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Vice President / President Elect 2014-2016

Jim Cheng

(Columbia University)



Professional background

I have been the director of the C.V. Starr East Asian Library, Columbia University since 2010. I have a B.A in Chinese Language and Literature from Fudan University, China, M.A in Comparative Literature, and Library and Information Science from the University of Washington in Seattle, USA. I was an editor in Social Sciences in China, Chinese Academy of Social Science from 1982 to 1986, and, since 1990, served in East Asia Library, Law library at University of Washington, and the University of Iowa Libraries. I was the director of International Relations & Pacific Studies Library and East Asia Collection at the University of California, San Diego from 2002 to 2010. In 2008, due to my contribution in library collections of East Asian films,

holding Film Festivals and symposiums on East Asian films, I was named as one of the Movers and Shakers by the US Library Journal. In 2009, I won the Fulbright Senior Research Award from the United States Department of State to support my book project: An Annotated Bibliography for Taiwan films Studies. My professional activities and academic works involved in library management, collection development, library digitalization projects, library fund raising, library out-reach projects, and film studies, my major publications include "An Annotated Bibliography for Chinese Film Studies" by Hong Kong University Press in 2004.

Reasons for the candidacy

CEAL has provided me many benefits from the beginning of my professional librarian career and I have met and worked with two of my mentors and many colleagues, and learned a great deal from them through CEAL. My CEAL committee involvement includes: Chair of Membership Committee and Member of Executive Board, 2004-2007; Member of Committee on Chinese Materials, 2003-2005; Chair of Ad Hoc Membership Committee, 2001-2002; Member of Library Technology Committee, 1998-2001. I can say honestly: I won't have my today's career without CEAL. Today, when our profession is facing many serious challenges, such as ubiquitous digital resources, globalized information environment, budget strains, new concepts for collection development and public services and library space usage, I feel humbled and honored to be named as one of the candidates for the CEAL Vice-President/President-Elect position in the Executive Board. I pledge to my CEAL colleagues that if I am elected I will do my best to work with you to make CEAL the best professional organization that supports the East Asian Librarianship, helps you to succeed in your careers, and enriches your professional experiences. Thanks for providing me this opportunity and please vote for me.

Zhijia Shen

(University of Washington)



I am currently director of the East Asia Library at the University of Washington in Seattle. A CEAL member since 1992, I have enjoyed the generous professional support and mentorship from CEAL leaders and colleagues. I share the concerns of CEAL members and strive to fulfill CEAL's mission. CEAL provides leadership, networking, and professional development opportunities for its members and rigorously advocates library resources and services on behalf of the East Asian studies community and other users. It also strives to bridge American academic libraries and libraries in East Asia to strengthen scholarly exchange and communication across cultures.

I have been actively involved in CEAL committees and activities throughout my professional career. I served on the Executive Committee as a member at large (2002-05) and then as chair of the Chinese Materials Committee (CMC) (2005-08). During my term as Chair, in collaboration with the University of Washington Libraries, the CMC successfully co-hosted the 2008 Summer Institute for Chinese Studies Librarians on the campus of the University of Washington in Seattle. In addition to CEAL, I also have been actively involved with the Chinese American Librarians Association, one of the five ethnic caucuses of ALA, and served as its president in 2010-11, which provided me with experience leading a national organization in a scope comparable to that of CEAL. A core part of my service work is to promote diversity in

American libraries, including diversity for the library collections, services, work forces, and users. I am passionate about the work CEAL has accomplished in areas that empower its members to make a significant impact on our profession.

As part of today's academic library community, East Asian libraries are facing unprecedented challenges as well as opportunities. While "change" is a constant of today's libraries, one thing that remains unchanged is the ever increasing demand for high quality services. This demand puts today's libraries in competition with programs such as Google that are powered by the rapidly growing information technology. We must embrace changes for the short and long-term benefit of the scholarly community we serve. Instead of change for change's sake, however, we must keep a clear focus on our users in order to deliver customized services effectively.

