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Course Schedule (as of 3 September 2015)

SNoW PhD Course, Nordic Centre/Fudan, 3-6 November 2015

Monday 2 November: Arrival

18:00. Welcoming dinner

Tuesday 3 November: 9-12:

Opening: Stein Kuhnle

Lecture 1: Pauli Kettunen: "Transnational social norms and national models of welfare"

Lecture 2: Frank Liu: "Chinese social policy development in perspective"

12-14: Lunch

14-15:

Lecture 3: Zhikai Wang: "The equalization of social rights and China's rational labour mobility: the role of the new urbanization"

15:30-17:00: *Panel debate: How to compare China and Nordic/European countries? Concepts, Perspectives, Comparative empirical analysis*

(Participants: tbc)

17:00-18:00: **Student group work**, 4 groups; **Case study**

18:30: Dinner

Wednesday 4 November: 9-12:

Lecture 4: Kinglun Ngok: "China's Labour Policy Regime and its Unsettled Issues"

Lecture 5: Åsa Lundqvist: "Gender equality policies in the Nordic countries"

12-14 Lunch

14-17: **Parallel workshops I & II** (5 papers x 2)

18:00: Evening: excursion with dinner

Thursday 5 November: 9-12:

Lecture 6: Ann-Zofie Duvander: "Family policy and its outcomes in the Nordic countries"

Lecture 7: Yifei Shen: What is the family and whose Family? The predicament of Chinese family policy"

12-14: Lunch

14-15: *Lecture 8: Pan Yi: "Re-construction of Chinese welfare system – problems, challenges, policies"*

15-18: **Parallel workshops III & IV** (5 papers x 2)

Friday 6 November: 9-12:

Lecture 9: Klaus Petersen: "Analyzing social policy language"

Lecture 10: Ka Lin: "Social equality, social policy and social innovation"

12-14: Lunch

14-16: *Presentation of student group work* (case study); discussion

16-16.30: Closing session; handing out of certificates

18:00 Closing dinner

Coffee breaks to be inserted in time table.



SNoW PhD Course 2015: PARTICIPANTS

Venue: The Nordic Centre, Fudan University

Dates: 3-6 November 2015

CONFIRMED PARTICIPATING PhD candidates as of 1 September

	Name	Institution	Topic of paper
1	Erika Palmer	University of Bergen	"Structural inequality: Gender issues in the Norwegian pension system"
2	Nynne-Cecilie Schmidt	University of Southern Denmark	"The concept of security: Its political history and meaning in the Cold War and welfare state era (approx.. 1945-1989)"
3	Tina Wang	University of Southern Denmark	"The evolution of welfare policy in China – a perspective from the 'Optimal Tax Theory'"
4	Enkhcimeg Ekhmandakh	National University of Mongolia	"Present socio-economic state of Mongolia and approaches of adopting the Nordic welfare model"
5	Wenjie Zhu	Zhejiang University	"Can China Realize 'High tax, high welfare' mode as the Nordic countries?"
6	Margarita Chudnovskaya	Stockholm University	"Educational expansion and intergenerational proximity in Sweden"
7	Kathrin Morosow	Stockholm University	"Intergenerational transmission of fertility timing in Germany"
8	Tina Goldschmidt	Stockholm University	"Immigration-induced heterogeneity & majority attitudes toward the Swedish welfare state"
9	Gentian Qejvanaj	Zhejiang University	"Europeanization of the Chinese welfare state?"
10	Yongqiang Chu	Beijing Normal University	"Service delivery capacity in primary social insurance agency: A case study in China"
11	Kristin Dalen	Fafo Research Foundation/Oslo	"Restructuring welfare in China – Chinese reforms in old age pensions systems and social assistance: how do these reforms align with popular perceptions of fairness and distributive justice?"
12	Raija Koskinen	University of Helsinki	"How to deal with methodology when comparing social work practices in China and in Finland?"
13	Ásdís Arnalds	University of Iceland	"Equal rights to paid parental leave – The case of Iceland"
14	Ma Zheng	Peking University	"Why farmers drop out from the new rural cooperative medical system (NRCMS)? A case study of Hebei province"
15	Henrik Kloppenborg Møller	Lund University	"Crafting Economic Lives and Masculine Identities in the Margins of Urban China: The Case of Shanghai's 'Yellow Bull' Counterfeit Vendors"
16	Stine Bjerregaard Nielsen	University of Southern Denmark	"The Marketization of Nordic Welfare Models: Exporting Danish eldercare to China"

Nordic Centre 20 Years

The Nordic Centre at Fudan University will mark its 20 years' anniversary in the week 19-23 October 2015. The main anniversary events take place on 21 October, and SNoW will be one of the Sino-Nordic Research networks which will present itself in one of the sessions. The full program for the week can be found here : [Preliminary Programme](#)

Here is the program for the main anniversary day, 21 October:

