

## About PASS

The Pacific Asia Student Seminar (PASS) is an international forum held by Taiwan Japan Student Conference in NTU, together with NTUSSSA (National Taiwan University Social Science Student Association). Initiated in December, 2008, and has the first conference ever scheduled in August, 2009. Participants include students from various countries: Taiwan, People's Republic of China (and Hong Kong SAR), Japan, Republic of Korea, Singapore, United States of America, etc. Membership is granted to undergraduates and graduate students who are greatly interested in the history, development, present situation and the future progress and prosperity of Pacific Asia area.

Under the influence of globalization nowadays, more and more regional alliances and regional organizations were formed to accumulate the development and interactions both in-region and between-regions. For example, Asia established ASEAN in 1961 (Association of Southeast Asian Nations), and later accepted the application from China, Japan, and South Korea in 2004, to form the new free trade zone in Eastern Asia, "ASEAN plus three." Also, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (acronym as APEC), established in 1989, includes 21 Asia-Pacific countries. Via communication in between the Asia-Pacific economic bodies, and related department officials, we hope the dialogs and the consultations can lead to regional economic growth and prosperity.

The Asia-Pacific countries have been friends for a long time, as we can tell from the history. Under a global economic frame, and along with a closer relationship in trade, the intercourse can only be more frequent. In which way the Asia-Pacific area should develop has become the subject that we, as responsible civil civilians in the region, can not emphasize more.

We thought the students, as potential intellectuals in civil society, should have a deeper insight into the Asia-Pacific area past and should be able to think independently and paint the future picture of the region and further development. Exchanging of the opinions is important.

Different from any conference before, this time, we have planned something extraordinary that you probably haven't seen in Asia before. Eight days of conference, various speeches on different should-know hot issues nowadays, visiting to the hardly open important decision-making places, appreciating of cultural performances, and so on. Through out the eight-day conference, we are also expected to cover topics in six categories: history, politics, economics, human rights, culture and civil Society. In addition, we even have scheduled extra time for extended discussion, expecting that students around the Asia-Pacific can get to know each other better and ponder how to create the peaceful future together.

## Timetable of Pacific Asia Student Seminar 2009

8/10 Mon	8/11 Tue	8/12 Wed	8/13 Thu	8/14 Fri	8/15 Sat	8/16 Sun	8/17 Mon
	History	Politics	Economics	Human Rights	Culture	Civil Society	
Registration	Breakfast						
Opening Ceremony	[Lecture] History of World War II in Asia-Pacific	[Activity] A Visit to Mainland Affairs Council, The Executive Yuan	[Lecture] Global Free Trade, and The Regionalism of Asian	City Tour	[Keynote Speech II]	[Forum] The Status Quo ,and Problems Facing of Mass Media in Asian Countries	Presentation
[Keynote Speech I]							Closing Ceremony
Lunch				Lunch			
[Activity] A Visit to The Gallery of NTU History	[Workshop] Comparison of History Textbooks of Asia-Pacific Countries	[Lecture] Root cause of The Cross-strait Issue	[Forum] Documentary About the WTO		[Lecture] Comparison of Pop Cultures in Asia-Pacific Region	[Workshop] Solution to the Environmental Movement of NPO in Asia-Pacific	Free Activities
Coffee Break				Coffee Break			
[Activity] Country Report	[Open Space Discussion]				[Open Space Discussion]		
[Activity] Who Wants To Be A Millionaire In Asia-Pacific?	World War II: From the Asia-Pacific Perspectives	The Cross-Strait Relationship: From the Asia-Pacific Perspectives	Asian Economic Integration: From the Asia-Pacific Perspectives		Comparison of Pop Cultures in East Asian Countries	Comparison of Civil Society In Asia-Pacific Countries	
Welcome Party	Dinner				Dinner		Farewell Party
	[Activity] Explore the Old Downtown of Taipei	[Lecture] Realpolitik in Contemporary Cross-Strait Relationships	[Activity] Explore the Night Entertainment of Taipei	[Activity] Film Festival	[Activity] Music Night: Mini Concert by Taiwanese Indigenous People	[Discussion] Preparation for Presentation	
Supper							
To retire for the night							

The timetable is subject to change.

