

# *ASIANetwork Initiatives*

## Freeman Student-Faculty Fellowship Program 2002 Annual Conference Announcement Freeman College in Asia Summer Institute

### ASIANetwork Freeman Student-Faculty Fellowship Program Sends 59 Fellows to Asia in Summer 2001

ASIANetwork recently completed a three-year grant from the Freeman Foundation that supported the College-in-Asia Summer Institute and the Student-Faculty Fellowship program. Under the fellowship program, we sent ten pairs of student-faculty fellows to Asia during each of the summers of 1998, 1999 and 2000 to conduct collaborative research and have a common cultural experience. This program has had significant impact on the professional lives of the fellows, especially the students, by further heightening their interest in Asia. For instance, Paul Boruta (St. Olaf College, '98 fellow) went to Taiwan in 1999 on a Fulbright Fellowship; recently Jeffrey Lung (Kalamazoo College, '00 fellow) received a Fulbright Fellowship to go to China in Fall 2001 and Ryan Murray (Valparaiso University, '00 fellow) is back in China teaching English. The success of this program inspired the Freeman Foundation to challenge ASIANetwork to increase the number of students that we send to Asia. The three-year renewal grant from the foundation that has been expanded and enhanced enables us to meet this challenge.

Since the implementation of this program, we have consistently received increasingly sophisticated proposals reflecting the strength of liberal arts education at ASIANetwork institutions. The first batch of applications under the expanded and enhanced fellowship program again showed such a level of sophistication and heightened intellectual curiosity. There were more than ten meritorious proposals, hence we decided to approach Mr. Freeman for additional money beyond the original grant amount for this year. He happily obliged. Thus, in summer 2001, the Student-Faculty Fellowship Program supported collaborative research in Asia for at least three weeks by 59 students and faculty mentors comprising 13 research teams from ASIANetwork

colleges. Five teams were in India, three in China, two in Thailand, and one each in Japan, Mongolia and Indonesia. In 2002 and 2003, 40 individuals will be sent to Asia each summer with the support of the Freeman Foundation grant to ASIANetwork.

ASIANetwork congratulates the following recipients of the 2001 student-faculty fellowship:

**Austin College**, Charles C. Krusekopf, Economics and Business Administration, Mongolia:

- Michael Andrew Dorsey, '02, International Economics and Finance, *Economic Reform & the Mongolian Elections of 2000*
- Georgina Michel, '03, Economics, *Transitions to Independence or Further Dependence? The Role of International Organizations in Mongolia's Economic Development*
- Amanda Lauren Darby, '03, Political Science, *The Importance of the Mongolian-Russian Relationship for Mongolia's National Security & Development*
- Charles Caleb Dupuis, '02, International Studies, *Preserving Independence: Mongolia's National Security Policies in the 1990s*
- Sarah Rush, '03, Sociology and International Studies, *Mongolia & China in the Post-Cold War Era*

**Belmont University**, Ronnie L. Littlejohn, Philosophy, China:

- Erin May Cline, '01, Philosophy, *Quantification and Prioritization in Chinese Moral Culture*

**Butler University**, Eriberto Patrick Lozada Jr., Anthropology, China:

Group Project Title: *Chinese Voices on the Impact of Globalization*

- Rebecca Lynne Dayhuff, '04, International Management
- Jennifer Nicole Fugate, '04, Philosophy
- Matthew Clark Guebard, '03, Anthropology
- Elizabeth Nancy Jackson, '03, Anthropology
- Jeffrey Scott Payne, '02, Political Science/ International Studies

**Carthage College**, Pamela Smiley, English and Women's Studies, Thailand:

Group Project Title: *Tete's Story*

- Mary Jean Preston, '01, English/Creative Writing
- Miriam Eck, '02, English/Graphic Design