To meet the challenges, East Asian libraries look to CEAL for continued leadership in promoting training to sharpen our librarians' skills and to develop new knowledge; in communicating with the scholarly and library communities to advocate library resources and services for East Asian studies; and in collaborating locally, nationally, and internationally to optimize our resources.

Inspired by the excellent initiatives and achievements of many CEAL leaders, I am honored and very humbled to accept the nomination for the CEAL Vice President/President Elect position. If elected, I will work closely with the CEAL leadership team, committees, and my fellow CEAL members to continue the great work of CEAL through innovative programs and initiatives. In 2016, the AAS-CEAL conference will be held in Seattle for the first time. As a resident of the host city and director of the East Asia Library at the University of Washington, I look forward to welcoming CEAL.

Please vote for one candidate for CEAL Vice President / President Elect. You may choose one of the listed nominees, or write in one CEAL member's name.

- Jim Cheng
 Zhijia Shen

Chair of Committee on Chinese Materials 2014-2017

Hong Cheng

(University of California, Los Angeles)



I, Hong Cheng, have been the Chinese Studies Librarian at the East Asian Library of the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) since 2005, after 7.5 years of professional career as the Library Director at the Art Institute of California, Los Angeles. With PhD and MA in Chinese History, and MLIS in Library and Information Science from UCLA, my research interest covers Chinese history, historical theory and library studies, with a number of publications. Besides serving as one of the chief editors for Chinese Studies Abroad / International Review of China Studies since 2010, I am currently serving as a member of the ALA Council Resolution Committee, and as the Secretary of the ACRL Asian, African and Middle East Section.

As an important part of CEAL, the Committee on Chinese Materials always plays a significant role in the field of Chinese studies. If elected as the new chair of the Committee, I would like, closely working with the committee members and all the colleagues, to further strengthen the efforts in these directions: expending reliable and affordable research materials, especially digital and audio-visual, to meet our research needs for Chinese resources in North America; promoting nationwide and international collaboration to enhance our information services related to Chinese studies; and exploring learning opportunities to upgrade our professional abilities on Chinese materials. We are facing challenges from the changing world, from the changing field, and from the changing profession. We can make a difference.

Ying Zhang

(University of California, Irvine)



I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the nomination to the position of the Chair of the Committee on Chinese Materials. I have been in the academic librarian community for 25 years and have worked in three different academic



library systems in China and the United States. Since I started my East Asian librarianship career 10 years ago, I have benefitted tremendously from the meetings, programs and networking opportunities that CEAL provides. I have been also very fortunate to contribute as a Member-At-Large on the Executive Board (2009-2012). During my term, I led the 2012 election, conducted a survey on fellowship dinner, and reviewed manuscripts to JEAL. And the service has been rewarding. I was able to gain more knowledge and experience about the

organization and the community. I am confident that I, If elected, will bring to CEAL and its members with my professional experience and knowledge, project management skills, and most importantly my commitment of excellent service to this CEAL in general and to the Committee on Chinese Materials in specific.

I have been the Research Librarian for Asian Studies at the University of California, Irvine since 2006. Prior to this current position, I worked at Rutgers University Libraries as the interim East Asian Librarian from 2003-2006, and Sun Yat-Sen University Libraries as a research librarian for 12 years and the Web master for 2 years. I have earned my B.A. in Biology in 1986 from Ocean University of China, MLS in 1995 from Sun Yat-Sen University, and Ph.D. in Library and Information Studies in 2007 from Rutgers. My professional experience include collection development and management, reference, intermediated information retrieval, user instruction, system design, Web authoring, as well as digital library and information system evaluation. Throughout years, I have participated and coordinated many national and regional projects, including China Academic Library and Information System (CALIS), and Moving Image Collection (a National Science Foundation-funded project—NSF02-054). Meanwhile, I have served as a peer reviewer for a number of top academic and professional journals in the field.

