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 **May 9, 2016** 

USC Japanese Exchange Student Support (JESS)
USC JESS (Japan Exchange Student Support) has been awarded the Best Cultural Organization of 2015-2016 during the USC student organization award ceremony, The Tommy's. JESS was founded by Stephen Nguyen (EALC/HBIO double major) in Fall 2015 and was inspired by the support USC students received from Meiji University student supporters when he participated in the [EASC Global East Asia](#) Japan program in summer 2015. During the AY 2015-16, JESS supported Japanese students at USC by holding cultural events and helping them with their English, and it currently has 130 active members.



Student Awards and Achievements

Congratulations to EASC-affiliated students for their recent awards and achievements! We are proud to highlight a few of the many East Asia student accomplishments.

Jillian Barndt (PhD, History) - *Roberta Persinger Foulke Fellowship; Fulbright Graduate Student Fellowship for Japan*

Holly Blackwelder (BA, EALC) - *Global Fellows Scholarship*

Margarette Deagon (BA, Social Sciences & Spanish) - *Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship to South Korea; Renaissance Scholar Prize*

Yunwen Gao (PhD, EALC) - *Graduate Student Government Travel Grant*

Margaret Harris (BA, EAAS) - *Gilman Scholarship*

Yoonah Hwang (PhD, Art History) - *Research Enhancement Fellowship*

Max Kapur (BA, EALC & Jazz) - *Critical Language Scholarship; Korean Studies Institute Undergraduate Fellowship*

Tatyana Kostochka (PhD, Philosophy) - *Japan Foundation Fellowship*

Kenneth Lee (BA, EAAS & IR) - *Fulbright Summer Institute Program in London; American Enterprise Institute Summer Honors Program*

Megan Lee (BA, Neuroscience) - *HSBC Scholarship; Renaissance Scholar Prize; Alumni Club of North Orange County Scholarship*

Alexander Melnik (BA, IR; BS, PPD) - *Global Fellows Scholarship; Boren Scholarship*



Friday: [EAAS Commencement Reception](#)

On Friday, May 13, 2016 EASC faculty, staff, family and friends will gather to celebrate our East Asian Area Studies graduating seniors and M.A. students. Please join us from 12:30-2:30 in CAS 100 in celebration of our graduates' amazing accomplishments and to wish them all the best in their future endeavors!

FRIDAY | MAY 13 | 12:30 - 2:30 PM | CAS 100 | [RSVP](#)

Summer Language Program

[UCLA High School Languages](#)

Partly funded by the USC-UCLA Joint East Asian Studies Center Title VI NRC grant, UCLA will offer special language classes for High School heritage language learners from July 5-28, 2016. The Korean language instructor will be USC KSI Korean Foundation Postdoc, Dr. Hannah Lim, and the Japanese language instructor will be USC EALC recent PhD graduate, Dr. Nathaniel Heneghan. For details, please [CLICK HERE](#).

Summer Internship Opportunity

[Asian Pacific Islander American Public Affairs Association \(APAPA\)](#)

The APAPA-Southern California Region (APAPA-SCR) is awarding a number of leadership and summer internship positions for current Asian and Pacific Islander college and graduate school students. Each intern must spend a minimum of 50 hours in the assigned office between July 5 - August 12, 2016, working for a local/state legislator, congress member, or constitutional officer in SoCal. Upon completion of the internship, each intern will be awarded a \$500 scholarship. There is also a weeklong, all-expense-paid study-tour to Northern California to work and play together with national and international student leaders from many other partner organizations. The internship application form and additional info can be found [HERE](#).

Application deadline: June 10, 2016.

Events Around LA

[Limitations on the Business of Big Markets in Korea](#)

TUESDAY | MAY 10 | 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM | UCLA

[Traversing Boundaries: Bridging Asian and Asian American Studies through Critical Mixed Race](#)

TUESDAY | MAY 10 | 3:00 - 5:00 PM | UCLA

[CHINAWEEK California-China Business Summit](#)

WEDNESDAY | MAY 11 | 8:15 AM - 4:30 PM | Millennium Biltmore Hotel

[Fly Me to Minami](#)

WEDNESDAY | MAY 11 | 7:00 PM | Japan Foundation

[Legends, Media and Stars: The Transmission of Chinese Popular Culture, 1820s-1920s](#)

THURSDAY | MAY 12 | 4:00 - 5:30 PM | UCLA

[Desperately Seeking Nana Hsu](#)

FRIDAY | MAY 13 | 12:00 - 1:30 PM | UCLA

Comments? Questions? Promotion requests?

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