

ASIANetwork Initiatives

*13th ASIANETwork Annual Conference
Joint Conference with the Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP)
of the East-West Center and the University of Hawai'i at Manoa
held at Whittier College
April 21-24, 2005
Whittier, CA*

Conference Program

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Bruce Cumings, Professor of History
University of Chicago

Roger T. Ames, Professor of Philosophy
University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Co-Director of the ASDP program

AN INVITATION FROM JOAN O'MARA

Chair, ASIANetwork Executive Board

Conference Program Highlights

I would like to take this opportunity to extend to each of you an invitation to attend the 13th Annual Conference of ASIANetwork on April 21-24, 2005. In alternate years, in which the conference is not held at the Hickory Ridge Conference Center in Lisle, IL, member institutions in different parts of the country host our annual meetings. This year our conference is being hosted by Whittier College, in Whittier, CA, located in Southern California in the vicinity of Los Angeles. Many of us, from more northerly climes, may find this weekend a pleasant change from the rigors of a spring not yet quite fully sprung.

In addition to a full schedule of panel sessions, keynote addresses and plenaries, an important aspect of this year's conference will be the sharing of that schedule with the Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP) of the East-West Center and the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. We have, for some time, benefited from a relationship with ASDP. Individual faculty from ASIANetwork schools have taken part in ASDP programs; faculty from ASDP have sat on the AN Council of Advisors, provided us with speakers and served on our Board of Directors. The two groups are not strangers to one another, and over the past year we have been exploring the possible benefits to be gained from a joint conference. As a result, the 13th Annual Conference of ASIANetwork will be held in conjunction with the 11th

Annual ASDP Conference, April 21-24, 2005.

The schedule that follows is consequently not quite as finalized as it usually is at this point in the planning process, as we have been working with two differing sets of proposal deadlines. In some ways, this conference may better be thought of as two conferences independently planned for the same place, with two overlapping time schedules, and with some meals and events to be held in common. By April, however, the blanks will all have been filled in, and we look forward to an exceptionally rich time in the company of our colleagues and associates at ASDP.

One advantage of this arrangement for you is that a single registration fee will allow you to take advantage of panel sessions and programs offered by both organizations. For AN attendees able to come to the conference before our usual Friday evening start time, you will be able to take advantage of a full schedule on Friday, with ASDP sessions on Friday morning, and the option of a 1/2-day field trip or an ASDP program of sessions and Asian films in the afternoon. ASDP attendees will have the opportunity to take part in the field trip on Friday afternoon, and to stay through to the close of the AN program on Sunday.

So, you have the option of attending the conference as you usually have, or you can plan to arrive in Los Angeles on Thursday, and take part in a longer conference that will begin on Friday morning and continue through lunch on Sunday.

Keynote Speakers

The first ASIANetwork keynote speaker will be Bruce Cumings, Professor of History at the University of Chicago, whose Friday evening topic will be “Decoupled from History: Korea in the ‘Axis of Evil’.” If this topic has a familiar ring to it, that is because you’ve read it before—in the program for last year’s conference. Circumstances arising in the weeks just before the conference forced cancellation of Professor Cumings’ talk at that time. We are very pleased that the cancellation ended up being just a postponement, and that he has agreed to address this year’s joint conference on the subject of the challenges currently being posed by North Korea. Professor Cumings is a specialist in Modern Korean History, East Asian Political Economy and International History. Major publications include *The Origins of the Korean War* (2 vols., 1981, 1990); *Korea’s Place in the Sun: a Modern History* (1997); and *Parallax Visions: Making Sense of American-East Asian Relations at the End of the Century* (1999).

The second keynote speaker, after lunch on Saturday, will be Roger T. Ames, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Hawai’i at Manoa and Co-Director of the ASDP program. Professor Ames has published widely on Chinese philosophy, including translations of the *Analects of Confucius* (1999); the *Dao de Jing* (2004); and numerous other Chinese philosophical texts. His topic is titled: “Translating Among Cultures: How Meaning is Made.”

