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CHAIR'S LETTER

Dear China Geography Specialty Group Members,

I hope this message finds you in good spirits. Firstly, I would like to extend our collective gratitude to our outgoing Chair, Jun Zhang, for his unwavering commitment and invaluable contributions during his tenure on the CGSG board. His efforts, especially in organizing the China Specialty Group Plenary Session with Professor Jessie P. H. Poon, have been commendable. It is an honor to step into the role of Chair for the upcoming year and continue to build upon the solid foundation laid by our predecessors.

We are also thrilled to welcome Tyler Harlan as our new Interim Secretary and Ruilin Yang as the new Student Representative, joining the Executive Team. Their experience and dedication will undoubtedly bring valuable insights and fresh perspectives to our group.

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A round of applause for our student award winners from the recent business meeting. Congratulations to Xiaoling Chen from the University of Colorado Boulder and Yiou Zhang from UCLA and for receiving the 2023 AAG CGSG Best Student Paper Award and Student Paper Travel Award, respectively. Their work adds immense value to our field, and we look forward to their future endeavors.

We are also excited to acknowledge the commendable service of Professor Tim Oakes from the University of Colorado Boulder, recognized with the Outstanding Service Award. His contributions to the Center for Asian Studies and the 'China Made' project have significantly enriched our collective knowledge and research.

Regarding our membership, we are 154 members strong as of March 12, 2023, with a diverse geographical distribution, including members from the United States, Mainland China, Hong Kong, Canada, the United Kingdom, and India. We are aggressively trying to expand our network, reach and membership around the world. Your continuous support and engagement are pivotal to the group's success and advancement.

We are excited to share that our Group's website, <http://cgsg.geo.msu.edu/AAG-CGSG/Home.html>, has been recently updated by Guo Chen and team and is diligently maintained by May Yang. Our sincere thanks to them for ensuring our platform remains up-to-date and informative. Make sure to check it out!

As we look towards the AAG in Honolulu, Hawaii, from April 16-20, 2024, Vice-Chair Ding Fei will be coordinating the Sessions sponsored by our Group. Kindly forward your proposed Call for Sessions to Dr. Fei to secure our Study Group sponsorship. This will enable you to promote the proposed Session on our website and through our China Geography Listserv (cgsg-l@uleth.ca).

We are pleased to announce that **Dr. Emily Ho** from the National University of Singapore will grace us with a plenary lecture. Efforts are underway to secure funds from the AAG Specialty Group Keynote Fund to facilitate her participation at AAG.

Our funds currently stand at \$1,187. These funds will be relied on to continue to support our student paper awards. Specifically, we will be conferring Student Awards at the AAG 2024 Hawaii meeting. Further details will be shared below in the Newsletter.

Thank you all for your unwavering support and contributions to the China Geography Specialty Group. Let's continue to foster a collaborative and supportive environment as we delve into another promising year of research, exploration, and growth.

Warm regards,

Anthony

CONGRATULATIONS TO CGSG AWARD WINNERS

2023 CGSG Outstanding Service Award

CGSG is very pleased to announce **Professor Tim Oakes** as the recipient of the CGSG Outstanding Service Award during the 2023 Annual AAG Meeting.

Prof. Oakes is Professor of Geography and former Director of the Center for Asian Studies at the University of Colorado at Boulder. He is also Project Director of the [China Made Project](#), funded by the Henry Luce Foundation.



Professor Oakes' globally-recognized scholarship has significantly advanced our understanding of ongoing social and cultural transformation in contemporary China. Moreover, his longstanding service to geography and China studies (including as CGSG chair from 2013-14) has strengthened the geographical study of China and built CGSG into an organization with a broader reach.

Thank you, Tim!

2023 CGSG Annual Student Paper Awards

CGSG Best Student Paper

The Best Student Paper Award went to **Xiaoling Chen**, University of Colorado Boulder, for the paper entitled "The Venue Code: Digital Surveillance, Spatial (Re)organization, and Infrastructural Power during the Covid Pandemic in China."

CGSG Student Paper Runner-up and Travel Award

The CGSG Student Travel Award went to **Yiou Zhang**, UCLA, for the paper entitled "The Geography, Scaling and Diffusion of Recombinant Knowledge across Chinese Cities, 1991-2015." The Student Travel Award is offered to the runner-up in the paper competition.

A hearty congratulations to the student award winners!

