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The Association of Central Eurasian Students (ACES) welcomes you to the Fourteenth Annual Central Eurasian Studies conference held at Indiana University on Saturday, March 31 and Sunday, April 1, 2007.

This conference began in 1994 under the direction of Johan Elverskog and Aleksandr Naymark, two doctoral candidates in Indiana University’s Department of Central Eurasian Studies (CEUS). The event quickly developed under the direction of its founders, and, in 1997, the Association of Central Eurasian Students (ACES) at Indiana University assumed responsibility for its organization and execution.

Since that time, the conference has changed from a small affair for the presentation of Indiana University graduate student work to a two-day event drawing scholars from all over the world. Yet, though the conference is expanding and rising to new heights, we are determined to keep its local roots healthy – this is the moment where, every year, Bloomington meets the world. The conference is put together entirely by Indiana University graduate students, whose several months of hard work come to fruition today.

Our successes would not be possible without gracious support and tireless hard work of a very large group of people. We sincerely thank April Younger and Karen Niggle, who provided extensive administrative support and advice. We are grateful to the scholars, most of them CEUS professors, who have dedicated their time and enthusiasm in support of this conference. The Near Eastern Languages and Cultures Graduate Student Organization worked closely with us this year to set up the Persian and Turkish Studies Panel Series and provide Saturday breakfast and lunch. We also gratefully acknowledge the financial and logistical support of the Inner Asian and Uralic National Resource Center, the Department of Central Eurasian Studies, the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, the Near Eastern Languages and Cultures Graduate Student Association, the Ottoman and Modern Turkish Chair, the Russian and East European Institute, and several anonymous donors.
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#### Reading Central Eurasia
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Chair: György Kara
Indiana University

#### Equality and the Economy in Central Asia
Chair: Michael Alexeev
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#### Uyghurs and Xinjiang: Culture and History in the Round
Chair: Gardner Bovingdon
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#### Testing the Verb Island Hypothesis: the Emergence of Verb Argument Structure in Hungarian Childhood Language
Beatrix Burghardt
Indiana University

#### Margarita Boronova
Buryat State University
Education and Development in Buryatia, 1960-1990

#### Abad Kazimov
Indiana University
Philanthropy in Azerbaijan

#### Gender health disparities in transitional economies: an example of cancer morbidity and mortality in Kazakhstan
Ilhom Miliyev
Union of Disabled Sportsmen

#### A Historical Account of Music of Gāochāng Qočo – The Uighur of Xizhou
Lanlan Kuang
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#### Who is Oghuz Khan?
Gulnisa Nazarova
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#### The Uyghur Custom of Bathing a Child on the Fortieth Day after Birth
Mihray Abdilim
Indiana University

#### The Uyghur Traditions, Manners, Beliefs, and the Way They Are Being Destroyed
Stacie Martin Giles
Indiana University

#### Can Uyghurs Belong in Today’s Kazakhstan?
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1:45 – 3:00 Keynote Address: “Soviet Ethnic Policy and the Discursive Roots of Central Asian Authoritarianism” Richard Anderson, UCLA
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Conversions and Syncretism in Central Eurasia
Chair: Devin DeWeese
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Studying the Dramatic Aspects of Sufi Rituals in Turkey and the Impact of Mevlana’s Mesnevi
David Knighting
Indiana University
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Indiana University
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Indiana University Raising Racial Boundaries in Virtual Space: www.nihalatsiz.org and Turkism Today

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