

Indonesia Council Digest March 2008

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NEWS

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Congratulations to **Marcus Meitzner** has been appointed Lecturer in Indonesian Studies at the Faculty of Asian Studies at ANU, starting in July.

David Armstrong from ACICIS writes: You may remember late last year after the untimely death of our good friend Lestari Widyastuti (who worked for ACICIS in Yogya) there was some talk of setting up a scholarship in her name. We have been working on this idea and we are now in the process of setting up THE LESTARI WIDYASTUTI SCHOLARSHIP. We hope to raise money to endow the scholarship with sufficient funds so that the interest each year is enough to pay the tuition fees of an Indonesian student studying at UGM. Using only the interest and not the principal will ensure that the scholarship continues in perpetuity.

Applicants for the scholarship would be Indonesian students from a poor economic background, who had a good academic performance in their first year at UGM, and whose degree has some relevance to Indonesia-Australia relations. The Scholarship will be administered and managed by Direktorat Kemahasiswaan UGM. It is suggested that the extent of the scholarship per student be restricted to tuition fees which are currently Rp. 3,880,000 a year. At current rates this is around AUS\$485 per year. The final amount in Australian dollars will vary according to the fluctuations of the exchange rate for Indonesian Rupiah.

Anyone wishing to donate money to the Lestari Widyastuti Scholarship (any amount welcome, no matter how small) can send the money to ACICIS at Murdoch University. We will send you a receipt for your donation. Payment can be by cheque or money order payable to "Murdoch University – ACICIS", or by credit card. The money will then be transferred by ACICIS to Direktorat Kemahasiswaan UGM.

RECENT JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Ian Campbell, 'Selatan - Sur - South', UTS ePress Journals, *PORTAL: Journal of Multidisciplinary International Studies*, Vol. 5, No. 1 (2008).

A collection of twenty five poems written in Indonesian by the author which meditate upon the concept of 'the south', and shift between sites in Australia, Indonesia and Latin America, in terms of their geographic, literary and cultural references. The collection is located at: <http://epress.lib.uts.edu.au/ojs/index.php/portal/article/view/568/558>.

Freddy K. Kalidjernih, 'Australian Indonesia-Specialists and Debates on West Papua: Implications for Australia-Indonesia Relations', *Australian Journal of International Affairs*, Vol.62 No. 1/2008, pp. 72-93.

This study is about the recent debates on West Papua by Australian Indonesia-specialists. It argues that not all of the specialists view Indonesian governments' policies as negative. It demonstrates that there are two groups in the debates: the 'affirmative revisionist' scholars who tend to be more optimistic towards resolution of conflicts in West Papua, and the 'sceptical reformist' scholars who are doubtful of any possible major changes in the region.

BOOKS

Cote, Joost J. *Realizing the Dream of R.A. Kartini*, Leiden, KITLV Press, 2008.

This book presents a unique collection of documents reflecting the lives, attitudes, and politics of four Javanese women in the early twentieth century. The author translate the correspondence between the Raden Ajeng Kartini, Indonesia's first feminist, and her sisters, revealing for the first time her sisters' contributions in defining and carrying out her ideals. With this collection Cote aims to situate Kartini's sisters within the famous Kartini narrative - and indirectly to situate Kartini herself within a broader narrative.

Drexler, Elizabeth F. *Aceh, Indonesia: Securing the Insecure State*. Philadelphia, University of Pennsylvania, 2008.

The author analyzes how the Indonesian state has sustained itself amid anxieties and insecurities generated by historical and human rights accounts of earlier episodes of violence. In her examination of the Aceh conflict, Drexler demonstrates the falsity of the reigning assumption of international human rights organizations that the exposure of past violence promotes accountability and reconciliation rather than the repetition of abuses. The book concludes with a consideration of the improved prospects for peace in Aceh following the devastating 2004 tsunami.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

'The politics of Islam in Outer Indonesia' (Panel at the 5th International Symposium sponsored by Jurnal Antropologi Indonesia, to be held 22-26 July at the University of Lambung Mangkurat Campus, Kayu Tangi Banjarmasin, South Kalimantan, Indonesia).

