

This Month in Mongolian Studies – April 2011

This is a monthly listing of selected academic activities and resources related to Mongolia. This list is based on information the ACMS has received and is presented as a service to its members. If you would like to submit information to be included in next month's issue please contact the ACMS at info@mongoliacenter.org

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ACMS Sponsored Programs and Events

ACMS Panel at the NAMBC Annual General Meeting-April 28, Washington DC

9:00 AM – “Common Ground: The Intersection of Mining and Cultural Heritage in Mongolia,” Phoenix Park Hotel Ballroom, Lobby Level

Moderator: Charles Krusekopf, Ph.D., Executive Director, American Center for Mongolian Studies (ACMS)

Uranchimeg Tsultem, Ph.D., Lecturer, University of California, Berkeley, Department of Art History and Adviser to the Mongolian President for Cultural Heritage Issues – Art and Landscape in Mongolia

Jeffrey Altschul, Ph.D., President, SRI Foundation/Chairman, Statistical Research, Inc – Protecting the Past, Preserving the Present: The Oyu Tolgoi Cultural Heritage Program

Paula DePriest, Ph.D., Deputy Director, Museum Conservation Institute, Smithsonian Institution – Gold Fever in the Mongolian Taiga

William Fitzhugh, Ph.D., Director, Arctic Studies Center, Smithsonian Institution – Mongolia's Archaeological Treasures: Preserving the Past for the Future

Robin Charpentier, ACMS Resident Director – Improving Mongolian Cultural Relations at the Mining and Cultural Heritage Interstices

ACMS Annual Membership Meeting-April 28, Washington DC

5pm-7:30pm ACMS Annual Membership Meeting, Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies (SAIS), Room 806, Rome Building, 1919 Massachusetts Ave, Washington, DC
The meeting will begin with a keynote lecture by Dr. Uranchimeg Tsultem, Lecturer, University of California, Berkeley and Adviser to the Mongolian President for Cultural Heritage Issues “Behind the Scenes: Challenges of Cultural Preservation in Post-Socialist Mongolia.” This will be followed by an overview of the ACMS's activities over the year and a reception with a cultural program co-sponsored by the Washington-based Mongolian Cultural Center. This event is free and open to all ACMS members and the general public.

ACMS – Enkhbaatar Demchig Field Research Fellowship 2011 Program

The American Center for Mongolian Studies Enkhbaatar Demchig Field Research Fellowship supports Mongolian students working collaboratively with international scholars from North America on academic research projects conducted in Mongolia. The program is designed to connect promising Mongolian undergraduate, graduate and post-doctoral students with international research partners who are conducting research work in Mongolia. The program offers students a research stipend of \$500 to support their work on a research project in the summer or fall of 2011. Applicants must be Mongolian citizens currently enrolled full-time in an undergraduate or graduate program in a research university in Mongolia or in North America. Research projects from any academic field, including the physical and natural sciences, social sciences and humanities, are eligible. Deadline: May 1st, 2011

Third Annual Research Conference Sponsored by the Henry Luce Foundation

May 25 – 27, 2011, “The Case for Complexity: Accounting for Diversity in Mongolian History, Culture and Ecology,” Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Keynote speakers include David Sneath, Ph.D., Professor and Director, Mongolian and Inner Asia Studies Unit, University of Cambridge and Susan Crate, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Anthropology, Department of Environmental Science and Policy, George Mason University.

ACMS Speaker Series – Mongolia

Date: 5:30 PM, Thursday-April 7th, 2011, MUST, Central Library, Room 405
Speaker: Odontsetseg Brown, MD

Title: “Oyu Tolgoi Community Health, Safety and Security Impact Assessment – Key Findings and Concepts”

Abstract: The Khukh Tenger Khugjil Konsortsium (KTKK) was engaged over the past 9 months to assist Oyu Tolgoi (OT) to consider, analyze, and develop a program to mitigate risks that its operations hold for nearby communities' health, safety, and security. Through a two-phase approach, KTKK conducted a health, safety, and security impact assessment and is developing a targeted community health, safety, and security program designed to achieve risk mitigation.