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2015 MAIN ANNIVERSARY EVENT

0830:-09:45	Registration
09:45-10:00	Welcome Xu Ningsheng , President of Fudan University Anne Christine Johannesen , Vice Rector for International Affairs at the University of Bergen
10:00-10:20	Keynote speech: The importance of Sino-Nordic research collaboration Dag Rune Olsen , Rector of the University of Bergen
10:20-10:40	Keynote speech Yang Fujia , former President of Fudan University
10:40-11:00	Keynote speech: China and the Nordic countries Viktor Li , Consul-General of Sweden to P.R. China (TBC)
11:00-11:15	Green tea and coffee break
11:15-12:30	Introduction to the Sino-Nordic Networks for Higher Education, Research and Innovation China in the Global Turbulence: Nordic Firms' Perspectives, by Riita Kosonen , Professor, and Director of Center for Markets in Transition (CEMAT) Aalto University Sino-Nordic Welfare Research Network by Stein Kuhnle , Professor, University of Bergen Sino-Nordic network in Ethics of Research and Public Health by Reidar K. Lie , Head of Department of Philosophy, University of Bergen Urban Governance for Sustainable Cities Network by Oscar Almén and Mattias Burell , Researchers, University of Uppsala (TBC) Dynamics and Reliability of Renewable Energy Systems by Søren R.K. Nielsen , Professor, Aalborg University (TBC)
12:30-14:30	Lunch
14:30-15:00	Presentation/slideshow: Nordic Centre then and now

15:00-16:30	Academic panel sessions (choose one)
<p>Gender Studies Network</p> <p><i>Introduction</i> Cecilia Milwertz, Senior Researcher, NIAS - Nordic Institute of Asian Studies</p> <p><i>Twenty Years of Feminism in China</i> Shen Yifei, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Fudan University</p> <p><i>Gender Equality in Scandinavia: Politics and Culture</i> Siri Øyslebø Sørensen, Postdoctoral Fellow, NTNU - Norwegian University of Science and Technology</p> <p>Q&A</p>	<p>Environmental challenges</p> <p><i>Chemicals, health and the environment in the ShangEYE perspective</i> Åke Bergman, Professor, Department of Environmental Science and Analytical Chemistry, Stockholm University</p> <p><i>The human dimension of air pollution in China: New interdisciplinary research</i> Mette Halskov Hansen, Professor, Department of Culture Studies and Oriental Languages, University of Oslo</p> <p><i>Co-benefits approach in promoting the low-carbon society in China</i> Jiang Ping, Professor, Department of Environmental Science and Engineering, Fudan University</p> <p>Q&A</p>
	<p>Welfare panel</p> <p>Organized by professor Lars Bo Kaspersen, Head of Department of Political Science, University of Copenhagen, and Liu Chunrong, Co-director of Fudan European Centre for China Studies</p> <p><i>Details to follow</i></p>
16:30-17:00	Wrap-up and practical information
17:00-18:00	Break
18:00-19:00	Anniversary ceremony
19:00-19:30	Head to restaurant
19:30-21:00	Celebration dinner



PhD Scholarship on investment in childcare and human capital formation in China and the EU (2015-224-00885)

At the Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Political Science, a PhD Scholarship on investment in childcare and human capital formation in China and the EU is open for appointment on 1 November 2015 or as soon as possible.

<http://www.stillinger.aau.dk/vis-stilling/?vacancy=751946>

Job description

Centre for Comparative Welfare Studies (www.CCWS.dk) announces a PhD scholarship in cooperation with the Sino-Danish Center for Education and Research (www.sinodanishcenter.dk). The PhD project should focus on investment in childcare and the formation of human capital and apply a comparative perspective that both include Western countries and China. In Western countries, especially within the European Union, there has been a renewed focus on the importance of investment in childcare services. Thus, to a larger and larger extent it is emphasized that pre-school is crucial for human capital formation. Therefore the pre-school phase is also crucial for establishing equal life chances across gender, classes and ethnic groups. In a Western context, the Nordic countries have been frontrunners in this effort to establish high quality childcare facilities. Through tax-financed services such as health visitors, GPs and public kindergartens this area has been institutionalized. And the services have been supported by a decentralized administration within municipalities and a national educational system that has established various childcare professions. The Chinese childcare facilities are still in the making. The PhD project should contribute to the international literature on how to organize and implement public investment in childcare. Added value will be a comparative perspective that both include economic developed and less developed societies. The Chinese context provides an excellent opportunity to study the effect from childcare investment, e.g. through evaluations of new Chinese initiatives or even randomized experiments. And the Nordic context, with more than three decades of experience, provides an excellent opportunity to study how these childcare services can be effectively administered and implemented; knowledge that could be of crucial importance for the Chinese development.