Historically, Islamisation in Indonesia has been one of the most potent factors in ethnogenesis, namely the evolution of new ethnic identities. Currently, an increase in the number and devoutness of Muslims is again evident throughout much of Indonesia. But in the Outer Islands the greater prominence of Islam has been complicated, particularly, by a resurgence of various forms of ethnic identity. This panel seeks to contextualise such processes historically, and to explore the political, social and cultural dynamics of Islamic revitalisation today. We invite papers that address phenomena such as changes in the expression of faith (i.e. toward more Scripturalist or more radical variants), in the definition of ethnicity itself as grounds for asserting ethnic identity, in expansions or contractions of multiculturalism (i.e. attitudes and policies that are more tolerant or confrontational towards other belief systems), as well as explicit or implicit linkages between religion and socio-political organisations (e.g. NU, Muhammadiyah, Jema'ah Islamiyah, AMAN, etc.). Papers dealing with contemporary or historical linkages written from a variety of analytic perspectives – anthropological, historical, literary, political, etc. – will be considered. Ian Chalmers (I.CHALMERS@exchange.curtin.edu.au) and Greg Acciaioli (Gregory.Acciaioli@uwa.edu.au). Paper titles and abstracts need to be submitted to Ian and/or myself by **15 March**, so we can compile the panels for the central organising committee. For more details about the conference, see http://www.fisip.ui.ac.id/antropologi/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=76&Itemid=104

"Changing Media, Changing Societies: Media and the Millennium Development Goals" July 14 – 17, 2008 Manila, Philippines. AMIC's key event is the flagship annual conference, hosted in rotation by countries across the Asia-Pacific region. The theme of the 17th annual conference is "Changing Media, Changing Societies: Media and the Millennium Development Goals". The key focus of this conference will be to see how an active and vibrant media can help in achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Today not only are the traditional sources of media being used, but there is an increasing emphasis and shift towards new media sources like the Internet, mobile phones, podcasts and blogging. How have these media helped in the achievement of the MDGs? Has knowledge sharing helped developing countries develop effective strategies to address and reach the MDGs? These are some of the questions that the conference aims to address. All papers will be selected on a competitive basis and an expert panel will be appointed for screening all the submissions. Kindly email the full papers (approximately 20 pages in length and double spaced) or a maximum 2 page, typed double spaced abstract along with contact information and a 500-word bio to conf2008@amic.org.sg by **15 April 2008**. The deadline for the completed papers will be June 01, 2008. Results of the call for papers will be sent out starting from 1st May 2008.

Challenges of local and regional cultural politics in Southeast Asia, a workshop at the 10th Biennial Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA) that will be held from 26 to 30 August in Ljubljana, Slovenia. Please find the workshop abstract below. For a more detailed workshop description and the submission of proposals please visit: <http://www.nomadit.co.uk/easa/easa08/panels.php5?PanelID=291> For more information on the conference as such see: http://www.easa2008.eu/en/informacija.asp?id_meta_type=13

Revisiting the Massacre in History: An Interdisciplinary Workshop 25-26 September 2008

All massacre is violence, but not all violence is massacre. In 1995, a conference was organised at the University of Warwick by Mark Levene and Penny Roberts in which the groundwork for a study of massacre was laid. Ten years later, the Conflict Research Group at the University of Newcastle, Australia, invites scholars from all disciplines to reassess the research that has been done since that time, to place massacre as an area of study within the context of contemporary events, and to (re)examine the massacre in history and the processes by which it operates. The organisers hope that the workshop will result in a clearer definition of massacre in an historical context, and produce a tighter framework for future massacre studies. We hope to address topics and problems from a wide variety of periods and places, from ancient history to the present, and from all parts of the world. The massacre has become synonymous with genocide in recent years, but the workshop will focus on the distinctiveness of massacre as an historical experience, and will not focus on themes related to genocide or Holocaust studies. Topics could include but are not limited to the following: * theories of massacre * the emotional and psychological texture of massacre * the manner in which massacres operate and the impetus behind them (racial, religious, political, sexual, age-related, ideological, military) * massacre and the state * the massacre in memory (monuments, commemorations) * representations of massacre in art, film, photography and the novel * the massacre as an agent of violence The organisers hope to publish the conference proceedings. Please send titles and abstracts (for presentations of about 40 minutes) of no more than 400 words by **15 March 2008** to: Dr. Philip Dwyer Philip.Dwyer@newcastle.edu.au Prof. Lyndall Ryan Lyndall.Ryan@newcastle.edu.au

TRANSFORMATIONS: RESEARCHING ASIA York Centre for Asian Research Graduate Student Conference York University, Toronto, Canada, September 26 to 28, 2008.

