



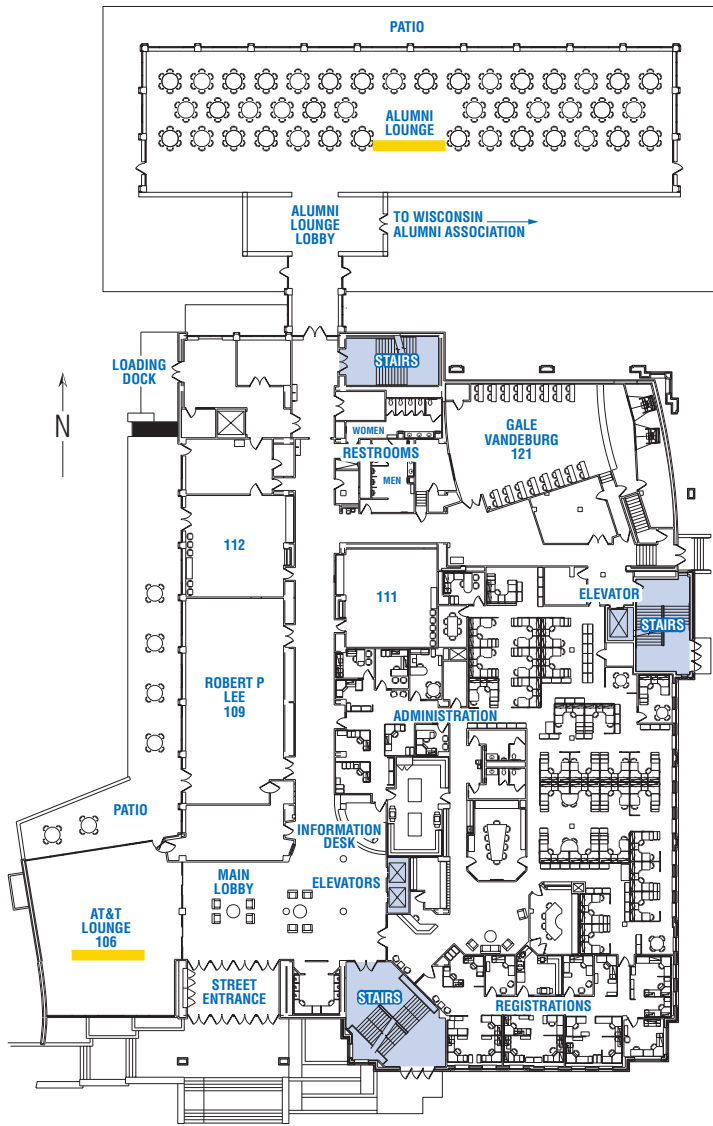
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**Central Eurasian  
Studies Society**

October 3 - 6, 2013  
University of Wisconsin - Madison  
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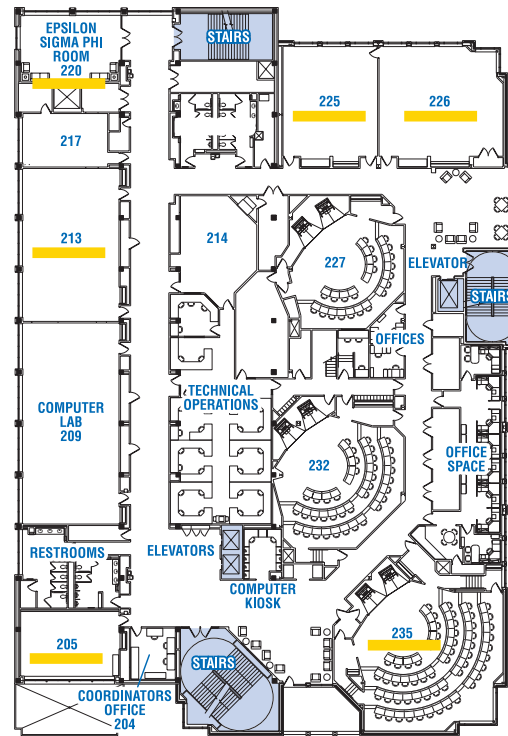


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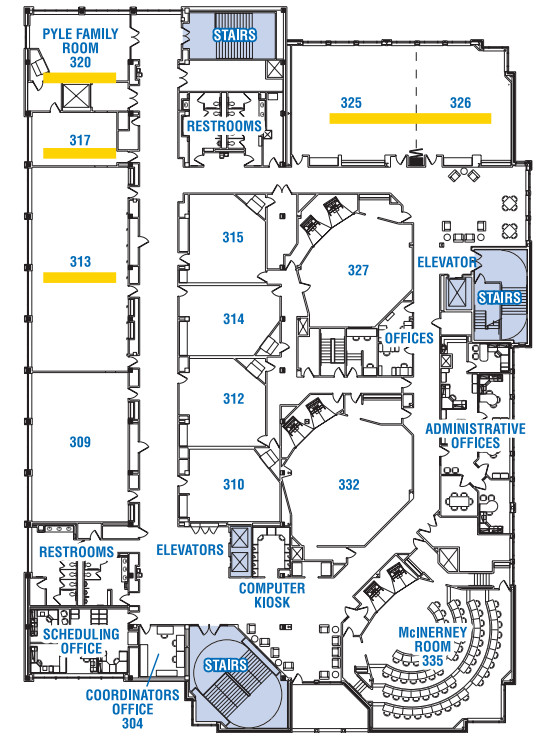
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## Welcome to the 14th Annual Conference of the Central Eurasian Studies Society!

And welcome back to the University of Wisconsin-Madison for the first CESS event to be located here since the first three annual CESS conferences were held from 2000-2002! The Center for Russia, East Europe and Central Asia (CREECA) is honored to be your host. All conference events will take place in the Pyle Center on the shores of Madison's Lake Mendota.

We are so pleased that CESS and UW-Madison are joining hands again to bring scholars, practitioners and students of Central Eurasian studies together for a long weekend of intellectual stimulation and exchange. We hope everyone finds something to enjoy!

Aside from 50 panels for you to attend over three days, we would like to highlight the following:

- **Preconference Symposium on Kazakhstan** (Thursday, 9:00 am-4:00 pm, Pyle 225), organized by Uli Schamiloglu.
- **CREECA Lecture and Opening Reception** (Thursday, 4:00 pm). All are welcome to a lecture featuring CESS member Eric McGlinchey, followed by a reception on the lovely Rooftop Terrace (if rain, Alumni Lounge), hosted by CREECA Director Yoshiko M. Herrera.
- **Plenary Membership Meeting and Awards Ceremony** (Saturday, 10:15 am-12:00 noon). CESS President Cynthia Werner will preside over a discussion of the state of the organization, and the Book and Graduate Student Paper Awards will be announced. ALL are encouraged to attend!
- **Meet the CESS Bloggers** (Friday, 8:15-10:00 am). Amanda Wooden, CESS Board member and founder of the CESS Blog, will join with several of her regular bloggers to talk about the activities and goals of this site and to hear your views on how to improve it.
- **Keynote Address** (Friday, 5:45 pm). Journalist and author Steve LeVine will speak on "Central Asia—What Comes After 2014."
- **Reception sponsored by Nazarbayev University** (Friday, 7:00 pm). Immediately following the Keynote, all conference attendees are invited to the Alumni Lounge for food and drinks. Hosted by Kadisha Dairova, Vice-President for Student Affairs and International Cooperation, Nazarbayev University.
- **Roundtable/Author-Critic Forum** (Saturday, 1:45 pm). Signaling a new stage in cooperation between CESS and Central Asian Survey, a roundtable discussion of CESS Book Award winner Johan Rasanayagam's *Islam in Post-Soviet Uzbekistan* will feature the author. The proceedings will subsequently be published in CAS.
- **Special conference-within-a-conference on "Islam in Central Eurasia."** Two panels hosted by Uli Schamiloglu, Saturday morning (Session 5-2) and afternoon (Session 7-2).
- **Photo Exhibit.** "Picturing Russian Colonial Central Asia (ca. 1888): Photography by Orden from the Anahita Gallery Collection," curated by Heather Sonntag. Pyle Center 3rd Floor.
- **Film Screening** (Saturday, 7:00 pm): Two films from Xinjiang: "Beside the River" and "The Feast of Kurban Bayram."

