

# ASIAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

## PEOPLE

### FACULTY

Asian Languages and Cultures is home to nearly twenty faculty whose research and teaching specialties cover a wide range of subject areas, including: medical humanities in India; the Hindu roots of yoga; inflecting contemporary mindfulness practice with insights from Tibetan buddhism; human rights in Thailand; Chinese ghost stories, traditional Sinology, and mathematically inflected Chinese philology; sociolinguistics, discourse analysis, and pragmatics in Mandarin, Japanese, Korean, and Indonesian; critical reading of late-Heian tale fiction, early modern Japanese comedic narratives, and haiku; and manga, anime, and Japanese counterculture.

### EAST ASIA

Jaerin Ahn (<https://alc.wisc.edu/staff/ahn-jaerin/>) (Faculty Associate). Area: Korean Language

Charo D'Etcheverry (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/charo-detcheverry/>) (Professor). Area: Classical Japanese Literature

Anatoly Detwyler (<https://alc.wisc.edu/staff/anatoly-detwyler/>) (Assistant Professor). Area: Modern Chinese Literature and History, Comparative New Media, Information Studies

Naomi Geyer (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/naomi-geyer/>) (Associate Professor). Area: Japanese Language

Rania Huntington (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/rania-huntington/>) (Professor). Area: Ming and Qing Narrative and Drama, Chinese Literature of the weird and supernatural

Adam L. Kern (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/adam-l-kern/>) (Professor). Area: Popular Literature, Culture, Poetry, Theater, and Visual Culture of early modern-modern Japan

Hieyoon Kim (<https://alc.wisc.edu/staff/hieyoon-kim/>) (Assistant Professor). Area: dissident culture; postcolonial archive and historiography; Korean and East Asian cinema and popular culture

Byung-jin Lim (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/byung-jin-lim/>) (Associate Professor). Area: Korean Language and Linguistics, Second / Foreign Language Acquisition, Korean Language Textbook Development

Junko Mori (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/steve-ridgely/>) (Professor). Area: Japanese Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, Sociolinguistics

Takako Nakakubo (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/takako-nakakubo/>) (Faculty Associate). Area: Second Language Acquisition of Japanese, Japanese Pedagogy

Steve Ridgely (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/steve-ridgely/>) (Associate Professor). Area: Modern Japanese Literature, Pop culture, TransAsian studies

Hongming Zhang (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/hongming-zhang/>) (Professor). Area: Chinese Linguistics; History of Chinese Language; Teaching Chinese as a Second Language

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### SOUTH ASIA

Gudrun Bühnemann (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/gudrun-b%C3%BChnemann/>) (Professor). Area: Sanskrit Language and Literature; Buddhism in India and Nepal; Hinduism; Tantrism; Yoga Studies

Anthony Cerulli (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/anthony-cerulli/>) (Associate Professor). Area: Theory and Method in the Study of Religion in South Asia; History of Medicine in India; Sanskrit Language and Literature; Kerala History and Culture; Malayalam Language

John D. Dunne (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/john-d-dunne/>) (Professor). Area: Buddhist Philosophy and Contemplative Practice; Religious Studies; Cognitive Science of Religion

Jamal Jones (<https://alc.wisc.edu/staff/jones-jamal/>) (Assistant Professor). Area: Sanskrit and Telugu Literature in pre Modern south India.

### SOUTHEAST ASIA

Erlin Barnard (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/faculty/erlin-barnard/>) (Faculty Associate). Area: Indonesian Language, Language Pedagogy; Materials Development; Second Language Acquisition

Tyrell Haberkorn (<https://alc.wisc.edu/staff/tyrell-haberkorn-2/>) (Professor). Area: Violence, Human Rights, Sovereignty, Arbitrary Detention, Land Rights, Agrarian Struggle, Historiographies of Repression, Gender Studies, Socialism, Dissident Literature, Southeast Asia (Thailand)

### LANGUAGE INSTRUCTORS

Language instructors (<http://alc.wisc.edu/about/language-instructors/>) are an integral part of our department, teaching more than 14 languages during the academic year from East (Chinese, Japanese, Korean), South (Hindi, Persian, Sanskrit, Tibetan, Urdu), and Southeast (Burmese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Thai, Vietnamese) Asian Languages.

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