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Agenda

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Federal Room, Indiana Memorial Union Room 267 (use Federal Room lounge entrance)

FRIDAY, March 23, 2018

Breakfast, SGIS Room 1134
9:30-10:00 Coffee, tea and pastries for panelists and invited guests
10:00-10:30 Opening Remarks and Introductions
Jamsheed CHOKSY, Chair and Distinguished Professor, CEUS Department, Indiana University
ZAN Tao, Vice Dean and Associate Professor, History Department, Peking University

Morning Session, SGIS Room 1134
10:30-11:15 The Age Variation on the Acquisition of Mandarin Tones: Perception and Production of Uyghur L1 Speakers
Mustafa AKSU, Graduate. Student, CEUS Department, Indiana University
Feier GAO, Ph.D. Student, Linguistics Department, Indiana University
11:15-12:00 Spiritual Connections between Turkey and China: History and Imagination
ZAN Tao, Vice Dean and Associate Professor, History Department, Peking University

Lunch, SGIS Room 1122
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Ron SELA, Associate Professor, CEUS Department, Indiana University
2:15-3:00 Falconers in Beijing and Bukhara: The Administration of Royal Falconry and its Political Implications in the Mongol Empire and the Bukhara Khanate
Kwang Tae LEE, Ph.D. Student, CEUS Department, Indiana University
3:00-3:30 Coffee, tea and pastries, SGIS Room 3067 Alcove
3:30-4:15 Research on the Position of Bughshur Recorded in Huddud Al-Alam
WANG Changming, Post-Doctoral Researcher, History Department, Peking University
4:15-5:00 The Death of Yelü Abaoji
LUO Xin, Professor, History Department, Peking University

Dinner
6:00-9:00 Dinner at Uzbek Culture Night for panelists and invited guests
University Club President’s Room, Indiana Memorial Union Room 150 (across from Whittenberger Auditorium)
SATURDAY, March 24, 2018

Breakfast, SGIS Room 0007
9:30-10:00 Coffee, tea and pastries for panelists and invited guests

Morning Session, SGIS Room 0009
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Michael BROSE, Director of the East Asian Studies Center and the Pan Asia Institute; Academic Specialist, CEUS Department and East Asian Languages and Literatures Department, Indiana University

10:45-11:30 *The Three Ecbatanas and the Silk Road*
Christopher BECKWITH, Distinguished Professor, CEUS Department, Indiana University

11:30-12:15 *Bactrian Contracts in Context*
Jennifer DUBEANSKY, Ph.D. Candidate, CEUS Department, Indiana University

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FU Ma, Post-Doctoral Researcher, History Department, Peking University

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3:30-4:15 *Collective Memory or Personal Narrative: Khotan and Nepal in Tibetan Vision*
SAERJI, Associate Professor, Department of South Asian Studies, School of Foreign Languages, Peking University

4:15-5:00 *Archaeology of Political Practice in Early Inner Asia*
Aybike Seyma TEZEL, Ph.D. Candidate, Departments of Central Eurasian Studies and Anthropology (Archaeology), Indiana University

Dinner
6:00-8:30 Navruz – A Celebration of the Persian and Central Asian New Year
Concert in SGIS Auditorium Room 0001 followed by dinner in the SGIS Atrium
Abstracts
The Age Variation on the Acquisition of Mandarin Tones: Perception and Production of Uyghur L1 Speakers

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Standard Mandarin is a typical tonal language in that the pitch contour over a syllable can distinguish word meanings (Duanmu 2007). Unlike Standard Mandarin, Uyghur—which is a Turkic language of the Eastern or Qarluq branch—is not tonal-contrastive (Hahn 1991). Uyghur serves as an official and first-learned language in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of Northwestern China (Hahn 1991). Since 1949, the massive influx of Chinese migrants to Xinjiang has resulted in intense contact between these two languages, and the language contact becomes more salient over time. This research presents a sociophonetic study on how native Uyghur speakers perceive and produce Mandarin tones, the topic of which has been rarely studied before. Read speech was elicited from a wordlist written in Chinese characters. The stimuli contains 10 pairs of tonal-contrastive minimal pairs. 12 Uyghur speakers (20s=6, 30s&40s=6; F=5, M=7) participated in the research. Acoustic analysis involves only tonal differences. Based on the analysis, age was a very significant predictor: younger Uyghur speakers generally had better performance on perceiving and producing Mandarin tonal contrasts than elder speakers; generally, perception performance is much better than production performance. Moreover, the age effect suggests that Uyghur speakers above 30 have difficulty distinguishing the four-way tonal contrast in Mandarin, especially T2-T3 and T1-T4 confusions, while younger generations tend to have less confusion. This age effect could be attributed to the increasing Mandarin education in Uyghur Autonomous Region. Those under 30 receive mandatory Mandarin education since school age, reinforcing the tonal distinctions of Standard Mandarin.
Spiritual Connections between Turkey and China: History and Imagination

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This is a study that thoroughly investigated the mutual cognitions between Turks and Chinese in modern history. The basic assumption of this paper is that the relationship between Turkey and China is not only a phenomenon of inter-state interactions, but also a phenomenon of spiritual connections. The author contends that for the Turk-Sino relationship, the spiritual connections from past to present, to certain extent, is more important than that of the inter-state ones, but a lack of study on the level of spiritual connections between the two sides is noteworthy. By spiritual connection, the author means the image construction for a certain object, which is subjective involving imagination.

