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Anthropology

Iban Ritual Textiles / Traude Gavin Leiden : KITLV Press, [Singapore University Press, National University of Singapore], 2003 360 p.; 23cm. 90-6718-202-8 \$ 49.90

[This book draws on years of fieldwork and the author's documentation of hundreds of Iban cloths. Topics include the ritual functions of Iban ikat-patterned fabrics, the technical aspects of producing such cloths, as well as the dynamics of the complex of weaving (the power and efficacy of cloth patterns, dreams, and charms) that can be subject to human interpretation and regulation. The main focus, however, is on the cloth patterns themselves and on the names assigned to them. Here the author challenges some long held misconceptions, in particular the notion of designs as a 'primitive form of language'.]

Chinese Epigraphic Materials in Indonesia – Volume I : Sumatra / Wolfgang Franke Singapore : South Seas Society, c1988 xviii, 575 p.; ill.; 26cm 9971-936-16-x 1. Inscriptions, Chinese-Indonesia 2. Indonesia – History–Sources \$ 49.50 Chinese Epigraphic Materials in Indonesia : Volume 2 - Part 1 & Part 2 - Under the Direction of Wolfgang Franke (JAVA) / Edited by Claudine Salmon and Anthony K.K. Siu Singapore : South Seas Society, c1997 v .; ill.; 26cm Includes Maps. 9971-936-12-7 (Set) 1.Inscriptions, Chinese-Indonesia 2.Indonesia - History-Sources \$ 95.00

Chinese Epigraphic Materials in Indonesia : Volume III – Bali, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Moluccas / Collected, Annotated and Edited by Wofgang Franke Singapore : South Seas Society, c1997 viii, 424 p.; ill.; 26cm Includes Bibliography and a Map. 9971-936-11-9 \$ 49.50

### Business

Chinese Etiquette and Ethics in Business : A Penetrating Analysis of the morals and values that shape the Chinese Business Personality/ Boye Lafayette De Mente 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Singapore : The McGraw Hill Companies, 2004 xx, 230 p.; 22cm. Includes Map. 0-8442-8524-2 1. Business Etiquette – China 2. Business Ethics 3. Industrial Management – China 4. National Characteristics, Chinese \$ 24.50

[In this new edition of Chinese Etiquette and Ethics in Business, Boye Lafayette de Mente, who has lived and worked in the Far East for over thirty years, reveals the historic factors, collective traits, and individual qualities that determine how the Chinese do business today and the direction their economies will take in the future. His is an insider's view, whether he is discussing the overhaul of laws controlling business development or the importance of good social relationships to successful business relationships.

If you are a businessperson who'd like to do business with the Chinese – Successfully – Chinese etiquette and Ethics in business should be the top of your "must read" list.]

China : Business Guide 2004 edition : Gateway to the Land of Opportunities 2<sup>nd</sup> edition Singapore : China Knowledge Press Private Limited, c2004 660 p.; ill.; 21cm 9814163007 \$ 45.00

[Bringing you the latest statistics, data and information on China, this guide illuminates your journey into the vast land of business opportunities. In this guide, you will not find only a general account of China – her history, people and culture; but also, in-depth descriptions and analyses of China's 4 municipalities, 22 provinces, 5 autonomous regions and 2 Special Administrative regions.

Be updated on the development of the Western region, comprising 13 administrative regions, and uncover ways to tap the huge market potential of the lesser developed Northeastern region comprising Jilin, Heilongjiang and Liaoning. Discover the

industrial park that best suits your business needs from our comprehensive coverage of more than 200 state-level industrial parks and development zones. For the seasoned entrepreneur or the new investor, this guide is an invaluable companion on your next business trip to China.]

Strategic Asian Marketing : An essential Guide for Managers / Hean Tat Keh, Jeongwen Chiang Singapore : Prentice Hall, Pearson Education South Asia Pte. Ltd., c2004 xvii, 269 p.; 24cm. Includes Index. 981-244-565-x 1. Marketing – Asia – Management \$ 24.50

[Strategic Asian Marketing promises to be a useful resource for managers who want to learn about marketing in the new Asia. This concise volume covers key and recent marketing topics, focusing on the applications of marketing in Asia.

The distinguishing factors that set strategic Asian Marketing apart from other marketing books are :

- Every chapter starts with an extended example of marketing in action in an asian country, with numerous other examples throughout the entire book.
- Every chapters ends with a quick summary of the major points covered, serving as a reinforcement of the lessons learned.
- It is written in a structured and succinct style, making it highly readable.
- The Asian authors are well-known marketing professors who have extensive teaching, research and consulting experience in the region..]

Work, Organisation and Industry : The Asian Experience / Edited by Hing A.Y. Chang C.T. and R.Lansbury Singapore : Friedrich-Naumann-Stifung,by Armour Publishing Pte. Ltd., c1998 303 p.: ill.; 21cm. 981-04-0646-0 \$ 25.00

[Contents :

- Chapter 1 : Political Economic Conditions and the development of unions in North China / Ko Yiu Chung
- Chapter 2 : The Emergence of the Industrial System in Thailand / Kanchada
- Chapter 3 : Trade union growth waves in Hong Kong : Strategies and problems of organizational development/ David A.Levin

Chapter 4 : Wages, Employment structures and labour disputes in Korea / Hwang-Joe

- Chapter 5 : Trust and Chinese economic behavior in Singapore / Thomas menkhoff
- Chapter 6 : The relocation of Electronics, textile and garment industries in Malaysia / Rajah Rasiah
- Chapter 7 : Changing patterns of Japanese industrial relations / Akihiro Ishikawa
- Chapter 8 : Democratisation and labour in East asian development / Fred C.Deyo
- Chapter 9 : Wages and labour in post-Mao china / Sukhana Jackson
- Chapter 10 : Leadership styles and National Cultures / Montir Tayeb
- Chapter 11 : Labour Regimes in Transition : Changing faces of labour control in

Taiwan, 1950s-1990s / Jenn Hwan

Chapter 12 : Labour Relations and Labour unrest in an Indonesian export processing Zone / Eckhard J.Dittrich

Chapter 13 : The Future of the Unions- Systems of industrial relations in Transition / Gert Schmidt ]

Free Trade Agreements in Southeast Asia / Rahul Sen Singapore : Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, c2004 vi, 96 p.; 22cm. Southeast Asia Background Series No. 1 981-230-250-6 1. Free Trade – Asia, Southeastern. 2. Free Trade – Singapore \$ 10.00 [Contents : 1. Features of FTAs 2. Singapore's FTAs with New Zealand and Australia 3. Singapore's FTAs with Japan and EFTA 4. Singapore's FTAs with the United States 5. Ongoing Individual country FTA Initiatives 6. Ongoing ASEAN – Wide FTA Initiatives : China, Australia / New Zealand, Japan and India.