Ying Zhang
Ph.D. Research Librarian for Asian Studies
University of California, Irvine

Please vote for one candidate for Chair of Committee on Chinese Materials. You may choose one of the listed nominees, or write in one CEAL member's name.

Hong Cheng

Ying Zhang



Chair of Committee on Japanese Materials 2014-2017

Michiko Ito

(University of Kansas)



It is an unexpected honor to be nominated as a candidate for the position of Chair of the Committee on Japanese Materials on the Council on East Asian Libraries Executive Board. After obtaining my MLIS degree, I became a Japanese Studies librarian in 1998, with very limited experience. CEAL's annual meetings and exchanges through Eastlib have greatly helped me shape my career. My contribution to CEAL has been limited to service as a member of the CJM from 2008 to 2010. I have been acting as liaison among 10 libraries in the Greater Western Library Alliances-East Asian Group since 2003; and I have served on several committees for the North American Coordinating Council on Japanese Library Resources, including as co-chair


of its subcommittee, the Interlibrary Loan/Digital Delivery Committee, from 2010 to 2012. These experiences should help me steer the direction of CJM, if I am elected.

The environment of libraries and librarianship has radically changed since I joined CEAL, and it is difficult for any librarian now to envision a clear future in this profession. At the same time, we have seen younger librarians with different academic backgrounds joining this community. I would seek to understand the expectations of the younger librarians, to listen to the voices of the experienced seniors, and to work closely with the NCC to promote the Japanese Studies and East Asian Studies communities.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Please vote for one candidate for Chair of Committee on Japanese Materials. You may choose the listed nominee, or write in one CEAL member's name.

Michiko Ito



Chair of Committee on Korean Materials 2014-2017

Miree Ku
(Duke University)




I am honored to have the opportunity to run for the Chair of the Committee on Korean Material position in the CEAL Executive Board. Since 2007, I have been working as a Korean Studies Librarian at Duke University on serving as primary liaison to Korean Studies faculty and users, developing the collection, providing specialized reference assistance and instruction to library users. The most rewarding parts of my work as an academic librarian are meeting the challenge of enhancing access to information in order to improve services to our users and sharing ideas and research results with colleagues in order to promote cooperation and partnerships.

During the past years, I have been active in developing as a professional librarian and enhancing my experience in the academic library field. Since 2008, I have been working as a member of the Committee on Korean Materials to work closely with other Korean librarians in promoting better cooperation and building a strong network. Also, I served as a member of the Task Force on Korean Studies E-Resources from 2009-2011 and the chair of the Subcommittee on Korean Studies E-Resources to promote group purchase and secure funding from the Korea Foundation from 2011-2014. Currently, I also serve as the chair of the Korean Collections Consortium of North America for 2012-2014. With my experiences and enthusiasm, I look forward to contributing to the field of librarianship by serving as chair of the Committee on Korean Materials.

Thank you for your consideration.

Please vote for one candidate for Chair of Committee on Korean Materials. You may choose the listed nominee, or write in one CEAL member's name.

Miree Ku



Chair of Committee on Public Services 2014-2017

Sharon Domier
(Amherst College, Smith College, UMass Amherst)



Dear colleagues,

I am seeking your support for my election as chair of the Committee on Public Services. I previously served as chair during 2002-2005, and if you don't mind I would like to serve as chair again now. In the ten years that have passed we have seen huge leaps forward in access to digital materials, better international communications among librarians, a push towards open access publishing and user driven acquisitions, changing liaison activities... in other words life has continued to move forward and we have been resolutely keeping up with the times.

Yet, one thing remains constant. We provide a "public service" and that means keeping lines of communication open between ourselves and our users, our users and our materials, and our users and our facilities. I am most concerned about communication between ourselves and our users. In this increasingly digital world, it is too easy for students and faculty to be overwhelmed by choices, confused by database limitations, and defeated by technology. If they are not comfortable in reaching out to us for help, they might easily become discouraged and give up.