In this study, the author cares more about Turkey’s role as an imagined reference for Chinese cultural and political elites since 19th century. The author concludes that the different understanding and interpreting over the ancient tribe-Turk (突厥 in Chinese) has an everlasting impact on both countries’ concepts of history. And this paper implies that it also has influence over the sensitive part of current Turk-Sino relationship.
Dynastic Legitimation in Khoqand

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The Uzbek ruling dynasty of the khanate of Khoqand (1709-1876) developed a set of narratives that sought to explain the rulers’ rise to power, their right to govern, and the lawfulness of their (allegedly) royal pedigree. These narratives circulated first and foremost domestically, but also abroad, as part of an effort to reveal and explicate the dynasty’s circumstances and authoritative claims to other ruling dynasties, both near (Bukhara and Kashghar, for example) and far (the Ottomans and the Mughals, among others). In this paper, based primarily on nineteenth-century Persian manuscripts from Khoqand, I examine the dynasty’s foundational claims and contextualize them in other political, cultural and religious developments in contemporaneous Central Eurasia. I am particularly interested in the narrative cycle of the Golden Cradle (āltūn bīshīk in Turkic) that sought to provide a convenient ancestral link for the ruling dynasts of Khoqand with their illustrious Inner and Central Asian predecessors, Bābur, Timur, and Chinggis Khan. Whereas previous scholarly inquiries situated this story solely within a particular claim for political legitimacy based on descent, a fuller literary analysis and a comparison with the story’s reincarnations beyond Khoqand (both aspects hitherto overlooked) reveal that legitimation may have resided in certain religio-cultural norms that go beyond celebrated parentage.
Falconers in Beijing and Bukhara: The Administration of Royal Falconry and its Political Implications in the Mongol Empire and the Bukhara Khanate

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Derived from the traditional way of hunting, the royal falconry was practiced across Eurasia as both an elite sport and a political ritual. Particularly in the nomadic empires in the Eurasian steppe, such as the Mongol Empire and the Bukhara khanate, falconry was loved by the khans to such an extent that the falconers were not only incorporated into the official administrative system but also regarded as one of the top officials. Due to their proximity to the rulers, those falconer officials could deal with confidential information and were sometimes assigned certain tasks of confidentiality, fulfilling the personal directions from the nomadic rulers. In fact, like any institutions in history, the administration system for falconry in each society underwent transformation in their duties and responsibilities, reflecting the socio-political changes of their societies.

Recognizing the significance of the royal falconry is critical in understanding the administrative system of the Bukhara Khanate in the nineteenth century. Recognized as vizier in charge of the whole administration in the late nineteenth century by both foreigners and native intellectuals, the post of Qūshbegī in Bukhara has raised controversy among historians since some historical sources described the role of Qūshbegī as the director of the royal hunt, especially the royal falconry. In order to resolve the contradiction, some scholars even attempted to deny the validity of the accounts of the historical sources. However, by drawing upon the case of the royal falconer, Xibaochi, in the Mongol Empire, which became one of the most important posts in the Yuan court comparable to the prime minister, Chengxiang, this paper will argue that, from the perspective of the nomadic tradition of administration, Qūshbegī originated from the manager of the khan’s tent, whose tasks included administering the royal hunt, and gradually came to assume the role of vizier through the historical developments in Central Asia particularly in the late eighteenth and the early nineteenth century. Thus, illustrating the historical trajectory of the post of Qūshbegī in Bukhara, the paper will analyze and map its political implications in the overall interpretation of the historical developments of Central Asia.
Research on the Position of Bughshur Recorded in *Huddud Al-Alam*

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The article deals with the county name and location in Tang Dynasty which named “Bughshur” recorded at chapter 9 <China> in Persian Geographic books <The region of world> in 10th A.D. Honestly, the original texts is very short and the name is not a special place name but a very common name in Persian vocabulary. The basic information drawn from the original texts is not enough to discriminate the county name and the location in Tang Dynasty. V. Minorsky noticed there are two places both named Bughshur recorded in different chapters and thought the two names both pointed to one place without any analysis in details. Based on the same name meaning one place, he made a research and regarded the location of Bughshur as in ChongQing which lies in Yangzi River.

As for me, I noticed the anonymous distributed each unique material about the homonymous place into certain chapters based on the principal of regional difference in salt resource, one introduced in Yangze River in Chapter 3, another in Yellow River in Chapter 9, and the content is not the same in details. The article pointed the Bughshur in Chapter 9 lies in the Yellow River located along the Silk Road, which base on the analysis of the list of place name in order and founding all the cities both lie in the Yellow River and along the traditional Silk Road. This is the first distinguished information that we can draw from the analysis of the text.

V. Minorsky had pointed out that the original material of the region of world was collected from the Sogdian merchants on the Silk Road. That provides another two distinguished information to confirm the name and the location of city. The second distinguish information provided by the Sogdian merchants is that the city is welcomed to the merchants. People loved to stay and have business in this city. This helps us confirm that the city is not the salt prefecture (烏池 鹽州) which the salt resource is under control by the armed armies, but the Xie county (解縣，解音 蟹) near to the Chang’an, capital of Tang. The third distinguished information provided by Sogdian merchants is that there are a lot of merchants coming from various cities. That means the merchants stayed in the cites not for common business but for buying and transporting the salt because of the salt resource in Bughshur (which originates from the salt lake). Besides that the information help us confirm that the salt rules in Jie County had been run as a salt monopoly in county of origin. Based on the three distinguished information, the article makes a confirm conclusion that the Bughshur is the Persian name of Jie Chi (also named as He dong salt lake).
The Death of Yelü Abaoji

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Yelü Abaoji 耶律阿保機, founder of the Liao Dynasty, completed his outstanding career by annexing the Bohai Kingdom in the spring of 926, which was the last and the most meritorious achievement in his military life. The returning march back to the south seemed so slow that it took him almost half a year to reach Fuyu city, which he had taken from the Bohai Kingdom. According to the historical sources, Abaoji was not feeling well on the day he arrived, the twentieth of the lunar seventh month. The same historical sources also tell the story that a huge meteorite fell to the ground in front of Abaoji’s tent at midnight, traditionally a sign of the death of a great general. Seven days later, Abaoji passed away at the age of fifty-five. According to Liao Shi 遼史, the history primarily based on the official documents and files of the Liao Dynasty and composed later in the Yuan Dynasty, something strange happened on the day of Abaoji’s death: in the morning, there was a 500-meter long yellow dragon spiraling above the inner citadel, shining and shedding light into the temporary palace where Abaoji was staying. Instantly, the sky was covered by black-velvet air and it took several days before the air fully dispersed. Compared with other emperors in Chinese history, especially dynasty-founders, Abaoji died in an abnormal and dramatic manner. Therefore, official historians designated his death the “Fuyu Incident”. In this talk I will tell a new story in which the death of Abaoji could help us understand the political tradition of Inner Asia.