These lectures are free and open to the public. Directly following the lecture the ACMS hosts “Thursday Nights/Naitz at the ACMS.” This is a time and a place where lecture attendees and other scholars in Ulaanbaatar gather to continue discussing the presentation and to meet others conducting research in Mongolia

New Acquisitions at the ACMS Library

Each month the ACMS publishes a list of materials acquired and added to the collection. The complete list for March 2011 can be viewed on the ACMS library website at http://www.mongoliacenter.org/library/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=658&Itemid=54 Here are some highlights:

Hu, Z. (1994). *Xin Man Han da ci dian =: Iche Manzhu Nikan gisun kamchibuha buleku bithe*. Wulumuqi Shi: Xinjiang ren min chu ban she.

Canuto, M. A., & Yaeger, J. (2000). *The Archaeology of Communities: A New World Perspective*. London: Routledge.

Parkinson, W. A. (2002). *The Archaeology of Tribal Societies*. Ann Arbor, Mich: International Monographs in Prehistory.

LaBianca, Ø. S., & Scham, S. A. (2006). *Connectivity in Antiquity: Globalization as a Long-Term Historical Process*. London: Equinox Publishing.

Barnard, H., Wendrich, W., & Cotson Institute of Archaeology at UCLA. (2008). *The Archaeology of Mobility: Old World and New World Nomadism*. Los Angeles: Cotson Institute of Archaeology, University of California.

Leonard, W. R., & Crawford, M. H. (2008). *The Human Biology of Pastoral Populations*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Bentley, R. A., Maschner, H. D. G., & Chippindale, C. (2009). *Handbook of Archaeological Theories*. Lanham, MD: Altamira Press.

Hanks, B. K., & Linduff, K. M. (2009). *Social Complexity in Prehistoric Eurasia: Monuments, Metals, and Mobility*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Call for Papers, Conferences and Workshops

Conference: April 7-8, 2011, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. "McCloskey Mongolian Coal and Infrastructure Conference 2011." The conference will cover the following topics: Evolution of Mongolian government policy and mining law; overview of Mongolia's coal reserves; review of Mongolia's proposed rail and road transport projects; world coking coal demand: 2011 – 2031; overview of the 7.5Bt Ovoot Tolgoi coal deposit; Mongolia's domestic power demand; international investor's view of Mongolia's coal assets; review of Chinese coking coal and steel demand; the direction of Mongolia's coal exports; challenges for labor and equipment supply; global economic outlook; the influence of coal indices on Mongolian coking coal pricing. Visit: <http://conf.mccloskeycoal.com/story.asp?storycode=73828>

Call for Articles: Mountain Research & Development theme issue: "Central Asian Mountain Societies in Transition." Mountain Research and Development (MRD), in collaboration with University of Central Asia's Mountain Societies Research Centre, is seeking articles in two themes 1) analyses of how social, economic, and environmental systems function and have changed in mountain societies in Central Asia; and 2) development interventions or practice-oriented research that analyzes approaches and means of adapting to or coping with change. The Central Asian mountain societies are in the following ranges: the Altai, Tien Shan, Alai, Pamir, Hindu Kush, Karakorum, and western Himalayas. Deadline: April 30th, 2011. Contact: chad.dear@ucentralasia.org Visit: <http://www.mrd-journal.org/>

Call for Papers: May 7, 2011, University of Washington, Seattle. "The 23rd Annual Nicholas Poppe Symposium on Central/Inner Asian Studies." Paper submissions on the topic of "Central Asia and Mongolia: Twenty Years of Independence," dealing with developments in language, literature, art, traditions and culture, education, health, environment and other vital issues are invited. Deadline: April 8, 2011. Contact: icirt@u.washington.edu Lecture: May 11, 2011, 6PM, Humboldt University, Berlin. "Three Years in Hovd." Part of the Institute for Asian and African Studies' Mongolia Colloquium. Visit: <http://www2.hu-berlin.de/zentralasien/index-en.php>

Call for Applications: June 15th–17th, 2011, Institute for Sinology, Ghent University, Blandijnberg. "Ethnicity and Sinicization Reconsidered: Workshop on Non-Han Empires in China." The Institute of Chinese Studies and LMU Munich University are co-organizing this workshop. This workshop is for graduate students of East Asian and Central Asian history, sociology, anthropology, political science, or ethnology. Contact: F.Fiaschetti@campus.lmu.de or Julia.Schneider@UGent.be

