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## EASC Awards 13 ACE-Nikaido Fellowships

Congratulations to EASC's 13 [Association for Japan-U.S. Community Exchange \(ACE\) - Nikaido Fellowship](#) award recipients for summer 2015 and AY 2015-16! Available to full-time USC graduate student from any discipline of study, including both domestic and international students, the ACE-Nikaido Fellowship aims to support and advance the study and understanding of Japan and/or U.S.-Japan relations.

Jiun Bang (PhD), *Political Science and International Relations*

Jillian Barndt (PhD), *History*

Rika Hiro (PhD), *Art History*

Naomi Iwamoto (MFA), *Film and TV Production*

Roxanne Kamalu (MPA), *Public Administration*

Nadia Kanagawa (PhD), *History*

Amanda Kennell (PhD), *East Asian Languages and Cultures*

Nicolette Lee (PhD), *East Asian Languages and Cultures*

Yu-ting Lin (PhD), *Political Science and International Relations*

Victoria Montrose (PhD), *East Asian Languages and Cultures*

Yunfei Shang (MA), *East Asian Area Studies*

Yu Tokunaga (PhD), *History*

Scott Wilbur (PhD), *Political Science and International Relations*



### Event Wrap: EASC Global East Asia Orientation

EASC hosted the general orientation for the summer 2015 Global East Asia (GEA) China and Japan scholars last Wednesday to explain the study abroad program logistics and requirements. The China course will be taught by Prof. Brett Sheehan and the Japan course by Prof. Lon Kurashige, both in History, and they will be supported by TAs, Yunwen Gao (PhD student in EALC) for China and Yu Tokunaga (PhD student in History) for Japan. EASC is excited to be able to offer both courses and send the two groups of outstanding undergraduates representing USC and EASC to China and Japan this summer.

[PHOTOS](#) | [VIDEO](#)



### Event Wrap: EALC Graduate Student Conference

The inaugural graduate conference *Memory, Moment, Mobility in East Asia* was held this weekend at USC and featured presentations from keynote faculty panelists from UCLA, UCSB and Concordia University. Graduate students representing 17 universities from the region and as far away as Australia and London gathered to present on the latest research in the fields of history, literature, cinema, and linguistics of Japan, Korea, China, Taiwan, and Singapore. The packed conference room was the site of engaged conversation that continued into the

evening at the Keynote dinner.



### Event Reminder: EASC Taiwanese Documentary Series

The second of the series will take place on Thursday, April 16 and Saturday, April 18. It will feature the works by award-winning filmmaker Director KE Chin-Yuan, whose films focus on environmental issues. The three films selected to be shown at USC will explore the subject of interaction between human development and the natural environment. The EASC Taiwanese Documentary Series is made possible by the Spotlight Taiwan grant from the Taiwan Academy of the Ministry of Culture, Republic of China, with additional support provided by Special Patron Dr. Samuel Yin, the USC School of Cinematic Arts, and the USC Pacific Asia Museum.

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 16**

@ The Ray Stark Family Theatre, School of Cinematic Arts (SCA) 108  
**7:00-8:05pm | Introduction and *Black* (2013, 58 minutes)**  
**8:10-9:10pm | *Take My Breath Away* (2013, 59 minutes)**  
**9:15-10:00pm | Q&A with Director Ke Chin-Yuan**

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 18**

@ USC Pacific Asia Museum, Pasadena  
**2:00-4:05pm | Introduction and *Dive With You (1&2)* (2014, 117 minutes)**  
**4:10-5:00pm | Panel Discussion**

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### Event Reminder: Spring 2015 EASC Grad Mixer

The Spring 2015 EASC Grad Mixer is Thurs., April 30 from 4:00–6:00pm at College

House (CLH). Graduate students studying East Asia from any field are invited to enjoy food and conversation with students across USC and to learn more about EASC funding and other opportunities.

**THURSDAY | APRIL 30 | 4:00 - 6:00 PM | College House | [RSVP](#)**

## Student and Faculty News

We are happy to share the great news of EALC undergraduate student Connor Gustafson's achievement at the 14th Chinese Bridge–Chinese Proficiency Competition for Foreign College Students in the Southwest U.S. on April 3. Connor Gustafson proudly represented USC and placed second in the



advanced group. EALC's very own Nansong Huang-laoshi also received the "Award for the Best Organizer." Congratulations to both teacher and student on their wonderful achievements!

## Events Around USC

[KSI Book Proposal Workshop: Chin-Hao Huang and Hanmee Na Kim](#)  
TUESDAY | APRIL 14 | 3:00 - 5:00 PM | Ahn House

[Plus ça Change? Propaganda and Thought Work in the Xi Jinping Era](#)  
THURSDAY | APRIL 16 | 4:00 - 5:30 PM | ASC 204

[New Works Festival Year 2: Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Chinese People But Were Afraid to Ask](#)  
FRIDAY-SUNDAY | APRIL 17-19 | Massman Theatre

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