I have learned that scholarship is not a solitary sport. It is a team effort even if the final product is the work of an individual. Many people - students, colleagues, librarians, editors - contribute to a researcher's work. What skills and knowledge do we as librarians bring to scholarship, whether it is a conference, a journal, or a classroom setting, and how should we ensure that we open and keep open the lines of communication?

Sharon Domier
East Asian Studies Librarian
Amherst College, Smith College, UMass Amherst

Tang Li
(Yale University)

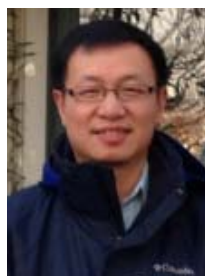


I am extremely honored to be nominated for the position of Chair of the Committee on Public Services. I received a Bachelor's degree in Museum Studies from Fudan University in Shanghai, China, an MA in Art History and an MLS from the University of Maryland at College Park, MD. After working as a cataloger at OCLC for about a year, I became the Public Services Librarian at the East Asia Library of Yale University in the summer of 2008, and have served on this position ever since. I joined the CEAL on the first day of my work at Yale and have been actively participating in CEAL's activities since then. Currently I am a member of

Committee on Chinese Materials (CCM) and Library Technology Committee (CLT). I made several presentations and offered a training workshop at the CEAL annual conference in the past few years.

As one of the few East Asian Studies librarians specializing in public services, I have rich experiences in managing reference and instruction programs, organizing exhibits and events, using social media to connect with library patrons, and outreaching. It is my belief that, as access to information resources is becoming increasingly sophisticated and more research materials are becoming freely available in this digital age, the role of public services is more important than ever before. If elected to the Chair of CPS, I would like to work with all CEAL members to explore new ways and initiatives to improve reference, instruction, and other services, and to promote East Asian collections/libraries to its patrons as well as the general public.

Yunshan Ye
(Johns Hopkins University)



Working in the library field since 2003 and currently working as East Asian Studies Librarian and Chair of Humanities at the Sheridan Libraries of Johns Hopkins University, I have always seen public services as the most important aspect of my work and core of librarianship as a profession. In my decade-long career, I have spent most of my time and energy in providing research consultation, instruction, outreach, and finding innovative ways to improve the quality of user experience. In addition to my regular work responsibilities, I have also gone above and beyond to make my contributions to our shared knowledge on best practices of public services, including organizing a regional conference ("Outreach Solutions for College Libraries,"

2008), teaching workshops (2005; 2009; 2012), and more recently, publishing a book that aims at improving research skills of China Studies students (The ALA Guide to Researching Modern China, published by ALA Editions 2013). These are just some of the examples that testify my professional passion in and commitment to public services.

CEAL has been an indispensable part of my professional career. I joined CEAL at the start of my library career and served CEAL on Membership Committee for over six years (2005-2012). Now I am running for the chair of Public Services Committee. If elected, I will bring my experience and passion to this important role and do all I can to provide the best quality programs and services to the CEAL community.

Please vote for one candidate for Chair of Committee on Public Services. You may choose one of the listed nominees, or write in one CEAL member's name.

Sharon Domier

Tang Li Yunshan Ye

Chair of Committee on Technical Processing 2014-2017

Erica Chang

(University of Hawaii at Manoa)



I have been working as a cataloging librarian at Cataloging Department of the University of Hawaii at Manoa for about 22 years, where I focus primarily on Korean language materials. Since I joined the Association of Asian Studies and Council on East Asian Libraries (CEAL) in the mid-1990s, I have been actively involved in various committee activities of CEAL. I have been a member of the Committee on Korean Materials as a cataloging adviser since 2008. I am the Korean officer of the OCLC CJK Users Group. My primary contributions are as a member of the Committee on Technical Processing (CTP), where I am currently serving my second term. I have participated in the accomplishment of many projects. As a result, I have learned a great deal on technical processing work of CJK language materials.