Only when the death of Abaoji is placed within the context of nomadic political practices and its learning from contacts with sedentary (i.e. Chinese) political systems, does it have broader meaning. One of the most important stages in the transformation from a nomadic polity into a sedentary one was the reformation of the succession system. This proved to be extremely difficult, bloody, and immoral. Tian Yuqing, in searching for the origins of the Tuoba practice of “the mother having to die, if her son is to be crowned”, has already pointed out that this inhuman practice was aimed at ensuring the independence, stability, and continuity of Tuoba imperial authority. Andrew Eisenberg has also mentioned that in the early and middle periods of the Tuoba Wei dynasty many brothers of emperors died for no clear reason. He assumed that they were killed intentionally to prevent their participation in the competition for the throne. If the Tuoba practice of sacrificing the mother and uncles of the crowned prince to prevent political disorder in the succession is at least comprehensible, Abaoji’s suicide or having the executor (i.e. his wife) kill herself is nevertheless beyond our comprehension. Perhaps only those who have paid a high price could truly appreciate the pain of a systematic cultural transformation.
Qipchaks in Mongol China

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This paper examines Qipchak personnel who migrated and settled in China under Mongol rule as an example of diaspora groups that were displaced by the Mongol conquests. In this example, Qipchak personnel who settled in Mongol China adapted to their new physical, social and political environment in unexpected ways. While the Qipchaks are usually viewed almost exclusively as a military caste who were settled mainly around the Yuan capital as members of the imperial bodyguard, in fact many Qipchaks also entered the civil bureaucracy and served in important positions across China. These individuals thus serve as good illustrations of the ways in which many groups that were displaced out of their home environments by the Mongol conquests across Eurasia became integrated into the political elite in their new homes and adapted to new lifestyles in those locations. The received tradition of Qipchaks as a group whose sole purpose was military support of the Mongol elite is not false, but is too limited. In fact, Yuan primary sources reveal a broader range of political and social activities that Qipchak personnel were engaged in that went well beyond the narrow categories of a military caste whose sole purpose was to guard the grand qan.
The Three Ecbatanas and the Silk Road

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There are several ancient occurrences of the name best known as “Ecbatana”, now Hamadān.

The Ecbatana of the West is the capital of Media, in Greek transcription Ecbatana/Agbatana, in Old Persian Hagamatāna (not “Hamgmatāna” etc.), in Aramaic Aḥ(ǝ)mǝṯā, in Akkadian Agamatana, etc. The city was founded by the Scythians, as it is not mentioned before them and had a typically Central Eurasian circular plan.

The Ecbatana of the East is the capital of Chao 趙 Zhào, the state that introduced to the Sinitic area Central Eurasian customs, including horseback riding, shooting from horseback, Central Eurasian clothing, and the epithet Hsia 夏 *Harya ‘noble (ones)’, which became the name of ‘the Chinese’. The name of the capital of Chao, from its first attestation in the Warring States period to the present, is Han-tan 邯鄲 Hándān, from Middle Chinese ☆ɣamta (Pul. 119, 70). Reconstructed regularly as Old Chinese *ăgam(ă)tană in light of recent discoveries on Old Chinese reconstruction, it will be discussed in detail. A third Ecbatana is also in China.

The name Han-tan is clearly the same word as the name Ecbatana. It was the name of the capital of the Scythians in both regions. The Scythians conquered most of the ‘Silk Road’, conducting commerce on a continental scale for the first time. They gave birth to the Classical Age and the Persian and Chinese empires. They changed the world.
Bactrian Contracts in Context

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With the discovery of over a hundred Bactrian documents beginning in 1991, there now exists a continuum of 6th to 9th century sales contracts from Central Asia. In this paper, contracts from ancient Iran, Sogdia, Tibet, China, the Islamic tradition, and Bactria will be examined. A comparison of the underlying formulas - their origins, commonalities, and distinctions - will provide clues to the commercial and cultural ties that existed in ancient and medieval Central Asia.
Tang Heritage on the Silk Road in the Uyghur Time

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Tang and Mongol-Yuan era witnessed the heydays of the Silk Road in the eastern Tianshan region. Due to the lack of literal sources, the in-between period—the Uighur time is not as much known to us and created an impression that the Silk Road underwent a decline after the peripheral empires collapsed. However, the eastern Tianshan region, the artery of the Silk Road, not only survived the chaotic century after Tang’s retreat, but also entered into an even more prosperous era that laid a foundation for the following Mongol era. The Uighurs, more than followers of Sogdians as merchants, also inherited Tang’s whole set of infrastructures and institutions on the Silk Road. Ever since Tang’s expansion into the eastern Tianshan area in the early 7th century, the empire started the building of infrastructures for defense, postal and transportation, aiming to incorporate this region into a military-civil integrity centered in Beiting (Jimsar) and Anxi (Kuqa). Tang era marks the establishment of military-postal system in the east Tianshan region. This system didn't fall into ruins after Tang’s retreat and the advent of the nomadic Uighurs. Instead, they were taken over and even further developed in the hands of the new ruler. According to Chinese and Old Turkic sources, settlements evolved near or at the former Tang fortresses, and the official postal routes flourished in civil and mercantile use. The mostly military-postal oriented infrastructure system evolved into a trading city cluster along the Silk Road in eastern Tianshan region, in particular, in the previously steppe zone along the northern slope.

