

Writing World/Global History in Korea

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- World/Global history
 - present the human past as a single story rather than unconnected stories of many civilizations.
 - understand the past by connecting specific subject matter to larger historical patterns and tendencies.
 - avoid Euro-centrism, Sino-centrism, ethnocentrim, state-centrism, and anthropocentrim.

These understandings of world/global history in Korea is gaining currency.

◆ Alternative terms such as universal history, transnational history, international history, and big history are used.

The purpose in this presentation is

 to introduce the educations and achievements of world/global history in Korea

 to report the current state and vision of the Asian Review of World Histories

- 1-1. Research Institute of Comparative History and Culture(RICH)
 - Established in 2004 under the direction of Lim Jie-hyun, professor of History Department at Hanyang University, in Seoul.
 - RICH has sought to critically envision the individual and society from the perspective of transnational humanities, deconstructing the categories and boundaries of 'nation' and 'state.'
 - RICH has organized many regular domestic and international conferences with their themes such as inaugural theme of "Mass Dictatorship" and others on the culture of "War Commemoration," "Transnational History," and "History of Everyday Life."

- **1-1. Research Institute of Comparative History and Culture(RICH)**
 - RICH are composed of three committees, including Steering Committee, International Advisory Committee, and Personnel Committee, thirteen fulltime faculty members, four affiliated faculty members, and several research assistants.
 - RICH is in partnership with fourteen foreign research institutes including Society for the Humanities & Department of Asian Studies of Cornell University (Prof. Naoki Sakai) in the US, Program on Science, Technology and Society of Harvard University (Director: Prof. Sheila Jasanoff) in the US, International Research Center for Japanese Studies (日本国際文化研究センター) in Japan.

1-1. Research Institute of Comparative History and Culture(RICH)

 RICH's flagship project, the HK(Humanities Korea) Project of Transnational Humanities, is to rescue the Humanities from the nationstate paradigm and to create transnational paradigm.

<u>http://www.rich.ac/eng/</u>



1-2. Institution for Marine & Island Cultures

 Established in 2008, Institution for Marine & Island Cultures of Mokpo National University intends to establish a database of marine and islandrelated cultural resources

 to define a global image of marine and island cultures and to contribute to their development by engaging in cooperative research with international marine and island cultures-related research institutes.

1. World / Global History in Korea 1-2. Institution for Marine & Island Cultures

Journal of Island Culture biannually (Issue No. 38 in 2011)

 international academic journal *Journal of Marine & Island Cultures* (since 2012).

Ten works including Collection of Works on Marine & Island Culture and Marine History and Culture and four works on Asian marine cultures including Chinese Islands and Folklore and Marine Folklore in the Bohai Bay Area of China

More than seventy domestic and international academic conferences whose themes are 'Marine and Island Cultures in the Global Era,' 'Korean Marine Culture Conference' etc. These conferences played a leading role in academic conferences related to marine and island studies.

1-2. Institution for Marine & Island Cultures

<u>http://islands.mokpo.ac.kr/</u>





1-3. Training Project for the Professional Manpowers for Glocal History and Culture of Kyungpook National University

The major goal of the project team is to train the professional and

creative manpowers for 'glocal' history and culture.

Glocal' is a compound word being formed from 'global' and 'local.'

Thus, 'glocal' history pays attention to understanding of globalization based on local characteristics.

1-3. Training Project for the Professional Manpowers for Glocal History and Culture of Kyungpook National University

This project started as a part of BK21 Plus (Brain Korea 21 Program for Leading Universities & Students) in September, 2013.

• Until now, the project team had organized five glocal history seminars, inviting leading world/global historians such Ji-hyung Cho, Taejin Yi, Jiehyun Lim, and Miyajima Hiroshi, and dealing with the themes such as "What is global history?" "The conception of region in Korea and Japan: World, State, and region," and "Global Environment and Human History."

- **1-4. Ewha Womans University History Department BK21 Plus for East** Asian History
 - This BK21 Program is a training project for the professional and creative future scholars for East Asian History. But East Asian history program seeks for is not the traditional history. The program tries to understand East Asian history from more global perspective.
 - July 17, 2014 World Class Scholar's Special Lecture
 Professor Michael. E. Robinson (East Asian languages and cultures at Indiana University)
 - "Trials and Prospects of East Asian Studies in North America."