7. Possible Benefits of FTAs for Southeast Asia Postscript Selected References.]

NTC's Dictionary of Korea's Business and Cultural Code Words : The Complete Guide to Key Words that express how Koreans think, Communicate, and behave / Boye Lafayette De Mente Singapore : McGraw Hill Companies Inc., c2004 xviii, 462 p.; 23cm Includes Bibliography. 007-144816-0 1. Korea –Social Life and Customs--Terminology

- 2. Korean Language Terms and Phrases
- \$ 29.50

[NTC's Dictionary of Korea's Business and Cultural Code Words features :

- an exploration of more than 230 essential Korean expressions
- specific guidelines on how to use and respond to the essential expressions
- a guide to the key cultural themes, linking related code word throughout the book.

NTC's Dictionary of Korea's Business and Cultural Code Words is a one-of-a-kind reference and guide to a deeper understanding of the language, customs, and behaviour of the Korean People. Business People, students, vacationers, and others who want to know more about the Koreans will find this an invaluable resource.]

Public Relations in Asia : An Anthology / Edited by Krishnamurthy Sriramesh Singapore : Thomson Learning, c2004

xviii, 341 p.; 24cm 981-243-785-1 \$ 39.50

[This book describes the current status and structure of public relations in ten Asian countries: China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Taiwan and Thailand. In addition, it attempts to link public relations practice in each country conceptually and empirically(where possible) with key variables such as culture, political system, level of economic development and activism.

Many multinational corporations are beginning to enter the Asian market and would benefit from the information contained in this book. Public Relations in Asia would also help readers learn the unique dynamics of public relations in Asia so that they have a more rounded view of the relationship between socio-cultural factors and public relations practice in the Asian continent, thereby becoming better multicultural communications.]

The Chinese Tao of Business : The Logic of Successful Business Strategy / George T.Haley, Usha C.V.Haley, Chin Tiong Tan Singapore : John Wiley & Sons (Asia) Pte Ltd., c2004 xiv, 329 p.; ill.; 23cm Includes Bibliography and Index. 0470-82059-4 \$ 35.00

[The Chinese Tao of Business offers guidance to compete successfully against local companies and in foreign markets through:

\* unique insights into Chinese business strategy, including its origins and influencing factors;

- Insightful perspectives on the evolution of China's market and business environments;
- Incisive analysis of Eastern and Western strategic decision-making styles and how they differ;
- Cogent identification of hidden and overt threats, pitfalls and opportunities that western companies face in China and how to plan for them;
- Effective direction through an Adaptive-Action Road Map(ARM) for successful business strategies in China and the global economy.]

Lexus the Relentless Pursuit : How Toyota Motor went from "0-60" in the Global Luxury Car Market / Chester C.Dawson III Singapore : John Wiley & Sons (Asia) Pte Ltd., c2004 xxiv, 260 p.; ill.; 24cm Includes Index 0470-821108 \$ 49.50

[Lexus: The Relentless Pursuit takes you behind the scenes of one of the most ambitious and lucrative business strategies executed in the past 20 years.

• Learn why Toyoto Motor decided to take on the German luxury brands -and how the company attacked the problem, starting with a top secret-board meeting in 1983.

- Find out what drove the brand's success : the hows and whys of its unparalleled quality, those unforgettable ads and the unprecedented customer service
- Get the inside story on the birth of the luxury division, the vehicle code names and the lawsuit that almost derailed the launch of the billion dollar brand in 1989
- Discover how Lexus stumbled into its most successful line of vehicles : luxury SUVs.
- Take a virtual tour of Toyota Motor's crown jewel factories: the falgship Lexus plant in Tahara, Japan and the newest Lexus facility in Cambridge, Ontario.

This book is essential reading for automotive and business professionals! ]

How Canon Got Its Flash Back : The Innovative Turnaround Tactics of Fujio Mitarai Singapore : John Wiley & Sons (Asia) Pte Ltd., c2004 221 p.; ill.; 24cm Includes Index. 0-470-82123-X \$ 49.50

[How Canon Got its Flash Back: The Innovative Turnaround Tactics of Fujio Mitarai tells the remarkable story of Canon's Success, from marketing its first cameras up to the present work in high-tech products such as laser printers and flat-panel displays. The Company's global growth is carefully detailed – from one factory in Tokyo to its push into the US, Europe, Asia and the rest of the world. The road has not been easy, with Cannon overcoming many setbacks in developing its state-of-the art technology. This exceptional book analyzes how Canon and Mr.Mitarai have overcome the multiple challenges of the past, present and future by pioneering new technologies, new product techniques and new management strategies on its road to success.]

The China Casebook / Wilfried R.Vanhonacker Singapore : McGraw Hill Education (Asia), c2004 xviii, 350 p.; ill.; 24cm 007-123762-3 \$ 39.50

[The China Case book contains 20 case studies which span various industries, from services to fast-moving consumer goods. Some of the companies are local Chinese enterprises while others are foreign investment enterprises. Collectively, the issues raised in the cases cover most of the strategic and

Collectively, the issues raised in the cases cover most of the strategic and operational ones companies that operate in China run into. As not all cases are success stories, the comprehensive set highlights the dos and don'ts of operating in China. Besides being an excellent basis for course development, this casebook also provides stimulating reading for all interested in and actually doing business in China.]

Investing in China : Essential Readings / Prof Yang Jian Wei ; Translated by Dr.Tio Peng Hing Singapore : Sun & Sun Group, c2004 334 p.; ill.; 21cm 981-05-0871-9 \$ 25.00 [This is a view from the lion city. This is a selection of the author's research papers on the specialized topic of investing in China. The collection represents Prof Yang Jian Wei's experience of some ten more years gained through his numerous consultancy assignments, during which he advised businesses investing into China. The book reflects his analyses and insights.