Asian Studies is a growing field within and, we hope, beyond Area Studies. Recent developments in Asian research reflect modern and contemporary events across a wide range of disciplines. As the body of research on Asia grows, questions concerning the production and mediation of Asia become more pressing. The critical and fundamental questions - What is Asia? And how to study Asia remain unresolved and contested. As a field, moreover, Asian Studies remains driven by disciplinary divides; interdisciplinary intersections remain disappointingly rare. With this conference we seek to address the epistemology and methodology of researching Asia within and beyond the geographical and disciplinary constraints traditionally associated with Area Studies. We invite papers from graduate students engaged in interdisciplinary research in Asian Studies focusing on the modern and contemporary periods. Interested participants should submit a paper title, abstract (250 words maximum) and brief biographical information by **April 1, 2008**.

Selected participants must submit completed papers by August 1, 2008. Inquiries and email submissions can be sent to the conference organizers at: transformationsasiaconference@gmail.com. More information about the conference can be found on the conference website:

www.yorku.ca/yicar/Events/graduate_conference.html.

Still the Asian Century? University of Birmingham, 10-12 September 2008. During the 1980s and 1990s it became commonplace to think that Asia was on its way to becoming the world's most dynamic and important region. In the intervening years Japan fell into an economic torpor it appeared incapable of escaping, while much of East Asia was gripped

by a financial crisis in the late 1990s that seemed set to permanently deflate expectations about its future trajectory. Not only have the Asian economies generally bounced back and re-emerged as important drivers of global economic growth, but the region seems to have found a new exemplar of unparalleled developmental success: the scale and rapidity of 'China's rise' has sparked precisely the same sorts of debates and commentary that earlier accompanied Japan's remarkable economic development. Once more we are being asked to believe that the twenty-first century will inevitably belong to 'Asia', but this time with China as its driving force. The organizers invite individual paper and panel proposals that explore these issues in relation to the five core conference themes outlined below (250-word paper abstracts; up to four presenters per panel). Deadline for submission of paper and panel proposals: **31 March 2008** Registration: Academics/ others £50; students £20 Proposals should be sent via e-mail to: D.Norman@Asiacentury.net Professor Mark Beeson Department of Political Science The University of Birmingham Edgbaston Birmingham B15 2TT United Kingdom Email: m.beeson@bham.ac.uk Visit the website at <http://www.asiacentury.net/>

Asia on the Move - Asie en Marche, Canadian Asian Studies Association, University of Waterloo, November 13-16, 2008. Over a decade after the Asian financial crisis, Asia has been transformed in many ways. We invite Canadian and international scholars in the social sciences, arts, humanities and sciences to take part in the next CASA conference to share their recent and cutting-edge research on Asia. DEADLINE **MARCH 15, 2008**. For conference themes, forms, and more information, please visit our website at: <http://canadianasianstudies.concordia.ca/htm/2008call-e.htm>

The National University of Singapore's Asia Research Institute will organize an International Workshop on Autonomy and Armed Separatism in South and Southeast Asia, 26-27 June 2008 in Singapore. This international workshop promotes a multidisciplinary approach towards understanding national identity problems in seven South and Southeast Asian countries: Indonesia, Burma, Sri Lanka, Philippines, Thailand, India and Indonesia's former province of East Timor. It explores the political, economic, legal, security and other compromises that have been offered by national governments to negotiate shared-rule outcomes with their separatist movements through the devolution of central state authority and resources. Visit the workshop website at: http://www.ari.nus.edu.sg/events_categorydetails.asp?categoryid=6&eventid=757

3rd Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asia (Change of dates: 28-29 July 2008). Singapore Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, Bukit Timah Campus. The Asia Research Institute (ARI) of the National University of Singapore (NUS) invites applications from postgraduate students who are engaged in research on Southeast Asia to attend the 3rd Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asia Studies on 28–29 July 2008. Postgraduate students working on Southeast Asia are invited to submit abstracts based either on work in progress that is at an advanced stage (i.e. already completed data collection and analysis), or on completed work. This two-day workshop, the third of an annual series of forums for graduate students who work on Southeast Asia, will be organised thematically. Themes will include (but are not limited to) issues in religion, politics, economy, gender, culture, migration, and population and social change. In addition to student presentations, experts of the region will also be invited to give keynote speeches, sharing their insights on challenges and issues facing

contemporary social science scholarship. Registration fees and Singapore expenses will be covered for those whose abstracts are accepted for presentation. If necessary, students may also apply for some funding to cover regional travel costs. Graduate students should submit a 400-word abstract of their proposed paper using the PROPOSAL FORM to Ms Valerie Yeo at valerie.yeo@nus.edu.sg no later than **16 May 2008**. Successful applicants will be notified by 2 June 2008. The abstract should clarify the substantive issues which your paper will address and be firmly grounded in your own research project. Using the format given, the abstract should include information on objectives, methods, and findings, as well as explain the original contribution the research makes to the field of study. Please include your name, institutional affiliation, e-mail address and other contact information. One confidential letter of recommendation from a supervisor should also be forwarded to this address by the same date. Those selected have to submit full-length papers, of around 5,000 words in length, by 11 July 2008.