The PhD student will be enrolled at the Centre for Comparative Welfare Studies (www.CCWS.dk), which is a leading Danish center for welfare state studies. The PhD project will be supervised by staff from CCWS and co-supervised by Professor Linxiu Zhang, which is a leading Chinese expert in the field. In the three year period, the PhD student will be located (minimum) 12 month in Beijing, hosted by professor Linxiu Zhang at the Center for Chinese Agricultural Policy (<http://www.ccap.org.cn/>), and at Aalborg University (minimum 12 months). The travel and accommodation costs will be covered. In terms of teaching, the PhD student will contribute to a course taught to a mix of Danish and Chinese students in the program "Public management and social innovation" at the Sino Danish Center in Beijing. Read more about going to China on www.sinodanishcenter.dk. Applicants are also welcome to contact Professor Christian Albrekt Larsen (albrekt@dps.aau.dk) for further information on the position.

The Faculty of Social Sciences wishes to ensure that PhD scholarships provide career opportunities both within and outside of the university. For that reason, PhD scholarships are formed in a manner ensuring that the competencies achieved in the position qualifies to both a career within research and a career in the private and/or public sector. No later than one year before the termination of the position, you are offered an interview in order to clarify your further career.

Qualification requirements:

The PhD scholarship has a duration of three years. Applicants to the PhD scholarship must hold a degree equivalent to a Danish Master's degree. Applicants enrolled at a Danish Master programme who expect to graduate before the date of appointment must forward a copy of their thesis contract and documentation for the date of their final exam.

The completion of the scholarship will be in accordance with the [Ministerial Order](#) on the PhD Programme at the Universities No 1039 of 27 August 2013, and it is a prerequisite for allocation of a scholarship that enrolment as a PhD student at the [Doctoral School of Social Sciences](#) takes place.

Application requirements:

- letter of motivation
- project proposal (approx. 5 pages) containing the research project title, an outline of the course of study and a description of the overall problem areas
- information on which language the PhD thesis is expected to be written in
- curriculum vitae
- diplomas confirming academic degrees (Master degree), including academic transcripts
- foreign applicants must forward verified IELTS test (International English Language Testing System). Exempted are applicants with at Master Degree from Denmark, United Kingdom, Ireland, South Africa, Australia and Canada
- Co-author statement. If publications that have been written in cooperation with others are submitted, a declaration from each of the authors must be enclosed. The declaration must state the extent of the applicant's contribution to the total work and be signed by the authors.
- Application for credit transfer if relevant.
- The **complete** application including attachments shall be sent electronically by selecting the "apply online" function.

Assessment

The assessment of the applicants will be undertaken by an expert assessment committee.

Contact

You may obtain further information regarding the academic contents of the position from Professor Christian Albrekt Larsen (albrekt@dps.aau.dk).

If you have questions regarding the procedure of applying for the position, please contact secretary Lone Corfixen (lc@adm.aau.dk).

Agreement

Appointment and salary in accordance with the Ministerial Order on the Appointment of Academic Staff at Universities No 242 of 13 March 2012 and The Ministry of Finance Circular concerning the job structure for academic staff at universities of 13 June 2007. Salary will be in accordance with the agreements in force.

Vacancy number

2015-224-00885

Deadline

10/09/2015 [Apply online](#)



Sino-Nordic Conference in Beijing, 20-21 June 2015

The Sino-Nordic Welfare Laboratory, which is being established at the Institute of Sociology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, organized jointly with SNoW an international seminar on «Ageing Welfare & Social Policy» at CASS, Beijing, 20 -21 June 2015. Altogether 25 papers were presented. Most participants came from China, from 8 different universities/research institutions, plus Hong Kong, and other participants came from Denmark, Finland, Norway, Sweden, Australia, South Korea, and the USA. The plan is to edit papers for a book publication.



NordWel International Summer School 2015

The NordWel (<http://blogs.helsinki.fi/nord-wel/>) PhD Summer School 2015 took place at the University of Helsinki, Swedish School of Social Science, during 9-12 June 2015.

The summer school was organized in collaboration with, and co-financed by, SNoW.

The program consisted of lectures, workshops and panel discussion. The lectures were held by international and Nordic senior scholars and addressed different central themes and topics in welfare research. Altogether 16 PhD candidates from Nordic and Chinese universities attended the course. They all presented papers which were discussed and commented upon by seniors scholars and fellow PhD candidates. In workshops, one hour per paper. Teachers included Sonya Michel (Professor, Department of History, University of Maryland, US), Jin Feng (Professor, School of Economics, Fudan University, China), Noel Whiteside (Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Warwick, UK), Yuegen Xiong (Professor, Department of Sociology, Peking University), Helena Blomberg-Kroll (Professor, The Swedish School of Social Science, University of Helsinki), Pauli Kettunen (Professor, Department of Political and Economic Studies, University of Helsinki), Stein Kuhnle (Professor, Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen), Åsa Lundqvist (Professor, Department of Sociology, Lund University), Paul Marx (Associate professor, Centre for Welfare State Research, University of Southern Denmark) and Klaus Petersen (Professor, Centre for Welfare State Research, University of Southern Denmark).