More than the infrastructures, the Uighurs also incorporated the Tang’s institutions into their own governing system in many aspects, as seen from unearthed manuscripts dating to the Uighur time. Examples of direct Tang Chinese influences can be seen in both governmental and civil administrative layers.
The City of Sultan Uljāytū: A Textual Survey of Soltaniyeh

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This thesis deals with the urban structure, landscape and culture of Soltaniyeh, the third capital city of Ilkhanid period. Translating and analysing the related excerpts from Tārīkh-i Waṣṣāf, Tārīkh-i Uljāytū, Nūzhat al-Qulāb and various travel notes, reveals the motivation and background of this city construction. The rise of Soltaniyeh reflected the political strategy, cultural identity and religious inclination of the islamized mongol conqueror Uljāytū. In consideration of the transport link and natural environment, the Yaylāq (place for sojorn in summer) of Ilkhan was located here. The appointment of constructor and administrator of this city shows the competition between the political rival Tāj al-Dīn and Rashīd al-Dīn. Despite adopting some essentials and designs from its precedent Tabriz, the urban plan of Soltaniyeh took one great reformation, the city wall in square, which derives from oriental features. Soltaniyeh’s prosperity and function manifested the fact that political consolidation came hand in hand with the cultural assimilation. Ilkhanid rulers, for all their preservation of nomadic tradition like the seasonal itineraries, gradually took up sedentary lifestyle and built new capital cities.
Collective Memory or Personal Narrative: Khotan and Nepal in Tibetan Vision

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About 1434, Stag tshang rdzong pa Śrībhūtibhadra (*dpal 'byor bzang po) wrote a historical book entitled Rgya bod kyi yig tshang mkhas pa dga’ byed chen mo ’dzam gling gsal ba’i me long (Abbr. Rgya bod yig tshang), which tentatively can be translated as The Document of Chinese and Tibetan History. In his book, Stag tshang rdzong pa relates the history of Buddhism in different areas, including Khotan. More interesting, although he used “royal lineage of Nepal” ('phags yul bal po’i rgyal rabs) as his chapter title, the content is about Khotanese Buddhism (Thim phu 1979: 59b1-70a2). Even more, the author mentions that Khotan is known as Nepal (li’i yul | bal por grags pa), when relates the Gomasalaghandha Stūpa of Khotan, the interlinear annotation says it nowadays is Svayambhunath Stupa (’phags pa shing kun) in Nepal. Some researchers incline to claim that it is a mistake made by the author who confused Khotan and Nepal. I argue that we need more, stronger evidence to support this standpoint. Even if so, is it the author himself who should respond to the confusion, or who does indeed reflect the general vision of Tibetans on both sacred sites in Tibetan Buddhism during that period?
Archaeology of Political Practice in Early Inner Asia

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In a debate over the appointment of the officials and the rules of propriety, Yelü Chucai, the great minister of the Mongol court, warns the newly enthroned Ögedei by citing Lu Jia of the Former Han: “although the world was won on horseback, it cannot be governed on horseback.” With this quote, Chucai emphasizes the limits of military power and the necessity of a political agenda to maintain the continuation of a strong state. In this presentation, I will offer an archaeology of political practice in early Inner Asia, with an analysis of the operation of power through material and symbolic practices. The major question that guides my research is: how is materiality engaged in political practices and in the negotiation and expression of socio-political relations. To analyze this question, I will explore the utilization of material and symbolic resources, in the forms of circulation of goods and political strategies and institutions, in the political sphere of the Türk Kaghanate (552 – 744) and the Mongol Empire (1206 – 1368). Special attention will be given to various manifestations of materiality in the form of gift exchange and state spectacles, such as feasts, as they are outlined in relevant primary source materials of the periods in question. Instead of describing the functioning of political structures, my aim in this presentation is to understand the culturally specific political forms, practices and social relations that constitute the fields of political action in the two most influential large scale empires of the early Inner Asia.
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Ancient texts of Iran,
Languages of Ancient Central-Asia
Selected Readings of Historical Documents of Iran
Study on Persian Historical Sources

3. Honors
The First Prize Scholarship, SISU, Year 2013,
The Fellowship of Middle East Studies, China Scholarship Council, Year 2012,
The Second Prize Scholarship, SISU, Year 2010,
The Third Prize Scholarship, SISU, Year 2009

4. Professional Experience
a. Funds:
   Academic Research Fund of Graduated Student, SISU, 2015/01

b. Conference:
   Seminar on Multiculturalism and Social Life in Yuan Dynasty, Hohhot, hosted by Yuan History Research Association, 2014/07

28
The Sixth International Symposium on “Iranian Studies in China”, Peking, hosted by Institute of Iranian Culture Studies, Peking University, 2016/10
International Conference on Marco Polo and the Silk Road, Peking, hosted by International Academy for China Studies, Peking University, 2016/11

c. Workshop:
Workshop of Translating the “Tarikh-e Oljaytu”, hosted by Dr. Qiu Yihao from Fudan University, 2013-2016
Workshop of Translating the “The Description of the World”, hosted by Pro. Rong Xinjiang from Peking University, 2016-
Summer Courses of Xinjiang Folklore and Local Culture, hosted by Shihezi University & Peking University, 2017/6

d. Academic Investigation:
The South Asia Section of the Silk Road Investigation, hosted by Pro. Hu Ji, the Silk Road Professional Committee of Dunhuang and Turfan Society, 2015/02
The Investigation of Xinjiang Grottoes and City Ruins, hosted by Pro. Duan Qing, The Project team of Xinjiang Folklore Survey And Research, 2016/10

e. Thesis Topic:
A Brief Survey of Sasanian Fire Temple, Bachelor Thesis
The Capital Cities of Ilkhanate: Historical and Textual Analysis, Master Thesis
The Languages on the Silk Road, Zhonghua Book Company. (as co-author, in press)
Jamsheed K. CHOKSY
Distinguished Professor, Indiana University

He is Chairman of the Department of Central Eurasian Studies and Co-Director of the Tang Foundation Inner Asia Research Exchange Program and of the American University of Central Asia Research Exchange Program. He served as Chairman of the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, Director of the Middle Eastern Studies Program, and Senior Fellow of the Center on American and Global Security.