It also includes his research findings of the impacts of differences in the external environment on foreign investment in China. The book is a collection of works of one who is conversant with the domestic environment in China as well as the global environment outside China. It offers the academic and the practical insights into the issues many foreign investors encounter in China. The papers offer Prof Yang's unique perspective in his distinctive style.]

Dictionary of Asia Pacific Business Terms / Tan Chwee Huat Singapore : Ridge Books, an imprint of NUS Publishing, c2004 488 p.; 21cm 9971-69-275-9 \$ 50.00

[The world of business in Asia is replete with acronyms and terminology. Governments, institutions and regulatory bodies are organized in unique ways. This handy reference volume of business terms covers the Asia Pacific from Auckland to Ulan Bator and from Karachi to Tokyo, including Islamic banking and financial concepts. Organized alphabetically, this book gives capsule entries on the key players, institutions and concepts in different countries that cannot be found in standard business dictionaries. It provides a one-stop reference source, vital for the international businessperson's desktop.]

Who's Who in Singapore / Compiled and Edited by LOW Kar Tiang Second Edition [First Edition – 2000] Singapore : Who's Who Publishing, c2003 509 p.; 24cm 981-4062-99-5 \$ 135.00

[Now containing more than 1200 entries Who's Who in Singapore has been revised and updated and remains the most useful reference work of its kind. It profiles the achievements of outstanding men and women who have contributed in their own way to make a difference for Singapore and Singaporeans. The entries include people from the arts, the professions, business, finance and industry, the diplomatic corps, the civil service and government, education, entertainment and sport, the media, and the pioneers of independent Singapore.

Who's who in Singapore is the recognised source book of information on people of influence and distinction; it is an indispensable reference for embassies, government, libraries, local and foreign corporations, the media and researchers.]

Managing Crisis in a Globalising Era : The Case of Chinese Business Firms from Singapore / Henry Wai-Chung Yeung

Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c1999

v.; 26cm. CAS Research Paper Series No.14 981-04-1003-4 \$ 10.00

[Economic globalisation has posed serious challenges and opportunities to business firms. This observation is particularly relevant in the context of the recent Asian economic crisis when many Asian firms have collapsed and succumbed to the crisis of global capitalism. The post-independence Southeast Asia, Chinese business has been a dominant mode of capitalism. The issue of how Chinese business firms manage the impact of the Asian economic crisis becomes highly interesting and important. In this paper, we examine the role of transnational entrepreneurship in the management of crisis tendencies by Chinese business firms from Singapore. We argue that some of these business firms from Singapore are highly proactive in managing the negative impact of the Asian economic crises. In particular, they have engaged in pre-emptive strategies of pursuing geographical diversification, tapping into global capital markets and using non-equity investments. These strategies have enabled them not only to globalise into foreign markets before the onset of the crisis, but also to survive Asia's worst-ever economic crisis in the post-war era. Taken together, this paper argues for a better understanding of the necessity and consequences of the globalisation of Chinese business firms. It also provides some important implications for researchers and practitioners of Chinese business firms.]

Economics

Impact of Exchange Rate Changes on Export Competitiveness and Trade Welfare during the Asian Financial Crisis / Ding Lu, Kay Song Tan Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c2000 v..; 26cm. CAS Research Series No. 24 981-04-2603-8 \$ 10.00

[This paper examines the short-term impact of effective exchange rate movement on export competitiveness and trade welfare in nine East Asian economics during the 1997-1998 Asian currency crisis. Contrary to conventional belief, the study finds that those Asian economics with strong currencies might not have lost export competitiveness vis-à-vis those economics of sharply devalued currencies. Its findings also suggest that the effective-exchange-rate-induced change in terms of trade generally favoured the economics with strong currencies during the investigated period while its effect on those economics of sharply devalued currencies was mixed.]

The Problems of a More Advanced Developing Country : Why is Singapore so reluctant to join the Super-League? / Peter Wilson Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c1999 v..; 26cm. CAS Research Paper Series No. 15 981-04-1004-2 \$ 10.00

[This paper considers why Singapore appears to be reluctant to accept reclassifications as a fully developed country. Singapore's development record since the mid- 1960s is examined from a number of perspective including aggregate measures of income per head, structural change, changes in welfare, and comparative rankings using non-economic criteria. Although Singapore is not easy to classify in the development spectrum, there seems to be little reason to delay reclassification unless non-economic criteria are deemed paramount. We ask whether there is any substance to the argument that Singapore has special problems of a more dynamic nature, which might justify her present status as developing country or more advanced developing country whilst conventional arguments that she 'lacks the depth and breadth of fully developed economics' or is not competitive enough, do uncover some special features of the Singapore economy, we do not find them persuasive enough to disqualify her from graduation. The retention of the developing country label, however, might well be desirable from the government's point of view as Singapore adjusts to economic and political Pressures arising from globalisation.]

"Lean and Mean": Corporate Restructuring and the Resurgence of the American Economy in the 1990s / William H. Becker Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte Ltd, for Centre For Advanced Studies, c1999 v..; 26 cm. CAS Research Paper Series No.9 981-04-0666-5 \$ 10.00

[Corporate restructuring – making Amercian big business "lean and mean" – has contributed in important ways to the American economic turnaround in the 1990s. This economic performance owes much to the steadiness of the Clinton's polices have benefited from the end of the Cold War and some tough decisions taken by the Bush administration. Nevertheless, corporate restructuring should not be overlooked as a factor in understanding the resurgence of the American economy and the increasing international competitiveness of the country's big business. The dramatic reorganization and "downsizing" of large-scale enterprises, however, is the result of a complex set of long-term developments. The most important involved changes in the structure of financial markets and rapid advances in information technology as applied to corporate management. While the results of restructuring have been dramatic and positive, there have been concerns that they have not been achieved without costs. In particular, workers at both lower and middle corporate levels have lost jobs and benefits.]

