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7-8 December: 15th Malaysia-Singapore Forum

24 November: FASS Bookshare
Faculty Research Awards
Assistant Professor Yu Rongjun (Psychology) and Assistant Professor Kelvin Low (Sociology) have won the FASS 2015/16 Award for Promising Researcher. Read about their notable research here.

FRC Grants
Approved Tier 1 projects for round 3 of FY 2015
1. Stable matching with incomplete information: solutions and mechanisms by A/P Chen Yi-Chun (Economics)
2. Econometric Methods for Policy Analysis: Identification, Estimation and Testing by Dr Tatsushi Oka (Economics)
3. Presenting Cultural Specificity in Digital Collections Workshop by Dr Miguel Escobar (English Language & Literature)
4. “Ecocriticism” in South East & South Asia Workshop by A/P Chitra Sankaran (English Language & Literature)
5. 11th GLOW-IN-ASIA Conference by Dr Yosuke Sato (English Language & Literature)
6. Can social touch in the media shape a culture’s sociality? by A/P Annett Schirmer (Psychology)
7. Working with Low Income Families - Singaporean Impact by A/P Irene Ng (SSR)
8. International Sociological Association Research Committee on Social Stratification (RC 28) Conference by Prof Jean Yeung (CFPR)
Abstracts available here.

RESEARCH CLUSTERS
RECENT EVENTS

9 November: Roundtable discussion with Prof John Hannigan (University of Toronto): The Future of Urban Studies and Asia’s Place in it

16 November: The Airport and The Territory, a seminar by Ms Anna Gasco (Future Cities Lab) on the cross-border regional effects of Changi Airport Joint with SRN

27 January: The Urban Social Forum, Indonesia: Another City is Possible!, a seminar by John Taylor
UPCOMING EVENTS

22-23 February: Urban Aspirations Asia Workshop

RECENT EVENTS

29 January: Meeting with Dr Pierre Echaubard, “Discussions on the interactions of human behaviour, environment, and evolutionary biology in the disease ecology of liver fluke infections in Southeast Asia”

UPCOMING EVENTS

15 February: “Exploring the potential for developing the capacity to do isotope hydrology research at NUS”, seminar by Mr Jaivime Evaristo
RECENT EVENTS

29 October: A NUS-Humboldt Joint Workshop on Migration, Diversity and Encounters Jointly organized by Asia Research Institute, the Migration Cluster of FASS, NUS, and Humboldt University of Berlin.

11 January: Conceptualising the Mobilities of Events: Geopolitics and Materialities in Transit by Professor Kevin Hannam
Jointly organized by the FASS Cities Cluster & the ARI Migration Cluster
13 January: Transnational Social Protection: Setting an Agenda by Prof Peggy Levitt

22 January: Workshop on Immigration & Integration in Singapore
Jointly organized with the National Population and Talent Division
UPCOMING EVENTS

16-17 February 2016: South-South Migration, Refugees and Diasporic Communities
Jointly organized with the NUS Department of Sociology

TBA Spring 2016: Seminar organized by A/P Maznah Mohamed

TBA Spring 2016: Book Launch: Tibet on Fire by A/P John Whalen-Bridge

UPCOMING EVENTS
**15 February:** Seminar on “Apparatuses of Eco-Gastronomy: Scale, Bodies, and Performance”
Dr David Szanto, University of Gastronomic Sciences, Italy

**RECENT EVENTS**

**12 November:** Live, Learn & Work: Exploring Possibilities with Longevity
*Joint with CARE at Duke-NUS, NAI, Alexandra Health, & SSP Cluster*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**15 February:** Issues and Policies on Health and Welfare Services for the Elderly in Japan
Dr Motoyuki Yuasa, Associate Professor, Faculty of Liberal Arts, Juntendo University
*Joint with CFPR and Japanese Studies Department*

RECENT EVENTS

2 November-2 December: Picture Singapore II and NUS 110 Word Competition Exhibit
December-January: **Literary Competition: Textual Landscapes of Singapore**
Winning entries will be announced by the end of February.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**TBA Spring 2016:** Grant Writing Workshop

**TBA Spring 2016:** SG Photobank Launch and publication of *Regarding Singapore*

**RESEARCH CENTRES**
RECENT EVENTS

CFPR Seminar Series

6 November: Methodology Workshop: Longitudinal Studies in the Social Sciences
Professor Jean Yeung, CFPR Director, Sociology Dept, NUS

13 November: China Family Panel Studies (CFPS)
Professor Yu Xie, Bert G. Kerstetter ’66 University Professor, Sociology Dept and Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University

