



Annual Report: York Centre for Asian Research - April, 2003

General

The York Centre for Asian Research (YCAR) came into being on May 1, 2002. YCAR was created to fill the vacuum left by the dissolution of the Joint Centre for Asia and Pacific Studies (JCAPS), which had been joint with the University of Toronto. Susan Henders was Associate Director of JCAPS during 2001-02, and led the interim administrative team, which created YCAR. This included organizing a process for broad consultation at York University, writing the constitution, and moving the proposal through the approval process at Senate. Bernie Frolic, the Director of JCAPS during this transition period assisted with the administering of this process through its gestation period during the summer of 2002.

Peter Vandergeest (Sociology, Arts) was appointed first director of YCAR effective May 1 2002 and actually took over the directorship in June and July. Judith Nagata (Anthropology, Arts) was appointed Associate Director after discussion at an executive committee meeting on June 18, 2002. Shirley Lee, Administrative & Business Officer in the final years of JCAPS, moved into her new office in York Lanes on June 20, 2002, and became the Centre Coordinator at YCAR effective May 1, 2002.



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YCAR was created with a mandate broader than that of JCAPS. The centre's mandate and the collaborative process leading to the creation of YCAR specified that YCAR's mission was to promote research on Southeast, South, and East Asia, and the Asian diaspora. Asian diaspora and transnationalism were identified as themes of particular importance, and represented new directions previously not covered by JCAPS. These themes also complemented York University's broader institutional interests in engaging with Asian communities in the Greater Toronto area.

Although YCAR came into being in 2002, the research centre had the advantage of inheriting space, equipment, staff, projects, and an institutional history from JCAPS. This eased some of the work involved in getting the new centre up and running. As a new centre with an expanded mandate and director, it followed that YCAR needed to define an administrative and operating infrastructure. Subsequently, a good part of this academic year was devoted to this task and the creation of a new centre profile. Some examples include the creation of a new membership, a new website, re-thinking and reorganizing the existing space and resources as allocated to YCAR, reaching out to academic programs and community groups that were not strongly involved in JCAPS, and creating a YCAR profile in areas which had not been previously associated with Asian research at York University. These goals were accomplished while maintaining projects inherited from JCAPS, which contributed to the centre's operating budget and mandate. Staffing was limited to the Centre Coordinator and two part-time graduate assistants. This meant that the work proceeded slowly in some

areas, as reports on specific items will describe below. Overall, however, YCAR made significant progress in reaching out to new constituencies, and showing support for new research areas in the field of Asian diasporas.

Committees

The YCAR Constitution specifies that the executive committee should be made up of the Director, Associate Director, four other faculty members, a fifth member who may be any person in or outside of York who makes a useful contribution to the Centre, and a representative elected by the graduate associates. The committee should meet regularly to make all major decisions affecting the center.

A call for nominations that went out in the winter of 2002 revealed considerable interest in participating in the executive committee. Eleven faculty members were nominated as faculty representatives, and the group decided that an interim executive committee for the first year should comprise all the nominees. On June 18, the interim executive committee agreed to a request by graduate associates that their representation be increased to 3 voting members on the expanded executive committee. With the addition of the director, the voting membership of the executive committee was thus 12 faculty, and 3 graduate students. The executive committee met four times, on June 18, September 2, January 8, and April 24, to discuss priorities, activities, membership procedures, and events. The director also consulted with executive committee members on specific issues between meetings.



In 2003-04 we expect that the executive committee will contract somewhat due to the unavailability of some current members who will be on academic or educational leave from the university. As of the writing of this report the final membership had not yet been determined.

A number of other committees were also created in the spring of 2002, including membership, communications, speakers, and workshop planning committees. The most active of these committees were the speaker and workshop planning committees.