**Davidson College**, I. Job Thomas, History/Art History, India:

- Austin Stroebele Cashman, '01, Anthropology, *Devi as Woman*
- Genevieve Corbiere, '02, Peace and Conflict Resolution, *Cultural Implications for the Structure of a Satyagraha Movement*
- Rebecca Awotwe Essah, '01, Biology, *Indian Women in the Workforce*
- Katherine Rice Miller, '01, History, *The Socio-Political Message of Dalit Theology*
- Rebecca Renee Wilson, '02, Religion, *Two Frames of Freedom: Contemporary Art and Traditional Art in Madras*

**Elmira College**, James A. Cook, Art and Art History, India:

- Kelly Renee Monk, '01, Biochemistry, *Study of Effects of Air Pollution on Temples in Tamil Nadu*
- Jennifer Jeanne Dennis, '01, Studio Art, *A Photographic Portrait of Indian Women in Mammalapuram and Swamimalai*
- Juliet Kristen Marion, '01, Art and Psychology, *The Plight of Older Indian Women who have no Family Support*

**Illinois Wesleyan University**, Doran C. French, Psychology, Indonesia:

- Sara Ashleigh Cordes, '01, Psychology, *Parent's Beliefs Regarding Children's Ownership and Possession*
- Jillian Mary Denoma, '01, Psychology, *Relational Aggression and Indonesian Children's Conflict*
- Allison M. Lawton, '01, Psychology, *Individual Difference Predictors of Indonesian Children's Conflicts*
- Kristina L. McDonald, '01, Psychology, *Observations of Preschool Peers: Possession Behavior and Parental Interventions*

**Kenyon College**, Miriam Dean-Otting, Religious Studies, India:

- Erin Diane Saunders, '02, Anthropology, *Social Services for Women in Calcutta*
- Soubhik Saha, '02, Religion and English, *Divided Bengal: Hindus and Muslims in Calcutta*

**Lake Forest College**, Shiwei Chen, History, China:

Group Project Title: *The Convergence of Socialism and Capitalism in Urban China*

- Julia Marin Haskell, '01, International Relations

- Jie Li, '02, Business
- Sven Pinczewski, '02, Asian Studies
- John Stephen Root, '03, Physics & Philosophy
- Matthew M. Saffar, '01, Business

**Millikin University**, Sushil Mittal, Religion, India:

Group Project Title: *Occidentalism: Indian Images of the Other*

- Kristina Compton-Parker, '02, Experimental Psychology
- Casey J. Guimond, '02, Experimental Psychology
- Jace Quinlin Hoppes, '02, Religion
- Gloria Shaw, '02, Religion
- Nicole M. Surprenant, '04, History/Political Science

**St. Lawrence University**, Erin A. McCarthy, Philosophy, Japan:

- Nicole Gagnon, '02, Philosophy & Religion, *Nature in Zen*
- Marcus Perman, '03, Philosophy & Psychology, *A Comparative Study of Zen as Lived in Japan and the U.S.*
- Bethany Mason Taylor, '04, Undecided, *Zen Methods of Teaching*
- Courtney Ann Williams, '04, Undecided, *The Role of Women in Zen*

**St. Olaf College**, Robert Eric Entenmann, History, Thailand:

- Danna Lor Vang, '01, Chemistry/Asian Studies, *Assessing the Extent of Assimilation of the Hmong Minority in Thailand*
- Tong Xiong, '02, Nursing/Asian Studies, *Assessing Hmong Assimilation in Thai Society: Focusing on Health*

**Viterbo University**, Pamela S. Maykut, Psychology, India:

- Ryan John Nelson, '01, Psychology, *The Study of Young Children's Reasoning about Social Conventions and Physical Laws*
- Stacey Beth Scott, '03, Psychology, *The Study of Children's Understanding of Death*
- Jennifer Jene Holtz, '02, Psychology, *The Study of Ethnic and Bicultural Identity*

We invite applications for the 2002 fellowship. The deadline for the application is November 30, 2001. For further information, please visit the ASIANetwork website at [www.asianetwork.org](http://www.asianetwork.org).