



Confucian Asia: Traditions and Transformations

June 13 – July 15, 2016

This National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute for college and university teachers will explore Confucianism as an evolving system of thought and practice, including its impacts on social dynamics, the arts and politics. The multidisciplinary program will facilitate deep and context-rich engagement with key traditions and primary texts (in translation), enabling participants to appreciate how common Confucian values were given different practical and institutional expression as they were carried from China to Korea, Japan and Vietnam, and as East Asia adopted and adapted the global ideals of modernization and industrialization. Designed to strike a balance between the needs both for breadth and depth in engaging traditions that are culturally and historically distant, the Institute will introduce participants to current scholarship on Confucianism and provide abundant resources for developing course materials for use in a wide range of humanities and social science disciplines. Accepted applicants will receive a \$3,900 stipend to help defray the costs of participation.

The Institute will be hosted in Honolulu, Hawai'i on the adjacent campuses of the East-West Center (EWC) and the University of Hawai'i at Manoa (UHM). Located in Manoa, one of the most beautiful valleys in all the Hawaiian Islands, the EWC and UH combined are home to the largest concentration of Asia specialists in the US, with over 350 scholars in the humanities and social sciences who offer more than 600 courses a year focused on Asian cultures and societies.

Application Deadline is: March 1, 2016

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