Membership

The YCAR Constitution specifies that faculty, graduate students, and post-doctoral researchers can be nominated as members of YCAR following submission of their curriculum vitas, as well as statements for some membership categories. In addition, the executive committee passed a motion in January allowing the Director to appoint Visiting Scholars for one year, to facilitate visiting appointments by scholars who may be visiting for only short period of time but who need a formal affiliation.

Broad-based membership from a diversity of disciplines, ranging from business to film to the social sciences, is a key to achieving many of YCAR's goals. The centre aims to support internationalization at York University by pulling together and profiling information on York faculty and students working on Asia, finding ways of supporting their work, facilitating linkages among members of the York community, and promoting collaborative activities.

Current members are listed in our website. As of the writing of this report (this could change prior to the AGM), our membership was as follows:

Faculty Associates: 8
Senior Associates: 2
Graduate Associates: 7
Research Associates: 5

Only a minority of the York community active in Asian research had become formal members of YCAR, although many non-members were active in a number of YCAR activities. The work involved in getting the centre up and running, as well as organizing the workshop, other events, and initiating new projects, left the director and staff with insufficient time to actively work on encouraging membership. Increasing our membership will be a priority over the summer. Our efforts will be facilitated by a web-based application that should make it easy for applicants to submit the necessary information.



Events

Speakers, panel discussions, and workshops are crucial to creating a high profile for both YCAR and for Asian Research at York. They also provide opportunities for working with other research centres and programs related to areas of interest to YCAR. With the participation of the speakers committee and other YCAR members, we were able to put together a very active series of events.

Our priority was to put together events that signaled new directions for Asian research on campus. We were particularly interested in sponsoring events that highlighted Asian diasporas and transnationalism, and events related to South Asia. In addition, we organized many events that took advantage of the situations where individuals who were of interest to the York community were nearby and available to do a seminar at York. The three main types of events were speakers, panel discussions, and a major workshop on transnationalism.

Speakers

YCAR sponsored or co-sponsored 17 lectures and “brownbag seminars”, as listed in Appendix 1. Most were very well attended, and drew audiences from diverse

disciplines on campus as well as from Asian and immigrant groups off campus. Of particular note was the series on Asian Women, co-organized with the Centre for Feminist Research. Some data on the speakers:

Geographical Areas (some talks covered more than one): East Asia (6), Diaspora (5), Southeast Asia (4); South Asia (4), General (1).

Disciplines: The disciplinary focus was in the social sciences plus some NGO speakers. This included political science (4), sociology (3), NGOs (3), Anthropology (2), Economics (2), Geography (2). We had one speaker from film studies, and one event profiling a film and film-maker. This suggests a need for greater efforts to sponsor events in the arts.

External Visitors: 12; **York Faculty or graduate students:** 5.

Workshops, Panel Discussions, Forums

YCAR organized or sponsored two major workshops, three panel discussions, and one “introductory” forum/reception. Three of these were on topics related to diaspora/transnationalism, two on Southeast Asian politics, and one was a general introduction to Asian studies on campus. Of note:

The inaugural was organized to mark the creation of YCAR, and to continue the discussions initiated the previous year around future directions of Asian studies. Donald Nonini, a prominent anthropologist working on transnationalism, was invited as plenary speaker to address the theme of *Asian Identities in a Globalizing World*, and his presentation was followed by responses from panel composed of five York faculty members and one external invitee (Rodolphe De Koninck, Chair of Asian Studies at the University of Montreal), as well as a general discussion. This event will be profiled in our first newsletter, forthcoming this summer.

The Philippine Presidency and the Estrada Debacle was a panel discussion composed of well-known writers on politics in the Philippines, and was co-sponsored with the University of the Philippines Alumni Association of Metro Toronto. This panel was coordinated by Philip Kelly (Geography, Arts).

In the Wake of the Bali Bombing involved presentations by four experts on Southeast Asian politics, the characteristics of religious networks, and on possible connections to events associated with terrorism in Southeast Asia. This panel will be reconvened at the conference of the Canadian Council for Southeast Asian Studies in Montreal next October.