Website:

http://www.ari.nus.edu.sg/events_categorydetails.asp?categoryid=6&eventid=747

Second Conference Kartini Network Bali Indonesia 2-5 November 2008. Following the successful First Kartini Conference in Dalian, China, in 2004 this second Kartini conference will discuss the future of Asian feminisms assessing past experiences and charting new paths. One of the major foci will be successes or failures of legal campaigns in specific contexts. Participants will be invited to present papers or poster presentation to the following five panels: 1. Women's and Gender Studies in Asia: Historical Perspective and Future Challenges 2. Fundamentalisms and Feminisms 3. Conflicts And Violence 4. Sexuality 5. Poverty, Vulnerability and Livelihoods. Applications can be directed at kartiniasia@gmail.com / kartiniasia@yahoo.com. The application should contain a title, a short proposal of no more than 200 words and a short cv of the applicant(s) of no more than 200 words. Fellowships are available for a limited number of Asian researchers and activists based in Asia, on a competitive basis. Deadline for submission: **1 July 2008**.

Workshop and Forum On the 10 Years of *Reformasi* in Indonesia Flinders University Adelaide 14-15 April 2008. 2008 will be a milestone for Indonesians as they reach ten years of *reformasi*. It is widely known that during this period many things have been achieved in terms of politics and the economy. However it must be acknowledged that there are important issues which have not been dealt with properly, such as addressing past human rights violations, maintaining ethnic harmony and peaceful religious pluralism, cleaning up corruption, looking after Indonesian foreign workers, and improving the well-being of Indonesian at the bottom level. What are the obstacles that derailed the *reformasi* movement which was to create a better and democratic Indonesia? How do we judge the achievements and the setbacks that occurred during the *reformasi* period? This workshop and forum will examine local issues affecting Indonesians outside Jakarta which have not been addressed in previous studies of post-Suharto Indonesia. It will bring Indonesian academics, NGO activists and Flinders University-based academics together in a small and publication-oriented workshop. The participants will be those who have followed Indonesian politics/issues closely and also those who have participated directly on the ground in their respective fields. The participants will present papers on the themes listed below. Major themes: Rethinking Indonesia in post-Suharto Indonesia: views from below and from the margins; Local democracy and civil society; Business and politics at local level; Grassroots reconciliation activities; The emergence of local media Religious

pluralism at the local level; Ethnic and communal issues; Local environmental issues; Agrarian conflicts Indonesian foreign domestic workers: from local to global; Arts, local popular culture and film industry. The keynote speaker is Associate Professor Vedi Hadiz, an Indonesian scholar, Department of Sociology, National University of Singapore, Singapore. For further information: priyambudi.sulistiyanto@flinders.edu.au.

PUBLISHING OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunity to publish about Indonesian Language in an Ulrich's-listed journal about (and if you want in) Indonesian language. The Asian Studies Association of Australia (ASAA) is keen to strengthen Australian and regional interest in scholarly work on the teaching and learning of Asian languages and cultures, and in the role of language studies in the development of disciplinary knowledge and understanding. A recent initiative in this endeavour has been to establish collaboration with the Editorial Board of the e-FLT Journal to co-publish an annual supplementary issue of the journal devoted to the teaching and learning of Asian languages. e-FLT is a free on-line electronic journal published by the Centre for the Study of Languages at the National University of Singapore, with Dr Wai Meng Chan as Editor-in-Chief. e-FLT Journal is registered on Ulrich's list and with DEST as a fully peer-reviewed journal. The ASAA annual supplementary issue of the e-FLT Journal will accept articles and reviews on a broad range of topics related to the teaching and learning of Asian languages. Contributions are to be submitted to the e-FLT Journal for registration prior to review. Full submission information is available on the e-FLT Journal website <http://e-flt.nus.edu.sg>