16 November: Income and Wealth Inequality in China
Professor Yu Xie, Bert G. Kerstetter ’66 University Professor, Sociology Dept and Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University

20 November: Religion and Son Preference in India and Bangladesh: Comparing Hindus and Muslims on Son Preference and Sex Differentials in Child Health
Dr Abhijit Visaria, Postdoctoral Fellow, ARI & CFPR, NUS

15 January: Accumulation with social fragmentation? Building the Neo-liberal Family
Professor Jonathan Rigg, ARI Director, Geography Dept, NUS
Joint with ARI
22 January: Thermal Comfort and Marital Relations: Evidence from China’s Heating Policy
A/P Liu Haoming and A/P Junhong Chu, Economics Dept, and Professor Ivan Png, Distinguished Professor, Professor of Strategy and Policy, Economics, and Information Systems, NUS

29 January: The Role of Cognitive Ability and Personality Traits for Men and Women in Gift Exchange Outcomes
Professor John Ham, Provost's Chair Professor, Economics Dept, NUS

UPCOMING EVENTS

CFPR Seminar Series
19 February: Workshop on Impact of Individual Behavioural Addiction on the Family
Joint with Department of Psychology
Moderator: Professor Catherine Tang, CFPR Deputy Director, Psychology Dept, NUS
26 February: Social Exclusion and Cognitive Impairment of Chinese Elderly
Ms Yang Yi, PhD Candidate, Sociology Dept, NUS
11 March: Aging and Wisdom: Age-related Changes in Economic and Social Decision Making
Dr Yu Rongjun, Assistant Professor, Psychology Dept, NUS
16 March: Nonstandard Work and Fertility: A Comparison of the United States and Japan
A/P Martin Piotrowski, Associate Professor, Sociology Dept, The University of Oklahoma
Joint with ARI
8 April: The Effect of Adult Children's Hours Worked on Elder Support: A Natural Experiment in Korea
Dr Erin Hye-Won Kim, Assistant Professor, and Dr Lee Changjun, Research Associate, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS

Conferences
1-2 March: Caring for Elderly in Asia: Long-Term Care in the Familial Context
Joint with the Asia Research Institute (ARI)
26-28 May: International Sociological Association (ISA) RC28 Conference on Social Stratification and Mobility
Joint with NTU School of Humanities and Social Sciences; co-sponsored by Global Asia Institute, NUS Dept of Sociology, ARI, & SMU School of Social Sciences; supported by Singapore Tourism Board
CFPR Training Program in Social Sciences from April to July 2016
CFPR provides training programs on social research methods and practices for practitioners, researchers, faculty members, students and general learners. These courses are designed to improve knowledge, skills and capabilities to conduct research and practices. For more information about the training programs, please click here.

RECENT EVENTS

27 January: A Journey of Evaluating a Children’s Programme

UPCOMING EVENTS

22 February: Educational Pathways and Youth Development by A/P Irene Y.H. Ng, SSR, NUS

16 March: Seminar by A/P Ho Kong Chong, Sociology Dept, NUS, details TBA

21 April: Conference on “Working with Low-Income Families in Singapore: Challenges and Innovations” at NUSS Guild House, details TBA
RECENT EVENTS

17 November: Spatial Fix + Technological Fix = Institutional Fix? An Institutional Analysis of Technology Transfer in the Chinese Automotive Industry by Dr Wang He, Department of Public Policy, City University of Hong Kong

12 February: Seminar on Global Retail: Transformation of Work and Gender in Global Production Networks by Professor Stephanie Barrientos, University of Manchester, joint with NUS Dept of Geography

UPCOMING EVENTS

29 March-2 April: 2016 Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, San Francisco
Call for Papers & Panel Discussion on Remaking the Global Economy
Panel Co-organizers: Assistant Professor Karen Lai & Associate Professor Godfrey Yeung
Panel Chair: Professor Henry Yeung
RECENT EVENTS

30 November: Housing, inclusion, and social equity: A global perspective
Joint with the Brookings Institution, WUSTL, NUS, and Duke University. Watch the video.

2 December: Seminar on Housing Policy and Community Stability in Singapore
Joint with the Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts, the Harvey A. Friedman Center for Aging, and the McDonnell International Scholars Academy. Watch the video.

7-8 December: Workshop on Development Partnerships: The Role of International Volunteering, joint with NUS FASS, Flinders University, WUSTL, and the Australian Research Council.
12 January: Symposium on Social Security, joint with SCAPE at NUS Dept of Economics
Read a report on the event here.