Transnational Political Practices Among Asian, Latin American, and Caribbean Canadians. This workshop was organized primarily by YCAR, and co-sponsored with CERLAC. The thirty- seven panelists included academics, representatives of community organizations and NGOs, and participants/observers from DFAIT and CIC. Funding was provided by DFAIT (Department of Foreign Affairs and



International Trade), CCASLS (Canadian Council of Area Studies Learned Societies), and FOCAL (Canadian Foundation for the Americas). A narrative report and policy document are available on the YCAR website. Sailaja Krishnamurti (Social & Political Thought, PhD), was the coordinator of the workshop, and has been hired as a graduate assistant for Summer 2002 to work on publications emerging from the workshop.

The workshop was very successful in terms of the goals we set for this event: attendance and participation were excellent, and the discussion was informative and spirited. Graduate students assisted in the coordination of this workshop, participated in the panel discussions and acted as rapporteurs. Many community groups also participated, so that as a whole the workshop demonstrated our commitment to supporting the study of Asian transnationalism and diaspora. The workshop will be the starting point for more specialized efforts around transnationalism. In particular, Judith Nagata (Anthropology, Arts) is preparing a SSHRC proposal to organize a workshop on transnational religious networks, to be held during the Fall semester. As well, it is a goal for YCAR to produce publications from this workshop.



Projects and Programs

Current YCAR projects vary greatly in scope and budget, but all contribute to the general activity at YCAR. Current projects include:

Lao Resource Tenure in Community-Based Natural Resource Management: Building Research Capacity. Peter Vandergeest and Penny Van Esterik (Anthropology, Arts), with the National University of Laos. Phase I of this project ended December 31, 2002. IDRC is now close to approving a second phase, with a YCAR budget of about \$230,000 over three years. The project links York University, Sydney University (Australia), the East-West Centre (Hawaii), and Chiangmai University (Thailand) with the National University of Laos, with the aim of increasing NUOL capacity to produce information critical to the practice of Community-Based Natural Resource Management and food security in Lao PDR. This project will provide overhead to YCAR of about \$8,000 a year, and fund one or two York graduate students to work as a Research Assistant and do PhD fieldwork in Laos.

Asian Business and Management Programme, (formerly known as the Asian Business Studies Programme). Principal Investigator: Bernie Frolic (Political Science, Arts), with Donald Rickerd serving as Associate Director at the University of Toronto. This is an endowment account with an annual operating budget of \$42,000, of which \$26,000 was contributed to YCAR's operating budget. The ABMP committed \$5,000 towards an YCAR seminar series on Asian business networks and speakers,

coordinated by Janet Landa (Economics, Arts). The unused portion of the \$5,000 was turned over to YCAR for its diaspora workshop activities. In 2002-2003 ABMP and the China Training Programme (CTP) collaborated on a number of projects. It is likely that this cooperation will continue in the 2003-2004 fiscal year. This project employs several York graduate students.

China Training Program. Principal Investigator: Bernie Frolic (Political Science, Arts). This project coordinates and administers professional programmes with a value of approximately \$580,000. YCAR received \$28,000 in overhead. The main project was a four month management training programme for officials from Beijing. Others include groups and professions such as: judges from Shanghai, medical specialists from Shandong, bookstores from Jiangsu, China Aerospace, and the Chinese Meteorological Society. These projects employ several York graduate students. They also provide research bases in China for faculty and students.

In the year 2003-2004 the project expects a substantial increase in activities having set up an office in Beijing to help administer the China Training Programme.

Bernie Frolic directs the China Training Programme. Maggie Zeng is the full-time Programme Coordinator at York. Li Chen is the representative based in Beijing. David Barrows of the Schulich School of Business coordinates the management training component.