Plenaries

One of the goals we have hoped for in the organization of this joint conference, is the opportunity to share and learn about the programs offered by each organization. To that end the first plenary, on Saturday morning, will provide the chance for each organization to introduce itself to the other: to say a bit about histories, talk about current programs, and discuss ideas for future development. Van Symons will speak for ASIANetwork, and Betty Buck, Co-Director of ASDP, will represent ASDP. A third participant, Ronnie Littlejohn, will take the point of view of a participant whose institution, Belmont University, belongs to and has benefited from the programs of both organizations.

A second plenary session on Sunday morning will be a presentation on the ASIANetwork Asian arts initiative recently funded by the Luce Foundation and now in its organizational phases. I will be convening a panel discussion in which Project Coordinator Stan Mickel of Wittenberg University, Karil Kucera of St. Olaf College, who will be overseeing the digitization process for works being studied, and Paul Nietupski from John Carroll University, will give a progress report on the program and take questions about the implementation of this grant.

The Field Trip

Traditionally, an all-day field trip exploring local sites of interest to Asianists, has been available to those who arrive before the formal opening of the conference on Friday evening. This year, in an effort to accommodate the scheduling of ASDP sessions, and the desire of some ASDP attendees to take part in the field trip, the day-long itinerary has been scaled back to provide for a half-day excursion beginning at noon and concluding at 5:30 p.m. The trip this year will take participants to the Hsi Lai Temple, in Hacienda Heights, CA, for a vegetarian lunch and a tour of its Ming-Qing style temple buildings and its museum. Hsi Lai (“Coming to the West”) is a Mahayana Buddhist temple of the Lin-Chi School of Ch’an Buddhism, with headquarters in Taiwan. The field trip’s second stop will be the Norton Simon Museum in Pasadena, a private museum which houses an important collection of South and Southeast Asian art. The cost for the field trip is \$30 (which includes the cost of lunch and entry fees at both the temple and the museum). We hope that you will join us.

2005 ASIANetwork/ASDP Conference Program Itinerary

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

2:00-6:00 pm—Conference Registration

5:00-7:30 pm—ASDP-sponsored reception for ASDP and AN attendees

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

7:00-8:30 am—Breakfast

8:00 am-8:00 pm—Conference Registration

8:45-10:15 am—*Concurrent ASDP Panel Sessions: 1-4*

1) “Buddha’s Brain: an Interdisciplinary Approach to Buddhism and Cognitive Psychology”

Panelists:

Stephen J. Laumakis, University of St. Thomas

Greg Robinson-Riegler, University of St. Thomas

2). “Reform and Revolution in China’s Interior: the Case of Shaanxi Province, 1949-2004”

Panelists:

James Cook, Central Washington University

Richard Mack, Central Washington University

Timothy Blocher, Central Washington University

Hong Xiao (possible), Central Washington

University

3) “Experiencing South and Southeast Asia”
 Panelists:
 Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University;
 “Toward an American Hindu Perspective on As-
 sisted Reproductive Technology”
 Nancy Janus, Eckerd College; “The Price of a
 Person: Social and Cultural Supports for the
 Trafficking of Women and Children in Thailand”
 Shaheen Sultana, Calcutta University; “Indian
 and Global Issues with Special Reference to Com-
 munal Harmony in Modern Urdu Ghazals”

4) “New Works in the Field: *Chinese Aesthetics and Litera-
 ture*, by Corinne Dale”
 Panelists:
 Bettye Walsh, Piedmont Virginia Community
 College
 Fay Beauchamp, Community College of Philadel-
 phia
 Harriette Grissom, Atlanta College of Art
 Discussant: Corinne Dale