He was nominated by the President of the USA and confirmed by the US Senate as a member of the National Council on the Humanities overseeing the National Endowment for the Humanities (2008-), with designation as “The Honorable.”

He is an authority on Iran (Persia), the Middle East, the Indian subcontinent, Zoroastrianism, Manichaeism, and Islam, and of religious minorities. Research examines the development and interrelationship of communities, beliefs, politics, economics, and security in Iranian-Persian cultures of the Middle East, Central Asia, and South Asia through multidisciplinary approaches involving religious studies, history, international affairs, anthropology, archeology, languages, literatures, and numismatics.

His BA degree is in Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures from Columbia University (1985). His PhD is in History and Religions of the Near East and Inner Asia from Harvard University (1991).

At Harvard University, Choksy served as a Teaching Fellow in Archeology (1988), and was elected a Junior Fellow in the Harvard Society of Fellows (1988-91).

Choksy taught in the Department of History and the International Relations Program at Stanford University as a Visiting Assistant Professor and Andrew W. Mellon Fellow (1991-93).


Choksy is an elected fellow of the Royal Asiatic Society (London), the American Numismatic Society (New York), and the Explorers Club (New York). He is an elected member of the Cosmos Club (Washington, DC).


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Education
PhD, Department of Central Eurasian Studies, Indiana University, in Progress
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Master of Arts, Department of Central Eurasian Studies, Indiana University, 2010
Bachelor of Arts, Independent Studies Program, Indiana University, 1998

Fellowships and Grants
Research Assistant, Central Eurasian Studies, 2013-2018
Iranian Studies Fellowship, Indiana University, 2008-2012
Eric P. Newman Graduate Summer Seminar in Numismatics at the American Numismatic Society, New York City, NY, 2010
India Studies Travel Grant, Indiana University, 2010
Dennis Sinor Travel Grant from the Department of Central Eurasian Studies, Indiana University, 2010
Summer School on Persian Codicology and Paleography (by invitation), Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, Austria, 2008
Intensive Middle Iranian Philology Workshop (by invitation), Princeton University, 2008

Publications
Co-editor with Jamsheed Choksy, Gifts to a Magus: Papers in Honor of Dastur Dr. Firoze Kotwal, New York: Peter Lang, 2012.

Teaching
“History and People of the Silk Road,” 2017
“Religions of Asia,” Assistant Instructor, Religious Studies Department, 2015
“Introduction to Buddhism,” Assistant Instructor, Religious Studies Department, 2015

Presentations and Guest Lectures
“Linguistic Diversity in India,” Indiana University, 2015
“Religions of Pre-Islamic Iran: Manichaeanism, Judaism, Mithraism and Christianity,” Indiana University, 2014
“Medieval Zoroastrianism,” Indiana University, 2012
“Numismatic Evidence for the Early Kushan Empire,” American Numismatic Society, 2010

Professional and Community Service
Secretary, Association of Central Eurasian Students, Indiana University, 2018
Organizing Committee Member, 2012 Dhar India Studies Annual Conference, 2011-12
Coordinator, Annual Statewide Indiana GIS (Geographic Information Systems) Conference, 2006-13

Languages
Modern: French, Russian, Persian
Ancient: Sanskrit, Buddhist Hybrid Sanskrit, Pahlavi, Manichaean (Middle Persian and Parthian), Avestan, Aramaic, Tocharian
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Current Position
Post-doctoral researcher at History Department, Peking University
Project: Studies on the history of the Silk Road in West China and Central Asia (9th-13th centuries)
Research interests: Central Asian history, History of the West Uighurs, unearthed manuscripts from Turfan and Dunhuang in Chinese and Old Turkic.

Education
PhD  Peking University, China  Jul. 2017
   History Department, Chinese History
   Dissertation:
   *The West Uighur Kingdom and the Silk Road:
    A Study on the History of the Eastern Tianshan Region (9th-13th centuries)*
   Supervisor: Prof. RONG Xinjiang

MS  Peking University, China  Jul. 2013
   History Department, Chinese History
   Supervisor: Prof. RONG Xinjiang

BS  Renmin University of China School of International Relations  Jul. 2008

Overseas Experience
Free University Berlin, Germany “Languages and Cultures of the Silk Road”
Supervisor: Prof. Desmond Durkin-Meisterernst, Dr. Yukiyo Kasai

Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities “Sogdians and Turks on the Silk Road”

Helsinki University, Finland
Department of World Cultures, Altaic Studies
Supervisor: Doc. Volker Rybatzki
Publications

Journal Publications


Conference Papers


2. “A Survey of the Northern Route of the Silk Road in the Uyghur Time (9th-early 13rd Centuries)”(in Chinese), Proceedings of the International Conference “Marco Polo and the Silk Road (10th-14th Centuries)”, Beijing, 2016.11, pp.80-90.

Invited Lectures

Collegium Turfanicum 83
Fu Ma: “The History of the West Uyghur Kingdom and its role on the Silk Road”(in English)

Languages

Chinese: Native Language
English: Advanced level
German: Intermediate level. CEFR B 2
Modern Turkish: Elementary level. CEFR A 2 Japanese: Academic reading with dictionary
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Ph.D., Linguistics Department, Indiana University

EDUCATION

Indiana University
08/2016-present
➢ **Major**: Ph.D. in Linguistics, **Minor**: East Asian Languages and Cultures

University of Wisconsin-Madison
08/2014-06/2016
➢ **Major**: M.A. Applied English Linguistics, Department of English

Heilongjiang University
09/2010-07/2014
➢ **Major**: Bachelor in Education

CONFERENCES

22nd Mid-continental Phonology & Phonetics Conference, Ohio State University
09/2017
➢ poster presentation of *The age variation on the acquisition of Mandarin tones: Perception and production of Uyghur L1 speakers*

2017 Indiana University Linguistics Club (IULC) Conference, Indiana University
04/2017
➢ poster presentation of *Entering tones in modern Chinese dialects*

20th Mid-continental Phonology & Phonetics Conference, Indiana University
10/2015
➢ poster presentation of *Word Internal Consonant Clusters in Korean*

WORKING EXPERIENCES

Graduate Assistant, Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, Indiana University
08/2017-present
Graduate Assistant
➢ I assist the program specialist of NELC department with the administrative and academic operations, which mostly includes the advertisement of academic registration, coordinating and promoting the two annual lectures of NELC—Jwaideh Lecture and Danner Lecture, and the distribution of departmental announcements and news reports.