The Emerging North-South Divide in East Asia : A Reappraisal of Asian Regionalism / Edited by Hank Lim and Chyungly Lee Singapore : Eastern University Press [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) private Limited], c2004 vi, 218 p.; 22cm. 981-210-338-4 \$ 29.50 [This book is a comprehensive analysis of major elements of change in East Asia which will impact the political outlook and regional cooperation in economics and security. By taking a close look at these substantive issues and elements, the book will help readers to relate to the issues concerning the ASEAN economic community, such as the ASEAN-China free trade area (FTA), as well as the FTA between ASEAN and Japan. It also examines other bilateral efforts currently undertaken by many East Asian countries. The book stresses the need not only for domestic restructuring but also for closer co-operation which will lead to greater sustainable and dynamic growth for regions of East Asia.]

Wealth of East Asian Nations – Singapore Economics History Collection / Goh Keng Swee Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Academic [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) Private Limited], c2004 xxix, 432 p.; 22cm. 981-210-332-5 \$ 35.00

[A nation's attainment of wealth has long been synonymous with industrialisation. In the process of globalisation, China, Vietnam, Taiwan, Singapore, Thailand and other East Asian countries have become the world's fastest growing economies. The rest of the world now wants a foothold in these newly-emerging centres of industrialisation. The problems concomitant with economic development are basically the same in every country, but the ways of addressing them vary. Singapore, well-known for its

economic success, has approached such problems with incisiveness, resolve and integrity. In his speeches and writings, Dr. Goh Keng Swee gives a clear insight into Singapore's economic miracle and shows his profound understanding of the workings of other East Asian economies.

This compilation reflects the process of industrialisation and the birth of a successful economy. For the older generation, this book traces the struggle of the early years. For the younger generation, it serves as a record of the past, and a blueprint for the future.]

India and Singapore : Emerging Trade Opportunities and Challenges / Rahul Sen, Mukul G.Asher, Chandru Rajam Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c2000 v.; 26cm. CAS Research Paper Series No. 19 981-04-1008-5 \$ 10.00

[This paper analyzes the density of economic relations between India and Singapore, with particular emphasis on emerging opportunities and challenges in merchandise trade as well as in service transactions. The study finds that since India's reform began in early 1990s, the trend rate of Singapore's merchandise exports to India has increased sharply. This has however not been case for India's exports to Singapore. This intra-industry trade however, has service some improvement appear far brighter than for the merchandise trade, particularly in visitor flows from India to Singapore, and in information technology related services. While there is now a much firmer basis for quantitative as well as qualitative expansion in bilateral trade as the relationship is based on the principle of mutual benefit on India's capacity to participate the global economy, Singapore's competitiveness as a re-export center;

and the ability of the Singapore based business to become more accustomed to operating in an environment that is quite different from the one in Singapore.]

Than the Tiger Cubes Stumbled : Lessons for Sustainable Public Service Delivery / Fanie Cloete Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c2000 v..; 26cm CAS Research Series No. 20 981-04-1009-3 \$ 10.00

[Sever resource constraints are normal in developing countries. These constraints differ from case to case, and significantly influence the development patterns in those countries. The nature of the public policy process and policy focus or contents, can however, improve the level of development of society in developing countries if designed and implemented along the lines of the strategic governance model of sustainable service delivery which has developed and summarized in this report. The experience of the Tiger cubs of South East Asia are valuable and instructive in this regard. The lessons drawn from their successes and failures should be learnt in order to maximize the use of scare resources in the establishment of sustainable service delivery system as an important element of good governance.]

### Education

Family Matters : The role of Parents in Singapore Education / Lana Khong Yiu Lan Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Academic [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) Private Limited], c2004 vi, 218 p.; 22cm. Includes Index. Teaching and Learning Series. 981-210-319-8 \$ 29.90

[This book examines the part that parents, especially mothers, play in the schooling of primary school children in Singapore. Parents can be one of two types: 'proactive' parents who strategically manage their children's daily activities to support academic success, and 'passive' parents who are less involved in schooling matters. The book also looks at the current conditions of education in Singapore schools today, as well as the role that social relationships play in enhancing educational Success for Children.]

Creativity for Teachers / Tan AI-Girl and Law Lai-Chong Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Academic [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) Private Limited], c2004 xxi, 146 p.; 22cm. Includes Index. Teaching and Learning Series. 981-210-322-8 \$ 22.50

[This book explores how creativity should be introduced to teachers. Specifically, the book chapters will proffer in-depth reviews of how theories pertaining to creativity have been evolving during the past decades and examine their implications to everyday classrooms.

Drawing from their personal work with teachers, the authors focus on the most frequent questions asked by teachers when they attended teaching modules : "What is creativity?"

"What is creative teaching?"

"What techniques are helpful for nurturing creativity?"

"How does creative teaching possibly benefit learning?". Through analysing their experience with teachers during these teaching and creativity modules, this book aims to help teachers become more aware of their own creative processes and the meaning of learning.]

Does Science have a Method? / Anjam Khursheed Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte Ltd, for Centre For Advanced Studies, c1998 v..; 26 cm. CAS Research Paper No.4 981-04-0661-4

\$ 10.00

[Contents : Introduction Popular Notions of the Scientific Method Examples of Methods Identified with Science Sceince by Analogy: The Burglar Story Science as a Multi-layered Experience: The Iceberg Model The Scientist as Artist The Contemporary Fear of Metaphysics Teaching Science Science and Culture Summary References ]

Liberal Education and the Developing World / Henry Rosovsky Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte Ltd, for Centre For Advanced Studies, c1998 v..; 26 cm. CAS Research Paper No.5 981-04-0662-2 \$ 10.00

[Contents : Higher Education and the Developing World Globalisation The Public Interest in Higher Education Governance Liberal Education]

History

A Cloistered War : Behind the Convent Walls during the Japanese Occupation / Maisie Duncan Singapore : Times Editions – Marshall Cavendish An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Asia) Private Limited, c2004 xii, 222 p.; ill.; 22cm. Includes Bibliography. 981-232-814-9 1. Duncan, Maisie, 1931 2. Convent of the Holy Infant Jesus (Singapore) – History 3. World War, 1939 – 1945 – Personal Narratives 4. Young Women – Malaya – Biography. 4. Malaya – History – Japanese Occupation, 1942 – 1945 6. Singapore – History – Japanese occupation \$ 18.50

