



Center for Southeast Asian Studies

THE POWER

The Center for Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS) at the University of Michigan is a U.S. Department of Education National Resource Center and one of the largest programs devoted to this region in the nation. CSEAS promotes a broader and deeper understanding of Southeast Asia and its people, cultures, and histories. More than 40 Southeast Asia specialists teach and pursue research in our affiliated departments. Our resources include library collections containing 158,400 volumes in Western and Asian languages, the Gedney Collection of Thai materials, the Worcester Collection of early publications on Philippine life, and an archive of over 100,000 photos and slides donated by the Southeast Asia Art Foundation.

Our largest-ever fundraising campaign is ambitious, visionary, purposeful — worthy of the name “Victors.” The \$400 million goal is built upon the cornerstone of the liberal arts: the idea that a powerful, pragmatic education can transform hearts and minds, can solve problems in a changing world, can yield ideas and innovation across every discipline. That’s why we are focused on raising money so that the best and brightest minds can have access to the College through robust scholarship support, no matter their financial circumstances. So too are we committed to helping every student acquire not just knowledge in the classroom, but experiences outside the academy including innovative entrepreneurial efforts and internships. We strive to support our faculty on the front-lines of research, and steward our planet, our community, our campus. To do all this, and so much more, the College needs you — because the world needs Victors.

THE OPPORTUNITIES

Faculty associates sustain our program and are drawn from the humanities, social and natural sciences, and professional schools, ensuring the presence of outstanding Southeast Asia specialists, who attract excellent students. Center faculty members teach the Filipino, Indonesian, Thai, and Vietnamese languages, with occasional readings in Burmese, Khmer, Javanese and Old Javanese. We host annual Javanese gamelan concerts and lectures on current issues by Center associates and guest speakers. Students have the opportunity to participate in faculty research projects in the field and to pursue independent research in the regions they are studying.

THE IMPACT

With increasingly limited funding from the Department of Education, the Center's future may be in peril. Gifts from individuals committed to promoting an understanding of this significant region are increasingly important to support students, language instruction, and programming.

ENDOWED LANGUAGE LECTURESHIPS

\$1M endowed/\$50,000 annually

Due to Congress' deep cuts to international education funding, including support for the less commonly taught languages such as Filipino, Indonesian, Thai, and Vietnamese, outside support is crucial to secure Michigan's role as a preeminent institution for the study of languages of Southeast Asia. Endowed lectureships in each of these languages will ensure continuity for instruction in perpetuity.

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS

\$10,000 to \$50,000 annually

The very best way a student can gain a thorough knowledge of a language and a culture is to spend time studying abroad to experience full linguistic and cultural immersion. CSEAS seeks funding to provide students with fellowships to support language study, research, workshops, and internships in the region, and to attend conferences to present their research.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING SUPPORT

\$10,000 to \$50,000 annually

Gifts that support faculty research on Southeast Asia as well as conferences and curricular development help us to strengthen our program and retain the best scholars on the region. We are committed to maintaining a diversity of classes and a public lecture series at the University, including in-depth courses on Southeast Asia.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMMING

\$10,000 annually

We seek support for our mission of connecting the wider community with the resources on Southeast Asia that are available at the University. We engage with K-12 educators to bring Southeast Asia to their classrooms, provide workshops for professional development for educators, bring master dancers and musicians to Ann Arbor for residencies, and hold public performances and workshops of Southeast Asian music and dance.

WAYS TO FUND YOUR GIFT

Your gifts of cash, pledges, or appreciated securities change lives. Wills, estate, and planned gifts allow you to create a lasting legacy that will enable the best and brightest minds to experience a liberal arts education, solve problems in a changing world, and yield ideas and innovations that will make a difference in Michigan and around the globe.

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