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## **Visiting Scholars**

From Jan to Jun 2010, ISCS hosted five visiting scholars.



Prof. CHEN Jiaying stayed at ISCS from Dec 2009 to Feb 2010. Prof. Chen is currently professor of the department of philosophy, Capital Normal University. During his visit he collected materials for the research topic "Wittgenstein on Religion and Religiosity". During the visit Prof. Chen finished an article "Reflections on "Atheism" and Religious Faith" and a book review on Sin and Logic.

Prof. ZHAO Lin stayed at ISCS from Jan to Mar 2010. Prof. Zhao is currently professor of the school of philosophy, Wuhan University. During his visit he collected materials for the research topic "The Tension between Christianity and Chinese Culture in the Context of the Rise of Guoxue". Prof. Zhao also finished his book British Deism during 17-18 Century during this period.

Prof. WANG Jianping stayed at ISCS from Jan to Mar 2010. Prof. Wang is currently professor of department of philosophy, school of political and law, Shanghai Normal University. During his visit he collected materials for the research topic "Islam in Kashgar Observed by Swedish Missionaries of MCCS and the Relation between the Christian Missionaries and the Muslims" and completed a book review "The Christian Indigenization Emerged in the Preaching of the Swedish Mission in Kashgar".

Prof. LIN Jinghua stayed at ISCS from Jan to Apr 2010. Prof. Lin is currently head and professor of the department of comparative literature, school of literature, Capital Normal University. During his visit Prof. Lin wrote an article "The Reconstruction of Russia in the Post-Soviet Era and the Orthodox Church" and took on the compilation and translation work of Russian-Chinese Orthodox Theological Lexicon.

Prof. ZHANG Xu stayed at ISCS from Apr to Jun 2010. Prof. Zhang is currently associate professor of the school of philosophy, Renmin University of China. During his visit he collected materials for the research topic "A Study on Carl Schmitt's Political Theology".

## Visiting Students

Visiting period: Jan to Jun 2010

WANG Qimian: M.Phil. student of Tsinghua University

Research Topic: The relationship of Hume's Natural State

and Rawls' Original Position

Courses Taken: Christian-Muslim Relation, Introduction

to Spiritual Formation, World Religions,

Daniel & Jewish Apocalyptic

KANG Di: M.Phil. student of Minzu University of

China

Research Topic: Historiography and Christian Identity:

taking Western European Barbarians of the

early Medieval period as an example

Courses Taken: Intertestamental Period, Old Testament

Rhetorical Criticism, Hebrew II

GAO Yunpeng: M.Phil. student of Lanchow University

Research Topic: Wittgenstein's God

Courses Taken: Theology of Worship, Introduction to

Spiritual Formation

SU Bingsen: Ph.D. student of Sichuan University

Research Topic: Old Testament studies

Courses Taken: Jeremiah, Old Testament Rhetorical

Criticism, English II (Writing)

## Guest Professors

From Mar to May 2010, our guest professor Dr. Jan Martin Depner was invited to teach a credit course in English on "Introduction to Christian Philosophy" at Sun Yat-sen University in Guangzhou. The course aimed at enriching the background knowledge of undergraduates philosophy students. This course is a part of a two-year Christian studies curriculum including three courses on "Introduction to Biblical Literature", "Western Religious Ethics" and "Religious Studies and Comparison".

From 29 Mar to 26 Apr, our guest professor Dr. Nikkila Pertti Sulevi and Dr. Nikkila Aune Kaisa Maria were invited to teach a credit course in English on "Christian Ethics" at Beijing



Language and Culture University. This intensive course focused on the background materials and theoretical

studies of Christian ethics.

On 28-29 Apr 2010, our guest professor Dr. Knud Jørgensen lectured on "Dialogue in Multi-religious and Multi-cultural Society" at Henan University and Yunnan University of Finance and Economics (in collaboration with Yunnan University of Nationalities). After the lecture, Dr. Jørgensen also met the Tao Fong Scholarship students of Henan University.



ISCS is honoured to have the renowned biblical scholar Prof. Leo Perdue as our guest professor in 2010. Prof. Perdue travelled to Shanghai and Beijing and delivered lecture in Tao Fong Scholarship universities there. During 25 Apr to 13 May, Prof. Perdue taught an intensive course on "Old Testament Wisdom Literature" at Tongji University in Shanghai and gave lectures on "Old Testament Theology: Approaches, Theologians, and Issues of Interpretation History and Archaeology of Israel" at Shanghai Normal University, Fudan University and East China Normal University. Then he turned to Beijing during 14-20 May 2010. Prof. Perdue conducted five lectures at Renmin University of China, Peking University, Tsinghua University, Capital Normal University and Minzu University of China. Besides, Prof. Perdue also met our Tao Fong



Scholarship students and former visiting students at Beijing. On 23 July, Prof. Perdue was invited to deliver a lecture on "Imagining God in Old Testament Theology" at Sun Yat-sen University. Prof. Perdue also expressed a desire to have further cooperation with ISCS in promoting Christian studies in China universities in the future.

On 20 May, our distinguished professor Dr. Milton WAN was invited to give a lecture on "Dual Character of Money: Interpretations from the Perspectives of Christian Theology, Ethics and Spirituality" at Heilongjiang University. Prof. Wan also met the Tao Fong Scholarship students of Heilongjiang University after the speech. On 28 May 2010, Prof. Wan was invited to deliver a lecture on "On Human Nature: Perspectives from Christianity and Confucianism" at Wuhan University.

On 26 May 2010, our guest professor Prof. John Yieh from Virginia Theological Seminary was invited to give a lecture on "Studies on Biblical Literature: Recent Interpretive Approaches to Jesus' Parables (of the Kingdom of God)". The lecture concerned the definition, subject-matter, history of this theme in the western academia and the contemporary development. Over 100 students from different departments of the university attended the lecture. The interaction was good with an extra discussion period after the lecture.

On 21 June, our guest professor Dr. Tan Lizhu was invited to conduct a lecture on "A Forever Secret: Meister Eckhart Memorial Lecture" at Nankai University.

On 22 Jun, our guest professor Prof. Lai Pan-chiu from the Chinese University of Hong Kong was invited to deliver lectures on "Christological Controversy and Chalcedon Council: Theology and Politics" at Sun Yat-sen University in both Guangzhou and Zhuhai campuses.