Wong Nai Siong and the Nanyang Chinese : An Anthology / Compiled and Introduced by Yeap Chong Leng Singapore : Singapore Society of Asian Studies, c2001 xvi, 123 p.; 22cm. Includes Index. Asian Studies Monograph Series No. 6 9971-990-39-3 \$ 18.00 [Contents : Foreword Preface Author's Note Father of Sibu Foochow Colony Wong Nai Siong and the Nanyang Chinese Appendix 1 : Lost articles written by Wong Nai Siong while in Southeast Asia Appendix 2 : Wong Nai Siong's works in Relation to the topic of Nanyang Chinese

The Impact of World War II on the Economy of Vietnam 1939-45 / Le Manh Hung Singapore : Eastern University Press [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) private Limited], c2004 v, 304 p.; 22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index. 981-210-348-1 \$ 30.00

[Between 1939 to 1943, the economy of Indochina entered a period of growth and diversification. Economic development fostered a new class of entrepreneurs while rivalry between French and Japanese for the support of the Vietnamese facilitated the rise of many Vietnamese to higher administrative posts. The economy declined from late 1943 when war and isolation began to take their toll and finally collapsed in 1945, culminating in famine, increasing inequality among the population, and finally

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a breakdown in the traditional social structure. These were preconditions for the revolution in August 1945.

In this book, the author traces and analyses the changes in economic policy and in the mechanism governing the economic life of Vietnam that enabled it to survive wartime conditions of blockade and isolation. He also looks at how these Changes have a profound effect on the history of modern Vietnam.]

Sketches in the Straits: Nineteenth-Century Water Colours and Manuscript of Singapore, Malacca, / Irene Lim Singapore : NUS Museums, 2003 128p.:ill.; 25cm. 9814068926 \$ 35.00

[In 1842 Scotsman Charles Dyce (1816-53) came from Calcutta to Singapore to join a family trading firm. He had an active social and public life here until 1849 when he returned to Calcutta. A noteworthy amateur watercolorist, Dyce painted Singapore's rapidly developing urban scene, and rural landscapes and seascapes in Malacca, Penang, Java and Singapore. He also produced an embellished manuscript describing the area, which was intended to accompany paintings presented to Governor Butterworth. This account of Dyce's work is complimented with contemporary illustrations by other artists and includes plates of the 32 paintings and a facsimile of the 22-page manuscript now in the collection of the National University of Singapore Museum. With bibliography and notes on conservation techniques.]

13 May 1969 : A Historical Survey of Sino-Malay Relations / Leon Comber Reprint [First Ed : 1983] Singapore : Graham Brash (Pte) Ltd., c2001 xviii, 134 p.; ill.; 22cm Includes Bibliography and Index. 981-218-068-0 \$ 19.50

[In his refreshingly insightful and sensitive work, 13 May 1969, Lean Comber offers an account of the events and influences – be they social, economic or political – which culminated in the breakdown of Sino-Malay relations, and erupted into the violent racial riots of 13 May 1969. The Work, while it will undoubtedly be of interest to scholars, has been produced for the benefit of the general public and in particular for those whom the author refers to as 'children of 13 May'. Set out in terms the laymen can understand with ease, still it manages to convey the full significance of the events, and clearly defines their place in contemporary Malaysian history.]

Between Two Oceans : A Military History of Singapore from First settlement to Final British Withdrawal / Malcolm H. Murfett...(et.al) Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Academic [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) Private Limited], c2004 xviii, 508 p.; ill.; 22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index. 981-210-376-7 Reprint Murfett, Malcom H Miksic, John N Farrell, Brian P Ming Shun, Chinag \$ 32.50

[Between Two Oceans aims to plug this historical gap. Drawing on an impressive range of archaeological and historical sources gleaned from research and documents in Britain, India, Singapore, United States and Australia, the book traces the geostrategic development of Singapore from its first settlement in the thirteenth century through the turbulent phases of the Early Modern period to the dramatic military episodes that have been such a distinctive feature of the twentieth century.

In presenting a balanced view of this momentous story, the authors have sought to dispel many of the myths about Singapore's military history that have grown up in the past and are now assumed to be factually correct. Between Two Oceans breaks new ground in revealing the difference between fact and fiction in Singapore's fascinating military past.]

Law

Not Among Peers : The Judicial Construction of Rights and Gender Roles / Chung Huang Hoon Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte Ltd, for Centre For Advanced Studies, c1999 27 p.; 26 cm. CAS Research Paper Series No.7 981-04-0664-9 \$ 10.00

[Introductory Remarks Trail by Jury in the United States A Jury Not of My Peers: Cases of Unfair Representation Brought Before the U.S. Supreme Court Women's Rights Justice and Citizenship: will These Continue to Elude Us? Notes References]

Linguistics

Paradigms, Theories, Frameworks, Incommensurability, & Theory Ladenness / K.P. Mohanan

Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c1998 v. .; 26cm. CAS Research Paper No.3 981-04-0660-6 \$ 10.00

Language is more than a Language / Wendy Bokhorst-Heng Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte Ltd, for Centre For Advanced Studies, c1999 v..; 26 cm. CAS Research Paper Series No. 6 981-04-0663-0 \$ 10.00

[The title of this seminar is an adaptation of PM Goh Chok Tong's 1991 Speak Mandarin Campaign speech: "Mandarin is more than a language". What he wanted to highlight with this phrase are the cultural attributes that come with Mandarin. Taking this phrase as my starting point, I want to expand it to all languages in Singapore, and consider what language means in the nationalist agenda. This of course will largely involve an analysis

of the varied meanings of language within the bilingual policy. In particular, what I am interested in is how these meanings relate to the "imagining of the nation" in Singapore. Particularly in recent years, these meanings in Singapore have taken some drastic turns that could potentially challenge the very foundation of bilingual policy. How these challenges have been met in the discourse of language will shed considerable light on how "language is more than a language".]

The 'mE' Particle of Singlish / Wong Jock Onn Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c2000 v.: 26cm. CAS Research Paper Series No. 18 981-04-1007-7 \$ 10.00

[The non-standard variety of Singapore English commonly know as Singlish has a set of particles the meanings of which have intrigued and also evaded many researchers. These researchers have described the meanings of the particles mostly with a functional approach, in which the functions of a particle characterized in terms of these functions. Results have proved futile. In this paper, I will study the meaning of the Singlish particle 'Me' with semantic approach attributable to Anna Wierzbicka. This is the Natural Semantic Metalanguage (NSM) approach, which involves corpus study, native speaker introspection, and a represent the invariant meaning. With this semantic model, the unambiguously of 'Me' can be clearly, precisely, and unambiguously stated in simple English. The semantic formula is shown to be applicable to all instances of use, thus achieving empirical adequacy.]