10:15-10:30 am—Refreshments

10:30-12:00 noon—*Concurrent ASDP Panel Sessions 5-8*

5) “New Perspectives on Teaching about Asia”
 Panelists:
 James E. Deitrick, University of Central Arkansas;
 “The Benefit and Ethics of Teaching Undergradu-
 ates to Meditate in the Classroom”
 Susan Clare Scott, McDaniel College; “Sacred
 Earth: Daoism as the Preserver of the Environment
 in Chinese Landscape Painting from the Song
 through the Qing Dynasties”
 Yi-Ching Huang, University of Buffalo; “A Case
 Study of a Teacher Study Group in Taiwan”

6) “Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism in Southeast Asia: Theo-
 retical and Visual Musings”
 Chair: Jessica A. Sheetz-Nguyen, Oklahoma City
 Community College
 Panelists:
 Joe McKeon, Central Connecticut State University
 Bahar Davary, University of Hawai’i at Manoa
 Eric Denton, University of Hawai’i at Manoa

7) “Modern Japan”
 Panelists:
 Paul Dunscombe, University of Alaska Anchorage;
 “‘Oh, Meaningless Intervention!’ Public Debate on
 Japan’s Siberian Intervention”
 George Brown, Namiko Tsukidate, Brian Hoffman,
 Slippery Rock University; “Japan’s Changing
 Foreign Policy: the ‘Normal Country’ Military and
 Challenges to the Japanese Constitution”

Keiko Takioto Miller, Mercyhurst College; “*Genkan
 and Yugen: a Disinterested Space in Japanese
 Architecture and Zeami’s Theatre of Noh*”

8) “East Asia in the Undergraduate Classroom: Projects from
 the Expanding East Asian Studies Teaching Collaborative”
 Chair: Heidi Johnson, Columbia University
 Panelists:
 Roberta Adams, Fitchburg State College; “Teach-
 ing *Journey to the West* and *Story of the Stone*”
 Liya Li, Rockland Community College; “Buddhism
 and Scroll Paintings in the *Tale of Genji*”
 Barbara Seater, Raritan Valley Community College;
 “Social Science Meets Literature: Using Sawako
 Ariyoshi’s *The Twilight Years* and Japanese Short
 Stories in Sociology and Psychology Courses”
 Theodore Gilman, Harvard University; TBA

Field Trip

12:00–5:00 pm—Half-day AN-sponsored Field Trip, includ-
 ing stops for lunch and a tour at the Hsi Lai B u d d h i s t
 Temple, and a visit to the Norton Simon Museum, Pasadena.

**Alternate schedule for those choosing not to go on the field
 trip:**

12:00–1:30 pm—Lunch (for AN attendees, this meal is pre-
 conference; on your own)

2:00-6:00 pm—Conference Registration

2:00-5:00 pm—Screenings of Asian films; TBA

2:00-3:00 pm—*Concurrent ASDP sessions 9-10*

9) “Creating a Learning Team: Some Implications for Teach-
 ing Asian Humanities”
 Panelists:
 Ronnie Littlejohn, Belmont University
 Li Qingjun, Belmont University

10) “The Unique Chinese Culture in the Human Rights De-
 bate”
 Panelists:
 Ray Olson, College of Dupage; “Documentary *Hu-
 man Rights in China: the Search for Common
 Ground*”
 Keith Krasemann, College of Dupage
 Joan Wilson, City College of San Francisco

3:15-4:45 pm—*Concurrent ASDP sessions 11-12*

11) “Community Service in Asia: Pedagogical Opportuni-
 ties, Practical Concerns”
 Chair: Sawa Kurotani, University of Redlands

Panelists:

Bill Huntley, University of Redlands; “May Term in Japan: Doing Community Service as Teachers of English”

Sheri B. Moore, University of Louisville; “Opportunities for Service Learning in Malaysia”

Xinyan Jiang, University of Redlands; “Teaching as Learning Experience: Reflections on the Redlands Students’ Service at Peking University”

Yasmeen Mohiuddin, University of the South; “Multi-Agency, Intercultural Service Learning in a Summer Abroad Program: Potential and Challenges, a Case Study”

12) “‘Reading’ Asian Literature”

Panelists:

Brian Seymour, Community College of Philadelphia; “Angel Island: a Hidden Legacy of Structural Censorship in America”

Howard Giskin, Appalachian State University; “Reading and Rereading *Story of the Stone*: What Students Need to Know”

Toni Culjak, Central Washington University; “The Post-Apocalyptic World in Japanese Fiction: Reading Abe Kobo and Murakami Haruki”

6:00-7:00 pm—*AN/ASDP Dinner*

7:00-8:00 pm—*Keynote Address by Bruce Cumings, University of Chicago: “Decoupled from History: Korea in the ‘Axis of Evil’”*

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

7:00–8:30 am—Breakfast

8:45-9:45 am—Plenary Session: “ASIANetwork and ASDP Make their Introductions;” Van J. Symons, Augustana College and Executive Director, ASIANetwork; Betty Buck, University of Hawai’i at Manoa and Co-Director, ASDP; Ronnie Littlejohn, Belmont University

9:45-10:00 am—Refreshments

10:00-11:30 am—*Concurrent Panel Sessions*

ASDP Sessions 13-14

13) “Language and Culture Day Programming at the University: Opportunities and Challenges”

Panelists:

Joshua Nelson, Central Washington University; TBA

Yoshimitsu Khan, Gettysburg College; “Japanese Language for High Schools”

14) “Comparative Philosophy”

Panelists:

Dennis Arjo, Johnson County Community College; “Of Unswerving Horses and Immortal Souls: a Comparison of Confucius’ Use of *The Book of Songs* and Socrates’ *Appeal to Poets* in the *Meno*”

Marthe Chandler, DePauw University; “Education and Poetry: Enemies or Allies? Two Classical Views”

Xiufen Lu, Wichita State University; “Understanding Mozi on the Foundations of Morality: a Comparative Perspective”

AN Sessions 1-4

15) “Roundtable on Asian Communities: Origins and Migrations to the Americas”

Co-Chairs: Diane Clayton, Hamline University; Richard Bohr, College of St. Benedict/St. John’s University; and Gita Rajan, Fairfield University

Panelists:

Robert Y. Eng, University of Redlands

Mary Hannemann, University of Washington, Tacoma

Juwen Zhang, Willamette University

16) “Teaching the Tigers: Approaches to Economic Development in Eastern Asia”

Co-Chairs: Tim Cheek, University of British Columbia, Vancouver; and Vibha Kapuria-Foreman, Colorado College

Panelists:

Tim Cheek, University of British Columbia;

“Teaching the Tigers: Approaches to Economic Development in Eastern Asia”

Vibha Kapuria-Foreman, Colorado College;

“What’s Missing in Current Materials for Teaching the Tigers and Where Do We Find It?”

Kailash Khandke, Furman University; “Countries, Issues, and Institutions in East Asia: What to Include, What to Leave Out in an Undergraduate Economics Course?”

Dennis McCormac, Kalamazoo College; “Teaching the New Viet Nam — It’s a Country, not a War”

17) “Silk Road Connections”

Chair: Sam Yamashita, Pomona College

Panelists:

Gail Ambuske, Hiram College; “The Value of the Inter-disciplines: Lessons from the Silk Road”

Susan Norris, Marymount College of Fordham University; “Chinese Archaeology from the Perspective of a Mesoamericanist”

Joan O’Mara, Washington and Lee University;

“Expectations Met, Surprises Encountered along the Silk Road”

Sam Yamashita, Pomona College; “Reading ‘China’ Contrapuntally”

- 18) “Incorporating Women in the Teaching of China”
 Chair: Paul Nietupski, John Carroll University
 Panelists:
 Sherry Mou, DePauw University; “Images of Chinese Women in Chinese Films”
 Joseph Adler, Kenyon College; “Daughter/Wife/Mother or Sage/Immortal/Bodhisattva? Women in the Teaching of Chinese Religions”
 Stephen Udry, Carthage College; “Cooking the Five Grains and Heating the Wine: Guiding the Undergraduate Gaze”
 Discussant: Paul Nietupski, John Carroll University