PORTAL Journal of Multidisciplinary International Studies Special Issue: The Space Between: Languages, Translations and Cultures. We seek expressions of interest for a special journal issue focusing on the Spaces Between Languages. We seek articles that explore how the space between languages is experienced through translation and interpretation, language learning and teaching, contact situations, code-switching, bilingualism, and in literary and cultural production. We are also interested in addressing these issues from the Spaces Between Disciplines, which might include the spaces between linguistics, language and translation studies, language pedagogy, cultural studies and postcolonial studies. Possible approaches might refer to Homi Bhabha's notion of the 'third space', or Mary Louise Pratt's notion of 'transculturation'. If you are interested in contributing to this special issue on The Space Between: Languages, Translations and Cultures, please send an abstract (500 words) and a brief (one page) curriculum vitae to Emi Otsuji <emi.otsuji@uts.edu.au> by **31 March 2008**. Contributors who have been notified of acceptance of abstracts will be asked to submit complete papers by 31 July 2008. Papers should be up to 6,000 words in length (including notes, references, tables or additional material) and should follow the PORTAL style guide <http://epress.lib.uts.edu.au/ojs/index.php/portal> and be submitted directly into PORTAL via <http://epress.lib.uts.edu.au/ojs/index.php/portal/about/submissions#onlineSubmissions>. All submissions will be subjected to double-blind peer review. Special Issue Editors: Vera Mackie, University of Melbourne vmackie@unimelb.edu.au; Ikuko Nakane, University of Melbourne inakane@unimelb.edu.au; Emi Otsuji, University of Technology: Sydney emi.otsuji@uts.edu.au.

The University Press of Kentucky publishes a series that aims at publishing creative works on Asia with new materials and/or with new interpretations. We welcome book manuscripts that look at the challenges and opportunities of Asia in the new millennium from the perspectives of politics, economics, and cultural-historical traditions. Projects that study the impact of Asian developments on the world are also welcome. Priority will be given to those manuscripts that examine the history and prospect of the democratization process of Asia. Also of interest are theoretically, empirically, and policy oriented works that can be used as teaching materials at undergraduate and graduate levels. Innovative manuscript proposals at any stage are welcome. More information is available at: http://www.kentuckypress.com/series_asia.cfm

Journal of NTT Development Studies is a peer reviewed, a bi-lingual journal (Bahasa Indonesia or English) **First Edition First Volume: Forthcoming in April 2008!** The Interdisciplinary Journal of NTT Development Studies serves as a forum for dialogue and knowledge sharing between scientists and practitioners. Whilst we anticipate that many submissions will come from both international and Indonesian national writers, an important aim of the journal is to provide a space for developing and housing the work of Nusa Tenggara Timur based practitioners and writers who thus far have lacked significant representation in the studies of East Nusa Tenggara developmental field. As such, it is intended that the peer review process will contribute to the goal of developing the research and writing skills of those who submit articles to the journal. Called for Papers - "NTT at the cross road: 50 Years of Development and Reflecting Forwards" for First Edition Vol 1 April 2008. Preferred Topics for 15 April 2008 edition: 50 Years of East Nusa Tenggara Economic Development; Knowledge Management of NTT: Constraints and Opportunities; Social Development of NTT: Education, Health and Water/Sanitation; NTT Human Development Strategy: A Reflection Forwards; Rural Development Infrastructures and Spatial Poverty Analysis of NTT; Interdisciplinary Research Agenda for NTT Development; International Aid in East Nusa Tenggara: What are the Impacts in 40 Years? Length of per article is about 3000-5000 words. Manuscripts, questions, and other correspondence should be addressed by email Editors: editor@ntt-academia.org. The journal is available at: <http://www.ntt-academia.org/ntt-study-journal.html>

SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/RESEARCH/FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The School of Music-Conservatorium, Monash University is pleased to introduce the **Kartomi PhD in Music Scholarship**. The inaugural scholarship will initially be offered for commencement in the first half of 2009. The scholarship is available to Australian citizens, Australian permanent residents and international applicants who have completed a four year undergraduate, masters preliminary or masters degree at H1* level or equivalent and who propose to undertake a PhD in music. The scholarship may be held in any field of music compatible with the research plans of the School. An outstanding background in a relevant discipline is required. Award holders will receive a generous stipend and may also be eligible for allowances for establishment, relocation, research and thesis production. Funding for fieldwork may also be available. For further details, please contact: music@arts.monash.edu.au. Applications will be available in July 2008 and close 31 October 2008. Scholarship period: 3 years full-time. Annual stipend \$26,640 (2008 rate).