Technical services staff, particularly catalogers and metadata professionals, are facing rapid changes in many aspects of their work. The concept of the cataloging record is shifting to cataloging data. The traditional term 'cataloger' is being changed to 'metadata librarian,' which acknowledges the expansion of the scope of our work. The traditional concept of a self-contained catalog within the library is being changed to inter-operable linked data, which are shared on the Web. We must adjust our mindset to adapt well to the upcoming changes. This way, we will meet users' expectations and position ourselves well in the information world of the 21st century.

To help our CEAL community keep up the changes and apply them to processing work of CJK language materials, CTP needs to set both short-term goals and long-term goals. In the short term, we need to improve our skills in RDA cataloging for CJK language materials and work to refine RDA instructions and develop best practices so that the data we create can be used easily both inside and outside the library world. Another important area is electronic resources, which require standard metadata and rich indexing. CTP has already launched its Subcommittee on RDA and Task Force on Metadata Standards and Best Practices for East Asian Electronic Resources to spearhead East Asian librarians' endeavors in these areas. There are many other specific issues that we need to address in order to facilitate users' discovery of resources (ex. undifferentiated names).

As a long-term goal, we all need to become metadata specialists by familiarizing ourselves with various metadata schemas besides RDA and encoding standards beyond MARC (ex. BIBFRAME). A long and intense learning process is ahead of us. CTP will be a venue for training, learning and discussions for these new developments in our profession.

I am running for the chair of the Committee on Technical Processing so that I can be part of helping to direct and implement the committee's plans to prepare CEAL members for future work in metadata.

Please vote for one candidate for Chair of Committee on Technical Processing. You may choose the listed nominee, or write in one CEAL member's name.

 Erica Chang

Member at Large (all areas) 2014-2017

Tomoko Bialock

(University of Southern California)



Dear CEAL Members:



I am Associate Librarian as Japanese Librarian of the Japanese Collection at the University of Southern California. In 2000-06, I was Library Assistant as a cataloger of the Japanese materials at the University of California, Los Angeles. I have been Co-Chair on the North American Coordinating Council on Japanese Library Resources' (NCC) Multi-Volume Set Project Committee (2013-2014), a council member of the NCC (2011-2014), and a committee member of the Committee on Japanese Materials of the Council on East Asian Libraries (2011-2014), dealing with issues involving Japanese library resources. At my home institution, I am a member of the Appointments, Promotions, Continuing Appointment & Tenure Panel of the USC Libraries (2013-2015). I was former Chair (2011-2012) and Vice-Chair (2010-2011) on the Professional Development Committee, through which I implemented a library-wide brownbag lunch series to increase peer-to-peer learning opportunities on campus. I also served on the USC Libraries' Faculty Council as an elected council member (2007-2009). I received my M.L.I.S. from the University of California, Los Angeles in 2003, my B.A. summa cum laude in Linguistics and East Asian Languages and Cultures from UCLA in 2000, and have had my Japanese Studies Information Specialist training in Japan with the 2007 Japan Foundation grant.

I oversee the Japanese Collection at the USC East Asian Library since October 2006 and provide reference service at the Doheny reference desk and through the 24-hour email service. My interests are Japanese extensive reading materials and the history of the early twentieth century students from Japan especially at USC. I published an article "北米の日本学と大学図書館" (Japanese studies and library collections in North America) in 日本歴史 Nihon Rekishi (2013). I am writing an article on USC's Japanese extensive reading collection (with Language Director Yuka Kumagai) to be published in a monographic series JLA図書館実践シリーズ JLA Toshokan jissen shirizu.

I am writing to you to express my interest in the Member-at-Large position in the Council on East Asian Libraries Executive Board. I believe that my experience in curating the USC Japanese collection, which has grown by 75% to 70,000 volumes with a 30,000-volume gift after having doubled its holdings from 20,000 (June 2006) to 40,000 (June 2012), and enthusiasm for serving the East Asian Studies Community would make me an ideal candidate for this position.