1. World / Global History in Korea 1-4. Ewha Womans University History Department BK21 Plus for East Asian History

August 5, 2014 World Class Scholar's Special Lecture

Professor Eugene Y. Park (University of Pennsylvania)

"근대 전문직 중인의 신분과 선대 인식(近代 專門職 中人の 身分と 先代 認識)"

- 1-5. Institute of World and Global History of Ewha Womans University

 Institute of World and Global History was founded on December 1, 2008 as one of programs sponsored by Ministry of Education, Science, and Technology, Korea, under its WCU(World Class University) Project initiative.
 - The object of the Institute is to avoid Euro-centrism in world/global history research and writing in Korea and to play a leading role in advancing a new world/global history research and education from more critical world historical perspectives.

1-5. Institute of World and Global History of Ewha Womans University

One of the major projects of the Institute invited, and collaborated with, professor David Christian of Macquaire University who conceptualized and popularized 'big history.'

The director, Professor Ji-hyung Cho, has spearheaded research, teaching, and curriculum development for 'world/global history' and 'big history' through the institute and opened a big history class for the undergraduate students at Ewha Womans University. With the help of Dr. Seohyung Kim, he also has organized high school teachers for curriculum development, classroom preparation, and even teaching methods in the field of big history.

 Ji-hyung Cho: "The Little Ice Age and the Coming of the Anthropocene" Asian Review of World Histories 2:1 (January 2014), 1-16.

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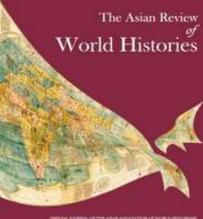
It is a peer-reviewed journal

It publishes original research articles and book reviews to advance research, teaching, and public discussion on world historical studies in or for the Asian region.

It seeks participation of historians who focus on history from crosscultural, comparative, and global perspectives and thus identify themselves as 'global,' 'world,' 'transregional,' and 'big' historians.

 It also acts as a forum for interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary conversations and collaboration of historians with scholars in adjoining disciplines including and with global historical scholars in all parts of the world.

http://www.thearwh.org/



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- 2-1. History and Current State of the Asian Review of World Histories
 The first issue of the Asian Review of World Histories were launched on January 1, 2013.
 - It is usually composed of four articles, one review article, and several book reviews(from four to five). It was designed as a biannual journal and, until now, it published 16 articles, 4 review articles, and 17 book reviews.
 - The editorial board of 16 renowned scholars do their best to improve the quality of every article. Every submitted article is put in the process of three peer-review, and the editorial board members and other scholars specializing in the subject of submitted articles proceed with the evaluation

- 2-1. History and Current State of the Asian Review of World Histories
 - The 2015 January special issue:
 - -the special issue editor, professor Rila Mukherjee at University of Hyderabad, India.
 - -The special issue focuses on the world history in the Indian Ocean World
 - The 2015 July issue will be made up of mainly of the papers by the keynote speakers and other participants at the Singapore Congress held for 29-31 May, 2015.
 - Thus, the 2016 January issue is the earliest issue open to general contributors.

- 2-2. Vision and Prospect of the Asian Review of World Histories
 - The Asian Review of World Histories with KISTI(Korea Institute of Science and Technology Information).
 - doi (digital object identifier) numbers,
 - -all articles are indexed in major Korean databases such as DBpia, KISS
 - (Koreanstudies Information Service System), and e-article.
 - Article appearing in Asian Review of World Histories are indexed in CrossRef and Worldcat, too.

- 2-2. Vision and Prospect of the Asian Review of World Histories
 - The Asian Review of World Histories made contract with EBSCO publishing on September 25, 2014
 - -all article appearing in the ARWH are indexed and/or abstracted in the EBSCOhost Databases including American History and Life, Historical Abstract, History Reference Center, Humanities International, Sociological Collection.
 - Despite its short history, the Asian Review of World Histories has made a significant progress for the past two years.

2-2. Vision and Prospect of the Asian Review of World Histories

The ARWH - from its organizing stage to the take-off stage.

For this purpose, the ARWH should encourages more world/global historians to submit their qualified original research articles relating to Asian region, with cross-cultural, comparative, and global perspectives.
In addition, the ARWH should be included in Arts & Humanities Citation Index and thus, the ARWH is more accessible by historians and other

scholars interested in world/global history in Asia.