We would like to recognize our sponsors, including the Anonymous Fund of the College of Letters and Science at UW-Madison, CREECA, the Middle East Studies Program, and Nazarbayev University. We are grateful to all the members of CESS and UW-Madison who have volunteered their time.

The 15th annual conference will be hosted by our colleagues at Columbia University's Harriman Institute from October 24-26, 2014.

Again, welcome to Madison and enjoy your weekend!

Ali Igmen, Laura Adams, and Lawrence Markowitz, CESS Conference Program Committee Co-Chairs  
Jennifer Tishler, Virginia Martin and Uli Schamiloglu, UW-Madison Organizing Committee Co-Chairs

# Conference Information

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## Conference Registration: 3rd Floor, Pyle Center

All participants and attendees must register. The registration desk is located on the third floor of the Pyle Center, in the pre-function space outside room 326. The registration desk will be staffed:

Thursday, 3:00-6:00 pm

Friday, 7:30 am-5:30 pm

Saturday, 7:30 am-4:00 pm

Sunday, 7:30 am-noon

## Exhibit Room: Room 313, Pyle Center

Please visit the publishers, booksellers, study abroad organizations, and universities that are exhibiting at CESS. The exhibit room will be open:

Friday, 8:00 am-5:30 pm

Saturday, 8:00 am-5:30 pm

Sunday, 8:00-noon

## Coffee and Refreshment Breaks:

Early-morning coffee will be available at 7:30 am outside the Exhibit Room (313 Pyle Center).

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, a mid-morning break, featuring coffee, tea, and pastries will be available in the Exhibit Room at 9:45 am.

On Friday and Saturday, a mid-afternoon beverage break will be available in the Exhibit Room at 3:15 pm.

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The Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) and the Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison would like to acknowledge the following individuals and organizations for their extraordinary support and efforts:

Jackie Breeding, CESS Secretariat, Indiana University.

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Student volunteer coordinator: Kathleen Conti. Thanks to all the student volunteers who donated their time to the conference and opened up their homes to visiting graduate students!

For their generous financial support of and participation in the conference, we wish to thank the Anonymous Fund of the College of Letters & Science at UW-Madison, the Middle East Studies Program, CREECA, and Nazarbayev University, Kazakhstan.

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# Schedule

Thursday, October 3, 2013

Room	Session 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Session 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Pyle 325	"Chaos, Violence, Dynasty and Central Asian Society: The Untold Story"	
Rooftop Terrace (Alumni Lounge if rain)		Welcome Reception, Sponsored by CREECA

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## Friday, October 4, 2013

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Pyle 205	Meet and Greet The CESS Bloggers (1-1)	China's New Role in Central Asia (2-1)	Lunch — 12:00 pm - 1:45 pm	Dissent, Reform and Revolution (3-1)	The State of Social Mobilization in Central Eurasia (4-1)	
Pyle 220		Education and Community Development in Rural Central Asia (2-2)		Central Eurasian Studies: New Foundations for the Development of Research within the Region (3-2)	Identity Politics (4-2)	
Pyle 225	Contemporary Higher Education in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan (1-3)	Energy and Security Policies (2-3)		Post-Soviet State-Society Relations (3-3)	(Pre-)Islamic Rituals of Turko-Persia Through Christian Eyes: Texts, Images, and Materiality (4-3)	
Pyle 226	Past, Present and Future of Gender Studies in Central Asia (1-4)	Protecting and Sustaining Central Asian Cultural Heritage (2-4)		Central Asian Military History (3-4)	How to Write About Central Eurasia: Academia and Journalism in Conversation (4-4)	
Pyle 213	Osh Three Years After: Reordering and Remembering the City (1-5)	Central Asian History-Making: Oral, Genealogical, Global and Collective Narratives (2-5)		Social Memory and the Material World (3-5)	Central Asian Women and Islam: Ancestral Traditions and Modern Expectations (4-5)	
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Pyle 317	Turkey and the EU in the Post-Soviet Space: Security, Energy and Gender (1-6)	Deciphering Documents and History Mysteries (2-6)		Conceiving Tajikistan: Opportunity and Contingency in Early Visions of the USSR (3-6)	Religious and Ethnic Actors as Agents of Change (4-6)	
Pyle 325 and Alumni Lounge						

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## Saturday, October 5, 2013

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Pyle 205	Teaching from a Global Perspective: The New World History and the Silk Roads (5-1)		Lunch — 12:00 pm - 1:45 pm	Comparative Perspectives on Internationalization in Central Asian Higher Education (7-1)	Nomads, Networks, and Migration (8-1)	
Pyle 220	Islam in Central Eurasia #1 (5-2)			Islam in Central Eurasia #2 (7-2)	Religion Beyond Repression: Islam and the State in Central Asia (8-2)	
Pyle 225	International Organizations and Governance (5-3)			Mongolia and the Third Neighbor Approach (7-3)	Language, Literature and Power (8-3)	
Pyle 226	Evaluating Social and Economic Capital (5-4)			Film and Literature (7-4)	Building the State in Afghanistan (8-4)	
Pyle 213	Identity Politics during Wars and the Purges (5-5)			Author-Critic Forum Rasanayagam (7-5)	Intelligentsia of the Late Imperial Era (8-5)	
Pyle 317	Linguistic-Historical Analyses of the Kazakh Steppe in the 18th Century (5-6)				Why Central Asia Matters: Theory, Methodology and Practice (8-6)	
Pyle 325		CESS Membership Meeting and Awards Ceremony (6-1)				
Pyle 320			CESS Executive Board Meeting 12:00 pm - 1:45 pm			
Pyle 313	Exhibit Hall	Exhibit Hall		Exhibit Hall	Exhibit Hall	
Pyle DE 235						Two films from Xinjiang, directed by Liu Xiangchen

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Sunday, October 6, 2013

Room	Session 9 8:15 am - 10:00 am	Session 10 10:15 am - 12:00 pm	12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Pyle 205	International Relations of Central Asia (9-1)	Crafting Energy Policy across Borders (10-1)	
Pyle 220	Challenges to State Authority (9-2)	Roundtable: The Turkish Presidency (10-2)	
Pyle 225	Regulating Religious Mobilization and Revival (9-3)	Music and Oral Tradition (10-3)	
Pyle 226	Politics of Economic Development (9-4)	The Culture and Language of Georgia (10-4)	
Pyle 213	Migration and Diaspora (9-5)		
Pyle 317	Politics of Language and Cultural Identity in Xinjiang (9-6)		
Pyle 313	Exhibit Hall	Exhibit Hall	
Pyle 320			CESS 2014 (and Beyond) Conference Planning Meeting

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# Cultural Events

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**Exhibit:** “Picturing Russian Colonial Central Asia (ca. 1888): Photography by Orden from the Anahita Gallery Collection.” Third Floor, Pyle Center. Among the first to haul cumbersome camera equipment around the Kara Kum desert and other parts of Russian Turkestan after completion of the Trans-Caspian railway from Merv to Samarkand via Bukhara, Orden amassed a remarkable stock of photographs representing colonial Central Asia at the end of the 1880s. A little known photographer, Orden has not been entirely overlooked by scholars interested in images of Central Asia. Yet he remains effectively obscure. Very little has been written about him, and the significance of his visual take on Turkestan has been under researched. This unique collection stands alone as an important record of modernity in colonial Central Asia and of a photographic history seen to visually exploit Asia within a Russian sphere of European cultural influence. Exhibition Curator: Heather S. Sonntag, PhD, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**Films:** Two films from Xinjiang, directed by Liu Xiangchen. Saturday, October 5. 7:00-9:30 pm. Pyle Center, Room DE 235. Introduction by David Dettmann, Center for East Asian Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

“Beside the River” (60 min., 2005, in Uyghur with English subtitles). This film documents the challenges of daily life for members of a Uyghur family living in a remote village in the Taklamakan Desert, alongside the Keriya River in southern Xinjiang, China.

“The Feast of Kurban Bayram” (48min., 2012, in Kyrgyz with English subtitles). This film tells the story of the hardships of a Kyrgyz family in western Xinjiang who are forced to move as a new highway is constructed and as the mining industry rapidly takes over. Their problems are compounded as their traditional pasturelands become slowly flooded with the completion of a hydroelectric project.

