



USC Dornsife *East Asian Studies Center*

September 15, 2025

ASIA'S AGING SECURITY

HOW DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE AFFECTS AMERICA'S ALLIES AND ADVERSARIES

UPCOMING EVENT

EASC Guest Speaker Series - Asia's Aging Security: How Demographic Change Affects America's Allies and Adversaries

Friday, October 3 | 12:00PM-1:30PM | SOS B40 | **RSVP**

Prof. Saori Katada invites **Prof. Andrew Oros** for a talk on the major demographic transitions that are underway in Asia and the Pacific. The populations of China, Japan, Taiwan, South Korea, and Russia are rapidly aging and shrinking, while India, the Philippines, Vietnam, and Australia, among others, continue to grow. How will these striking changes affect regional security dynamics and the United States-led alliance structure in the Indo-Pacific? Oros considers how technological change is mitigating the drawbacks of aging populations as well as how factors such as autonomous defense systems and artificial intelligence present new challenges.

This event is co-sponsored by the [Center for International Studies](#), [Loyola Marymount University](#), and [Pomona College](#).

Event Reminders

GEA Tokyo Maymester Info Session

Thurs, Sept 25 | 4:00PM-5:00PM | CAS 100 or Zoom

Come and learn more about the GEA Tokyo Maymester! Please review the [info video](#)



first and if you still have questions, feel free to join us at the info session. If you would like to attend virtually, [please register here](#) ➤

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EVENT WRAP

SJAS @ USC Symposium

Last Friday, EASC celebrated the release of the third issue of the [Student Journal of Asian Studies @ USC](#) with a special symposium! The event brought together editors, contributors, and readers of the journal, highlighting the [Spring 2025 issue](#) through author presentations and lively discussion!

Please look forward to the Call for Papers and Peer Review Editor applications coming soon! [See our instagram post here](#) ➤



Industry & Identity: A Conversation with Dr. Francis Fukuyama

Wed, Sept 17 | 12:00PM-1:00PM | DML 240 | [RSVP](#)

The [USC Asian Pacific Islander Faculty and Staff Association](#) continues its *Industry and Identity* series, which highlights API experts, staff, faculty, and alumni as they share how identity has shaped their professional

journeys. This Tuesday, join us for a special conversation with **Francis Fukuyama**, renowned political scientist whose influential writings have shaped global debate on liberal democracy, modernization, and institutional resilience. Dr. Fukuyama currently serves as Senior Fellow at the Freeman Spogli Institute and Director of the Master's in International Policy at Stanford. The discussion will be moderated by **Glenn Osaki**, Managing Director of the USC Center on Public Diplomacy and APIFSA Vice Chair.

Opportunities

Alice Freeman Palmer Professorship in History of Modern Japan

Deadline: November 1, 2025

The [Department of History at the University of Michigan](#) is seeking applications for the Alice Freeman Palmer Professorship, a tenured position at the Associate or Full Professor rank. The appointment begins August 25, 2026. Applications are invited from scholars specializing in the history of modern Japan, from the bakumatsu/late

nineteenth century to the present. The position carries a normal teaching load of four courses per academic year (two each semester), spanning introductory, upper-division, and graduate levels. Candidates must hold a Ph.D. in history or a related field and demonstrate excellence in research, teaching, and service. Standard background and reference checks will be required. [Learn more here ►](#)



Events Around USC & LA

AGFA Movie Hooky Club IMAX Matinee Screening: *THE EEL* (1997)

Tues, Sept 16 | 3:00PM | Cinematic Arts | [RSVP](#)

Francis Fukuyama: Navigating Identity and Trust in 2025

Wed, Sept 17 | 10:00AM-11:30AM | Center on Public Diplomacy | [RSVP](#)

Sachiko Kawai - "Experiencing How Japan's Past Intersects with the Present"

Wed, Sept 17 | 4:00PM-5:30PM | Shinso Ito Center for Japanese Religions and Culture | [RSVP](#)

The Unseen Resilience of North Korean Female Defectors

Thurs, Sept 18 | 1:00PM | The Korea Society | [RSVP](#)

What Grows from Old Bricks: The Tactile Arts of Early 19th-Century China

Thurs, Sept 18 | 2:30PM-3:30PM | The Huntington | [RSVP](#)

Special Talk | Inside Japan's Hyper-Realistic Food Replicas

Thurs, Sept 18 | 6:30PM-8:00PM | Japan House Los Angeles | [RSVP](#)

Speculative Storytelling and Speculative Technologies Workshop

Fri, Sept 19 | 10:00AM-4:30PM | Korean Studies Institute | [RSVP](#)

Nikkei Children's Book Festival

Sat, Sept 20 | 10:00AM-3:00PM | Japanese American National Museum | [RSVP](#)



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