Literature

Walk Like a Dragon : Short Stories / Goh Sin Tub

Singapore : Angsana Books, an imprint of Flame of the Forest Publishing Pte Ltd., c2004 264 p.; 19cm. 981-3056-74-6 \$ 9.50

[Walk like a Dragon is a collection of 65 gripping personal stories, including the wartime Sook Ching that killed 50,000 Singaporeans, the Geylang racial riot of 1964, the collapse of the Hotel New World of 1986 as well as numerous touching family anecdotes.]

An Eastern Port and Other Stories / Julian Davison Singapore : Topographica, c2004 x, 166 p.; ill.; 21cm 981-05-0672-4 \$ 22.50

[In essence, An Eastern Port carries on from where One For The Road, Julian Davison's earlier, best-selling collection of stories about Singapore and Malaya in the 1950s and sixties, left off. Retaining his distinctive and always entertaining mix of local colour, quirky historical detail, and autobiographical reminiscences, this new compilation of stories from the inimitable Dr. Davison – a literary complement to his popular Site and Sound TV Series – is guaranteed to delight, move and amuse readers in equal measures.]

Official Publications

Singapore – Report of the Auditor-General for the financial year 2003/04 Singapore : Auditor General Office, Govt. of Singapore, 2004 iv, 47 p.; 25cm. ISSN : 0129-962x \$ 15.00

[Contents : Introduction Part 1 : Government Financial Statements Part 2 : Government Departmental Accounts Part 3 : Accounts of Statutory Boards and Government – Owned Companies.]

Yearbook of Statistics Singapore 2004 37<sup>th</sup> Edition. Singapore : Department of Statistics, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Republic of Singapore, c2004 xv, 292 p.; 30cm. ISSN : 0583-3655 \$ 20.00

[Contents : Preface Notes on Changes and Revisions Statistical Tables Latest Editions of Publications Information Dissemination Services.]

Singapore Yearbook of manpower Statistics 2004 28<sup>th</sup> Edition. Singapore : Manpower Research and Statistics Department, Ministry of Manpower, 2004 xiv, 249 p.; 22cm. ISSN: 0129-2420 \$ 15.00 [Contents : Preface List of Tables List of Charts Labour Force Wages Establishments, Hours worked and terms of employment Labour Turnover, Retrenchments, Job vacancies and employment service Labour Relations Industrial Accidents and diseases Social Security Higher education and skills training **Key Economic Indicators** Statistical Charts.] Singapore Statistical Highlights 2004 12<sup>th</sup> Edition. Singapore : Department of Statistics, Ministry of Trade and Industry, c2004 v, 77 p.; 30cm. ISSN: 0218-5040 \$ 18.00 [Contents : Preface **Economic Trends** Social Trends Appendices.] Report on wages in Singapore 2003 18<sup>th</sup> Edition. Singapore : Manpower Research and Statistics Department, Ministry of Manpower,2004 v.: 30cm. ISSN: 0218-1201 \$ 20.00 [Contents : Preface List of Statistical Tables Part 1 : Survey Findings Part 2 : Survey Coverage and Methodology Part 3 : Occupational Wage Data

Part 4 : Wage Data from Central Provident fund Board and Institutes of Higher Learning Part 5 : List of Occupations and Industries National Wages council wage guidelines for July 2003 – June 2004 National Wages Council Wage Guidelines for July 2004 – June 2005.]

Standing Orders of the Parliament of Singapore Reprint (1<sup>st</sup> Edition 1961) Includes amendments upto June 2001 Singapore : S.N, 2001 155 p.; 21cm. Includes Index. \$ 12.50

## Performing Arts

The Adventures of the Mad Chinaman / Dick Lee Singapore : Times Editions, c2004 320 p.; ill.; 23cm. 981-232-602-2 1. Lee, Dick, - 1956 2. Composers – Singapore – Biography 3. Singers – Singapore – Biography \$ 25.00

[The Adventures of the Mad Chinaman is a witty and honest book written straight from the heart of one of Singapore's best-loved sons. Narrated in first person, the author provides a candid picture of his life. He brings us back to his fashion-filled childhood, the days of Talentime, disco dancing in platform shoes and his dizzy ascent to the entertainment capitals of Asia. The rebel-singer-songwriter relieves his varied career and traces the highs and lows of Singapore's popular culture in a search for his true identity. This is one mad-cap journey that will either raise your brows or see you smiling. Either way, be entertained by The Mad Chinaman.]

#### Philosophy

The Unity of Rule and Virtue : A Critical of a supposed Parallel Between Confucian Ethics and virtue ethics / Liu Yuli Singapore : Eastern University Press [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) private Limited], c2004 ix, 210 p.; 22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index. 981-210-350-3 \$ 25.00

[In the past few decades, philosophical and theological writings reveal a marked revival of interest in virtue ethics. Against the background of the revival of virtue ethics in the West, some philosophers argue that throughout its long history, Confucian ethics have stressed character formation or personal cultivation of virtues. Thus, it seems appropriate to characterize Confucian ethics as ethics of virtue.

However, although Confucian ethics share some similarities with virtue ethics, it is not correct to label Confucian ethics as virtue ethics in the strict sense. In this book, the author attempts to critique the apparent similarity and show, on the contrary, that Confucian ethics are better conceived of as a unique kind of ethics, in which rule-based morality and virtues are united.

Through a unique analysis of Confucian ethics and comparison between Confucian ethics and some Western ethical theories, the author also hopes to generate suggestions and ideas on how to integrate or unify rule and virtue in One moral theory.]

Politics

A Citizen's Guide to Government and Politics in Singapore / Raj Vasil Singapore : Talisman Publishing Pte. Ltd., c2004 iv, 188 p.; 21cm 981-04-8935-8 \$ 19.50

[A Citizen's Guide to Government and Politics in Singapore, presents a layman's guide to the back ground and development of a unique political system. Singapore's remarkable economic success, achieving First World Status within a generation of independence, has been something to marvel – for its citizens and its critics. Drawing on personal observations and research over the period Vasil explains how the key elements of economic and social development have been crucial to the realization of a grand design for modern Singapore as laid out by Lee Kuan Yew and his PAP Colleagues.