Following the second film, a discussion will be led by Guven Witteveen, Independent Scholar, and David Dettmann



“Beside the River”



“The Feast of Kurban Bayram”

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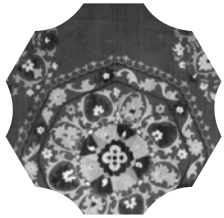
“Chaos, Violence, Dynasty and Central Asian Society: The Untold Story”

Eric M. McGlinchey, Associate Professor of Government and Politics, George Mason University

Sponsored by the Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA) and the Mellon Foundation Slavic Studies Initiative

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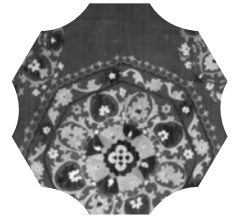


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Meet and Greet The CESS Bloggers (1-1)

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Amanda Wooden, Bucknell University (Moderator)

David Levy, Boston University

Melissa Kerr Chiovenda, University of Connecticut

Diana Kudaibergenova, University of Cambridge

Aisalkyn Botoeva, Brown University

Sarah Dixon Klump, Georgetown University

James Pickett, Princeton University

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Melissa Kerr Chiovenda

Diana T. Kudaibergenova

Vassiliy Lakhonin

Max Suchkov

Read more at

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Contemporary Higher Education in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan (1-3)

Pyle 225

Shakhnoza Yakubova, Kent State University (Chair)

Zumrad Kataeva, University of Kentucky

*Understanding the Academic Profession and Faculty Life in Post-Soviet Tajikistan*

Martha Merrill, Kent State University

*Recognizing Rationales for Reform: Actors, Authority and Academics*

Todd Drummond, Michigan State University

*The Achievement Gap in Kyrgyzstan between Russian and Non-Russian Language Medium Schooling: The Evidence is In*

Alan DeYoung, University of Kentucky (Discussant)



Roundtable: Past, Present and Future  
of Gender Studies in Central Asia (1-4)

Pyle 226

Svetlana Peshkova, University of New Hampshire (Chair)

Zulfiya Bakhtibekova, University of Exeter

Noor Borbieva, Indiana University-Purdue University  
Fort Wayne

Marianne Kamp, University of Wyoming

Shahnoza Madaeva, National University of Uzbekistan

Cynthia Werner, Texas A&M University

Osh Three Years After: Reordering and  
Remembering the City (1-5)

Pyle 213

Laura Adams, Harvard University (Chair)

Emily Canning, Brandeis University

*Scarcity of Signs: Language and Power in a Scarred City*

Olivier Ferrando, French Institute for Central Asian  
Studies (IFEAC)

*Identity and Political Violence in Post-Soviet Central Asia: An  
Incestuous Relation*

Elly Harrowell, University of Birmingham

*Mapping Memories and Building for the Future: Urban Change  
in Osh, Kyrgyzstan*

Grace Zhou, Stanford University

*Building House and City: Perspectives on Conflict, Construction,  
and Citizenship in Southern Kyrgyzstan*

Morgan Liu, Ohio State University (Discussant)

Turkey and the EU in the Post-Soviet Space:  
Security, Energy and Gender (1-6)

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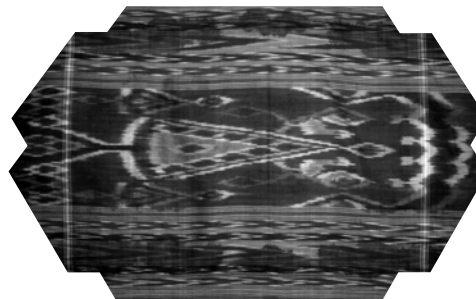
Ayşe Ayata, Middle East Technical University (Chair)

Gökten Doğançün, Middle East Technical University  
*Gender Politics in Turkey and the Post-Soviet Space*

Ayca Ergun, Middle East Technical University  
*EU, Democratization and Security in the South Caucasus*

Hayriye Kahveci, Middle East Technical University,  
Northern Cyprus Campus  
*Turkey's Energy Relations with Central Asia and the Caucasus*

Isik Kuscu Bonnenfant, Middle East Technical University  
(Discussant)



## China's New Role in Central Asia (2-1)

Pyle 205

Rian Thum, Loyola University (Chair)

Assel Bitabarova, Hokkaido University

*Toward an Understanding of Kyrgyz Perceptions of China: from "Historical" Memory to a Modern Kyrgyz Nationalism*

Gulnara Dadabayeva, KIMEP University

*The Chinese Opportunities in Kazakhstan after 2008*

Irina Malyuchenko, OSCE Academy in Bishkek

*Compensatory Measures Against China's Economic Expansionist Policy in Resource-rich Countries: Useful Lessons for Kazakhstan*

Sansar Tsakhirmaa, Johns Hopkins University

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*Looking Less/more Sinicized Out of Consensus: Comparing Ethnic-boundary-making Among Uyghurs and (Southern) Mongolians*

Alima Bissenova, Nazarbayev University (Discussant)

## Education and Community Development in Rural Central Asia (2-2)

Pyle 220

Martha Merrill, Kent State University (Chair)

Mir Tajik, Aga Khan University

*Self-Help Community Development in the Rural, Mountainous Regions of Central Asia*

Shakhnoza Yakubova, Kent State University

*Transition from Secondary to Higher Education: A Case Study of Ethnic Uzbeks in Rural Southern Kazakhstan*

Todd Drummond, Michigan State University  
(Discussant)

## Energy and Security Policies (2-3)

Pyle 225

Zachary Barnett-Howell, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Daniel Burghart, National Intelligence University

*Great Game Changers—The Changing Nature of Eurasian Energy*

Amita Vempati, Indiana University

*Balancing Uzbekistan: Alliance Theory and the Iran-Tajikistan Relationship*

Aitmukhanbet Yesdauletov, Harriman Institute, Columbia University

Ardak Yesdauletov, Harriman Institute, Columbia University

*Debating the Future of Nuclear Energy in Kazakhstan*

Behruz Yodgorov, OSCE Academy

*Central Asia Security After the US Withdrawal -2014*

Sarah Hummel, Princeton University (Discussant)



## Session 2 — 10:15 am - 12:00 pm

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### Protecting and Sustaining Central Asian Cultural Heritage (2-4)

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David Dettmann, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Harriet Beaubien, Smithsonian Institution  
Paula DePriest, Smithsonian Institution  
*Protecting and Sustaining Central Asian Cultural Heritage*

William Fitzhugh, Smithsonian Institution  
*Sustaining Mongolia's Heritage: What Prospects for Deer Stone Monument?*

Richard Kortum, East Tennessee State University  
Kenneth Lymer, Wessex Archaeology  
*Rock Art of Far-Western Mongolia and Eastern Kazakhstan*

Alexander Nagel, Smithsonian Institution  
*Talking with Each Other or Archaeological Sites as Museums in Iran: Archives, History, Tourism and On-Site Preservation of Selected Case Studies and Monuments*

Azamat Sakiev, University of North Georgia (Discussant)

*Panel organized by the American Center for Mongolian Studies (ACMS)*

### Central Asian History-Making: Oral, Genealogical, Global and Collective Narratives (2-5)

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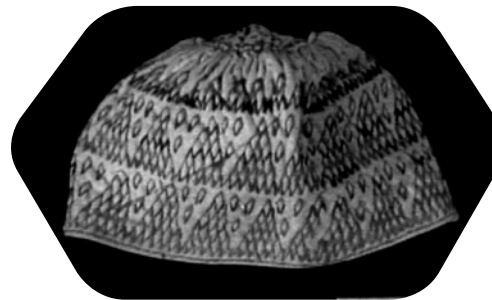
Russell Zanca, Northeastern Illinois University (Chair and Discussant)

Marianne Kamp, University of Wyoming  
*The Past and Memory: National Narratives and Mundane Recollections in Uzbek Collective Farmers' Stories*

Ali Igmen, California State University, Long Beach  
*Actors' Memories and "Collective Knowledge": Constructing Kyrgyz Cultural History in the Mid-twentieth Century*

Svetlana Jacquesson, American University of Central Asia  
*From Genealogical Relations to Global Connections: on Some Aspects of the Genealogical Frenzy in Independent Kyrgyzstan*