11:45-12:45 pm—*AN/ASDP Lunch*

12:45-1:45 pm—*Keynote Address by Roger Ames, University of Hawai’i, Manoa: “Translating Among Cultures: How Meaning is Made”*

2:00-3:30 pm—*Concurrent Panel Sessions*

ASDP Sessions 15-16

- 19) “Infusing Asian Values into a Team Taught Introductory English-Psychology Class”

Panelists:
 Dan Bellack, Trident Technical College
 Katherine Purcell, Trident Technical College

- 20) “Asian Philosophy”

Panelists:
 James Peterman, Sewanee, University of the South; “Predicaments of Contemporary Confucianism”
 Shudong Chen, Johnson County Community College; “Searching for Silence across Cultures: Does Silence Speak?”
 Terry L. Mazurak, Albertson College of Idaho; “The *Diamond Sutra* and the Logic of What is not Taught”

AN Sessions 5-8

- 21) “Journey to the East: Reflection, Program Design and Pedagogy—A Roundtable Discussion by Freeman College-in-Asia Grantees”

Chair: Hue-ping Chin, Drury College
 Panelists:
 Vanessa Chio, University of Washington, Tacoma
 Steven DeCaroli, Goucher College
 Andrew Chittick Eckerd College
 Veena Deo, Hamline University
 Diane Clayton, Hamline University

- 22) “Teaching about Islam in Asia”

Chair: Zeki Saripottrak, John Carroll University
 Panelists:
 Bob Entenmann, St. Olaf College; “Chinese Muslims and Other Muslims in China”

Amina Steinfels, Mt. Holyoke College; “Teaching about Islam in South Asia: Both Marginal and Mainstream”

Mark Berkson, Hamline University; “Non-Muslims Teaching Islam”

Discussant: Zeki Saripottrak, John Carroll University

- 23) “Koreans in Japan and Current Japanese Views on Koreans”

Co-Chairs: Yoshiko Nagaoka, University of Evansville; and T. James Kodera, Wellesley College

Panelists:
 T. James Kodera, Wellesley College; “The Place of Koreans in Japanese History: a Revisionist View”

Young C. Kim, University of Evansville; “The Recent Foreign Policies toward Cultural Exchanges between Japan and South Korea”

Yoshiko Nagaoka, University of Evansville; “Japanese Perspective Changes on South Korean Culture: Examinations of Japanese Language Globalization Influenced by South Korean ‘Soft Power’”

- 24) “Vietnam Today”

Chair: Alan Katz, Fairfield University

Panelists:
 Alan Katz, Fairfield University; “U.S., Post-Normalization: Impediments to Better Relations”
 Nancy McHugh, Wittenberg University; “Philosophical and Ethical Issues in Agent Orange Cases in Vietnam”

Ray Gunn, University of Utah; “Vietnam Then and Now: Changes since 1995”

Jason Picard, University of California, Berkeley; “Themes Found in Contemporary Vietnamese Fiction”

3:30-3:45 pm—Refreshments

3:45-5:15 pm—*Concurrent Panel Sessions*

ASDP Sessions 17-18

- 25) “Riding the Wind with *Liezi*: New Perspectives on the Daoist Classic”

Chair: Roger Ames, University of Hawai’i at Manoa

Panelists:
 Jeff Richey, Berea College; “I Robot: the Body as Machine in the *Liezi*”

Jeffrey Dippmann, Central Washington University; “Reading the *Zhuangzi* in *Liezi*: Redefining Xian-ship”

Suzanne Cahill, University of California, San Diego; TBA

26) "The Application and Integration of Asian Culture in the Teaching of Business and Management"

Panelists:

Jack Osborn, University of Redlands; "The Utilization of Film, Poetry and Literature in the Teaching of Contemporary Business for China and Japan"

Gregory Williams and Robert Marsel, University of Redlands; "Confucian Philosophy and its Application to Modern Business Ethics"