Canada and Hong Kong Project for Research and Public Awareness. Bernard Luk, with the University of British Columbia. Information currently not available

Hanoi Book and Visiting Scholar Project. Principal Investigator: David Wurfel (YCAR Research Associate and Lisa Drummond (Division of Social Science, Arts). This project was inherited from JCAPS. The original funding for this project came from a Canada Fund Grant given to JCAPS from the Canadian Embassy in Vietnam in Hanoi during the FY1996-97. The principal investigator is David Wurfel, now a YCAR research associate and Professor Emeritus of the University of Windsor. The grant was given to JCAPS to administer and was to secure book purchases and donations to the Hanoi University. The reporting period on this grant has already passed. Of the original grant of \$12,691, there remained \$7,994 (as at 30 April 2002). During this academic year, these funds were used to put together a proposal for a training and exchange project with the Institute of Political Science, Ho Chi Minh National Political Academy.

Democracy, Globalization, and Identity Conflicts in Asia. Principal Investigators: Bernie M. Frolic (Political Science, Arts) and Susan Henders (Political Science, Arts).



This project was inherited from JCAPS. The grantor is the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation and the award is in support of the Conference: Democracy, Globalization and Identity Conflicts in Asia held by JCAPS during the FY2001-02. In 2002-2003, the project focused preparing the major academic publication generated by the project, *Democratization and Identity: Regimes and Ethnicity in East and South-East Asia* (Forthcoming Lexington Books 1994). Susan Henders is editing the volume. In 2003-2004, the project plans to launch *Democratization and Identity: Regimes and Ethnicity in East and South-East Asia*, hopefully in conjunction with a special workshop, lecture, or speaker series on a related theme. We are also considering making this event the launch of a second, follow-up project.

George Leslie MacKay Book Project. Principal Investigator: Michael Stainton (YCAR Research Associate). This fund derives in part from the 1997 JCAPS Mackay Symposium, but mainly from a \$5000 gift from Dr. John Ross Mackay in support of a book project. This book, edited by Michael Stainton and Alwyn Austin, is now being submitted to M.E. Sharpe for consideration in its Taiwan in the Modern World Series. Despite long delays in the production of this book the Mackay family and Canadian Mackay Committee continue to be supportive of the book project. Dr. Geoff Johnston, church historian and former principal of the Presbyterian college at McGill, is reviewing the manuscripts. Because of the time passed since some of the chapters were written, and the continuing development of studies on Mackay in Taiwan and North America, the project has asked some of the writers to revisit their manuscripts. There is as of yet no modern English language study of Mackay, so the book will be a first, despite the delays in its production.



Program Development

YCAR members have written proposals and are actively exploring a number of new projects in all four geographical areas covered by the YCAR mandate. As described above, the China Training Program expects to expand its scope during 2003-4. New projects for which proposals have been completed include:

1. *Joint Research and Training in Comparative Politics.* With the Institute for Political Science, Ho Chi Minh National Political Academy in Vietnam. We are circulating a proposal for an initial year of activities with funding through YCAR of about \$30,000. Peter Vandergeest, Lisa Drummond, Fahim Quadir, Susan Henders, David Wurfel, with Ngo Huy Duc
2. *The Challenges of the Agrarian Transition in Southeast Asia.* YCAR would be a collaborating institution if a letter of intent submitted to SSHRCC's Major Collaborative Research Initiatives Program and subsequent full proposal is successful.

3. Workshop on “Transnational Religious Identities and Politics. This workshop is designed to explore the growing transnational arena of religious communities and identity politics beyond the more familiar ones based on ethnic, national and territorial ties. The two-day workshop will be small, allowing all participants to attend all sessions and engage in extensive discussion. Judith Nagata, the primary organizer, is applying for funding from SSHRCC and DFAIT.