I have been a member of CEAL since 2001. I have achieved leadership experience at my work and on several committee tasks. As I gain more experiences, I understand and appreciate even more a significant milestone in East Asian librarianship that the CEAL and its members have built in North America. I seek an opportunity to contribute my share to the growth of our organization. I look forward to doing my best to be an asset of the CEAL Executive Board as a Member-at-Large (2014-2017). I thank you in advance for your time and kind consideration of my candidacy for this opportunity.

Sincerely, Tomoko Bialock
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Brian Vivier
 (University of Pennsylvania)



I serve as the Chinese Studies Librarian and Coordinator of Area Studies Collections at the University of Pennsylvania, where I handle collection development, research support, and technical services for Chinese-language materials. My work sits at the intersection of almost all aspects of East Asian librarianship, providing an integrated perspective on the state and trajectory of the field. I am also an active researcher in medieval Chinese history, holding a Social Sciences Research Council post-doctoral fellowship in 2012-13 to undertake research in China. Professionally, I serve as the book review editor for the Journal of Song-Yuan Studies and on the editorial board of the open-access journal Fragments. In running for one of CEAL's member-at-large positions, I seek to draw on my academic and library experience to contribute to CEAL's growth and development.

Jude Yoonlim Yang
 (University of Hawaii at Manoa)



It is my honor to be nominated as a candidate for the position of Member-at-Large for the CEAL Executive board, 2014-2017. As the



Korea Studies Librarian at the University of Hawaii, since 2009, I have greatly benefited from various CEAL programs through presentations, workshops, and the Eastlib.

I have a wide range of professional experiences in local, regional, and national organizations, which prepared me well for the challenges of this position. Since coming to the University of Hawaii at Manoa, I have been working as a member of the Library Forum Committee, which provides Forums on a wide range of topics for librarians and staff. As a faculty member of the Center for Korean Studies at the University of Hawaii, I actively reach out to Korean Studies faculty and students and keep abreast with current research and study trends in the Korean Studies field. As the Treasurer of the Hawaii Library Association (HLA) for 2013-2015, I have been managing the finances of its membership and events such as the HLA Conferences held annually in the Hawaiian Islands. As a member of the CEAL Committee on Public Service for 2011-2013, I have contributed to the annual meeting programming, including the selection of guest speakers. I feel that all these experiences will help me to be a highly effective Member-at-Large.

My experiences as a newer Korean studies librarian, combined with my devotion to the profession, will be valuable to the overall health of CEAL. I am confident that I can bring a fresh energy, perspective, and passion to the CEAL Executive Board. I sincerely hope that you will elect me and give me an opportunity to serve and grow.

Please vote for one candidate for CEAL Executive Board Member at Large (All Areas). You may choose one of the listed nominees, or write in one CEAL member's name.

- Tomoko Bialock
- Brian Vivier
- Jude Yoonlim Yang



Member at Large (China Focus) 2014-2017

Lucy Gan

(University of Toronto)



Current title and Position of Lucy Gan:
East Asian Information Services Librarian
Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library
University of Toronto Libraries

Past Committee Experience:

- Robarts Library Reference Department, University of Toronto Libraries, adjunct librarian, 2009-2010, 2012, 2013.
- Workload Committee for Librarians, University of Toronto Libraries, member, 2011-2012.
- Staff Event Planning Committee, University of Toronto Libraries, member, 2011 & 2012.

- UTL Stewardship Report Package Prepared for Dr. Cheng Yu Tung (library donor), translator, 2011
- Summon Implementation Group, University of Toronto Libraries, member, 2011.
- Library Council, University of Toronto Libraries, member, 2009-2012.
- Reference Services Committee, University of Toronto Libraries, member, 2008-present.
- Electronic Resources Working Group (ERWG) of Collection Development and Management Committee, University of Toronto Libraries, member, 2011-present.

