International Symposium Program

“Why Classical Chinese Philosophy Matters in the Global Age”

(Draft: November 19-22, 2015)

Nov. 19, Thursday: Airport pick-up and Registration

12:00-7:00pm – Registration at Hilton Garden Inn Richardson, TX, Located at 1001 W President George Bush Turnpike, Richardson, Texas, 75080

7:00pm – Dinner at hotel

Nov. 20, Friday: Symposium Opening and Presentations.

7:00am – Breakfast at the Hotel
8:30am: Going to the Meeting Site UT Dallas
9:00—9:20: A Brief Opening:
Welcoming Remarks by UT Dallas Provost
Welcoming Remarks by the Dean of the School of Arts and Humanities, UT Dallas

Morning Sessions.

9:20--10:40: Session 1: Opening Speeches:

9:20-10:00: “Confucian Role Ethics: A Challenge to the Ideology of Individualism”
Roger T. Ames, University of Hawaii at Manoa

10:00-10:40: “A Theory of Truthfulness (Cheng 诚) in Confucian Four Books”
Chung-ying Cheng, University of Hawaii at Manoa

10:40 –11:00: Coffee Break

11:00-12:30--Session 2: Zhouyi and Confucian Exegesis

11:00-11:40 “The Yijing (易經) and Classical Chinese Psychology: Some Preliminary Reflections”
Richard J. Smith, Rice University

11:40-12:20 “Reading Matters: Confucian Exegesis, Hermeneutics, and Comparative Thought,”
On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University
12:30-2:00 -- Lunch on-campus

Afternoon Sessions

2:00-2:40: Session 3: Chinese Ethical Theory
2:00-2:40: “A Model for a Naturalistic Ethics”
Chad Hansen, University of Hong Kong
2:40-3:20: “Is Moral Luck Really an Oxymoron (or Paradox)?: Learning from Wang Yangming”
Yong HUANG, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
3:20-4:00: “Confucian Eco-Ethics on Human-Nature Relationship: Why the Book of Rites is still Relevant to the Age of Globalization”
YAO Xinzhong, King’s College, London and Renmin University of China

4:00-4:20: Coffee Break

4:20-6:00: Session 4 -- Chan/Zen Buddhism
4:20-5:00: “Valuing Dramatic Virtuosity: Voicing Classical Chinese Buddhist Insights in Contemporary Conversations of Freedom,”
Peter D. Hershock, East-West Center, USA
5:00-5:40: “Momentary Return of the Cosmic Unconscious: A View of Zen/Chan Enlightenment”
Ming Dong Gu, University of Texas at Dallas
6:00-- Dinner
8:00 – Back to Hotel

Nov. 21, Saturday: Presentations Continued

7:00am – Breakfast at the Hotel
8:30am: Going to the Meeting Site at UT Dallas

Morning Sessions

9:00—10:20: Session 5: Daoism and Aesthetics
9:00—9:40: “Spontaneity and Reflection: The Dao of Somaesthetics”
Richard Shusterman, Florida Atlantic University
9:40—10:20: “Translatability, Strangification and Common Intelligibility: Taking Chinese Landscape Painting and Philosophical Texts as Example”

Vincent Shen, University of Toronto

10:20—10:40: Coffee Break

10:40—12:00: Session 6: Reflections on Chinese Philosophy

10:40—11:20: “Un-knowing” as a way of thinking about Chinese philosophy
Carine Defoort, University of Leuven, Belgium

11:20—12:00: “Chinese Philosophy’s Hybrid Identity”
John Makeham, Australian National University

12:00-2:00: Lunch on-campus

Afternoon Sessions

2:00-3:20: Session 7: Chinese Philosophy beyond Chinese Horizon:

2:00-2:40: “The Culture of the Self in Foucault and the Eleventh Century Thought: Insights in the Practice of the Self”
Stéphane Feuillas, Université Paris-Diderot

2:40-3:20: “Enlightenment against China: Cornelius de Pauw's Natural History of the Chinese”
Peter K. J. Park, University of Texas at Dallas

3:20-3:40: Coffee Break

3:40-5:00: Session 8: Comments on Presentations

J. Hillis Miller, Distinguished Research Professor of Comparative Literature and English, University of California-Ervine

5:00-5:30: Conclusion Session

5:30-8:00: Banquet at Chinatown

Nov. 22, Sunday: Visiting and Departure

Morning: Visiting Dallas Museums and Art District

After Lunch: Leaving Dallas