



Bridging the Sino-American Divide



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Saturday, November 4

- 08:30** Conference Registration:
Lobby, HKU Council Chamber, 8/F, Meng Wah Building
- 09:00** Opening Ceremony
HKU Council Chamber, 8/F, Meng Wah Building
- 09:45** Break
- 10:00** **Keynote Panel: US-China Relations – Looking Back and Looking Forward**
HKU Council Chamber, 8/F, Meng Wah Building
- Chair: Julia Chang Bloch, USCET**
- Nicholas Platt, President Emeritus, Asia Society and Chair, USCET Advisory Council, "China Watching Through the Bamboo Curtain: Hong Kong"
- Zi Zhongyun, former Director, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Institute of American Studies, "Where Are We on the Road of Mutual Understanding?"
- James A. Kelly, former Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and the Pacific, "China Rising and the Way Forward in US-China Relations"
- 11:15** Questions and Answers
- 12:00** Lunch
Eliot Room, 14/F, K. K. Leung Building, HKU

Saturday, November 4 (continued)

- 14:00** Concurrent Sessions I
- US-Sino Relations: The Diplomatic Context (Room 208, Run Run Shaw Building, HKU)**
Faraway Places, Different Faces: The Context of Sino-American Interactions
Chair: Peter Cunich, Department of History, HKU
He Sibing, Independent Scholar, Guangzhou, "Macao in the Making of Sino-US Relations: From the Empress of China to the Treaty of Wangxia, 1784-1844"
- Zhang Tao, Sichuan International Studies University, "American Missionaries and Chongqing at the End of the 19th Century"
- Ye Jiang, Shanghai Jiaotong University, "China Threat and American Grand Strategy: Two Prophecies and Two Roads"
- American Studies: Its Role in the US-Sino Setting (Room 207, Run Run Shaw Building, HKU)**
American Studies in China: A Diplomatic Bridge?
Chair: James Tang, Department of Politics and Public Administration, HKU
Cheng Xilin, Sichuan University, "The American Studies Program in Sichuan University"
- Zheng Hua, Shanghai Jiaotong University, "A Survey of the CASHKU Sponsorship of Mainland Sino-US Relations Studies"
- Sun Zhe, Fudan University, "The Center for American Studies at Fudan University: A Historical and Comparative Overview"
- Informal US-Sino Bridges: Literature, Popular Culture, and the Personal (Room 324, Meng Wah Building, HKU)**
Literature as Sino-American Bridge
Chair: Gina Marchetti, Department of Comparative Literature, HKU
Yi Feng, Northeastern University, "Transitional Period Booms: William Faulkner Studies in China"
- Zhang Xin, Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, "Postmodern Americanness in *Typical American* by Gish Jen"
- Informal US-Sino Bridges: Literature, Popular Culture, and the Personal (Room 325, Meng Wah Building, HKU)**
Femininity in Cross-Cultural Settings
Chair: Marie Paule Ha, Department of History, HKU
Yu Tingming, Maoming College, "The Chinese Exclusion Act and Chinese Women"
- Staci Ford, University of Hong Kong, "Changed by the Encounter: U.S. 21st-Century Narratives of Life in China"
- Susan Armitage, Washington State University, "The Limits of Feminism: A US-Chinese Comparison"
- 15:30** Break

Saturday, November 4 (continued)

- 15:45** Concurrent Sessions II
- US-Sino Relations: The Diplomatic Context (Room 208, Run Run Shaw Building, HKU)**
Cold War in Asia and Its Protagonists
Chair: James A. Kelly
Kenneth Yung, University of Hong Kong, "Walter H. Judd and Sino-American Co-operation during the Second World War"
- Xu Chongning, Chongqing Technology & Business University, "A Great Personality in the War: Understanding Stilwell's Humanistic Qualities"
- Christian Ostermann, Cold War International History Project, Washington, DC, "The New Cold War History"
- American Studies: Its Role in the US-Sino Setting (Room 207, Run Run Shaw Building, HKU)**
American Studies and China: Cross-Cultural Experiences
Chair: Glenn Shive, Hong Kong-America Center
Zhang Chong, Fudan University, "Getting-Across: Course Design for 'Major Issues in American History and Culture'"
- Meng Yaru, Xi'an Jiaotong University and Li Huajun, Xi'an Electronics and Technology University, "A Journey to Take: The Academic and Cultural Identity Construction of Chinese Teaching Assistants in American Universities"
- Qiu Wangsheng, Sichuan University, "Chinese Students' Understanding of American Values"
- US-Sino Relations: The Diplomatic Context (Room 324, Meng Wah Building, HKU)**
Cooperation, Competition, and Comparisons
Chair: Jeffrey Lehman, Cornell University
Zhuang Jianzhong, Shanghai Jiaotong University, "China's Peaceful Rise and the Sino-American Relationship"
- Zhang Liping, Institute of American Studies, CASS, Beijing, "Consensus and Conflict in US-China Relations"
- Qiu Meirong, Tongji University, "A Study of Sino-U.S. Crisis Management"
- Informal US-Sino Bridges: Literature, Popular Culture, and the Personal (Room 325, Meng Wah Building, HKU)**
Cross-Cultural Exploration
Chair: Wang Xinyang, UST
Li Jian, Guizhou University, "Guizhou Ethnic Studies: A Comparative Study of Development of American Indian and Chinese Miao People Areas"
- Qin Sujue, Sichuan Normal University, "The Woman Principle in Contemporary Indian American Literature"
- Liu Jianfeng, Southern Yangtze University, "On the Phonological and Metrical Beauty in Edgar Allen Poe's Poetry"
- 17:15** Concurrent Sessions Conclude
- 17:30** Training Session on Readex's Archive of Americana Online Research Database, 1639-1980 at Hong Kong University Library
Norman Williams, Readex
- Free Evening for Conferees

