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## 2014 Blakemore Freeman Fellowships

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### **Alekseyeva, Julia**

B.A. 2010: English, Columbia University

M.A. 2013: Comparative Literature, Harvard University

Ph.D. Candidate 2016: Comparative Literature, Harvard University

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama

Julia plans on an academic career in comparative literature and film. She is especially interested in introducing Japanese culture to America through Japanese film and is fluent in both Russian and French.

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### **Bregman, Sarah**

B.A. 2013: East Asian Languages & Cultures, Univ. of Kansas

M.A. Candidate 2015: Regional Studies, East Asia, Harvard University

Korean Language Education Center at Seoul National University

Sarah intends to pursue a career in academia or government. After a distinguished undergraduate career at the University of Kansas, she entered her M.A. program at Harvard University as a National Science Foundation Fellow.

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### **Colwell, Jessica**

B.A. 2007: History, University of Washington

M.A. 2014: International Studies, University of Washington

International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University

Jessica initially planned to return to her career as a journalist working in China after her Blakemore Freeman Fellowship, but has since accepted a position as the Assistant Director of the CET/Middlebury Chinese program in Hangzhou, China.

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### **Hausladen, Heather**

B.A. 2007: Physics & East Asian Studies, Wellesley College

Senior Analyst/Associate, IHS Cambridge Energy Research Associates, China (IHS CERA)

Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University, Beijing

Heather is an expert on the oil and gas industry in China and plans a career working with strategic issues in that field in the private or public sector. She has experience working for *The New York Times* in China and as an analyst with the U.S. Trade and Development Agency in Washington, D.C.

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**Hubert, Ira**

B.A. 2007: Political Science; Washington University in St. Louis

M.A. 2008: Islamic & Near Eastern Studies, Washington University in St. Louis

Ph.D. Candidate 2017: International Relations & History, McGill University

Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University, Beijing

Ira left a position with the FBI to study for a Ph.D., which will enable him to pursue a career in academia and policy concerning China's relations with the Middle East. Ira is fluent in Arabic and Spanish and for his work on Middle East security received an FBI Director's Award for "Excellence in Intelligence Analysis".

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**Lam, Long**

B.S. 2010: Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Ph.D. Candidate 2016: Engineering & Public Policy, Carnegie Mellon University

Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University, Beijing

Lam plans an engineering career related to Chinese renewable energy. At MIT, he studied mechanical engineering and German, followed by internships in Germany at the Fraunhofer Institute, studying ways to strengthen silicon solar photovoltaic wafers and then at BMW working on optimizing the operation of lithium ion batteries in hybrid and electric vehicles.

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**Masland, Fiona**

2012 Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Fellow, Taiwan

B.A. 2012: International Studies/East Asian Studies, Colby College

International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University

Fiona graduated summa cum laude from Colby College, where she also was on the fencing team. During her time at Colby, she received a ASIANetwork Freeman Foundation Student-Faculty Fellowship for research in China. After completing her year as a Blakemore Freeman Fellow, Fiona will begin a master's program in International Security Policy at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. She plans to enter the Foreign Service after completing her degree.

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**McCormick, Kelly**

B.A. 2008: History & Studio Art, UC-Santa Cruz

M.A. 2012: Japanese History, Columbia University

Ph.D. Candidate 2018: History, UCLA

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama

Kelly is interested in combining her interests in Japanese industry and in visual arts. As a representative of UCLA's Interdisciplinary Japan Studies Group, she worked with the university's Urban Humanities Initiative on projects to bring together digital humanities, literature, urban studies, architecture, and history to understand the city of Tokyo.

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**Montrose, Victoria**

B.A. 2006: Political Science, University of California at San Diego

M.A. 2011: Buddhist Studies, Graduate Theological Union

Ph.D. Candidate 2016: East Asian Languages & Cultures, University of Southern California

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama

Tori intends to pursue a career teaching Japanese language and culture, including religion. Her dissertation research will focus on the founding of Buddhist universities in Japan from the late-Meiji through the early Showa periods.

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**Painter, Kyle**

B.A. 2014: History & East Asian Studies, University of Chicago

Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University, Beijing

Kyle graduated from the University of Chicago with a 4.0 GPA, where he was captain of the debate team and a Rhodes Scholar finalist. After completing his intensive year of Chinese, Kyle will join Peking University's inaugural Yenching Academy class to complete an M.A. in China Studies. He plans to pursue a career in government.

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**Parad, Jason**

B.S. 2012: Biology & Psychology, Yale University

M.Public Health 2014; M.BioEthics 2014, University of Pennsylvania

Korean Language Education Center at Seoul National University

Jason had planned to pursue a Ph.D. in health policy, but during the course of his Blakemore Freeman Fellowship decided to first attend medical school as he continues his interest in international public health.

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**Shalfi, Jonathan**

B.A. 2008: Civil Engineering, Columbia University

M.P.I.A. 2014: Int'l Environmental Policy, University of California at San Diego

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama

Jonathan intends to combine his background in engineering with knowledge of the role of policy in formulating energy solutions. He has experience as a field engineer and his experience in Japan at the time of the Fukushima disaster affected his career choice. Following his Blakemore Freeman Fellowship, he will join the Global Warming Countermeasures Group at the Mitsubishi Research Institute in Japan.

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**Stonington, Scott**

B.S. 2000: Human Biology, Stanford

2007 Blakemore Freeman Fellow for Thai

Ph.D. 2009: Medical Anthropology; UC-San Francisco & Berkeley

M.D. 2011: Medicine, Univ. of California-San Francisco

Chiang Mai University, Thailand

Scott intends to pursue a career combining academic work with the practice of medicine in the United States and Thailand. After completing his second Blakemore Freeman Fellowship for Thai he will join the University of Michigan in their School of Medicine and Anthropology and Asian departments as an Assistant Professor.

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**Storozum, Michael**

B.A. 2009: Anthropology, Boston University

M.A. 2012: Anthropology, Washington University at St. Louis;

Ph.D. Candidate 2016: Anthropology, Washington University at St. Louis

Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University, Beijing

Michael intends to become a field archeologist. He has been deeply involved in the excavation of the Sanyangzhuang site on the Yellow River, often described as China's Pompeii.

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**Welsh, William**

B.A. 2008: Sociology, Swarthmore

M.A. 2013: Sociology, University of California at Berkeley

Ph.D. Candidate 2017: Sociology, University of California at Berkeley

Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University, Beijing

William intends to pursue an academic career teaching about China and East Asia and is preparing a dissertation examining criminal justice and punishment in China.