For more information please check the official website: [www.pass.org.tw](http://www.pass.org.tw) or contact us by E-mail: [passin2009@gmail.com](mailto:passin2009@gmail.com) Thank you very much!

## **PASS 2009 INTRODUCTION**

This year, 2009, PASS' issue emphasizes on the Cross-Strait issue under the Asia-Pacific construction. That is to say, we're going to discuss about the issue focusing on how the interaction between Taiwan and China influences the development and integration of the Asia-Pacific region particularly and thoroughly.

Moreover, we have set up the six categories (sub-fields) : history, politics, economics, human rights, culture and civil society. Also, we are going to hold up many lectures, visits, and a series of continual discussions (open space discussion) about these six sub-fields. As for the human rights, we will take all the participants from different countries to the memorial halls or historic spots about human rights that you perhaps never plan or have a chance to go.

- **Dates:**

10th – 17th, August, 2009

- **Seminar Venues:**

College of Liberal Arts, National Taiwan University

No.1, Sec4, Roosevelt Road, Taipei City, 10617, Taiwan

College of Social Sciences, National Taiwan University

NO.21, Hsu-chow Road, Taipei City, 10055 Taiwan

- **Hotel Accommodation:**

Friends Hotel Taipei

No.143-6, Sec.1, Xing Sheng S. Road, Taipei City, Taiwan

- **Organizer :**

National Taiwan University Social Science Student Association

Taiwan Japan Student Conference in NTU

Department of Japanese Language and Literature, NTU

- **Co-organizer :**

College of Liberal Arts, NTU

College of Social Science, NTU

The Institute for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences, NTU

● **Sponsors :**

Bureau of International Culture and Educational Relations, Ministry of Education

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, ROC (Taiwan)

Mainland Affairs Council, The Executive Yuan

National Youth Commission, The Executive Yuan

Taiwan Foundation for Democracy

Tourism Bureau, Ministry of Transportation and Communication

Rotary Club of Taipei Northwest, Rotary International District 3480 (Taiwan)

● **Participants' Nationality:**

Taiwan (Republic of China), People's Republic of China (and Hong Kong SAR),

Republic of Korea,

Singapore, United States of America

● **Participant Requirement:**

Graduate or undergraduate students who major in Regional Studies or Asian studies.

In addition, any students who are highly interested in Asia Pacific issues are also welcomed.

● **Consultant Committee :**

Dr. Shing-Ching Shyu 徐興慶

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## 亞洲太平洋學生論壇

### APPLICATION FORM

Please fill in the blank with English

Personal Information			
Name (as seen in passport, including native character )			Photo
Nickname in English			
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male		
Nationality		Passport #	
Date of Birth		Beneficiary	
University		Major/ Grade	
Contact Information			
E-mail		TEL (country code included)	
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Emergency Contact			
Name		Relation	
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Theme (Sub-fields)			
Theme for discussions. Please rate the sessions you want to attend from 1 most interested to 6 the least interested	_____History      _____Politics      _____Economics _____Human Rights      _____Culture      _____Civil Society		

Language Proficiency

Language	English	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/> Incapable
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Self Introduction (within 500 words)

Motivation (within 300 words)

### Essay Question

Please write a critical review and analyze Taiwan or any sub-fields (as mentioned above) related to Taiwan, including an abstract (in 300 words) and a commentary (in 500 words). Please state your source in MLA or APA format.

Please write a critical review and analyze Asia and Asia-Pacific area or any sub-fields related (as mentioned above), including an abstract (in 300 words) and a commentary (in 500 words). Please state your source in MLA or APA format.

We appreciate your participation and please wait in patience.

Thank you very much.