New Journals of Chinese and East Asian Studies

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The year 2001 apparently was a good year for publishing journals on China. In this brief survey, I would like to introduce four new (or renewed) journals of East Asian studies.

China Review (which used to be a yearbook) has become a journal and will now be published twice a year by Chinese University Press of Hong Kong (ISSN 1680-2012). The Chief Editor, Wang Shaoguang, and most of the executive members of the editorial board are from Chinese University. Most of the authors of the first issue are from Hong Kong, USA, Europe and Australia. The journal will publish articles, research notes and book reviews. Volume 1, Number 1 (Fall 2001) presents five articles: National and Chinese Foreign Policy (Tianbiao Zhu), Pitfalls of China's Industrial Statistics: Inconsistencies and Specification Problems (Carsten A. Holz and Yi-min Lin), Determinants of Employee Salary Growth in Shanghai: An Analysis of Formal Education, On-the-job Training, and Adult Education with a Three-level Model (Jin Xiao), Entrepreneurs and Politics in Chinese Transitional Economy: Political Connections and Rent-seeking (Eun Kyong Choi and Kate Xiao Zhou), The Chinese Cultural Revolution Revisited (Xing Li). This volume also has seven book reviews, all the reviews are in English but some of the books reviewed were Chinese (www.chineseupress.com/asp/e_Book_card.asp?BookID=1480&Lang=e).

Critical Asian Studies (CAS) is an updated version of former Bulletin of Concerned Asian Scholars (BCAS) now published by Routledge (ISSN 1467-2715). The Managing Editor is Thomas P. Fenton, authors are from America, Asia, Australia and Europe. Volume 33, Number 1 (March 2001) is an Okinawa feature with four contributions; there is one article on China (Water Margins: Competing Paradigms in China, by Gavan McCormack), a portrait of a Japanese artist and a translation of a story from Vietnam. In addition, there are several book reviews (mainly China). The website (http://csf.colorado.edu/bcas/) has information and tables of contents of the new CAS and of the old BCAS.

European Journal of East Asian Studies (EJEAS) is a new journal first presented at the second International Convention of Asia Scholars (in August 2001). EJEAS will be published twice a year by Brill in Leiden (ISSN 1568-0584). The editorial office is in Lyon (Editors: Christian
Henriot und Paul Waley). Authors of the first issue are from Europe, Japan and Hong Kong. The journal is independent but will co-operate with the European Association of Chinese Studies, the European Association of Japanese Studies and the Association for Korean Studies in Europe. Volume 1, Number 1 includes five articles (but no book reviews): The Early Chinese Newspapers and the Chinese Public Sphere (Rudolf G. Wagner), Governing the Rice Market: Agriculture and the State in Industrial East Asia (Penelope Francks), Tribute and Treaties: East Asian Treaty Ports Networks in the Era of Negotiation, 1834-1894 (Hamashita Takeshi), Overcoming modernity, yesterday and today (Augustin Berque), To Laugh at a Penniless Man rather than a Prostitute: The Unofficial Worlds of Prostitution in Late Qing and Early Republican South China (Virgil K.Y. Ho). For further information, see www.brill.nl and www.ishlyon.cnrs.fr/iao/ejeas.

Journal of East Asian Studies (JEAS) is a new journal started by scholars in several East Asian countries (South Korea, Japan and Taiwan; the editors and publishers (Nanam) are in Seoul. (Editors: Yun-han Chu, Byung-Kook Kim and Ryosei Kokubun.) Volume 1, Number 1 (February 2001) presents five articles (all on Korea) and two Regional Reports on China and Taiwan: Sizing up Taiwan's Political Earthquake (Yun-han Chu, Larry Diamond), China into the World Economic System (Richard N. Cooper). The Website (http://www.jeas.net/) should provide more information, but does not seem to work properly.

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