Daniel Prior, Miami University  
*Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century Northern Kirghiz Oral-Derived Narrative Sources in Historical Perspective*



### Deciphering Documents and History Mysteries (2-6)

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Judd Kinzley, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Michele Brunelli, Bergamo State University  
*Six Days With the Shah*

Shiming Chen, Xinjiang University  
*The Project of Uyghur Annotated Translation of Central Asian Historical Materials from the 24 Dynastic Histories of China*

Attila Mateffy, Institute of Social Sciences, Hacettepe University  
*The Hungarian Variants of the Myths of the Dualistic Creation of the World*

Jing Wei, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Decoding Words in Ancient Persian-Chinese Dictionaries*

Erkenjiang Yidelisi, Xinjiang University  
*On Some Newly Unearthed 19th Century Chaghatay Contract Documents from Southern Xinjiang*

Beatrice Manz, Tufts University (Discussant)

Lunch (on your own) — 12:00 pm - 1:45 pm

Dissent, Reform and Revolution (3-1)

Pyle 205

Mark S. Johnson, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Chair)

Peter Nasuti, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Varieties of Corruption: Implications of the Georgian  
Reform Process*

Azamat Sakiev, University of North Georgia  
*What Presidential Personalities Can Tell Us About Popular Uprisings  
in Kyrgyzstan: Evidence from Leadership Trait Analysis?*

Noah Tucker, Independent Scholar (Discussant)

Roundtable: Central Eurasian Studies:  
New Foundations for the Development  
of Research within the Region (3-2)

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Edward Lazzerini, Indiana University (Chair)

Olivier Ferrando, French Institute for Central Asian  
Studies (IFEAC)

Svetlana Jacquesson, American University of Central  
Asia, Bishkek

Asel Murzakulova, Bishkek Humanities University

John Schoeberlein, Nazarbayev University

Post-Soviet State-Society Relations (3-3)

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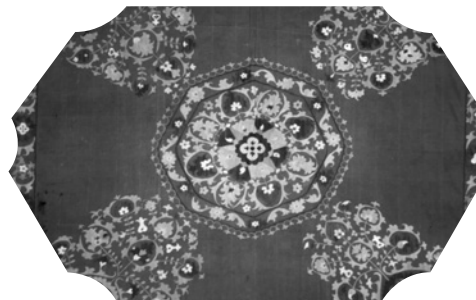
Alexander Diener, University of Kansas (Chair)

Marintha Miles, Independent Scholar  
*Friends, Foes, and Facebook: Blocking the Internet in Tajikistan*

Alexander Sodiqov, University of Toronto  
*(Sur)Realpolitik and Human Rights in Central Asia: Tales of  
Two Extrajudicial Executions in Tajikistan*

Nora Webb Williams, University of Washington  
*Protest Observers and Media Use in Kyrgyzstan: Results from  
a 2012 Bishkek Survey*

Pauline Jones Luong, University of Michigan  
(Discussant)



## Session 3 — 1:45 pm - 3:30 pm

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### Central Asian Military History (3-4)

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Andre Wink, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Scott Levi, Ohio State University  
*The Central Asian Military Revolution*

Beatrice Manz, Tufts University  
*Nomad Rulers and Settled Soldiers*

Timothy May, University of North Georgia  
*Livestock and Warfare: Livestock Herding as Warfare in the Mongol Empire*

David Morgan, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Discussant)

### Social Memory and the Material World (3-5)

Pyle 213

Kathleen Conti, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Melissa Kerr Chiovenda, University of Connecticut  
*How Landscape Illustrates Marginality: Ethnic Hazaras' Memories of Oppression in Afghanistan*

Nygmets Ibadildin, KIMEP University  
*Interpretation of Soviet Past in Contemporary Kazakhstan*

Miriam J. Woods, Indiana University  
*In the Museum, In the Street: Representations and Realities of Tajik 'National Dress'*

Heather Sonntag, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Discussant)

### Conceiving Tajikistan: Opportunity and Contingency in Early Visions of the USSR (3-6)

Pyle 317

Marianne Kamp, University of Wyoming (Chair)

Brinton Ahlin, New York University  
*Founding Tajik Ethnography Brick by Brick: The Poetics and Politics of Absence in the Ethnographic Work of Mikhail S. Andreev*

Patryk Reid, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
*Afterthoughts? Soviet Visions of Tajikistan in the 1920s and the Realities of Mobility*

Flora Roberts, University of Chicago  
*Forming the Tajik Nation*

Ali Igmen, California State University, Long Beach  
(Discussant)



Roundtable: The State of Social Mobilization  
in Central Eurasia (4-1)

Pyle 205

Amanda Wooden, Bucknell University (Chair)

Pauline Jones Luong, University of Michigan

Eric McGlinchey, George Mason University

Edward Schatz, University of Toronto

Identity Politics (4-2)

Pyle 220

Rebecca Fradkin, University of Oxford (Chair)

Aida Aaly Alymbaeva, Max Plank Institute for Social  
Anthropology

*Between Sart and Kalmak: Identity Politics in Contemporary  
Kyrgyzstan*

Saule Batayeva, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*The Contradictions of Formation of Ethnic Identities of Kazakhs  
in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan*

Andrea Chioyenda, Boston University

*Men in the Making: Pukhtun Masculine Selves and the Challenge  
of 30 years of Violent Conflict*

Olivier Ferrando, French Institute for Central Asian  
Studies (IFEAC) (Discussant)

(Pre-)Islamic Rituals of Turko-Persia through  
Christian Eyes: Texts, Images, and Materiality  
(4-3)

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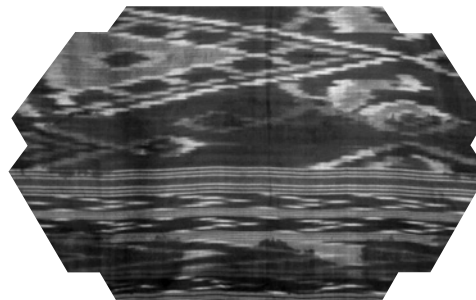
Heather Sonntag, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Chair)

Elio Brancaforte, Tulane University

*Between Word and Image: Representations of (Pre-)Islamic Rituals  
in Safavid Iran from Early Modern European Travel Accounts*

Irina Shingiray, Institute for the Study of Muslim  
Societies and Civilizations (SMSC), Boston University  
*Religious Rituals of the Nomadic Turks-Khazars: Early Medieval  
Christian vs. Muslim Sources*

Rian Thum, Loyola University (Discussant)



## Session 4 — 3:45 pm - 5:30 pm

Friday, October 4, 2013

### Roundtable: How to Write About Central Eurasia: Academia and Journalism in Conversation (4-4)

Pyle 226

Jesko Schmoller, Humboldt University Berlin (Chair)

Eric Freedman, Michigan State University

Navbahor Imamova, Voice of America

Asel Murzakulova, Bishkek Humanities University

Bruce Pannier, Radio Free Europe

Monica Whitlock, SOAS, University of London

### Central Asian Women and Islam: Ancestral Traditions and Modern Expectations (4-5)

Pyle 213

Marianne Kamp, University of Wyoming (Chair)

Noor Borbieva, Indiana University-Purdue University  
Fort Wayne

*Debating the Tradition: Men, Women, and Orthodoxy in  
Kyrgyz Islam*

Svetlana Peshkova, University of New Hampshire  
*Creating "National Islam" in the Ferghana Valley*

Fatima Sartbay, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Resilience of Shamanic Practices in Islam: Kyrgyz Oral Poetics*

Cynthia Werner, Texas A&M University (Discussant)

### Religious and Ethnic Actors as Agents of Change (4-6)

Pyle 317

Daniel Schafer, Belmont University (Chair)

Rahimjon Abdugafurov, Emory University  
*Islamic Legal Opinions about Christians and Jews in Central Asia*

Richard Antaramian, University of Michigan  
*Systematizing Millets and Centralizing the State: Ottoman and  
Armenian Reform, 1856-1866*

Gerald Mako, Cambridge University  
*The Khazars, the Volga Bulgars, the Rus' and the Pechenegs:  
The Religious Dimension of the Black Sea Frontier in the Tenth  
and Eleventh Centuries*

Dilrabo Tosheva, Lyceum Under Tashkent State  
Economic University  
*The Role of Sufi Ulama's in the Foreign Relations of Bukhara  
Khanate*

John Schoeberlein, Nazarbayev University (Discussant)

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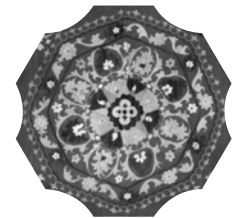
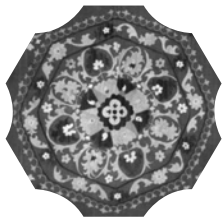
## Keynote and Reception — 5:45 pm - 8:30 pm

Keynote Address: Steve LeVine, "Central Asia—What Comes After 2014?" (Pyle 325)

Book Signing and Reception (Alumni Lounge).