Sunday, November 5

- 08:30** **American Studies Network Business Meeting (Council Chamber, 8/F, Meng Wah Building, HKU)**
- 10:30** Concurrent Sessions III
- US-Sino Relations: The Diplomatic Context (Room 208, Run Run Shaw Building, HKU)**
The Asian Context of Sino-US Relations
Chair: Nicholas Platt
Zhao Baomin, Shanghai International Studies University, "Rival Masterminds in Northeast Asia"
- Mei Renyi and Chen Juebin, Beijing Foreign Studies University, "US-China Trade Relations in the 1970s and the Role of Hong Kong"
- American Studies: Its Role in the US-Sino Setting (Room 207, Run Run Shaw Building, HKU)**
American Studies and China: From Global to Local
Chair: Gerard A. Postiglione, Department of Education, HKU
Wang Jianping, Northeastern University, "Localizing the Global: Shifting Centers, Chinese Ideology, and American Studies"
- Wang Shijing, East China Normal University, "Implications of Ethnocentrism: Intercultural Communication in the Sino-American Context"
- Pan Weijuan, PLA University of Foreign Languages, "A Comparative Study of American Studies and Chinese Nation Studies"
- Informal US-Sino Bridges: Literature, Popular Culture, and the Personal (Room 324, Meng Wah Building, HKU)**
Sino-American Relations and Soft Power: Cross-Cultural Bonding and McDonald's
Chair: David Pomfret, Department of History, HKU
Jiang Ningkan, Nanjing University, "Assimilating the Alien in Localizing McDonald's"
- Wang Qingjiang, Kunming University of Science & Technology, "McDonald's Democracy – A Cultural Perspective"
- Paul Levine, University of Copenhagen. "Soft Power and American Diplomacy"
- 12:00** Sessions Conclude: Farewell Lunch
- 13:00** **Final Wrap-Up Session: American Studies and China: The Way Ahead (HKU Council Chamber, 8/F, Meng Wah Building, HKU)**
Chair: Priscilla Roberts, Department of History, HKU
Wang Jianping, Northeastern University, "Informal US-Sino Bridges: Literature, Popular Culture, and the Personal"
Lynn T. White III, Princeton University, "US-Sino Relations: The Diplomatic Context"
Mei Renyi, "American Studies: Its Role in the US-Sino Setting"
- 14:00** Closing Remarks by Julia Chang Bloch and Priscilla Roberts
- 14:30** Conference Concludes

BIOGRAPHIES OF KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

James A. Kelly served from May 1, 2001 to January 31, 2005 as U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs. He is now President of EAP Associates, Inc. of Arlington and Honolulu. From 1994-2001, Mr. Kelly was President of the Pacific Forum, Center for Strategic and International Studies, of Honolulu.

James A. Kelly earned a M.B.A. from the School of Business Administration, Harvard University, in 1968. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy (B.S., 1959) and the National War College (1977). He served in the U.S. Navy from 1959 to 1982, concluding his active duty as a Captain, Supply Corps. From 1986-1989 Kelly served as Special Assistant for National Security Affairs to President Ronald Reagan, and as Senior Director for Asian Affairs, National Security Council. From 1983 to 1986, Kelly was at the Pentagon as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs (East Asia and Pacific.) Mr. Kelly is now Senior Fellow of the Center for Naval Analyses, a member of the Advisory Board of Marvin & Palmer, Inc. of Wilmington, Delaware and a member of the Board of Trustees of The Asia Foundation.

After a 34 year Foreign Service career, **Nicholas Platt** served for twelve years at the helm of the Asia Society before becoming President Emeritus July 1, 2004. Trained in Chinese (Mandarin) at the State Department Language School 1962-63, he began his career in Asia as a China Analyst at the U. S. Consulate General in Hong Kong from 1964-68. In 1972 he accompanied President Nixon on the historic trip to Beijing that signaled the resumption of relations between the United States and China. He was one of the first members of the U.S. Liaison Office in Beijing when the United States established a mission there in 1973. He served in Canada and Japan, and as U. S. Ambassador in the Philippines (1987-91) and Pakistan (1991-92). Educated at Harvard College and Johns Hopkins SAIS, he is a member of the New York Council on Foreign Relations and a director of Fiduciary Trust Company International.