CGSG STUDENT PAPER AWARDS FOR AAG 2024

The China Geography Specialty Group sponsors an annual award to recognize excellent student research and paper presentations in a CGSG-sponsored session, including at the next annual AAG conference in Honolulu, Hawai'i from April 16-20, 2024.

Eligibility:

Student members of the CGSG at all academic levels (undergraduates or graduate students) are qualified. The student must be the sole author and presenter of the paper. Multiple submission to more than one specialty groups for Student Paper Award is NOT allowed. Papers being considered by other AAG Specialty Group for student Paper Award are not qualified for the CGSG Student Paper Award. Participants must have submitted the abstract and appropriate program participation fee to the AAG for participation at the AAG Annual Meeting in Honolulu, April 16-20, 2024.

Award:

A \$250 prize will be awarded for the best paper, in addition to an award certificate and prepaid lunch at the AAG Awards Banquet. Two Travel Awards of \$100 each will go to the First and Second Runner-up. A committee of faculty from the China Geography Specialty Group will evaluate the papers. Evaluation criteria for the award include the originality of the research, the soundness and creativity of the research design and methodology; the validity of conclusions; and quality of the presentation. The award will be announced at the Business Meeting of the China Geography Specialty Group in Honolulu in April 2024, and published in the CGSG and AAG newsletters.

Guidelines for Submission:

To be considered for the competition, authors should e-mail a copy of the paper's title and abstract to the CGSG Chair by **February 1st, 2024**. Please include author's name, academic level (undergraduate, master's or doctoral), academic institution, department or program, current address, phone number, and EMAIL. An electronic version of the paper, in Word format, must reach the Chair no later than **March 1st, 2024**.

Please send your submission and questions to the CGSG chair at:
anthony.howell@asu.edu.

AAG 2024 SESSION SPONSORSHIP

The annual meeting of AAG will be held in Honolulu from April 16-20, 2024. CGSG enthusiastically invites your sponsorship requests for relevant sessions. Sessions may be virtual, in-person, or a hybrid combination of the two. Sponsored sessions will be promoted and listed in a daily CGSG mail-out during the conference, and will help to build interest and community within the CGSG and beyond.

Key Dates for AAG 2024

- November 16: Abstract Submission deadline
- December 14: Session Organizing deadline
- January 18: Program Released
- February 29: Abstract/Session Editing and Presentation Conversion deadlines
- March 14: Program Finalized
- April 16-20: Annual Meeting

If you're interested in CGSG sponsoring your session, please email Ding Fei: **df423@cornell.edu** or Anthony Howell: **anthony.howell@asu.edu** before the **Dec. 14, 2023** deadline for organized sessions. Once we've been in touch to confirm sponsorship, you'll need to select CGSG from the appropriate drop-down menu when you register your session with the AAG.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions!

Virtual Learning Series for AAG 2024

At the annual meeting in Honolulu the AAG will pilot a new approach that connects the conference more strongly to the place where it is held. To do that respectfully and well, we need to learn more about Hawai'i before we go. Between July and March, the AAG will be hosting a virtual learning series featuring Hawaiian speakers and perspectives on a broad range of environmental, political, and historical topics including Indigenous ecological knowledge and sovereignty.

For more information, please visit the dedicated page on the conference website [here](#).

MEMBER NEWS



Kam Wing Chan (University of Washington, Seattle) resumed in-person academic travels in September after a four-year hiatus. He visited King's College in London, and gave a talk on China's *hukou* reform at Princeton. He has also penned several public posts on *Weixin* on that subject (refer to his website [here](#)). Most important of all, his Chinese book on China's urbanization and *hukou* system, after many years of hard work, was finally published this summer. Five other recent / forthcoming publications are listed in Member Publications.



Ding Fei (Cornell University) published articles in the *Journal of International Development*, *Eurasian Geography & Economics*, and the *Journal of Contemporary China*.

Cindy Fan (UCLA) published a book chapter "Split Households and Migration in the Global South: Gender and Intergenerational Perspectives" and two book reviews. She was interviewed by Chengdu Radio & Television and by *Nikkei Asia*, and she gave presentations or commentaries in Warsaw, Changsha (virtual), Singapore, Boston and Denver. She is one of the five leads of UCLA's Strategic Plan.



Yue Gong (Wuhan University) published articles in *Cities and Population*, *Space and Place*, and a book review in the *Journal of Urban Affairs*.