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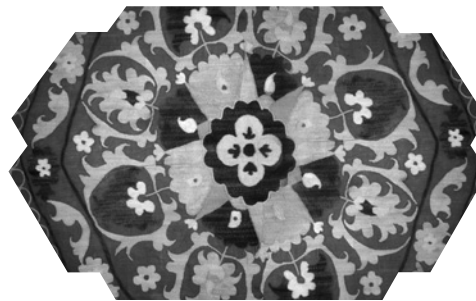
## Keynote Address by Steve LeVine

“Central Asia—What Comes After 2014?”

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Steve LeVine is a contributing editor at *Foreign Policy* magazine in Washington, D.C., and an adjunct professor of energy and security at the School of Securities Studies at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service. He writes a blog called *The Oil and the Glory*, and is the author of a book by the same name, published in 2007 by Random House. He is also the author of *Putin's Labyrinth*, a profile of Russia published in 2008. He has written and spoken about the geopolitics of Eurasian energy and pipelines for 15 years, and was based in the Caspian Sea region for 11 years as a foreign correspondent for *The Wall Street Journal* and before that *The New York Times*. Before working in the former Soviet Union, LeVine was based for three years as a foreign correspondent for *Newsweek* in Pakistan, where he covered the Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan, the subsequent civil war, and the political rise of Benazir Bhutto. Before that, he was based in the Philippines for *Newsday*. In 2003, LeVine took up residence at Stanford University's Institute for International Studies, where he spent two years researching and writing *The Oil and the Glory*, a history of oil through the lens of oil and gas on the Caspian Sea. In 2008, he moved to Washington, D.C., where he became chief foreign affairs writer for *BusinessWeek*. Last year, he joined *Foreign Policy*. LeVine has a bachelor's degree in journalism from California State University at Fresno, and a master's degree from the Columbia University School of Journalism.



Roundtable: Teaching from a Global Perspective:  
The New World History and the Silk Roads (5-1)

Pyle 205

Ali Igmen, California State University, Long Beach  
(Chair)

Gail Hamilton, Bancroft Middle School

Tim Keirn, California State University, Long Beach

Tim Mulvehill, Millikan High School

Islam in Central Eurasia #1 (5-2)

Pyle 220

Agnès Kefeli-Clay, Arizona State University (Chair)

Manu Sobti, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee  
*Suburban Civitas: Central Asian Urbanity in the Early-Medieval  
Period*

Damir Isxakov, Institute of History, Academy of Sciences  
of the Republic of Tatarstan  
*The Sayyids of Central Eurasia in the Early Modern Period*

Uli Schamiloglu, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Celebrating the Birthday of the Prophet Muhammad: The  
Mawlid Tradition in Central Eurasia*

Nathan Spannaus, University of Tennessee-Knoxville  
*Approaching Modernity in Islamic Eurasia*

International Organizations and Governance (5-3)

Pyle 225

Yoshiko M. Herrera, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Chair)

Malika Bahovadinova, Indiana University  
*Failure by Design or Accident? International Organizations' Role  
in the Development of Government Institutions in Tajikistan*

Elmira Suleymanova, Commissioner for Human Rights  
of the Republic of Azerbaijan  
*Legislative Reforms and Independent Mechanisms in the  
Improvement of Protection and Promotion of Human Rights*

Mert Kartal, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Discussant)



Evaluating Social and Economic Capital (5-4)

Pyle 226

Sarfarozi Niyozov, University of Toronto (Chair)

Yuhui Li, Rowan University

*Regional Variation of Public Health in Xinjiang*

Marina Lukmanova, Rudnyi Industrial Institute

*Social Capital and Government Regulation in Kazakhstan*

Balihar Sanghera, University of Kent (Discussant)

Identity Politics during Wars and the Purges (5-5)

Pyle 213

Jeff Sahadeo, Carleton University (Chair)

Audrey Altstadt, University of Massachusetts Amherst

*Writers Union as Tribunal: Case of Azerbaijan 1937*

Roberto Carmack, University of Wisconsin - Madison

*True Sons and Daughters of the Kazakh People: Frontline Propaganda Among Kazakh Soldiers, 1941-1945*

Ablet Kamalov, Institute of Oriental Studies named after R.B.Suleimenov and University 'Turan'

*From 'Great Game' to 'Cold War': American Diplomatic Mission in Xinjiang in the 1940s*

Derek Peterson, Ohio State University

*For Brothers or Brezhnev?: Central Asians in the Red Army During the Soviet-Afghan War*

Mark S. Johnson, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Discussant)

Linguistic-Historical Analyses of the Kazakh Steppe in the 18th Century (5-6)

Pyle 317

Virginia Martin, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Bakhyt Ezhnhanuli, R.B. Suleimenov Institute of Oriental Studies

*Kazakhs Return East - The Territorial Recovering Activities of Kazakhs in the Second Half of the 18th Century*

Eric Johnson, University of Washington

Talant Mawkanuli, University of Washington

*On the Frontiers of Tradition and Translation: Early Findings from the Linguistic and Textual Analysis of Eighteenth-Century Kazak Diplomatic Documents*

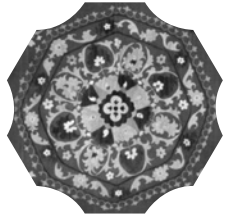
Daniel Prior, Miami University (Discussant)



Session 6 — 10:15 am - 12:00 pm

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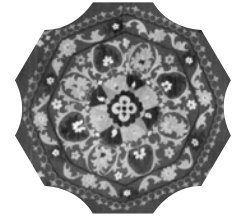
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## Plenary Membership and Awards Ceremony

Conversation with the President: Cynthia Werner, Texas A&M University  
Announcement of Book Award and Graduate Student Paper Award

Pyle 325



All CESS members and prospective members are encouraged to attend!

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Lunch (on your own) — 12:00 pm - 1:45 pm

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Comparative Perspectives on Internationalization  
in Central Asian Higher Education (7-1)

Pyle 205

Mark Johnson, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Katarzyna Cakala, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*The Politics of Internationalization and Aid Dependency in  
Central Asian Higher Education*

Madina Djuraeva, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Comparative Analysis of Language Policies in Higher Education  
in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan*

Lee Rensimer, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*What Knowledge is of Most Worth? Global / Local Tensions at  
Two Aspiring 'World-class' Research Universities in Kazakhstan  
and Saudi Arabia*

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Yasin Tunc, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Internationalization of Higher Education Curriculum:  
Global Citizenship as a Travelling Idea*

Tayyab Zaidi, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Discussant)

Islam in Central Eurasia #2 (7-2)

Pyle 220

Mani Sobti, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (Chair)

Timothy Jack Rowe, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*10,000 Murids: The Vitality of Mystical Islam in 19th-century  
Central Asia*

Abdulsait Aykut, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Murat Rämzi on Central Asian Sufi Networks at the Turn of the  
20th Century*

Agnès Kefeli-Clay, Arizona State University  
*The Prophet Noah in Modern Tatar Eschatology*

Edward Lazzarini, Indiana University (Discussant)

Mongolia and the Third Neighbor Approach (7-3)

Pyle 225

Caress Schenk, Nazarbayev University (Chair and  
Discussant)

Davaanyam Budsuren, National University of Mongolia  
*Analyses on the Implementation of the Third Neighbor Policy  
of Mongolia*

Teresa Nichols, Indiana University  
*Making and Managing Mongolian Heritage*

Sharad Soni, Jawaharlal Nehru University  
*The "Third Neighbour" Approach of Mongolia's Diplomacy  
of External Relations: Effects on Relations between India  
and Mongolia*



