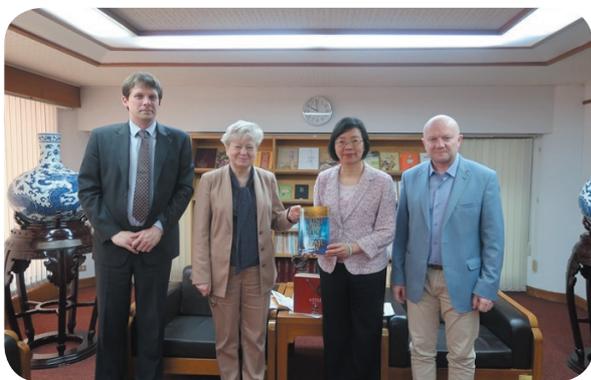


NCL International Exchange Events

On April 25, 2019, two Vice-Rectors of the University of Warsaw, Prof. Jolanta Choińska-Mika and Prof. Maciej Duszczyk, and the Deputy Director of the Faculty of Oriental Studies, Prof. Józef Pawłowski, visited NCL Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng. In addition to speaking with Director-General Tseng about their library buildings, collections and resources, depositary systems, and open access facilities, Director-General Tseng also gave them an introduction to the NCL's special sinology-related programs including financial support for foreign scholars wishing to conduct research in Taiwan, Taiwan Resource Centers for Chinese Studies (TRCCS), and the collaborative Unified Catalogue of Chinese Rare Books. After the meeting, NCL staff took them on a guided tour of the library's services and facilities. They particularly appreciated and admired the rich and abundant sinology resources in the library's collection.



Two Vice-Rectors, Prof. Jolanta Choińska-Mika (2nd left) and Prof. Maciej Duszczyk (1st right), and Prof. Józef Pawłowski (1st left) meet with Director-General Tseng.

On June 19, 2019, Prof. Cecilia Milwertz, a senior researcher at one of the NCL's Taiwan Resource Center for Chinese Studies partners, the Nordic Institute of Asian Studies (NIAS), visited the library with a five-person delegation. The group, comprised of women's and gender studies scholars based at Danish, Swedish, and Finnish institutions, was personally received by Director-General Tseng. Besides discussing a forthcoming jointly sponsored international academic conference with Director-General Tseng, the visitors surveyed the conference spaces and discussed preparations for the conference with Taiwanese scholars in the field. The library also arranged for them to visit some important women's studies research institutions on the island, to help them understand the progress Taiwan has made towards guaranteeing women's rights and gender equality.



Director-General Tseng (3rd left) receives a five-person delegation from one of the NCL's TRCCS partners, NIAS.

On June 21, 2019, while visiting Taiwan to attend the 40th Kinmen Book Exhibition, a delegation of 25 colleagues from the Straits Publishing & Distributing Group and the Sunwah

Group based in Fujian Province, China, arranged to pay a visit to the National Central Library. The visitors mainly wished to visit the services and facilities housed on the various floors of the library, such as the Center for Chinese Studies Materials Reading Room and Rare Books Room, and to find out about the library's related collections and resources.



The delegation visits the Rare Books Room of NCL.

Chinese Studies Symposium

■ The Center for Chinese Studies Holds Academic Seminars for Global Chinese Studies Lectures

The Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) promotes academic exchanges in order to increase interaction between the local and overseas Chinese Studies communities. To this end, the CCS established the Research Grant for Foreign Scholars in Chinese Studies, which every year assists 15-20 overseas scholars in coming to Taiwan to conduct research for periods of between 3 to 6 months. Besides hosting Academic Seminars for Global Chinese Studies from time to time at which these scholars can present the fruits of the research, the center also often invites renowned scholars from around the world to visit and deliver lectures.

Between April and June, 2019, two scholars gave presentations. Topics and speakers for each session are as follows:



From left: Dr. I-yi Hsieh, Prof. Rebecca E. Karl, and Prof. Hon-wai Ho.

On May 8, 2019, Dr. Rebecca E. Karl, Professor of New York University's Department of History, gave the first lecture on "The Magic of Concepts: History and Method." Research Fellow of the Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Prof. Hon-wai Ho, served as moderator. In addition, Prof. Karl's student, Dr. I-yi Hsieh, the Postdoctoral Research Fellow of Research Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences at National Taiwan University, was invited as the discussant.



Presenter Dr. Wei-ting Guo (left) and Moderator Prof. Hsi-yuan Chen.