Summer Course: June 17-August 12, Bloomington, Indiana. For the first time, SWESSL will offer two levels of intensive Mongolian—Introductory and Intermediate—on the campus of Indiana University, Bloomington. These 8 week intensive courses provide a semester of university-level instruction. Bloomington has an active Mongolian community and is home to **The Mongolia Society** and the **Tibetan Mongolian Buddhist Cultural Center** (TMBCC). Visit: <http://www.indiana.edu/~swseel/program/languages.shtml>

International Conference: June 27-29, 2011, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. "Mongolians After Socialism: Economic Aspiration, Political Development, and Cultural Identity." The States at Regional Risk Project (SARR) at Emory University, Atlanta, USA; Open Society Forum (OSF) and Manjushri Institute of Buddhist Studies are organizing this international conference. The MAS conference will bring together considerations of economic and environmental aspiration, political development, and cultural/spiritual identity. Contact: Bruce Knauft, antbk@emory.edu

International Symposium: July 18-19, 2011, Istanbul. "Altay Communities: Migrations and Emergence of Nations." A call for research papers has been issued for topics related to history, migration, emergence and formation of communities, languages, linguistics, and nation building. Deadline: end of May 30, 2011. Contact: altaysymp@gmail.com ilsahin40@gmail.com

International Symposium: August 15-16, 2011, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. "International Symposium on Antoine Mostaert." The Antoon Mostaert Center for Mongolian Studies (AMC) will organize a symposium in celebration of the 130th anniversary of the birth of the eminent researcher Antoine Mostaert. Main topics of the conference

are Antoine Mostaert in relation to Mongolian language, history, culture, literature, religion and comparative religion. Deadline: June 30, 2011. Contact: mostaertcenter@magicnet.mn or jamescicm@yahoo.com

Call for Papers: September 15-18, 2011, Columbus, Ohio. Conference on "Islamic Identity, Steppe Warfare, Mongol Empire." Papers are solicited for two panels: 1) Steppe Warfare (Scythians to Hungars); and 2) the Mongol Empire (1206-1260). Contact: tmmay@northgeorgia.edu

Call for Papers: September-28-30, 2011, Salamanca, Spain. "EOS700. Seven Centuries of Oriental Studies in Salamanca." In 2011, seven centuries after Pope Clemens V proclaimed a "canon" urging the Universities of Bologna, Oxford, Paris and Salamanca to teach oriental languages, the orientalist of the University of Salamanca will celebrate this anniversary. Session topics: Anatolian Studies, Central and South Asia, East Asia, Egyptology, Arabic and Islam, Hebrew and Aramaic, Ancient Near East. Contact: eos700@usal.es visit: <http://www.eos700.es/>

International Conference: October 22-23, 2011, Wellesley College, Massachusetts. "New England Association for Asian Studies." The NEAAS Program Committee welcomes proposals for panels, roundtables or individual presentations that address the history, societies, political and economic systems, languages and literary/visual cultures of Asia. Panels and roundtables that take an innovative approach to the format (interdisciplinary, creative, mixed media) are welcome. Proposal deadline: July 1, 2011. Contact: ezimmerm@wellesley.edu

Call for Articles: Articles are currently being sought for the *Journal of Early Modern History* published by Brill and Global Oriental. The early modern period of world history (ca. 1300-1800) was marked by a rapidly increasing level of global interaction. Between the aftermath of the Mongol conquest in the East and the onset of industrialization in the West, a framework was established for new kinds of contacts and collective self-definition across an unprecedented range of human and physical geographies. JEMH invites submissions both of individual articles and of proposals for special editions (which may appear up to twice a year). Contact: jemh@umn.edu Visit: <http://www.brill.nl/default.aspx?partid=212&pid=7320>

Articles Needed for Multi-Study Book: University of Cambridge is preparing a multi-study book to be published by Brill on the topic "The Mongols and the Transformation of the Middle East." The publication has a number of contributions confirmed and the team is still looking for some specific topics to complete the volume. At the moment the publishers are looking for articles that deal with the transformation and/or continuity of the areas listed below in Ilkhanid Iran and the surrounding regions (especially Egypt, Anatolia, Europe): Religion; Economy; Administration; The political system of the Mongols. The articles should represent the nomad/sedentary balance in society and specifically stress patterns of continuity and transformation. Extended deadline for submission: June 1st. Contact: Bruno De Nicola bd288@cam.ac.uk