Zi Zhongyun is a Senior Fellow at the Institute of American Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS). She served as Deputy Director and Director of the Institute of American Studies, CASS from 1985-1992. Together with Li Shenzhi, she founded the All China Association for American Studies in 1988. In 1993, she founded and served as the first President of the Society for Chinese Scholars of Sino-American Relations (1993-1998). She received the CASS prize for "Best Scholarly Achievements in the Period of 1979-1991" for her book *US Policy Towards China, 1945-1950*. An English version was published in 2003, entitled "No Exit".

A graduate of Tsinghua University, she served as a practitioner in people-to-people diplomacy in her early career. She subsequently entered the academic field and is considered one of China's outstanding scholars of international relations, American studies, and US-China relations. One of the first Chinese exchange scholars to the US in the early 1980s, she has held academic positions at top U. S. and Chinese universities, including Princeton University and Peking University. She was a fellow at the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars in Washington, D.C. (1992). She has been a guest professor of Nanjing University-Johns Hopkins University Center for Chinese and American Studies and Co-Chair (with David Lampton on the American side) of the Research Council of the Institute of International studies of the Nanjing Center (2000-2005). She is also a prominent figure in Chinese intellectual circles and a well-known essayist who has published prolifically in newspaper columns and magazines on a wide range of subjects of interest to Chinese intellectuals. She is the author of four major books and four collections of essays and articles.

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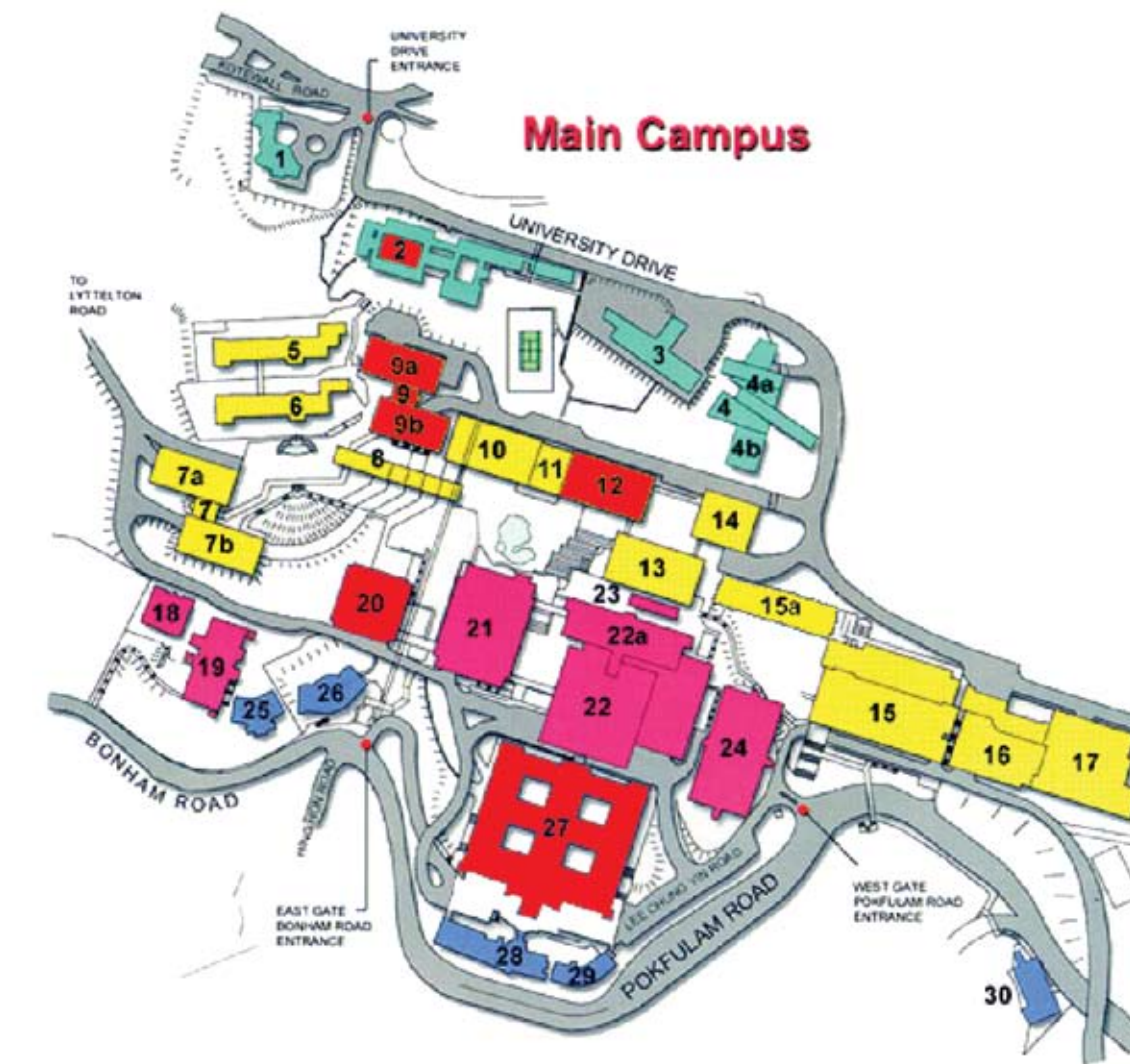
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