Liu Wen, University of Redlands; "Sun Tzu's *Art of War* and its Relationship to Modern Business Theory"

AN Sessions 9-12

27) "Incorporating Minorities in the Teaching of China"

Chair: Chia Ning, Central College

Panelists:

Marsha Smith, Augustana College; "Constructing Identity: Tensions in Defining Naxi/Mosuo and Bai/Yi Ethnicities"

Li-hua Ying, Bard College; "Encountering the Other: Writing about Ethnic Minorities in China"

Brian Dott, Whitman College; "Un-Othering Minorities in Chinese History"

Discussant: Chia Ning, Central College

28) "Utilizing East Asian Library Resources in the Internet Age"

Chair: Phyllis Larson, St. Olaf College

Panelists:

Yunshan Ye, Carleton, Macalester, and St. Olaf Colleges; "Chinese Library Resources in the Internet Age"

Hitoshi Kamada, Japanese Studies Librarian, University of Arizona; "Japanese Resources"

29) "The Hidden Empowerment of South and Southeast Asian Women: Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives"

Co-Chairs: Veena Khandke, University of South Carolina Upstate; and Savita Nair, Furman University

Panelists:

Savita Nair, Furman University; "May I Help You? Indian Women Negotiate Space and Power"

Tamara Valentine, University of Nevada, Reno; "Rattling the Gilded Cage: Bilingual South Asian Women Write"

Veena Khandke, University of South Carolina, Upstate; "Schooling and Empowerment of Indian Women"

Ray Chandrasekara, Albany College of Pharmacy; "Gods of Small Things"

30) "2004 Freeman Student-Faculty Research Projects (Poster Session)"

Chair: Teddy Amoloza, Illinois Wesleyan University

Panelists:

2004 Freeman-funded students from 6 projects

5:45-6:45 pm—Reception, at the Shannon Center, Whittier College

6:30-7:30 pm—Tea Ceremony Demonstration by Akira Takemoto and students, Whitman College, at the Shannon Center, Whittier College

7:45-9:00 pm—*AN Dinner*, Whittier College

9:00-9:30 pm—*AN Business Meeting*, Whittier College

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

7:00-8:30 am—Breakfast

7:00-8:30 am—AN Board Meeting

8:45-9:45 am—Plenary Session: "The AN/Luce Arts Consultancy Project: a Work in Progress"

Chair: Joan O'Mara, Washington and Lee University

Panelists:

Stan Mickel, Project Coordinator, Wittenberg University

Karil Kucera, St. Olaf College

Paul Nietupski, John Carroll University

9:45-10:00 am—Refreshments

10:00-11:30 am—*Concurrent AN Sessions 13-16*

31) "Hong Kong, China: New Opportunities for Educational Exchange"

Chair: David Adams, Council for Int'l. Exchange of Scholars

Panelists:

David Adams, CIES; Fulbright Representative for NE and SE Asia; "Hong Kong, China and Fulbright Scholar Program Resources"

Glenn Shive, Hong Kong–America Center; "Hong Kong, China: New Opportunities for Exchange"

Wellington Chan, Occidental College; "Hong Kong's Resources for American Students and Scholars Studying in China"

32) "Beyond the Four Walls of the Classroom: Learning through Doing in the First-Year Course on Japanese Language and Culture"

Chair: Joan Ericson, Colorado College

Panelists:

Joan Ericson, Colorado College; "Creating New Ways to Continue Learning After Class Is Over"

Jerry Switzer and Cecilia Gonzales, Colorado College; "Tearing out the Lawn: Creating a Dry Japanese Garden at Colorado College"

Yumiko Guajardo, Colorado College; "Learning through Teaching"

Lexi Franks, student at Colorado College; "What I Didn't Expect to Learn in College"

33) "Taking Asian Studies to the Students: Getting the Message across at Pacific University"

Chair: Tanya Storch, Pacific University

Panelists:

Lu Jie, Pacific University; "Challenges and Strategies for Teaching Asian Film to Undergraduate Students"

Greg Rohlf, Pacific University; "Asian Studies and Undergraduate Professional Education: Put Students in Charge!"

