
2017 Blakemore Freeman Fellowships - Chinese

Eberhard, Susan

B.A. 2009: Art History, Swarthmore College

Ph.D. Candidate 2020: Art History, UC-Berkeley

Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University

Susan's interest in the visual material culture of U.S-China trade began with Chinese export art in the American decorative arts department of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, where she worked as a curatorial assistant after graduating from Swarthmore. Her Ph.D. thesis will focus on Chinese silverware made for domestic and foreign consumption between 1784-1876. She plans a career in academia or museum work.

Watson, Jamison

2016 Fulbright Fellow, China Agricultural University, Beijing

B.A. 2014: Chemistry, St. Olaf College

M.S. Candidate 2017: Agricultural & Biological Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies at Tsinghua University

Jamison's interest in environmental amelioration stems from a childhood in Mesa, Arizona, where his family suffered respiratory issues. At Illinois, he has served as the Executive Director of the International Consulting Network, a global student-run consultancy that provides technical expertise to companies working on renewable energy technology projects. After his Blakemore Freeman year, he plans to pursue a Ph.D. to improve his technical knowledge of renewable energy, followed by a career in government service.

Friedman, Daniel

2010 Phi Beta Kappa

B.A. 2010: Plan II Honors Program, English, French, Asian Cultures & Languages
University of Texas at Austin

J.D. 2014: Yale Law School

M.A. 2015: Sinology, SOAS at the University of London

Ph.D. Candidate 2022: History, UC-Berkeley

International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University

Daniel became fascinated with Han-era literature as an undergrad; his translation Zhang Tang's bio in the *Book of Han* was later published in *Renditions*. After graduating from Yale Law School, he returned to his interest in Chinese history at SOAS, and while in London organized a workshop at the British Museum devoted to early Chinese coins. He plans a career in academia.

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Keblinska, Julia

B.S.F.S. 2008: International Economics, Georgetown University

M.A. 2012: Chinese Literature, Columbia University

Ph.D. Candidate 2020: Chinese Literature, UC-Berkeley

International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University

Julia spent her childhood immersed in the 1970s/1980s pop culture of her parents' youth in Poland. After being introduced to Chinese cinema by her film critic mother, Julia discovered a world that seemed foreign yet tinged with faint traces of the vanishing socialist world of her native Poland. She is now studying how economic and urban reforms were represented in the films and cultural products of the Reform Era (1976-89) in China and plans on an academic career.

Galler, Samuel

2012 Rhodes Scholar

2012 Phi Beta Kapa

B.A. 2012: East Asian Studies, Harvard University

M.A. 2012: Regional Studies: East Asia, Harvard University

Ph.D. Candidate 2017: International Development, University of Oxford

International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University

In 2002 Sam represented the U.S. in the World Youth Under16 Chess Olympiad in Malaysia. At Oxford, he was the co-founder of the Rhodes China Forum, and leader of the first official Rhodes Scholar delegation to China. In his PhD research, he has studied the ways in which Chinese civil organizations involved with HIV prevention and treatment have persisted despite political and social stigma. He plans on a career promoting healthcare system development.

McClelland, Mari

2016 Fulbright Scholar, Yunnan University

2016 Phi Beta Kappa

B.A. 2016: Asian Studies, St. Olaf College

B.A. 2016: Environmental Studies, St. Olaf College

International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University

Initially a chemistry and biology major, Mari traveled to mainland China for an internship in Guangzhou to study e-waste recycling. Then she realized, "Why am I in Guangdong studying e-waste when e-waste is not supposed to be in Guangdong?" To answer that question, she switched majors to Environmental and Asian Studies. After her Blakemore Freeman year, she plans to pursue a graduate degree combining environmental management and policy with development studies.

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Pham, Benjamin

2016 Yenching Scholar, Peking University

2016 Phi Beta Kappa

B.A. 2016: Political Science, Stanford University

M.A. Candidate 2017 China Studies: Peking University

International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University

Ben grew up in metro Atlanta, where American evangelical Pentecostalism co-existed alongside Vietnamese, Cantonese, Fujianese and Korean immigrant communities, and the multiple cultures of his childhood continue to intrigue him. As a Yenching Scholar at Peking University, he has been examining the moral dilemmas of elites in war-occupied Shanghai, and after his Blakemore Freeman year, plans to pursue an M.A. in East Asian Studies followed by a Ph.D. in modern Chinese history with an emphasis on Sino-Japanese relations.