Research Fellowships, Scholarships and Grants

Grant: Mongolian Women's Fund will award a small grant to local non-government organizations that work to empower women of Mongolia, especially those that target single mothers with multiple children. The grant amount is up to 1 million tugrugs and it will be awarded to NGOs that possess experience in carrying out such projects and that propose a project no less than eight months long. Application deadline: April 20, 2011. Contact: mones@mongol.net or chimgee@mones.org.mn

University of Westminster Mongolia Scholarship: Full tuition fee waivers, accommodation, living expenses and flights to and from London. You must and hold an offer for a full-time Masters degree and be a student from Mongolia. This full scholarship is for nationals of Mongolia and is given in partnership with International Students House. Deadline: May 31, 2011. Visit: <http://www.westminster.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/scholarships/postgraduate/mongolia-scholarship>

Request for Proposals: UNDP Mongolia is now requesting proposals from local public relations agencies and corporations to collaborate on a project of women's empowerment to increase their social presence in positions of power. The project would focus on participation and representation of women in the election system in Mongolia. It will work on organizing campaigns and media dissemination to ultimately establish parliamentary

quota for women that further guarantee more seats and power positions.

Contact: gereltod.erdenebileg@undp.org Visit: <http://www.undp.mn/>

Fellowship: 2012 Rotary Peace Fellowship for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution. This fellowship program is intended for individuals who have: chosen a career related to international relations or peace and conflict resolution; work experience in this area; and the potential to have a major impact in their field. Applicants can choose to be in either the Master's program or professional development certificate program at one of the Rotary Peace Centers for International Studies at seven universities worldwide. Applicants should preferably contact the rotary club of residence. Application deadline: July 1, 2011. Contact: rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org Visit: www.rotary.org/rotarycenters

Scholarship: Now in its fifth year, the Khan Bank has a scholarship program to award tuition grants to outstanding graduating secondary school students and students in need of financial aid for their university education. The Khan Bank Scholars for the 2011-2012 Academic year will be selected from across Mongolia. Contact: enkhulzii@khanbank.com Visit: <http://www.khanbank.com/en/52/News.html?n=168>

Position Opening

Research Position on Perestroika in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Mongolia

A research position is available for a student already enrolled in a Ph.D. program to work on an international research project on The History of Perestroika in Central Asia (social transformation in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Mongolia, 1982-1991). The project, sponsored by the Volkswagen Foundation and hosted by Humboldt University Berlin and the Central Asian Foundation for Developing Democracy in Almaty, begins chronologically at the end of Brezhnev's era in 1982 and Tsedenbal's long rule in Mongolia in 1984 and continues up to the dissolution of the USSR in 1991. Contact: umbetali@yahoo.com Visit: http://www2.hu-berlin.de/zentralasien/index-en.php?section=perestroika_en

Resources

Mongolian Journal of International Affairs

This online journal is published by the Institute of International Studies at the Mongolian Academy of Sciences. The journal focuses on international affairs, academic research and study tied to Mongolia. Hard copies are published once every two years. Researchers can access all previous issues dating to 2006.

Visit: <http://www.mongoliajol.info/index.php/MJIA/index>

United States Student Achievers Program

This Program assists highly talented and determined, economically-disadvantaged 10th level students to negotiate and finance the admissions process for colleges and universities in the United States. Program staffers work closely with students through regularly scheduled meetings and seminars to assist them throughout the application process to secure admission and scholarships for colleges and universities in the United States. EARC provides free membership to its resource and advising sessions for participants. Students must be able to reach our office in Ulaanbaatar on a regular basis during the school year, throughout school holidays, and after exams, for full participation. The students will work with educational advising staff over this year and the next year to try to secure places and financial assistance to begin study in the US.

Deadline: Friday, April 22, 2011 Visit: <http://mongolia.usembassy.gov/root/media/pdf/usap2012.pdf>

Table of Contents Service for Scholars in Mongolia

The Information Resource Center (IRC) of the Public Affairs Section, US Embassy in Mongolia, is offering a Table of Contents service in two areas: economics and finance; and foreign affairs, politics and defense. In order to receive an article of interest visits the IRC

website: http://mongolia.usembassy.gov/periodical_subject.html and send your requests to bolormaadx1@state.gov, indicating the article title, periodical, and page number.