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

ACICIS Development Officer Vacancy (February 2008) The Australian Consortium for 'In-Country' Indonesian Studies (ACICIS) is seeking applications for a new administrative position currently available in the ACICIS secretariat in Perth. The Development Officer will be part of a team, reporting to Consortium Director Prof David Hill. They will assist the current administrative officer in the overall smooth-running of the ACICIS Secretariat, including learning all of the duties of the Secretariat, and will also take responsibility for specific projects, eg promotional work. They will be employed on a part-time fixed-term contract. The position is dependent on continuing funding. The initial contract will be for a trial period of 6 months starting at Higher Education Worker Level 3.10 (\$18.71 ph). Personal Qualities: Mature, responsible, diplomatic, efficient, discrete, co-operative, thorough, and motivated. Desirable Skills: High level of computer literacy, including Microsoft Office, email and internet; Previous administrative experience; High level of organisational ability and efficiency; High level of oral and written communication skills; Excellent interpersonal skills and personal presentation; Motivated to work independently, and the ability to work in a team environment; Knowledge of financial and business procedures; Web-page management, video production, and/or graphic design skills; Indonesian language skills; Broad knowledge of Indonesia. Applications, including a current CV, should be emailed to acicis@murdoch.edu.au, preferably by **3 March 2008**.

Applications are invited for the position of Professor of Islamic Studies in the School of Humanities and Languages at the University of Western Sydney. The School's teaching and research intersect with areas of expertise in the Centre for Citizenship and Public Policy, the Centre for Cultural Research and the National Centre of Excellence in Islamic Studies within the College of Arts. The position requires expertise in Islamic religion and political and social theory. Preference may be given to applicants who also have expertise in globalization, the modern state, youth cultures and/or human rights. The successful applicant will make a significant contribution to the development of the research programs of The National Centre of Excellence in Islamic Studies within the School of Humanities and Languages and College of Arts. A Level E academic is required to have a doctoral qualification and to have attained international recognition as an eminent authority with an outstanding track record of high quality publications and funded research projects. The successful applicant will be expected to provide leadership in teaching and research for academic staff across relevant disciplines within the School, and to develop teams and international links for externally funded, collaborative research projects. The successful applicant will make a significant contribution to the recruitment and supervision of honors and postgraduate research students. For further information please contact Professor Nancy E. Wright (nancy.wright@uws.edu.au). For full details on this position please visit the UWS website: <http://www.uws.edu.au/vacancies> Vacancy Reference No: 80030

The School of Humanities and Social Sciences at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, invites qualified academics to apply for an Assistant Professorship in History (Women, Gender, Religion). Candidates must possess PhDs, as well as proved records of accomplishment in teaching and research in the following disciplines: * Culture, Gender (Women in History) * Religions (Buddhism, Christianity, Islam etc) Applicants who can teach courses in both areas will be given priority. The successful candidate is expected to teach at undergraduate level using English as the medium of instruction. In addition, the

appointed faculty will be expected to play a crucial role in developing a Minor Programme in History. To apply, please refer to the Guidelines for Submitting an Application for Faculty Appointment (www.ntu.edu.sg/hr/faculty_guidelines.htm) and send your application to: Office of Human Resources Nanyang Technological University Administration Building, Level 4 50 Nanyang Avenue Singapore 639798 Fax: (65) 6791 9340. Email: Acad-talent@ntu.edu.sg. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Visual Cultures (Australia/Asia-Pacific), Professor, University of Western Sydney. The School of Humanities and Languages is committed to offering students programs of study based on a research-teaching nexus that addresses contemporary challenges in a rapidly changing environment. The School's teaching and research intersect with areas of expertise in the the Centre for Cultural Research, the National Centre of Excellence in Islamic Studies and the Writing and Society Research Group within the College of Arts at the University of Western Sydney. Applications are invited for the position of Professor of Visual Cultures. The position requires expertise in contemporary and twentieth-century visual cultures of Australia and the Asia Pacific region. Preference may be given to applicants who have research expertise in heritage and cultural institutions, art history and theory, globalization or digital media, film and television studies. A Level E academic is required to have a doctoral qualification and to have attained international recognition as an eminent authority with an outstanding track record of high quality publications and funded research projects. The successful applicant will be expected to provide leadership in teaching and research for academic staff across relevant disciplines within the School, and to develop teams and international links for externally funded, collaborative research projects. The successful applicant will make a significant contribution to the recruitment and supervision of Honours and postgraduate research students. For further information please contact Professor Nancy E. Wright 61-2-9772-6199 or nancy.wright@uws.edu.au For full details on this position please visit the UWS website: <http://www.uws.edu.au/vacancies> Vacancy Reference No: 80031