In this new book, Vasil charts the development of political process and effective governance from crown colony to independent state; merger and separation from Malaysia major government initiatives and social campaigns; political opposition and the electoral process; and the management of ethnicity. A Citizen's Guide to Government and Politics in Singapore will be an invaluable aide to students and teachers, the business and diplomatic community and citizens at large.]

Lee Kuan Yew : In his own words book one 1959 to 1970 / Edited by SJ Rodringuez Singapore : SJ & Gavin international, c2003 iv, 311 p.; 23cm 981-04-0550-2 \$ 15.00

[Lee Kuan Yew was born in Singapore on 16 September 1923 in a large two-storey bungalow at 92 Kampong Java Road to a third generation descendent of immigrants from China's Guangdong province. He read law at Cambridge University, England and in 1954, he formed the People's Action Party (PAP). Five years later, the PAP won the general elections in Singapore and he became Prime Minister at the age of 35. He is married to Kwa Geok Choo, a lawyer, and has two sons and a daughter. This book is not about politics or his private life. It is about the many significant moments in Lee Kuan Yew 's life. This is the story of a remarkable and extraordinary man in whose tenacity you will find inspiration and courage. The anecdotes and

quotes depicted in this book will enable you to understand his experiences, and give you an insight on the issues that shaped his views and policies which give birth to metropolitan Singapore.]

Glimpses and Reflections / Wee Kim Wee Singapore : Landmark Books Pte Ltd., c2004 172 p.; ill.; 22cm 981-3065-87-7 \$ 25.00

[Former President Wim Kee Wee gives candid and rare glimpses of his extraordinary and fulfilling life as he reflects on the key forces that have shaped and motivated him from his childhood. The 39 essays in this book are illuminated by anecdotes and underscored by Dr Wee's simple philosophies and observations of Singapore society and the world. In this, he is open about his own foibles and he is clear about what ills his fellow men.

His subjects are wide-ranging, from credit crunch, punctuality, the state of the United Nations to filial piety, foreign relations, stress, dress codes and neighborliness. What comes across is the honesty and clarity of a man who has intense interest in, and love for, his fellowmen.]

A Defining Moment : How Singapore beat SARS / Chua Mui Hoong Singapore : Institute of Policy Studies, [Ministry of Information, Communication and the Arts],c2004 199 p.; ill.; 21cm 981-05-1204-X \$ 15.00

[Sars was a defining moment in Singapore's history when it raged from March to May 2003.

The Patients with Sars, including the first patient Esther Mok.

The ICU Doctors and nurses who faced down death daily.

The Singaporeans who stepped forward to be counted.

The ministers and officials who were in the thick of the action.

This book has their stories.]

The Politics of Islamic Identity in Southeast Asia / Syed Serajul Islam Singapore : Thomson Learning [A Division of Thomson Asia Pte Ltd.,], c2005 x, 204 p.; 22cm. Includes Index. 981-254-532-8 \$ 19.50

[The Aftermath of September 11, 2001 has made terrorism a burning topic worldwide, Consequently, separatist and revivalist movements in many part so the world have been equated with terrorism. This book addresses the issue of terrorism, separatism and Islamic revivalism and examines, in minute detail, the movements in the Philippines, Indonesia, Thailand, Myanmar and Malaysia. Key Features :

• Focused on Politics of Islam in Southeast Asia within a global Perspective.

- Current and up-to-date discussion of terrorism, separatism, and revivalism including the 2004 unrest in Southern Thailand.
- Cutting edge concepts : globalization, national self-determination, terrorism, alliance formation, national international linkages.
- Ample resources for research on politics and Islam in Southeast Asia.]

Guided by God : The Legacy of the Catholic Church in Philippine Politics / Steven Shirley

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Academic [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) Private Limited], c2004

iii, 242 p.; 22cm.Includes Bibliography and Index.981-210-370-8\$ 29.50

[This book presents the political story of the Church in the Philippines and the development of its role as the major force behind the character of Philippine politics and the social identity of the nation-state. It is also a story of conflict, of a thirst for power, and the desire to see traditional political barriers between Church and State shattered. The events have many twists and turns, at times the Church has clashed head on with dictators, been abandoned by thousands of its members, and seen its fortunes surge at the end of the millennium.

As the chapters unfold, the author shows how the Church has now become an integral part of Philippine politics—inseparable, undeniable, and invaluable to an understanding of this island nation and its millions of inhabitants.]

Sociology

Invisible Trade : High-Class Sex for Sale in Singapore / Gerrie Lim Singapore : Monsoon Books, c2004 208 p.; 20cm 981-05-1033-0 \$ 19.50

[When an ambitious, adventurous gent named Sir Thomas Stamford Raffles "discovered" the tiny Southeast Asian island of Singapore in 1819, claiming it for the British Crown, he envisioned it as a geographical gateway between East and West. Now an independent city-state, Singapore is considered an Asian economic miracle, still a strategic cross-roads, but its position on the map has also garnered blue-chip status in the international sex industry. Thanks to the constant influx of business travelers, a floating world exists that few talk about, where beautiful escorts from various countries offer discreet companionship for a price, one not usually offered in the bars and brothels of Asia.]

Peranakan's Search for National Identity : Biographical Studies of seven Indonesian Chinese / Leo Suryadinata Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Academic [An Imprint of Marshall Cavendish International (Singapore) Private Limited], c2004 xi, 162 p.; 22cm. 981-210-361-9 \$ 22.50 [For the Peranakan Chinese in Indonesia, this century has brought many changes which have heightened the dilemma of their identity, both as a minority group and as individuals. With the rising tide of nationalism in Southeast Asia, the Peranakans were torn between their ancestral identity as Chinese, and their own cultural identity in the former Netherlands Indies, where they had been born, lived, intermarried and become part of local society to the extent that they no longer even spoke Chinese. Dutch colonial society and education which emphasized the concept of race and ethnic identity added further complexity to their dilemma.

In Peranakan's Search for National Identity: Biographical Studies of Seven Indonesian Chinese, Leo Suryadinata examines how different Peranakans, each prominent in their own cultural and political spheres, sought unique ways to find and establish an identity that was personal as well as significant in the wider context of being Peranakan in Indonesia.]