Professional Organization Memberships:

- Council for East Asian Libraries (CEAL), 2008-present
- Association for Asian Studies (AAS), 2008-present
- Canadian Library Association (CLA), 2011-present
- Ontario Library Association (OLA), 2006-2009

Reasons for Application to Serve on CEAL Committees:

I started my current position as the Information Services Librarian of the Cheng Yu Tung East

Asian Library, University of Toronto Libraries, in September 2008, and have been a CEAL member ever since. Through the years, I have learned and benefited a lot by going to the CEAL annual meetings and participating in various other CEAL activities. I hope to expose myself more to the work of the CEAL in order to: 1). get a chance to serve the CEAL community; 2). build stronger relations with colleagues in other institutions; and, 3). grow myself professionally. If I am elected a member of the CEAL committee, I shall definitely try my utmost to accomplish tasks assigned to me. I sincerely hope that you would consider and evaluate my application to join the CEAL committee. Thanks a lot for your consideration!

Michael Meng

(Yale University)



I am honored to be nominated as a candidate of Members-at-Large on the Executive Board of the Council on East Asian Libraries. I am the Librarian for Chinese Studies at the Yale University Library. My library career associated with the East Asian studies librarianship has been for many years. Previously, I was the Asian Studies Curator at Rice University's Fondren Library. I also held various positions on Chinese collection development, public services and technical services at the University of Washington Libraries, the University of Michigan Library and the University of Wisconsin Libraries. I have been a member of CEAL since 2001. I had the privilege of serving on the Committee of Chinese Materials (2008-2011) and Committee of Technical Processing (2005-2008).

In my career, I have been working for a variety of East Asian collections in different sizes and budgets. Geographically, I have left my footprints throughout the United States in the Midwest, Pacific Northwest, South, and New England. Due to this, I am keenly aware of the significant differences for developing the Chinese studies collections as well as for serving various user groups in North America. Professionally, I have grown and developed within the CEAL through interacting and observing our senior colleagues. By serving on the two CEAL committees has helped me to understand the needs of our members. I have also witnessed many colleagues who devoted themselves for various responsibilities in order to make CEAL a successful organization. I feel privileged to follow them and would like to take this opportunity to serve for the CEAL community. If elected for this position, I am committed to providing advocacy on behalf of the CEAL members. I would also give my best effort to fulfill the duties assigned by the President or the Board. Additionally, I would contribute my knowledge and experience on Chinese studies librarianship as an editorial board member of JEAL.

Dianna Xu


(University of Wisconsin Madison)



I have been serving as the East Asian Studies Librarian at the University of Wisconsin Madison since 2006. Prior to my current position, I served the University of Washington as a Chinese Studies Librarian and the Portland State University as a cataloger. I hold an MA in Liberal Arts, an MA in East Asian Languages and Literature, and an MLS in Library & Information Management. I am an active member of CEAL and several other professional organizations. My publications relate to areas such as Chinese history, literature, scholarly communication and librarianship. My current research interests focus on the open access movement.

I regard the Member-at-Large as a person who must try to represent as broad a constituency as possible. Perhaps my strongest qualification is the diversity of my work experience. I have taught Chinese literature to college students in China and Chinese language to students at Dartmouth College and the University of Oregon. I also gained valuable knowledge about manual labor through my experiences in the Chinese countryside and in factories in both China and the United States. These experiences brought insights which, along with academic approaches, help me to handle research topics in both the social sciences and humanities. Hopefully my work experiences have provided me with the broad perspective necessary to serve on the Executive board. Should I be elected, I would strive to greet challenges facing CEAL, work closely with colleagues, and actively contribute to our programs and profession.

Please vote for one candidate for CEAL Executive Board Member at Large (China Focus). You may choose one of the listed nominees, or write in one CEAL member's name.

- Lucy Gan
- Michael Meng
- Dianna Xu
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