News and Events

AAS CIAC E. Gene Smith Book Prize for Inner Asia

The Prize, named to honor the distinguished scholar of Tibet, Mongolia, and other areas of Inner Asia, E. Gene Smith, carries a \$1,000 award. Current members of the Association for Asian Studies' China and Inner Asia Council (CIAC) will appoint a selection committee for the prize. Books nominated may address either contemporary or historical topics in any field of the humanities or the social sciences related to any of the countries and regions in Asia stretching from Afghanistan to Mongolia. AAS will announce the establishment of the E. Gene Smith Inner Asia Book Prize at the 2012 AAS Annual Conference in Toronto, and recognize the first recipient of the prize at the 2013 AAS Annual Conference. Source: <http://www.asian-studies.org/publications/book-prizes.htm>

Biobeers- April 7th, 2011, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
Ch. Oyundari, School of Geography and Geology, National University of Mongolia, will give a talk entitled "Virtual Water" and O. Uuganbadrakh, Department of Biology, School of Natural Science, Mongolian State University of Agriculture, will give a talk entitled "Home Range of the Long-eared Jerboa in the Borzongiin Gobi Desert," which focuses on his radio telemetry study inside the Little Gobi Strictly Protected Area in Nomgon sum, Omnogobi province. Sweet Cafe (located behind the Information and Technological National Park and next to the Admon Printing Company, west of Internom Bookstore Building).
Contact: MongolBioweb@yahoogroups.co.uk

Early Iranian and Central Asian Numismatics-April 10th, 2011, Hofstra University
The Middle Eastern and Central Asian Program at Hofstra University will host the Third Seminar on Early Iranian and Central Asian Numismatics in honor of Boris Kochnev (1940-2002). Session IV of the seminar is about the Mongols and will feature: The Coin Finds from the Heart of the Mongol Empire: Qaraqorum Results of the Bonn University Excavation, Coins of the Ilkhanid ruler Abu Sa'id Bahadur Khan.
Visit: <http://www.ocamagazine.com/early-iranian-and-central-asian-numismatics>

New England Conservation Association's Annual Conservation Intern Presentations- April 13, 6:30-8 PM, Harvard University
ACMS fellowship recipient, Colleen O'Shea will give a presentation titled "Archaeological Conservation on the Silk Road." The presentation will take place at the Weissman Preservation Center building, Harvard University, 90 Mt. Auburn Street, Cambridge, Mass.

Upcoming and Recent Publications

Xinjiang Chaha'er Menggu xi qian jian shi / Zhong gong Bo'ertala Menggu Zizhizhou wei yuan hui dang shi yan jiu shi, Bo'ertala Menggu Zizhizhou di fang zhi ban gong shi bian zhu. 新疆察哈蒙古西迁史 / 中共博塔拉蒙古自治州委会党史研究室, 博塔拉蒙古自治州地方志公室著 (A Concise History of Westward Migration of the Xinjiang Chahar Mongols), Zhong gong Bo'ertala Menggu Zizhizhou wei yuan hui, Bo'ertala Menggu Zizhizhou di fang zhi ban gong shi, 2010.

"Армии монголо-татар X—XIV веков (Armies of Mongol-Tatars X-XIV centuries)," Mikhail Gorelik, 2010, Tehnika Molodezhi and Vostochnii Gorizont. This book is the result of more than 35 years of research by an expert in military affairs, material and artistic culture of the ancient and medieval peoples of Eurasia. The author explores military equipment of the Khitans, Mongols and Tatars, as well as their neighboring nations. The book also features reconstructions of military arms, equipment and armor.

"China's Policies on its Borderlands and the International Implications," Edited by Yufan Hao and Bill K P Chou, 2010, Brill. This book examines the interplay of two sets of policies: the Chinese government's policies to its borderlands and international relations.

"Court Cultures in the Muslim World: Seventh to Nineteenth Centuries," Edited by Albrecht Fuess and Jan-Peter Hartung, 2010, Routledge. This books includes a chapter on the Mongol court in Baghdad.

"Mongol orny khoekhton amitad : Tanikh garyn avlaga (Mammals of Mongolia: Common Traits)," N. Batsaikhan, Samiya, S. Shar, S. R. B. King, 2010, Mongol Ulsiin Ih Surguuli. The book features descriptions and common traits by which each type can be recognized. It includes information on tracking, ecological habitat, excrement, and feeding habits.