Sautin, Yevgen

2016 Gates Cambridge Scholar

2012 Phi Beta Kappa

B.A. 2012: History, Economics & Political Science,
University of Florida

M.A. 2015: International Relations, University of Chicago

Ph.D. Candidate 2020: Chinese History, University of Cambridge

International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University

A year in Nagasaki sparked an eight-year old Yevgen's interest in East Asia. After receiving his undergraduate degree, he spent a year at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, the first Carnegie Junior Fellow from the University of Florida. He has worked as a strategic risk analyst for U.S. Bank and is fluent in Russian and Ukrainian. His doctoral dissertation will focus on the role of Manchuria in the creation of the modern Chinese state after 1949. Yevgen plans to pursue a career in government service.

2017 Blakemore Freeman Fellowships - Japanese

Albrecht, Bailey

B.A. 2012: East Asian Languages & Cultures, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

M.A. 2012: East Asian Languages & Cultures, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

Ph.D. Candidate 2020: History, University of Wisconsin

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama

As an undergraduate, Bailey was studying in Kobe when the March 11 triple disaster struck Japan, and the lesson that the natural world can still affect our lives has shaped her career path ever since. Her Ph.D. dissertation will examine how Japan's and Indonesia's past economic and political relationships have affected their environments. She is considering a career in either academia or public service on issues of international cooperation, resource sustainability, and environmental change.

Hohlis, Stephanie

B.A. 2009: Art History, University of Utah

B.S. 2009: International Studies, University of Utah

M.A. 2011: Art History, University of Utah

M.A. 2015: Asian Studies, University of Utah

Ph.D. Candidate 2020: Art History, UC-Berkeley

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama

Stephanie has a strong background in teaching art history and visual culture as an adjunct instructor at institutions in Utah, as well as curatorial experience at the Utah Museum of Fine Arts. Her dissertation on the material and visual culture of Japanese underground theater in the 1960s-1970s will focus on experimental, itinerant theatre troupes such as Kara Jurō and his Situation Theatre. She plans on an academic career.

Jaffee, Isadora

2013 – 2016 JET Programme Assistant Language Teacher, Kyoto

B.A. 2013: East Asian Studies & History, Oberlin College

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama

Isadora's interest in law reaches back to a high school internship in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, and she received the Legal Services NYC Pro Bono Service Award in 2011 for her volunteer work as an undergraduate. She plans to attend law school in the U.S. after her Blakemore Freeman year, and hopes to practice immigration and family law in Japan. She will be a second-generation student at the IUC: her mother, Professor Barbara J. Brooks, attended the IUC (1979-1980) when it was the Stanford Program at Tokyo University.

2017 Blakemore Freeman Fellowships - Japanese

Menuetz, Paolo

2010 Phi Kappa Phi

B.A. 2010: Music, Hampshire College

M.A. Candidate 2017: Japanese Literature, Portland State University

Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies, Yokohama

Paolo devoured Japanese anime, manga and videogames as a child, but he didn't consider studying the language until his independent band BOBBY split up in 2012. After a year and half of self-study, he sold his car to buy a plane ticket to Japan and through a work-exchange organization, spent 3 months working in organic farms from Shikoku to Akita. At Portland State University he has become a highly-regarded adjunct instructor, and received acclaim for his portrayal of Enya Hangan in Portland State's 2016 English production of *Chushingura*. Paolo will pursue a Ph.D. in Japanese media studies and culture after his Blakemore Freeman year and plans on an academic career.

2017 Blakemore Freeman Fellowship - Burmese

Faxon, Hilary

B.A. 2011: Environmental Studies, Yale University

M. Environmental Management 2013: Yale University

M.Sc. 2016: Development Sociology, Cornell University

Ph.D. Candidate 2021: Development Sociology, Cornell University

Private tutoring in Myanmar

As an undergraduate, Hilary was awarded Yale's Howard R. Lamar Prize for best undergraduate thesis on the American West. In 2014 she received a Yale Law School Gruber Fellowship to assist Myanmar-based NGOs implement the country's first National Strategic Plan for Advancement of Women. Her master's project at Yale examined conservation advocacy and emerging democracy in Bhutan, while her current Ph.D. research focuses on gender, land, and environmental justice movements in Myanmar and. She plans on a career in academia and public service.

2017 Blakemore Freeman Fellowship - Khmer

Lesley, Elena

B.A. 2004: Political Science, Brown University

M.A. 2013: Global Affairs, Rutgers

Ph.D. Candidate 2020: Anthropology, Emory University

Royal University of Phnom Penh and private tutoring

After graduating from Brown, where she was editor-in-chief of *The Brown Daily Herald*, Elena was sent to Cambodia as a Luce Scholar. After working as a journalist in Florida, she came back to Asia as one of the first Fulbrighters in Cambodia, where she blogged about the Khmer Rouge tribunal for *The Phnom Penh Post*. Her doctoral dissertation will examine testimonial therapy within the larger structure of transitional justice initiatives in Cambodia, and she hopes her research will lead to improved mental health treatments in future post-conflict settings. She plans on an academic career.