

## **Columbia Valley Undergraduate Asian Studies Research Symposium**

April 18-19, 2008

Honors Hall Lounge, WSU Pullman

### **Friday, April 18**

- 5:00–5:30 Welcoming Reception (hors d'oeuvres dinner)  
Erich Lear, Dean of WSU College of Liberal Arts
- 5:30–5:45 WSU Asia Program Student Scholarships & Awards
- 5:45–6:30 Grace Harchuk, "A Reexamination of the Philosophical Influences on Qin Shihuangdi and the Qin Empire"

### **Saturday, April 19**

- 8:30–9:00 Breakfast
- 9:00–10:15 Panel 1: The Challenges of Economic and Technological Development  
  
Tani Eddy, "Mongolia: Privatization in the Late 20th Century"  
LeRoy Mason, "Hong Kong and Beijing Relations: Ten Years Worth of Perspective"  
Leigh Seligman, "The Environmental Degradation of Shanghai"  
Renee Walker, "Five-Minute Screen Shot: How and Why the Myanmar Junta Restricts Internet Access"  
  
Chair/Discussant: Prof. Robert Staab
- 10:30–11:45 Panel 2: Traditions and Transformations of Culture  
  
Emily Stevenson, "The Miao Minority in Chinese History from 1800 to Present"  
Jennifer Schmidt, "Preventative Measures against Bride Burning"  
Nichole Owen, "Personalized Medicine in Japan: Promise of the Future and Ethical Dilemma"  
Fritz Schoepflin, "Walking the Noble Eightfold Path: Hardship in the Life of Su Dongpo"  
  
Chair/Discussant: Prof. Michael Myers
- 12:00–1:15 Panel 3: Global Contexts of Identity  
  
Daniel Widner, "An Investigation of Arab/Muslim Labor Market Discrimination"  
Ellen Kincaid, "The Issue of Amending Article Nine of the Japanese Constitution"  
Julie Russell, "Tibet and the CIA, 1950s-1970s"  
Eileen Morley, "Tibetan Medicine: A Comparison with Chinese Medicine"  
  
Chair/Discussant: Prof. Noriko Kawamura
- 1:15–1:30 Lunch and Special Performance  
WSU Japan Club Taiko Drummers