"Turks and Khazars: Origins, Institutions, and Interactions in Pre-Mongol Eurasia," Peter B. Golden, 2010, Ashgate Variorum. This second collection of studies by Peter Golden continues his explorations of the Turk Empire, the polities that appeared after its collapse, and of the Khazar Qaghanate in the western Eurasian steppes. These essays document the cultural interactions between the Turkic nomads of pre-Chinggisid Eurasia and neighboring settled societies such as the Kievan Rus', Georgia and the Islamic world. Included here are studies dealing with the role of Khazars in the Islamic ghulam (slave soldier) system.

"Туве век спустя после Каррутерса и Менхен-Хельфена (Tuva a Century after Carruthers and Manchen-Helfen)," Marina Mongush, 2010, National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka. The book is based on two famous publications from the past century and gives comparative analysis to events and anthropological inquiry into the Tuva region, its people and culture.

"Хотгойд ардын аман зохиол (Oral literature of Hotgoid people)", B. Katuu, 2010. Hotgoids were once part of union of four Oirats. The book consists of chapters on tales, myths, eruul, song, minor kind or riddles and shaman chants. The author dedicated this book to the 300th birthday of the great hero of the Hotgoid people, Chinguunjav.

"Хотгойдын Чингүнжав түүхийн судалгаанд (Historical Research on Hotgoidiin Chinguunjav)," Mongolian Academy of Sciences, 2010. The book is a compilation of works by Mongolian and foreign scholars on Mongolians' struggle against Manchurians under the leadership of the Hotgoidiin Chinguunjav, covering the period 1755-1758.

"Muslim Fortresses in the Levant: Between Crusaders and Mongols," Kate Raphael, 2011, Routledge. This book examines the development and role of Muslim fortresses at the time of the Crusades and the Mongol invasion.

"Торгуудын бага нүүдэл (Sub-Migrations of Torguds), Ts. Mukhar, 2011. This literary novel focuses on 500 years of Oirad, Torguud and Zhungar migrations around east Europe and Asia. The novel traces the making of the Jangar epic and the history of oral culture of Oirats to Prince Ubashi's rule and the "great migration" recorded in the history of Oirats.

"The Secret History of Mongolia," E. Otgonbayar, 2011. Artist E.Otgonbayar made this illustrated book after having studied history of comic and Mongolian style painting for 13 years. The comic book consists of miniature events with descriptions in German.

"Protest with Chinese Characteristics: Demonstrations, Riots, and Petitions in the Mid-Qing Dynasty," Ho-fung Hung, 2011, Columbia. The author revisits rallies, riots, market strikes, and other forms of contention. Hung shows how the centralization of political power and an expanding market, coupled with a persistent Confucianist orthodoxy, shaped protesters' strategies and appeals in mid-Qing China.

"The Scramble for China: Foreign Devils in the Qing Empire, 1832-1914," Robert Bickers, 2011, Allen Lane.

"The Columbia Anthology of Chinese Folk and Popular Literature," Edited by Victor H. Mair and Mark Bender, 2011, Columbia. This collection presents works drawn from the large body of oral literature of many of China's recognized ethnic groups—including the Miao, Tu, Daur, Tibetan, Uyghur, and Kazak—and the selections include a variety of genres. Chapters cover folk stories, songs, rituals, and drama, as well as epic traditions and professional storytelling.

"Constructing Grievance: Ethnic Nationalism in Russia's Republics," Elise Giulliano, 2011, Cornell Press. The book explores why people with ethnic identities support nationalism in some cases but remain quiescent in others. She compares sixteen ethnic republics of the Russian Federation, where nationalist mobilization varied widely during the early 1990s despite a common Soviet inheritance.

"The Mongol Unification of China," Stephen G. Haw, 2012, Routledge. This book provides an account of the period immediately preceding the Mongol conquest of China, presenting evidence that suggests the first use of gunpowder weapons in China.

“Public Administration in Post-Communist Countries: Former Soviet Union, Central and Eastern Europe, and Mongolia,” Edited by Saltanat Liebert, Stephen Emerson Condrey, Dmitry Goncharov, 2012, Routledge. This is a comparative study of public administration and governance in post-communist countries.

“Mongol орны khoyor nutagtan, mólkhögchid : óngót gerél zuragt todorkhoǎlokh bichig (Amphibians of Mongolia: with illustrations and annotations), Kh. Mönkhbaiar, Kh. Tėrbish, M. Mönkhbaatar, 2010, Monkhiin Useg. The book gives detailed account of the types of amphibians that exist throughout Mongolia.