MEMBER NEWS

Tyler Harlan (Loyola Marymount University) was promoted to associate professor in June. He also received the Loyola Marymount Univ. Ascending Scholar Award, Outstanding Advisor Award, and Global Engagement Vision Award. From 2023-24, he is a visiting research fellow with the Centre for Contemporary Chinese Studies at The Univ. of Melbourne.



Youqin Huang (University at Albany) published articles in the *Journal of Happiness Studies*, *Applied Geography*, the *Journal of Exposure Science and Environmental Epidemiology*, and *IJURR*.



Anthony Howell (Arizona State University) was appointed co-director of the Center for Technology, Data, and Society, commencing in Fall 2023. He received funding from ASU Institute of Social Science to develop an AI-interviewer built on ChatGPT to collect qualitative interview data at scale, piloted on microentrepreneurs participating virtually in business incubators.



Ron Knapp (SUNY New Paltz) published a 500+ page book in September 2023 with Terry E. Miller as co-author titled *Theodore Burr and the Bridging of Early America: The Man, Fellow Bridge Builders, and Their Forgotten Bridges*. Prof. Knapp has researched China's social and cultural geography since 1965, rarely missing a year of fieldwork, with his last visit in Fall 2019 to launch his co-authored book *China's Covered Bridges: Architecture over Water*.

MEMBER NEWS



Kean Fan Lim (Newcastle University) commenced his appointment as Editor of *Antipode* in May 2023. He also published articles in *Environment and Planning A* and *IJURR*. The latter paper drew on historical materials collected during Prof. Lim's PhD 10 years ago—a good reminder to not let data go to waste!



Tim Oakes (University of Colorado, Boulder) led the publication of a special section of China Made project articles in *The China Quarterly* (v. 255) on "Chinese Infrastructure: techno-politics, materialities, legacies," with contributions from several CGSG members. With support from the CU Boulder Center for Asian Studies, he also convened a third workshop in the "Tale of Two Asias" project on "living in and beyond the nuclear age in Asia" on October 27th.

Xiaoping Shen (Central Connecticut State University) served as the Founding Coordinator of the Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies minor program and the Committee of the Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies at Central Connecticut State University from 2021 to 2023. Prof. Shen also co-authored a book with Springer Nature and an article with *Annals of the AAG* in 2022.



Wang Kun (Guangzhou Institute of Geography) received a 300k RMB grant from the National Natural Science Foundation of China. His co-authored article on "Global Destruction Networks" received the prestigious Ashby Prize from *Environment and Planning A* for the most innovative paper of 2022—the first time the prize was awarded to scholars from mainland China and Hong Kong. He was also listed as one of six outstanding junior scholars by the Urban China Research Network.



MEMBER NEWS

Yehua Dennis Wei (University of Utah) published articles in the *Journal of Urban Planning and Development*, *Professional Geographer*, *Geographical Review*, *Travel Behaviour and Society*, and *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*.



Max Woodworth (Ohio State University) has recently begun a three-year NSF Research Coordination Network grant titled "Coordinating Global Coal Transition Research" with his portion focused on coal issues in China. The grant will last through 2025.



Congratulations to all CGSG members for their accomplishments over the past year!

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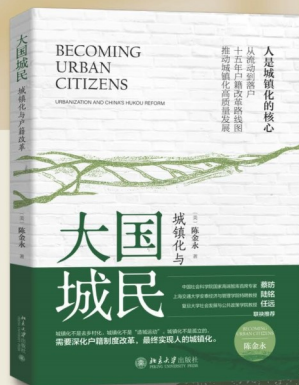
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中国的人口迁移与劳动力流动，是改革开放过程中的发展现象，也是迈向现代化路径的一个重要分支。如何使这个过程健康前行，不断巩固取得的成果，并且功德圆满地完成自身使命，是中外各界人士的关注点，也是社会科学各领域学者的共同课题。本书是陈教授该领域研究的最新总结和理论升华，具有海外学者和地理学家的独特视角，中国读者可以期待从阅读中获得有益的启示。

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CGSG WEBSITE AND LISTSERV

CGSG Website

Check out the newly designed CGSG website (<http://cgsg.geo.msu.edu/>). Thanks to Guo Chen (Michigan State University) and May Yang (Michigan State University) for maintaining and updating the website.



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CGSG is a specialty group of the American Association of Geographers. The **mission** of CGSG is to promote the study of the geography of China, including Taiwan, and to serve as a clearinghouse of information for persons interested in Chinese geography. To increase contacts with Chinese geographers and encourage professional activities, including the development of research projects.



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