Website

A website was considered central to YCAR’s service role for the Asian studies community at York, and to enhancing the profile of Asian Research and other activities in Canada and abroad. In the Fall of 2002, the Centre engaged Jeff Watson (Programme Coordinator, CTP) to set up a website, but he was unable to initiate work on this project due to other commitments. In the winter, the centre employed Benjamin Cornejo, who was contracted to establish an overall design for the website with subsequent updates and modifications to be the responsibility of the Administrative Officer and the YCAR office. This will be an on-going effort. The website has quickly become a central focus of the research centre and is an important means of communication and providing information on YCAR activities such as conferences, workshops, speakers, and visiting scholars. As well, the YCAR Website provides information on Asian studies, such as funding and research opportunities as received from other teaching and research units at York, institutions from abroad, student and community groups. We are particularly interested in listing projects, sources of funding especially for graduate students, and links to Asia-related organizations. There is also a place where faculty can submit commentaries on current events, or where we can link to the editorial pages of Asian newspapers.



YCAR Listserv (YCAR-L)

Similar in scope and purpose to the website, the YCAR listserv has become an important communication tool. To date listserv membership numbers 250 subscribers. All subscriptions and postings are moderated by YCAR by the Administrative Officer.

We encourage members and non-members to visit the website and subscribe to the YCAR listserv, by providing information which will help us enhance the profile of YCAR and Asian studies at York University.

Space and Equipment

Space was very tight during our first year, with faculty, graduate assistants, and visiting scholars doubling and tripling up on office space. The hallways are narrow, there is no common space, and we do not have a reading room. Lack of progress was

due to the delays in negotiations over moving the Canada Hong Kong Resource Centre (CHKRC) to the University of Toronto, and inertia because of administrative plans to revamp the second floor space. Once YCAR has access to the space now occupied by the CHKRC this room (270B York Lanes) will be turned into workstations for visiting scholars and research associates, as well as a reading room. We have made provisions for these changes in our Budget Submission for 2003-04.

Most offices are currently outfitted with computers. However, with the exception of the Director's and Administrator's office, YCAR offices are shared by as many as three projects or occupants. All existing YCAR workstations require updating. At the very least, workstations need their operating systems updated to conform to current York computing standards. YCAR received three G3 Macintosh computers (cascades from Staecie computer labs through application to the Office of the Vice President (Research) this past year. These computers are earmarked for room 270B York Lanes for faculty use when the Canada Hong Kong Resource Centre vacates the space in June 2003.

Finances (see Appendices II, III)

A YCAR Statement of Operations for FY 2003-4 is attached. YCAR ended the year with a carry forward amount. These funds have been earmarked for a half-time project development officer and graduate assistantships to help the centre develop its fundraising activities in the coming year.

Planning and Priorities for 2003-4

Workshop: As noted above, Judith Nagata (Anthropology, Arts) has prepared a grant to help fund and organize a workshop on religious transnationalism, which will take place in the Fall of 2003.

Speakers and outreach: As York University has hired several new faculty whose teaching and research interest are in Asia and on Asian Canadians, our centre proposes to prioritize talks by new faculty, in order to provide further research and networking opportunities that would benefit Asian studies at York University. YCAR envisions continued cooperation and linkages with other units on campus, such as the Centre for Feminist Research, International Development Studies Programme, East and South Asia Studies, and other academic institutions with an interest in Asian studies. YCAR is well situated to provide assistance in organizing events. Finally, the centre will continue to encourage events that bring together Asian communities and organizations at York University in a timely and relevant fashion.

Program Development. YCAR is actively pursuing a number of potential projects, and considering the addition of a part-time Projects Officer to assist with writing and developing future project proposals.

Graduate Diploma. As the proposal for a School of Asian Studies at York University is slow to materialize, a graduate diploma programme may be a useful focus for YCAR to pursue given current teaching and research resources available at the university in Asian studies.

Membership: YCAR will continue to actively encourage York faculty and graduate students with an interest in Asian research and teaching to become members of the centre.

Internationalization at York: YCAR will endeavor to support events, research, and teaching on Asia and Asian-Canadians at York University. This might include providing information to other units and researchers on campus, supporting visiting scholars through providing affiliation and space, and working with other units on campus to support internationalization.