First-year Tutor, Chinese Flagship Program, Indiana University
09/2016-12/2016
Voluntary tutor
➢ I tutored a first-year student in Chinese, aimed to improve her Chinese language level by reviewing the textbook, practicing oral conversation with her and correcting her pronunciation.
East Asian Studies Center, Indiana University
09/2016-05/2017
Outreach assistant (20 hours/week)
➢ I worked for National Consortium of Teaching about Asia (NCTA) program under EASC. I assist NCTA coordinator organizing 2017 spring seminars, 2017 Korean Night event, 2017 Summer Study Tour and 2017 Summer Literature Workshop (e.g., advertising our events, recruiting teachers, contacting professors and designing flyers and slogans)

Cultural Linguistic Services, University of Wisconsin-Madison
09/2015-05/2016
Voluntary tutor (2 hours/week)
➢ I tutored a Japanese visiting scholar, aimed to improve his English conversational skills by perfecting his pronunciation, polishing his vocabularies and helping him reorganize his sentence structure
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EDUCATION
Indiana University Bloomington, Ph.D. candidate, Central Eurasian Studies (2013)
Area of Specialization: Iranian and Central Asian Studies; Minor: History

Seoul National University (Seoul, South Korea), M.A., Asian History (2008)
  Advisor: Kim, Hodong

Seoul National University, B.A., Russian Studies (1999)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
Associate Instructor:
Undergraduate Course: “Introduction to Iranian and Turkic Civilizations,” Indiana University Bloomington (Spring 2014) (Cancelled due to low enrollment)

Graduate Assistant:
Islamic Studies Program, Indiana University Bloomington (2016-2018)
Dhar India Studies Program, Indiana University Bloomington (2014-2016)
Sinor Research Institute of Inner Asian Studies, Indiana University Bloomington (2010-2012)

Teaching Assistant:
Undergraduate Course: “Travelers and Explorers in Central Asia,” Indiana University Bloomington (Fall 2016) (Unofficial)
Undergraduate Course: “The History of the Cultural Transactions between Civilizations,” Seoul National University (Spring 2007)
Undergraduate Course: “The History of the Nomadic Empires in Eurasia,” Seoul National University (Fall 2006)

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE
Volunteer Instructor (Korean), Asian Culture Center, Indiana University Bloomington (Spring, 2016)
Instructor (English), SISA PLUS Language Center, Pyongchon, South Korea (2007-2008)
Intelligence Officer, Navy, South Korea (2000-2003)

SCHOLARSHIPS/ FELLOWSHIPS
The Louise McNutt Fellowship, Indiana University Bloomington, 2009
Best Teaching Assistant Award, Seoul National University, 2006

OVERSEAS RESEARCH EXPERIENCE
Visiting researcher, Institute of Oriental Manuscripts, Academy of Sciences, St.Petersburg, Russia, 2016
Visiting researcher, Institute of History, Academy of Sciences, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, 2014
Visiting researcher, Al-Biruni Institute of Oriental Studies, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, 2007

PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS
Central Eurasian Studies Society (October 2017, Seattle): “Making a Villain in Bukhara: The Russian-Soviet Historiography on Amīr Naṣrullāh(r. 1827-1860)”
Middle Eastern History and Theory Conference (May 2016, Chicago): “Mapping the Sufi Dynamics of the 19th-century Bukhara: Analysis of Risālah-i Amīr-Kulāl”
Middle East Studies Association Conference (November 2011, Washington D.C.): “Naqshbandī influence on the Bukharan court in the middle of the 19th century”
Association of Central Eurasian Students Conference (April 2011, Bloomington IN): “The expeditions of Amir Nasrullah of Bukhara in the middle of the nineteenth century and their impact on the Manghit politics”; “Teaching and learning the Tashkent dialect: empirical approaches” with Christopher Fort
Association of Central Eurasian Students Conference (April 2010, Bloomington IN): “The Mongol courier stations(Menguzhan) in the Mongol Empire”

LANGUAGE SKILLS
Arabic (basic reading); Chinese (proficient); French (basic reading); German (basic reading); Japanese (proficient); Korean (proficient); Persian (proficient); Russian (proficient); Turkish (basic reading); Uzbek (proficient)

RESEARCH/TEACHING INTERESTS
History of Central Asia; the Turkic and Iranian civilizations; the Islamic civilization; Sufism; History of the Tsarist Russia/Soviet Union (ca. 1500-1991); History of East Asia
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Education


Professional Experience

2010-  History Department, Peking University (Beijing), Professor

1999-2009  History Department, Peking University (Beijing), Associate Professor

1995-1999  History Department, Peking University (Beijing), Assistant Professor

1993- Representative of the China Branch of the Tang Research Foundation, based in Evanston, Illinois, U.S.A.