Session 7 — 1:45 pm - 3:30 pm

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Film and Literature (7-4)

Pyle 226

Maria Belodubrovskaya, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Claire Roosien, University of Chicago  
*Apocalyptic and Revolution in Fitrat's Qiyamat*

Difuza Rozieva, Kazakh Abylai Khan University of International Relations and World Languages  
*Ilya Bakhtiya, Uyghur Poet*

Boram Shin, University of Cambridge  
*What is Lost and Found in 'Unreal' Spaces: Post-Soviet Magical Realist Chronotope in the Uzbek Films 'Parizod' and 'Yurt'*

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Booth Wilson, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Genre Filmmaking at Eurasian Studios: The "Stagnation"-era Melodrama*

Julie Christensen, George Mason University  
(Discussant)

Roundtable: Author-Critic Forum on Rasanayagam,  
*Islam in Post-Soviet Uzbekistan: The Morality of Experience* (7-5)

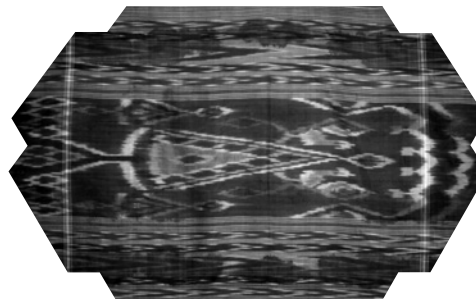
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Russell Zanca, Northeastern Illinois University (Chair)

Aurelie Biard, Sciences Po, Paris

Nazif Shahrani, Indiana University

Johan Rasanayagam, University of Aberdeen



Nomads, Networks, and Migration (8-1)

Pyle 205

Anatoly Khazanov, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Chair)

Javad Abbasi, Ohio State University

*Long-term Heritage of Mongols in Iran (Case Study: Jalayerids  
and Janighorbanids in Contemporary Khorasan)*

Yuri Boyanin, La Trobe University

*Sedentary Nomads? Pastoralism, Nomadism, Settlement and  
Tribalism Among the Kyrgyz of High Asia*

Paula Doumani, Washington University

*Technical Know-How in the Bronze Age: Migration and  
Household Production Among Pastoralists, Kazakhstan*

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Marlene Laruelle, George Washington University

*Beyond Crossborder Ethnicity: Dungans as Cultural and  
Economic Mediators of Central Asia*

Lynne Rouse, Washington University

*Leaving Empires in the Dust: Why Core-Periphery Relationships  
Aren't Helpful for Understanding Prehistoric Central Asia*

Timothy May, University of North Georgia (Discussant)

Religion Beyond Repression: Islam and  
the State in Central Asia (8-2)

Pyle 220

Wendell Schwab, Indiana University (Chair)

*Islam Beyond the Muftiate: Islamic Competition Within the  
Kazakhstani State*

Benjamin Gatling, Duke University

*Adapting to the State in Tajikistan: Muslims and the 'Political'  
Since 2010*

David Montgomery, University of Pittsburgh

*Islam Beyond Democracy and State in Kyrgyzstan*

Noah Tucker, Independent Scholar

*The State and Religious Discourse in Uzbekistan*

David Abramson, US State Department (Discussant)

Language, Literature and Power (8-3)

Pyle 225

Uli Schamiloglu, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Chair)

Daniel Barry, CUNY Brooklyn College

*Language Purification: A Contrastive Analysis of Kazakh  
and Turkish*

John M. Clifton, SIL International and University  
of North Dakota

*Ethics and the Promotion of Non-Standard Dialects*

Gulzura Jumakunova, Ankara University

*Kyrgyz-Mongolian Lexical Parallels of the Post of Manas in  
Terms of Commonness and Borrowing*

Radha Balasubramanian, University of Nebraska Lincoln

*L.N. Tolstoy and Saint Ramakrishna: Death as an Awakening*

Funda Derin, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Discussant)



## Session 8 — 3:45 pm - 5:30 pm

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### Building the State in Afghanistan (8-4)

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Nazif Shahrani, Indiana University (Chair and Discussant)

Bill Mankins, Indiana University

*Afghanistan and Counterinsurgency: An Epistemology of Intelligence and Strategy*

Brian Glyn Williams, University of Massachusetts  
Dartmouth

*Dostum the Taliban Killer: Field Research With an Uzbek Warlord in Afghan Turkistan*

### Intelligentsia of the Late Imperial Era (8-5)

Pyle 213

Ablet Kamalov (Chair)

Christopher Fort, University of Michigan

*Constructing a Jadid Childhood: Sadriiddin Ayni's Maktab-i Kohneh*

Gabriel McGuire, Nazarbayev University

*Piety and Pastoral Production in the Work of Shortanbai Qanaiuly*

Anna Oldfield, Coastal Carolina University (Discussant)

### Why Central Asia Matters: Theory, Methodology and Practice (8-6)

Pyle 317

Alexei Trochev, Nazarbayev University (Chair)

Diana Kudaibergenova, University of Cambridge

*Nation, Elites and "Nationalizing" Regimes in Post-Soviet Space*

Jeff Sahadeo, Carleton University

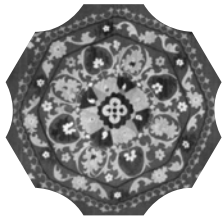
*Why Central Asia Matters: Centering the Region in Studies of Imperial Russia and the USSR*

Balihar Sanghera, University of Kent

*Why Central Asian Scholarship Needs a Strong Social Theory of Everyday Practices*

Virginia Martin, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Discussant)

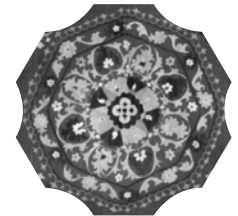
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## Film Screening — 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Two films from Xinjiang, directed by Liu Xiangchen — “Beside the River” and “The Feast of Kurban Bayram”

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International Relations of Central Asia (9-1)

Pyle 205

Marlene Laruelle, Johns Hopkins University (Chair)

Vugar Imanbeyli, Istanbul Sehir University

*The Turkish and Russian "Soft Power" in Eurasia in the Last Decade: A Comparative Analysis*

Tachmurad Jumayev, St.Petersburg State University

*Legal Status of Caspian Sea*

John Schoeberlein, Nazarbayev University

*What Kind of Power Is Soft Power? Theoretical Ruminations Based on the Influence of Japanese Culture in Eurasia*

( 26 ) Yelena Zabortseva, University of Sydney

*Contemporary Russia-Kazakhstan Bilateral Relations: an Increased Bilateral Economic Partnership or a New Economic Confrontation for Power?*

Norman Graham, Michigan State University (Discussant)

Challenges to State Authority (9-2)

Pyle 220

Edward Schatz, University of Toronto (Chair and Discussant)

Emilbek Dzhuraev, American University of Central Asia

*Constitutionalism in Central Asia: Thinking About Good Governance in Not-So-Well-Governed Societies*

Alexei Trochev, Nazarbayev University

*Crime and Punishment in Modern Kazakhstan*

Rustamjon Urinboyev, Lund University

*Living Law and Political Stability in Post-Soviet Central Asia: A Case Study of the Ferghana Valley in Uzbekistan*

Regulating Religious Mobilization and Revival (9-3)

Pyle 225

Alexander Sodiqov, University of Toronto (Chair)

Bayram Balci, Visiting Scholar, Carnegie Endowment  
*Between Turkish, Arab, Iranian and South Asian Influences: Islamic Revival in Central Asia and the Caucasus Since the End of Soviet Union*

Kathleen Collins, University of Minnesota

*Ideas, Institutions, and Interests in Islamist Mobilization and Moderation*

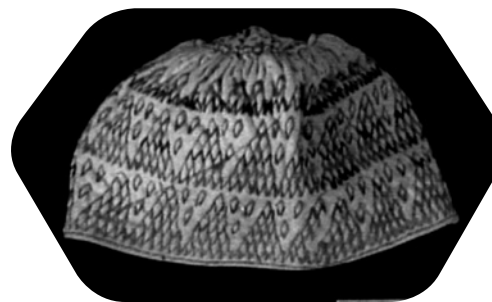
David Levy, Boston University

*State Regulation of Religion in Three Central Asian Republics*

Daniel Schafer, Belmont University

*Peasant Rebellions Among Volga-Ural Muslims During the Russian Civil War, 1918-1921*

