



CALL FOR PAPERS

The 26th Annual Harvard East Asia Society Conference
Mirrors: Contemplating Asia

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA

The Harvard East Asia Society (HEAS) Graduate Student Conference is an annual event which provides an interdisciplinary forum for graduate students to exchange ideas and discuss current research on topics related to Asia. The conference allows young scholars to present their research to both their peers and to renowned scholars in relevant fields. All panels will be moderated by Harvard University faculty. The conference will also allow participants to meet others in their research area conducting similar research and to forge new professional relationships.

The theme of this year's conference is: *Mirrors: Contemplating Asia*. The committee selected “mirrors” as a motif to invite reflection, introspection, retrospection, discussion, etc. about Asian Studies. That being said, qualifying papers are not limited to explicit studies of the mirror as an object or concept. We welcome scholarship that contemplates Asia from fresh perspectives while also reflecting upon conventional frameworks and methodologies from various perspectives and disciplines, including but not limited to: anthropology, archaeology, art history, economics, environmental studies, film and visual studies, gender studies, law, linguistics, literature, history, philosophy, political science, religion and sociology. Preference will be given to papers which engage with this year's conference theme.

The 2023 HEAS conference will be held from February 17 (Fri) - 18 (Sat), 2023.

Participants should plan to arrive on or before February 17, 2020.

Interested parties may apply via the online application form:

[HEAS 2023 Abstract Submission](#)

Eligibility and Application Guidelines:

1. Applicants must be currently enrolled in a program of graduate study.
2. Papers must be related to East Asia, Inner Asia, South Asia and/or Southeast Asia.
3. Abstracts must be no longer than 250 words.
4. Deadline for abstract submission: **December 3, 2022 by 11:59pm. EST**

More information can be found on our website: <https://projects.iq.harvard.edu/heasconference/home>

The application asks for your contact information, a brief bio, and a 250-word abstract. The application deadline is December 3, 2022. Decisions will be emailed in mid-December. Applicants whose papers are accepted will be **required to submit their final drafts by January 5, 2020**. *Note: January 5th, 2020 by 11:59pm (Eastern Time) is a **hard** deadline so that the committee has adequate time to organize the panels.*

The HEAS Conference Committee regrets that it is unable to provide travel stipends for participants and encourages participants to seek funding from their own departments and/or institutions. Housing will be available only on an extremely limited basis and participants are encouraged to arrange their own accommodation in advance. Cambridge and Boston area travel and lodging information will be available at a later date on the conference website.

Questions or concerns can be directed to heasconference@gmail.com. Follow and share our social media accounts [here](#) for the latest updates.

We would also greatly appreciate your assistance in circulating this message—please forward it to any groups or individuals that might be interested!

Sincerely,

The HEAS Conference Committee