2002-2003  Visiting Scholar, Harvard-Yenching Institute (Cambridge, MA)

2007.2-2007.7  Visiting Scholar, Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi, Ankara, Turkey

2009.9-2010.1  Visiting Scholar, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, USA

2014.9-2015.7  Member, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ, USA

1986-1989  Local History Office, Hubei Province (Wuhan), Research Fellow

1985-1986  Chinese Department, Wuhan Industrial College (Wuhan), Assistant Professor

Languages

Modern Mandarin Chinese: native
Ancient and Medieval Chinese: very good; adequate knowledge of the phonology
Japanese: good
English: good
Turkish: rudimentary
Recent Publications

2017
Every Moment is History, in: Wenhui Scholars, January 7, 2017
Dunhuang in West, Chaoyang in East, in: Liaoning Today, vol. 4, 2017
From Beijing to Xanadu: Rediscovering China on Ancient Trails, New Star Press, 2017

2016
About Bohai Kingdom, in: China’s National Geographic, vol. 9, 2016
The First Day on the way to Xanadu, in: Shanghai Book Review, December 25, 2016

2015
Remembering Professor Tian Yuqing, in: Wenhui Scholars, January 9, 2015
Wolf Ancestors in Legends of Nomadic Peoples, in: Wenhui Scholars, March 6, 2015
The Competition of Forgetting, in: Shanghai Book Review, March 8, 2015
Remembering Professor Liu Pujiang, in: Shanghai Book Review, September 13, 2015

2014
Remembering Roger E. Covey, in: Shanghai Book Review, October 12, 2014
SAERJI

Associate Professor, Department of South Asian Studies, School of Foreign Languages, Peking University

SAERJI received his B.A. in Religious studies from Min Zu University of China, Beijing (1998), M.A. and Ph.D. in Buddhist philosophy from Peking University (2001/2005). As an international research team member for the academic year 2001-2002, sponsored by Centre for Advanced Study, Oslo, Norway, he took part in a project on identifying, reading and editing ancient Buddhist manuscripts in the languages of Buddhism deriving from Sanskrit. From 2005, he teaches Sanskrit and Tibetan languages at Peking University.

He is the coauthor of Chinese version of Giuseppe Tucci’s Indo-tibetica (7 vols), and published numerous academic articles on Buddhist studies in Chinese and English. His research field is Buddhist philology, Buddhist philosophy, and Indo-Tibetan Buddhism.

Publications (in English only):

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Research & teaching interests
- History & historiography of Islamic Central Asia
- Ethnic & religious identities: Central Asia, the Middle East and South Asia
- The “early modern” Muslim world
- Authority & self-representation in Muslim literary traditions

Academic appointments (since 2004)
- Indiana University, Bloomington (2005–present)
  Faculty, Central Eurasian & International Studies
- Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton University (2012)
  Member, School of Historical Studies
- The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2004–05)
  Post-Doctoral Fellow, Institute of Asian and African Studies
- The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (2004)
  Visiting Assistant Professor, Near Eastern Studies

Education
- Ph.D., 2004, Indiana University (Central Eurasian Studies)
- M.A., 2001, Indiana University (Central Eurasian Studies)
- B.A., 1995, Tel Aviv University (History; Middle Eastern & African Studies)

Publication highlights
- Sela, Ron. Ritual and Authority in Central Asia (Papers on Inner Asia no. 37, 2003).
- Sela, Ron. “Invoking the Russian Conquest of Khiva and the Massacre of the Yomut Turkmens:


**Ongoing research**

- Special double-issue (as guest editor & contributor), “Imperial Space in Asia”, *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient*
- Turkic and Iranian identities in Asia – book manuscript in preparation
- The ‘Tribal Dynasties’ in Central Asia – the Manghit Dynasty
- Central Asian – Hindustani connections in history and religion

**Research languages** (regularly used)

- Arabic, Chaghatay Turkic, French, German, Hebrew, Persian, Russian, Uzbek

**Research presentations** (selected)

**Invited Talks, International:** China (Peking University); France (l’École des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris); Hungary (Károli Gáspár University); India (Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Library, Patna; Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata; American Institute of Indian Studies, Gurgaon); Israel (The Institute for Advanced Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Tel Aviv University); Netherlands (Leiden University); Poland (University of Warsaw); Turkey (Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, Istanbul); United Kingdom (The Warburg Institute and the Wellcome Trust Centre for the History of Medicine at University College, London; All Souls College, University of Oxford); Uzbekistan (Institute of History of the Uzbek Academy of Sciences, Tashkent).

**Invited Talks, national:** Columbia University; Harvard University; Cornell University; Princeton University; Yale University; UCLA; The Ohio State University; University of Michigan; University of Virginia; University of Wisconsin.

**Competitive papers** presented in numerous conferences, including annual meetings of the American Historical Association, American Oriental Society, Association for Asian Studies, Central Eurasian Studies Society, Deutscher Orientalistentag, Israel’s Asian Studies Annual Conference.

**Grants & awards** (selected, since Ph.D.) Office of the Vice President for Research, Emerging Areas of Research Planning Grant (2017); Office of the Vice President of International Affairs, Indiana University, international visitors grant (2016); College of Arts & Humanities Conference & Workshop Grant, Indiana University (2016); New Frontiers in the Arts & Humanities-New Currents Award (2016); Mellon Endowment Grant-in-Aid in support of international travel (2014); Seed funding for IU India Gateway Office, IU Office of the Vice President for International Affairs (2014); International Scholar, Open Society Institute – Central Asia & the Caucasus Research Training Initiative (2008-10, 2011-13); Member, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ (2012); IREX (International Research & Exchanges Board) Travel Grant (2008-09); Indiana University Trustees’ Teaching Award (2005-06, 2007-08, 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12); Lady Davis Trust Post-Doctoral Fellowship at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2004-05); Visiting Lectureship, The University of Michigan – Ann Arbor (2004).
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**Interests**  
Early Türk & Uighur Archaeology, History of Pre-Islamic Inner Asia, Mortuary Architecture of the Early Türks & Uighurs, Cultural Contact and Material Culture in Inner Asia, Balbal Stones of the Early Türks, Sacred Landscapes in Inner Asia, Nomad – Sedentary Relations

**Degrees**  
Dual Ph.D. Candidate, Indiana University  
Department of Central Eurasian Studies  
Department of Anthropology (Archaeology)  
Ph.D. Candidate, Middle East Technical University, Department of History  
M.A. Middle East Technical University, Department of History  
B.A. Middle East Technical University, Department of Philosophy  
B.S. Middle East Technical University, Department of Sociology

