 for a student who is a declared Asian Studies minor, or major in Chinese or Japanese.

Awards may be used to cover travel costs to Asia, living expenses, and miscellaneous research expenses. Asian Studies minors pursuing the Robert Trimble Distinguished Asia Scholar designation are especially encouraged to apply.

Click here for more information.

Puget Sound alum Aya Goto shares experience working in Japan post-graduation

Aya Goto graduated in May 2019 with a double major in Japanese and Comparative Politics. She is currently working as a Coordinator for International Relations through the Japanese Exchange and Teaching (JET) Program. Click here to read about Aya’s experience working in Japan.

Lunar New Year Celebration

January 31, 4:30-6:30pm
Wyatt Hall, 2nd Floor Atrium
Celebrate the Lunar New Year by practicing Chinese calligraphy and fan painting. Observe the dragon kite raising and view cultural displays as you enjoy Asian refreshments. All Puget Sound students are welcome.

Mongolia Field School 2020

Priority deadline: March 1, 2020
Final deadline: April 30, 2020

The American Center for Mongolian Studies is hosting a field school in Mongolia during the summer of 2020. It includes research projects and travel to various areas within Mongolia. Financial Aid is available. Click here for more information. Photo credit: Peter Bittner

Professor Alice Lai (FNU) exchange visit & lecture

February 3, 4:30-5:15pm
Wyatt Hall, Room 203

The Asian Studies Program will host Fujian Normal University (FNU) exchange visitor Professor Alice Lai (pictured right with Professor Denise Glover) for four weeks at the beginning of the Spring 2020 semester. This exchange program was established to promote linkages and synergy between FNU and the University of Puget Sound via faculty visits related to teaching and research.

Prof. Lai’s lecture will discuss the host university’s role in facilitating language acquisition and cultural awareness growth by hosting inbound short-term faculty-led immersions programs.

Terror Capitalism: Uyghur ‘Reeducation’ and the Chinese Security Industrial Complex

February 11, 4:00-5:00pm
Wyatt Hall, Room 109
Drawing on ethnographic fieldwork in the Uyghur region, this talk (given by Dr. Darren Byler, University of Washington) describes the history which produced these forms of surveillance and demonstrates the quotidian experience of their effects in Uyghur society. It argues that this system of "reeducation" is, in fact, a social engineering system that works in concert with a Chinese form of illiberal capitalism. Photo credit: Nicola Zolin

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Puget Sound alum Nicholas Navin shares experience working in Indonesia post-graduation

Nicholas Navin graduated in May 2019 with a major in Sociology and Anthropology and a minor in Japanese. He is currently working as a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant. Click here to read about Nicholas's experience working in Indonesia.

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Taiwan Culture Night

February 15, 4:30-6:30pm
Thomas Hall, Tahoma Room

A celebration of Taiwanese culture, this event will feature food, crafts, art, boba tea, and live music!

All Puget Sound students are welcome.

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Lecture: *The Chinese Must Go: Violence, Exclusion, and the Making of the Alien in America*

February 20, 5:00-7:00pm
Thompson Hall, Room 310

University Press, 2018).