Annual General Meeting: Twenty-seven YCAR members and non-members attended the annual general meeting. A new Executive Committee membership was confirmed, and constitutional amendments to the mandate and to membership categories were passed. In discussions around priorities for the next year:

- Graduate students indicated a strong interest in funding for language training.
- There was strong support for creating a graduate diploma
- A motion was proposed and carried expressing YCAR's deep concern with the introduction of quotas on international (VISA) students.



APPENDIX I: YCAR Calendar of Events, FY2002-03

List of Speakers:

9 October

Title: The Making of the Chinese Diaspora: Typologizing Chinese Settlements Outside China
Speaker: Peter S. Li
Cosponsor: The Canada and Hong Kong Project
Attendance: 60

17 October

Title: Why Asian Business Networks are Ethnically Homogenous:
Economics Prospective
Speaker: Sumner La Croix
Cosponsor: Dept. of Economics, Arts
Attendance: 25

24 October

Title: Ankur Kala: 'Through Hard Work and Integrity'. A Profile of a Women's NGO in Calcutta
Speaker: Annie Joseph
Cosponsor: The Programme in Social Anthropology, Dept. of Anthropology (Arts)
Attendance: 12

21 November

Title: Economic, Legal, and Political Aspects of China's Transformation
Speaker: Gregory Chow, Princeton University
Cosponsor: Asian Business Studies Programme, YCAR; Department of Economic, Arts
Attendance: 25

13 January

Title: The Globalization of China: Building Capitalism with Chinese Characteristics
Speaker: Gregory Chin, Asia Branch, CIDA.
Cosponsor: Dept. of Political Science (Arts)
Attendance: 30

15 January

Title: Memories of Internment: Reflections on Hearing and Presenting Japanese Canadian Nisei Women's Life Stories
Speaker: Pamela Sugiman, McMaster University
Cosponsor: Centre for Feminist Research
Attendance: 7

27 January

Title: Vietnam's Political System: Current Development Issues



Speaker: Ngo Huy Duc, Institute of Political Science, Ho Chi Minh National Political Academy
Cosponsor: none
Attendance: 10

29 January

Title: Administrative reform, Decentralization and Grassroots Democracy in Cambodia
Speaker: Lao Mong Hay, Centre for Social Development (CSD), Phnom Penh
Cosponsor: Asian Institute, UofT
Attendance: 10

3 February

Title: Women in the New Cinemas of the Three Chinas
Speaker: Suzie Young, Department of Film & Video, York University
Co-Sponsor: Centre for Feminist Research, York University
Attendance: 13

5 February

Title: Capitalism and Contradiction, or the Pitfalls of Moral Rectitude
Speaker: Gavin Kitching, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia
Co-Sponsor: Division of Social Science, York University
Attendance: not available

26 February

Title: Local Government Reform Lessons in Bangladesh
Speaker: Mohammad H. Rahman, York Centre for Asian Research, York University
Co-Sponsor: International Development Studies Program (Arts), York University
Attendance: 9

12 March

Title: The Economic Experiences of the Chinese Immigrants in Toronto
Speaker: Lucia Lo, Department of Geography, York University
Co-Sponsor: Centre for Feminist Research, York University
Attendance: 25

21 March

Title: Is Southeast Asia a Region? Critiquing the Critique of Southeast Asian Studies
Speaker: Richard A. O'Connor, Sewanee, The University of the South, TN
Co-Sponsor: Department of Anthropology (Arts), York University
Attendance: not available

25 March

Title: Multiculturalism as an Instrument for Social Control in Singapore
Speaker: Chua Beng Huat, National University of Singapore
Co-Sponsors: Department of Geography (Arts), Department of Sociology, York University
Attendance: not available

26 March

Title: Intersections between Transnationalism and Multiculturalism in the Age of



Globalization
Speaker: Mandy Thomas, Australian National University
Co-Sponsors: Division of Social Science (Arts), Department of Anthropology (Arts), York University
Attendance: not available