Rice in Asia : Lives of Seven Farmers [A Prelude Book under a Unitwin- Unesco Project] [Book + CD Rom.] Singapore : Times Academic Press for the Asian Media Information and Communication Centre, c2000 384 p.; ill.; 26cm. Includes Index. 9812101721 \$ 44.50 [Contents : Foreword Introduction The Life of a farmer in Suzhou, China The Village in Motion : A Case study of socioeconomic and cultural changes Among Rice Farmers in Indonesia A Progressive Japanese Rice Farmer : A Case Study The Life history of a rice Farmer in Korea Bahari : An Enterprising Malaysian Rice Farmer Palay At Buhay : Stories from a Philippine Village A Rice Farming family in Northern Thailand Index.1 Beyond Babies : National Duty or Personal Choice ? : An Aware Position Paper July, 2004 Singapore : Aware, association of women for action & Research, c2004 viii, 97 p.; 30cm Includes Bibliography \$ 22.50 [Contents :

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The Rhetorics of Social Science in Developing Societies / Syed Farid Alatas Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c1998 v..; 26cm. CAS Research papers Series No. 1 981-04-0658-4 \$ 10.00 [Contents : Introduction Rhetoric and the Making of Social Science Rhetoric and the Interpretation of Indigenous Social Science The Rhetoric of the Islamization of Knowledge Project and of Nativist Discourse Rhetoric as a Variety of Metatheory

Challenges to Theme Park Development in Singapore / Peggy Teo and Brenda S.A. Yeoh Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte Ltd, for Centre For Advanced Studies, c1999 v..; 26 cm. CAS Research Paper Series No.8 981-04-0665-7 \$ 10.00

[Since the magic of Disney land diffused across Amercia in the 1950s, theme parks have ignited interest in the tourist and leisure industries as major magnets that draw individuals, families and other visitor groups. Within the Asia-Pacific, attendance at theme parks have also risen, fuelled by higher affluence and more leisure time. Investments in this industry is estimated to be no less than US\$4 billion.

Although classical theme parks like Disneyland have an enduring formula, it has not always been possible to replicate the park in the Asia-Pacific region. This paper explores the start-up of theme parks in Singapore as an attempt to provide leisure outlets for Singaporeans as well as to increase tourist arrivals. Consumption, however, has a very electric and changeable character which has challenged planners and investors seeking to capture an increasiing share of this market. The paper addresses some of the planning and operational changes that have occurred. It emphasises the dynamic, realistic and creative responses as well as outline the failures wrought by the challenges of change.]

Shifting Paradigms and Asian Perspectives : Implications for Research and Teaching / Wang Gungwu Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte Ltd, for Centre For Advanced Studies, c1999 v..; 26 cm. CAS Research Paper Series No.10 981-04-0667-3 \$ 10.00

[Contents : Introduction Situational Shifts Knowledge-Driven Shifts Brought to Asia Commentaries Response to commentaries]

The Role of Formal vs Informal Support of the Elderly in Singapore : Is there Substitution? / Angelique Chan Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte Ltd, for Centre For Advanced Studies, c1999 v..; 26 cm. CAS Research Paper Series No.11. 981-04-1000-x \$ 10.00

[This paper examines the relationship between formal and familial support of Singaporean elderly using data from the 1995 National Survey of Senior Citizens. We test whether the availability of formal support is associated with a decrease in the propensity of elderly individuals to rely on children. The findings show that elderly respondents with CPF accounts are significantly less likely to rely on children as their main source of financial support. Other socioeconomic characteristics of seniors have significant effects on reliance on children. Older seniors, females, seniors with little or no education, widowers, and seniors in poor health and Chinese elderly, are significantly more likely to rely on children. The evidence suggests that as CPF coverage widens, reliance on children will probably decrease.]

The Discourse on Indigenization : Definitions, Criteria and Pitfalls / Syed Farid Alatas Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c1999 v.; 26cm. CAS Research Paper Series No. 17 981-04-1006-9 \$ 10.00

[The discourse on the indigenization of the social sciences, particularly where anthropology, psychology and sociology are concerned, has been in existence for a little over 20 years. Indigenization was and continues to be a response to what many non-Western social scientists perceive as the inability of Euro-American social science to constitute a relevant and liberating discourse in the context of Asia, African and Latin American societies. The purpose of this essay is to discuss the main features of indigenization, the context of its discourse, the criteria of indigenization as understood by its proponents, and pitfalls of the indigenization project.]

Work and Retirement Among the Older Population in Four Asian Countries : A Comparative Analysis / Albert I. Hermalin, Angelique
Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c2000 v..; 26cm.
CAS Research Paper Series No. 22
981-04-1011-5
\$ 10.00

[This paper utilizes aggregate and individual level data to develop a comparative of the labor force patterns of the older population and the factors affecting labor force participation in four countries – the Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, and Thailand. The aggregate data reveal that the Philippines and Thailand have somewhat higher labor force participation rates for men, and much higher rates for women, than Singapore and Taiwan. The individual level data examining the factors affecting work and retirement show that poor health was a very important determinant of retirement in each country, education has small and inconsistent effects, and pension income or coverage had effects that varied from country to country. Family factors also played a role in retirement are also presented and generally confirm the patterns observed in the more formal analyses.]

Women's Studies

Non-Western Reactions to Western Feminism : The Case of Japanese Career Women / Takie Sugiyama Lebra Singapore : Pagesetters Services Pte. Ltd., for Centre for Advanced Studies, c1999 v..; 26cm. CAS Research Paper Series No. 16 981-04-1005-0 \$ 10.00

[Like elsewhere, Japan is changing in its gender culture under the overwhelming influence of Western gender revolution. Nevertheless, as inferred from career women in a variety of professions, Japanese tend to resist the confrontational Western model of feminism for many reasons. The main reason is the Japanese tendency to view gender, not in itself, but in combination with other variables, notably, age seniority and ranks which are incremental over the career course. Thus contaminated, gender loses its constancy and essential nature, which stands in the way of looking at women and men as" opposite sexes" subsumed by Western feminism. The Japanese mode of combining variable rather than separating them makes women ready to enter into a collaborative, complementary alliance, such as mentoring, between women and man at different seniority stages. It is thus predicated that Japan's reform toward gender equalization in bound to involve both sexes.]