**Awards**  
Exchange Program with Peking University, OVPIA, Indiana University  
Dissertation Research Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, Indiana University  
Summer Travel Grant, SRIFIAS, Indiana University  
Skomp Summer Research Grant, Department of Anthropology  
Summer Travel Grant, Islamic Studies, Indiana University  
Summer Research Grant, Office of International Services, Indiana University  
Ph.D. Grant, The Turkish Fulbright Commission  
Field Research Funds, CRACH, Beijing University  
Ph.D. Research Grant in the PRC, Turkish Ministry of Education

**Additional Education**  
Summer School in the Turfanforschung: “Sogdians and Turks on the Silk Road, Berlin – Brandenburg Academy of Sciences  
Summer School for the Young Mongolists, National University of Mongolia  
Center for Research on Ancient Chinese History, Peking University  
Mandarin Training Center, National Taiwan Normal University

**Work Experience**  
Associate Instructor, International Studies, Indiana University  
Library GA, The Sinor Research Institute for Inner Asian Studies  
Lab GA, Glenn Black Laboratory of Archaeology  
Teaching / Research Assistant, Middle East Technical University

**Research Experience**  
Field Research “The Mongolian – German Orkhon Expedition,” Kharbalgas, Mongolia  
Field Research “Türk & Uighur Era Material Culture,” Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, the PRC  
Field Research, “Türk & Uighur Era Mortuary Architecture,” Mongolia  
Field Research, “Dong, Miao and Uyghur Minorities of China through Historical Perspective,” Jingzhou, Guizhou, Hunan, and Xinjiang, the PRC

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Teaching Experience
Middle East Technical University, Teaching Assistant
Hist 151, 152 History of Eastern and Western Civilizations I, II
Hist 228 History of Religions in Asia
Hist 476 Chinese History
Hist 568 History of India

Publications

Presentations
“A History and Analysis of Marxist and Weberian Thought in Chinese Archaeology,”
co-authored with Carlucci, E., 10th Annual AGSA Symposium, Indiana University February 2016
“Turkic Roots of Mongol Statecraft,” 16th Annual CESS Conference,
George Washington University October 2015
“Rulership in Early Islamic Inner Asia,” Mapping the Landscapes of Islamic Studies,
Indiana University November 2014
“Tang vs. Turkish Interpretations of Inner Asians: A Study of Stone Inscriptions,”
20th Annual ACES Conference, Indiana University April 2013
“Epitaphs as Sources of History: The Analysis of Pugu Yitu Tomb Inscription,”
Perspectives on Asian Studies Conference, Boğaziçi University Asian Studies Center and the International Council for Philosophy and Humanistic Studies (ICHPS) March 2012
“Wu Zetian: The Only Female Emperor of China,” International Multidisciplinary Women’s Congress, Dokuz Eylul University October 2009

Languages
Fluent: Azerbaijani, English, Turkish
Advanced / Advanced Reading: Classical Chinese, Mandarin Chinese, Modern Mongolian, Modern Persian, Modern Uyghur, Ottoman
Intermediate/ Intermediate Reading: Chagatai, Classical Mongolian, Old Turkic, Old Uyghur
Beginner: Arabic, German, Imperial Old Tibetan, Modern Tibetan (Lhasa dialect), Russian, Tocharian
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**北京大学中国古代史研究中心博士后王长命的CV**

**Post-doctor in Center for research on Ancient Chinese History Peking University**

### 教育背景（Education）:

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<td>2007-2013</td>
<td>Research center on History geography Fudan University</td>
<td>Historical natural geography</td>
<td>PHD</td>
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<td>2003-2006</td>
<td>Research centre on Chinese social history Shansi University</td>
<td>Certain history</td>
<td>Master</td>
<td>2006</td>
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<td>1999-2003</td>
<td>Department of History Shansi University</td>
<td>History</td>
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### 工作经历 (Working experience):

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<td>2016-2018</td>
<td>Peking University</td>
<td>Assistant-researcher</td>
<td>Program application &amp; research article writing</td>
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<td>2013-2016</td>
<td>Libral Professor</td>
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<td>Writing popular articles for newspaper, magazine, network</td>
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### 科研经历（Research Experience）:

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<td>Recent</td>
<td>Salt lakes and its nationality in grass silk road during the ancient history</td>
<td>“Research on the county name and location in Tang Dynasty which named “Bughshur” recorded at chapter 9 ‘China’ in Persian Geographic books The region of world in 10th A.D.”</td>
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<td>Salt lakes and Tangut nationality in Tangut inscriptions in xara-khoto</td>
<td>The identifying of Tangut name about ‘jianwei’ salt lake which recorded by Zengbu in Song dynasty</td>
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<td>Last five years</td>
<td>Myth of salt lake</td>
<td>“The myth on cult of Guan Yu fighting with the god of Chi’u and its spread in early period”</td>
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<td>The affiliated animal with the Gods of twenty-eight lodge and its role in identifying the accurate god name in lapis lazuli sculpture in Jade emperor temple in Jincheng city of Shansi province</td>
<td>The identifying of twenty-eight lodges and its logical sequence in exhibition</td>
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<td>Last ten years</td>
<td>Annotation the ancient Chinese document on salt lakes’ physical \ chemical and mineral characters</td>
<td>The physical phenomenon on clarity degree and color in salt lake which recorded in “Annotation on Book of river waterway” chapter 6 “river su”</td>
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<td>Last fifteen years</td>
<td>Social history</td>
<td>The master dissertation about flooding irrigation</td>
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社会活动（social action）：

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<td>2015</td>
<td>Shanxi provincial institute of Archaeology</td>
<td>Archaeological united investigation about ancient settlement among the Fangdui and Yongningbu villages in Hongdong county</td>
<td>Research on the original waterway of Spring Huo before artificial disturbance , 10,000 characters</td>
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<td>2006</td>
<td>Shanxi provincial department of culture</td>
<td>No.2 intangible cultural heritage investigation and application on traditional handicraft</td>
<td>Responsible for the traditional handicraft of vinegar and pancake , 20,000 characters</td>
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知识结构（Knowledge structure）：

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已有研究成果（Representatives Article）：

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