3 April

Title: Vietnamese Adolescence: Between Sensuality, Sexuality, and Social Evils
Speaker: Helle Rydstrom, Linkoping University, Sweden
Co-Sponsors: Division of Social Science (Arts), Department of Anthropology (Arts), York University
Attendance: postponed to next term

List of Graduate Brownbags Seminars

6 November

Title: South Asian Identity in Canada
Speaker: Sutama Ray, Ph.D. Candidate, Dept. of Geography (Arts), York University
Cosponsor: YCAR Graduate Brown Bag
Attendance: 15

List of Forums, Films, Panel Discussions, Workshops

18 September

Title: Forum: to discuss research in South Asia, South East Asia, East Asia/and or Diaspora Studies
Cosponsor: YCAR Graduate Students
Attendance: 15 faculty; 40 students

8 November

Title: Panel: The Philippine Presidency and the Estrada Debacle
Participants: Aprodicio Laquian Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson Centre in Washington
Eleanor Laquian, Institute of Asian Research at the University of British Columbia
Amado Mendoza Jr, Associate Professor of Political Science
Deanna Santos, doctoral programme at Osgoode Hall Law School.
David Wurfel, Professor Emeritus of Political Science at the University of Windsor
Cosponsor: The University of the Philippines Alumni Association of Metro Toronto
Attendance: not available

15 November

Title: Inaugural Lecture & Discussion: Asian Identities in a Globalizing World
Asian Identities & New Directions in Asian Research
Speakers: Donald Nonini, University of North Carolina
Rudolphe De Koninck, Universite de Montreal
Cosponsor: none
Attendance: 60

27 February

Title: Panel: In Wake of Bali Bombing: Domestic, Southeast Asian, or Global Politics?



Panelists: Judith Nagata, Dept. of Anthropology, York University
David Wurfel, York Centre for Asian Research, York University
Joshua Barker, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Toronto
Jacques Bertrand, Dept. of Political Science, University of Toronto

Cosponsor: none

Attendance: 6

7-8 March

Title: Workshop: Transnational Political Practices Among Asian, Latin American, and Caribbean Canadians: Implications for Area Studies, Policy

Co-Sponsors: Centre for Research on Latin American and the Caribbean (CERLAC), York University

Attendance: 100

13 March

Title: Film: Gujarat: A Laboratory of Hindu Rastra Fascism

Director: Suma Josson

Co-Sponsors: Department of Anthropology (Arts), Founders College, South Asian Studies Programme (Div. Of Social Science), York University

Attendance: 30

List of Conferences

22 November

Title: Conference: Gender, Migration and Health: Asian-Canadian Perspectives

Cosponsor: The York Centre for Feminist Research; Hong Fook Mental Health Association; Funded by YCAR, but not organized

Attendance: not available



APPENDIX II: YCAR Statement of Operations, FY2002-03

Source/Purpose	Budget	Total Funds
	Fiscal Year	Recovery
	2002/03	2002/03
Total funds available	\$ 83,600	\$ 130,343.79
Expenditures:		
Administration	\$ 61,833	\$ 62,683.58
General Office	\$ 20,143	\$ 14,541.41
Program Development	\$ 13,267	\$ 2,765.95
Outreach	\$ 4,896.00	\$ 1,156.90
Conference Planning	\$ 6,980.00	\$ 350.00
Visiting Speakers	\$ 7,193.88	\$ 6,188.00
Graduate Student	\$ 8,287.20	\$ 3,013.79
IDRC-Laos Tenure Project flow-thru		(429.00)
Total expenditures	\$ 122,600	\$ 90,270.63
Underspent/(Overspent)	(39,000.00)	40,073.16
Carryforward from previous years	39,000.00	39,000.00
Account balance & funds available	\$ 0.00	\$ 79,073.16



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