Nygmets Ibadildin, KIMEP University (Discussant)



Politics of Economic Development (9-4)

Pyle 226

Scott Gehlbach, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Chair)

Alima Bissenova, Nazarbayev University  
*The Burden of Paternalism: The Boom, the Bust, and the  
Mediating State in Kazakhstan*

Brent Hierman, Virginia Military Institute  
*Land Distribution by Default: Understanding Patterns of  
Agricultural Decollectivization in Tajikistan*

Dina Sharipova, KIMEP University  
*Continuity and Change of Informal Institutions: Evidence from  
a Survey of Post-Soviet Kazakhstan*

Hannah Chapman, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Discussant)

Migration and Diaspora (9-5)

Pyle 213

Nicole M. Kraus, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Chair and Discussant)

Alexander Diener, University of Kansas  
*Russian Repositioning: Mobilities and the Eurasian Regional  
Concept*

Işık Kuşçu Bonnenfant, Middle East Technical University  
Tuba Ünlü Bilgiç, Middle East Technical University  
*Turkey as a Host State: Migration of Kazakhs and Uyghurs in  
the 1950s*

Shushanik Makaryan, Pennsylvania State University  
*Emigration-Diaspora Policy Nexus in the Eastern Neighborhood  
of the European Union*

Irakli Saldadze, TBC Bank  
*Migration. Extreme Poverty Causing Refugee Problems*

Caress Schenk, Nazarbayev University  
*Barriers to Migrant Rights in Post-Soviet Immigration Regimes*

Politics of Language and Cultural Identity  
in Xinjiang (9-6)

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Talant Mawkanuli, University of Washington (Chair)

Rian Thum, Loyola University  
*Understanding Islam Among the Uyghurs*

Stanley Toops, Miami University  
*Results of the 2010 Census in Xinjiang*

Liang Zheng, University of Colorado Boulder  
*The Doppa Incident: The Politics Of Rumor and Uyghur Identity  
In New Media Age*

Francois Tochon, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
(Discussant)



Crafting Energy Policy Across Borders (10-1)

Pyle 205

Funda Derin, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Sara Brinegar, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*From Baku to Batumi or, Oil and Unification in Transcaucasia*

Sarah Hummel, Princeton University

*Sub-National Politics and International Cooperation Over Water and Energy Resources in Post-Soviet Central Asia*

Daniel Burghart, National Defense Intelligence College  
(Discussant)

Music and Oral Tradition (10-3)

Pyle 225

David Dettman, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Elmira Köchümkulova, University of Central Asia

*The Bearers of Oral Tradition: Recording Koshok, Funeral Lament from Kyrgyz Elderly Women*

Anna Oldfield, Coastal Carolina University

*Art of the Azerbaijani Ashig: The Life and Work of Amina Eldaraova*

Brigita Sebald, UCLA

*Cover Bands, Legitimacy, and the Popular Music Canon*

Laura Adams, Harvard University (Discussant)

The Culture and Language of Georgia (10-4)

Pyle 226

George Andrew Spencer, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair)

Bert Beynen, Temple University

*Animal and Human According to Aristotle and Shota Rustaveli*

Julie Christensen, George Mason University

*Global Culture Georgian Style*

Rainer Ruge, EU Council Secretariat

*Georgia after Saakashvili: Did the 2012 Elections in Georgia Change its Democratic Development?*

Tamar Makharoblidze, Ilia State University

*The First Georgian Sign Language Alphabet*

John Colarusso, McMaster University (Discussant)

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Roundtable: Gezi Park Events and  
Presidentialism in Turkey (10-2)

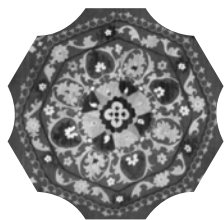
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Ali Igmen, California State University, Long Beach  
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Zeynep Ayata, Université Paris I Panthéon

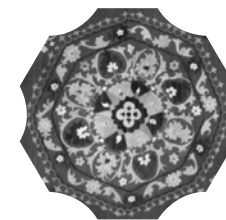
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12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

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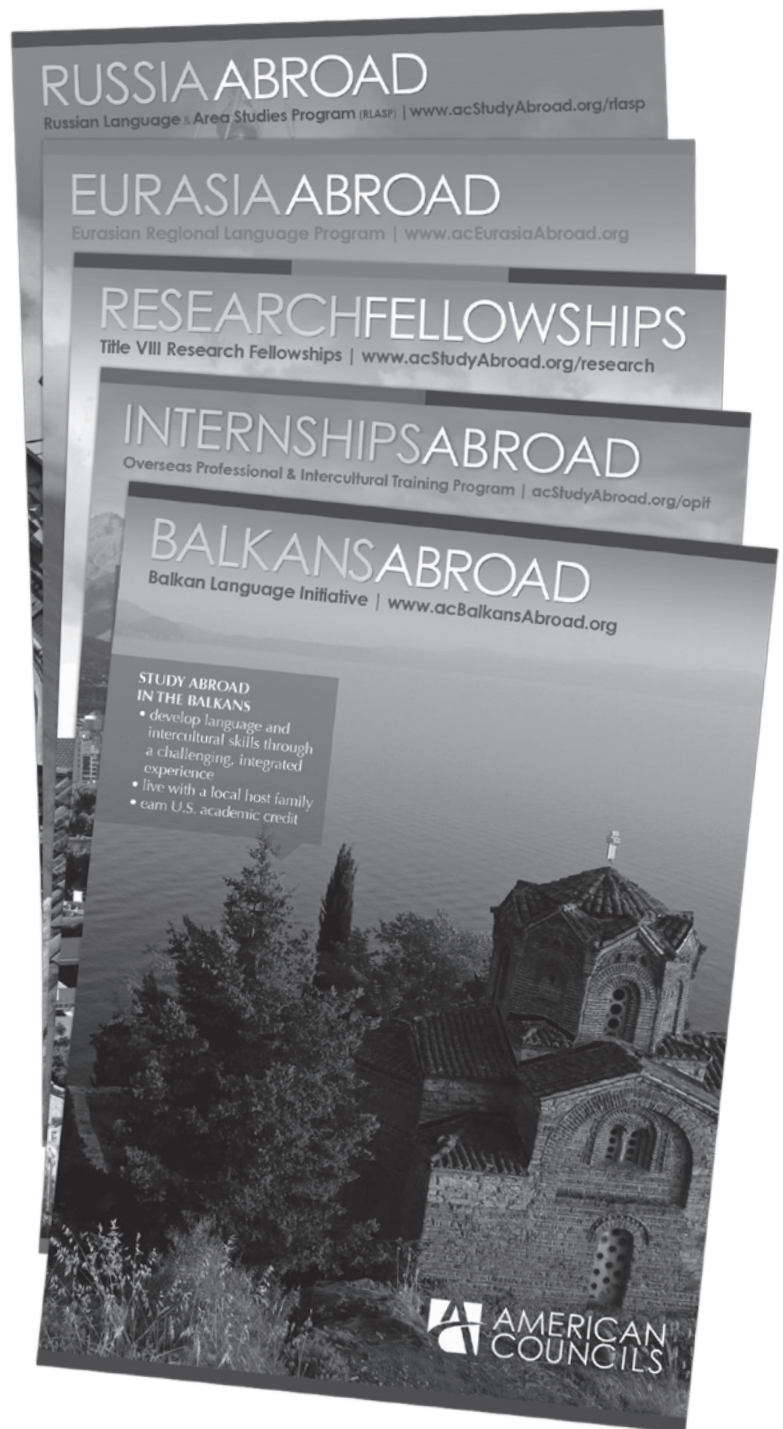
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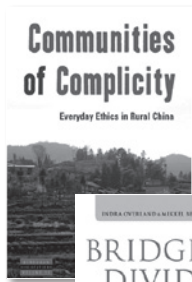
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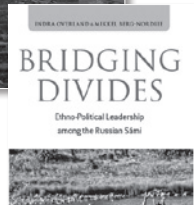
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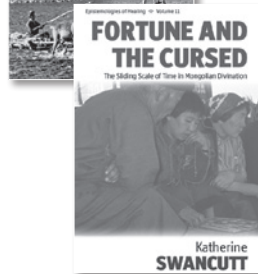