Tanya Storch, Pacific University; "Using Local Communities in Teaching Courses about Asian Religions"

34) "From Admission to Orientation: a Four-Month Window for Asian Students to Start Crossing Intercultural Bridges"

Chair: Dorothy Guyot, Administrator, Pre-Collegiate Program, Diplomatic School, Yangon

Panelists:

Yamin Htet, Pre-Collegiate Program, Yangon, and now a student at Furman University; "From Inside a Pharmaceutical Factory"

Nyantha Maw (Seth) Lin, Pre-Collegiate Program, Yangon, and now a student at Carleton College; "Touchstones Discussions Aid Reasoning Together"

Martha Butt, Administrator, Payap University, Ohm Chanteyoon, Payap University, and now a violinist and student at University of Oregon; "A Thai Perspective on Crossing Bridges"

Peter McCagg, Administrator, International Christian University, Tokyo Ayako Imai, International Christian University, Tokyo and now a student at University of California, Los Angeles; "A Japanese Perspective"

11:45-1:00 pm—Closing AN Luncheon

Conference Registration

Registration Deadline: April 7, 2005

Registration Fee: \$145.00 for ASIANetwork members; \$155.00 for non-members (includes conference fees, Friday dinner, Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday lunch).

Late Registration: Conference registration received after April 7, 2005 will be \$155.00 for members, \$165.00 for non-members.

Day Registration Fee is the basic Conference Registration Fee, as above. It covers conference charges, the cost of Friday dinner, Saturday lunch and dinner, and Sunday lunch, refreshments, and use of the facilities at the Radisson Hotel.

The Conference Registration Fee should be paid by check or money order (The ASIANetwork office is not equipped to handle credit card charges.), made out to ASIANetwork, and mailed to:

Dr. Van J. Symons, Executive Director
ASIANetwork
Augustana College
639-38th Street
Rock Island, IL 61201-2296

The office telephone number is (309) 794-7413.

Accommodations (with Breakfast)

Conference Site: Radisson Hotel, Whittier, CA (in the greater Los Angeles area)

Reservation Number: 1-562-945-8511

Reservation Deadline: April 7, 2005, for conference rates. The meeting package rate is \$79.00 per night per room (whether the room is a single or a double), and includes a Full American Breakfast for each person in the room. Sharing of accommodations is encouraged to provide for as many conference attendees on site as possible. This rate is subject to applicable state and local taxes. When making reservations, individuals should identify themselves as participating in the ASIANetwork Conference.

Pre-Conference Tour

The cost of the Friday, April 22 1/2-day tour of Asia-related sites in the LA area, including vegetarian lunch and a tour at the Hsi Lai Buddhist Temple in Hacienda Heights, and admission to the Norton Simon Museum in Pasadena, is \$30.00 (including the cost of lunch and admissions to both temple and museum). Those who want to participate in the tour are encouraged to make their reservations early. Please submit this amount when you register for the conference.

Travel Information

The Radisson Hotel is located in Whittier, CA, and is served by flights arriving at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), the airport closest to Whittier. Airports at Burbank, Long Beach, Ontario, and Santa Ana also serve the greater Los Angeles area. Ground transportation, by limousine or bus, to Whittier and the Radisson from each of the airports is available. Travel times and costs vary; please contact individual airports for details.

If you have questions about the conference, you can address them to Joan H. O'Mara, ASIANetwork Board Chair, at omaraj@wlu.edu, or to Van J. Symons, Executive Director, at Hisymons@augustana.edu.

**Spotlight on ASIANETwork
2003 Freeman Student Faculty Programs**

Throughout this issue we will feature photos of students who participated in the 2003 Program



Bob, Dr. Jahiel, and Katie from Illinois Wesleyan College with merchants in the Whole Sale Pepper Market, Xichuan County, Henan Province