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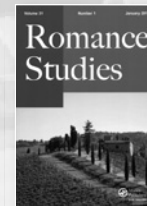
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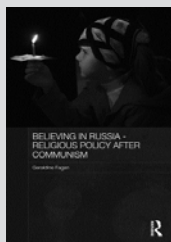
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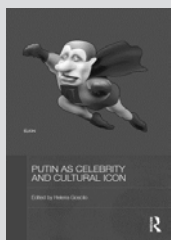


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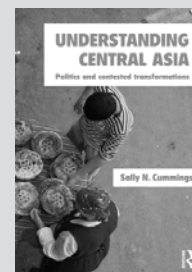
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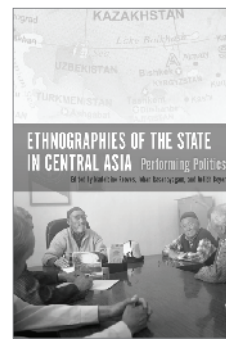
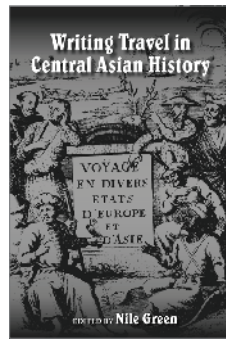
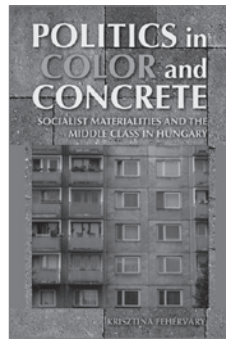
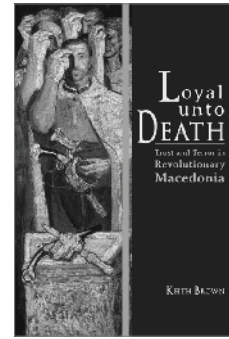
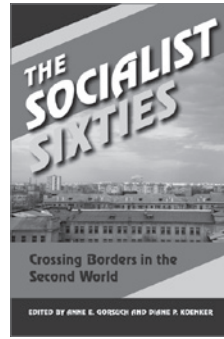
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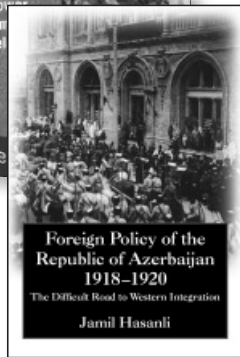
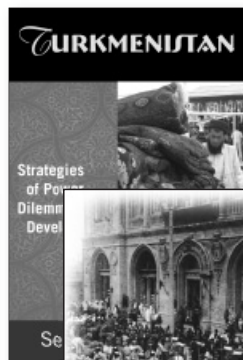
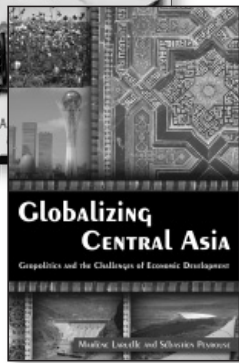
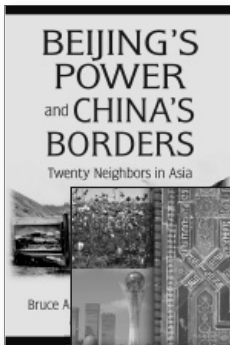
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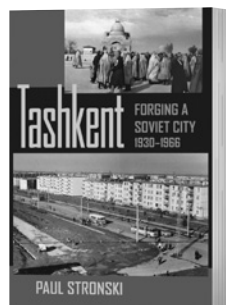
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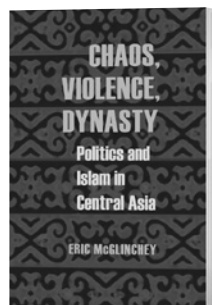
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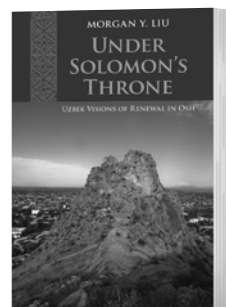
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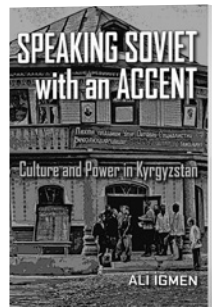
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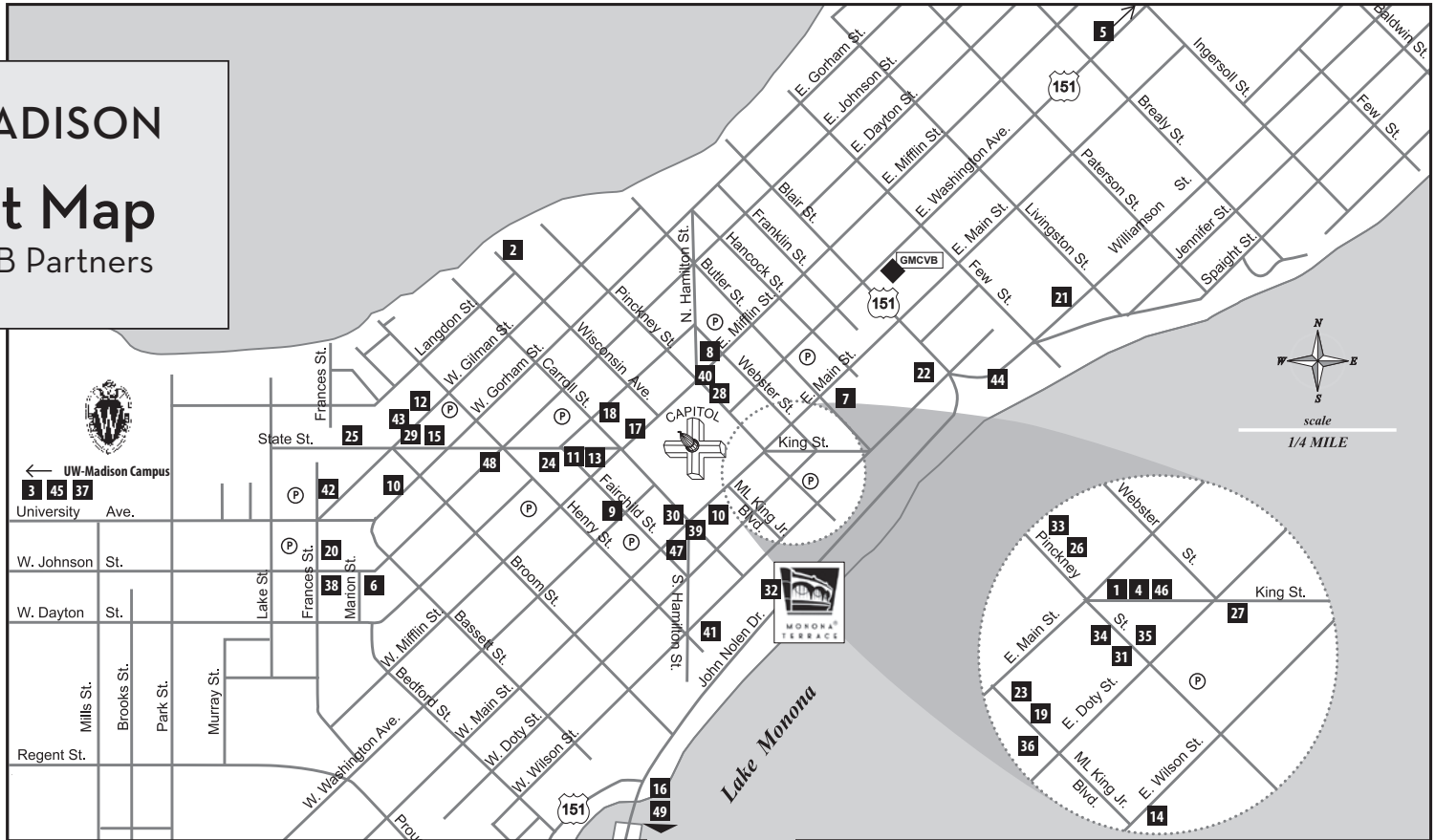
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