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Anthropology

Portrait of a community: Society, culture, and the structures of kinship in the Mulan River Valley (Fujian) from the Late Tang through the Song / Hugh R. Clark
Hong Kong: The Chinese University Press, c2007
x, 473 p.; 22 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index.
978-962-996-227-2
962-996-227-6
\$ 55.00

[Portrait of a Community: Society, Culture, and the Structures of Kinship in the Mulan River Valley (Fujian) from the late Tang through the Song is a study of emerging kinship structures as embedded in the social and cultural history of a river valley in central coastal Fujian province from the 9th through 13th centuries. Social chapters focus on establishment of elite kin groups, the structure and internal segmentation of those kin groups, and marriage patterns. Culture chapters cover the religious culture, the academic culture, and the culture of kinship. The thesis of this book is that cultural innovation often begins at a local level, and challenges current paradigm that distinguishes the link between locality and the elite in the Northern and Southern Song.]

Liao Textile and Costumes / ZHAO Feng
Hong Kong : Muwen Tang Fine Arts Publication Ltd, 2004
268 p. ; ill. : 30 cm.
Includes Bibliography.
988-97206-0-4
\$ 145.00

Art

The Silk Road in Inner Mongolia / Edited-in-Chief by Annie CHOW
Hong Kong : University Museum and Art Gallery, The University of Hong Kong, 2007
232 p. ; ill. : 30 cm.
978-962-8038-73-2
Includes Map.
\$ 35.00

Plum Blossom on Purple clay : Teapot Carving by Mr. Shen Juechu / Thomas Tang Waihung
Hong Kong : Jao Tsung-I Petite Ecole, The University of Hong Kong, 2007

127 p. ; ill. : 29 cm.
978-988-99654-0-2
\$ 24.95

The Cultural World of a Ci Poet / Edited by Soong Dennie, Soong Shu-Kong
Hong Kong : University Museum and Art Gallery, The University of Hong Kong, 2006
xxxv, v. ; ill. : 30 cm.
962-8038-67-2
\$ 39.95

Ceramicas Celadon De Longquanm : Coleccao do Museu de Sichuan / Longquan celadon
Macao : Galeria de Exposicoes Temporarias do Leal Senado, Leal Senado Temporary
Exhibitions Gallery, 2006
239 p. ; ill. : 30 cm.
972-97808-4-6
\$ 60.00

Marcas Do Passado : Cartazes Publicitarios Chineses (1907-1953) / Leal Senado
Macao : Galeria de Exposicoes Temporarias, 2006
101 p. ; ill. : 30 cm.
\$ 50.00

Dennis George Crow : Historic Photographs of Hong Kong, Shanghai and Peking (An
Exhibition and Sale at Galerie E 7th Floor, A On China Building, 29 Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong (852) 2845-6228 – 23 April 2001-28 April 2001)
Los Angeles : Dennis George crow, c2001
79 p. ; ill. : 27 cm.
\$ 54.00

Dennis George Crow : Historic Photographs of Shanghai, Hong Kong and Macao (An
Exhibition and Sal at the Museum Annex One Exchange Square, Hong Kong – 12 April 1999-
17 April 1999)
Los Angeles: Dennis George Crow, c1999
63 p. ; ill. : 27 cm.
\$ 50.00

Dennis G. Crow Ltd. : A Catalogue of Historic Photographs of China :The Chinese
Los Angeles : Dennis George Crow, c1998
33 p. ; ill. : 27 cm.
\$ 25.00

Business

RoHS and WEEE-Status, Compliance, Issues and Implications / Edited by Professor
Y.C.Chan
Hong Kong : City University of Hong Kong
xvi, 153 p. ; 24 cm.
Green Manufacturing Book Series:
\$ 110.00

[Contents:

Chapter 1 : Status of RoHS regulations

Chapter 2. EU's RoHS and WEEE in Hong Kong and Mainland China

Chapter 3: RoHS Compliance Experience for SMEs: A Case Study on the watch industry in Hong Kong
Chapter 4: Lead-free Legislations, Exemptions, and Compliance
Chapter 5: The Recycling Challenge
References.]

New Generation of Mainland Consumers
Hong Kong : Research Department, Hong Kong Trade Development Council, 2007
50 p. ; 25 cm.
TDC Research
\$ 19.95

Cinema Studies

Andrew Lau And Alan Mak's Infernal Affairs –The Trilogy / Gine Marchetti
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007
xii, 210 p. ; 19 cm.
978-962-209-801-5
\$ 17.95

[Infernal Affairs has received journalistic, popular and corporate notice but little vigorous critical attention. In this book, Gina Marchetti explores the way this example of Hong Kong's cinematic eclecticism has crossed borders as a story, a commercial product and a work of art; and has had an undeniable impact on current Hong Kong cinema. Moreover she uses this trilogy to highlight the way Hong Kong cinema continues to be inextricably intertwined with global film culture and the transnational movie market.]

Economics

Power, Entitlement and Social Practice : Resource Distribution in North china Villages / Xiyi Huang
Hong Kong : The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2007
xxvii, 276 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index.
962-996-315-9
\$ 45.00

[Rapid economic and social reforms in rural China have aroused enormous scholarly interest at home and abroad. A key element to these changes is resource distribution. However, a systematic study of this new mode of resource distribution is to date still underdeveloped; and the complexity of resource allocation in the present-day peasant society of China has not been surveyed as an independent theme.
This book presents an effort to examine the issues relating to the allocation of income, opportunities and assets in two village in northern China; and thus, tries to shed light on the agent and mechanism of resource distribution in the post-reform era.]

The Economic Integration of Greater China : Real and Financial Linkages and the Prospects for Currency Union / Yin-Wong Cheung and Menzie D.Chinn (et al)
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007
154 p. ; 24 cm.
978-962-209-822-0
\$ 59.50

[Cheung, Chinn and Fujii provide an up-to-date assessment of mainland China's economic development and its integration with its neighboring economies, especially Hong Kong and Taiwan. This grouping is also known as Greater China.

There are a number of approaches to assessing economic integration, and the authors present some standard measures-including trade flows, output movements, saving and investment correlations, and consumption comovements. They emphasize the measures based on some key parity conditions in international finance-real interest parity, uncovered interest parity, and relative purchasing power parity. While there is no perfect empirical measure of economic integration, the theoretical relationships between integration and these three parity conditions are well founded in economic. Moreover, the three parity conditions constitute a unified framework that can be used to assess the degree of real and financial integration, and thus offer a convenient way to investigate the interaction between these two types of integration.

In addition, the authors evaluate the prospects for a currency union in Greater China, the most extreme form of integration. Prospects of China's continued integration with the world economy, and the implications of policies in Beijing and other Pacific Rim capitals are also discussed.]

Squaring the Welfare circle in Post-1997 Hong Kong / Wong Chack-kie

Hong Kong : Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, c2006

30 p. ; 22 cm

Occasional Paper No. 178 (November 2006)

962-441-178-6

978-962-441-178-2

\$ 6.00

Education

Comparative Education Research : Approaches and Methods / Edited by Mark Bray and Bob Adamson (et al)

Hong Kong : Comparative Education Research Centre, The University of Hong Kong, 2007

xv, 444 p. ; 24 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

962-8093-53-3

CERC Studies in Comparative Education 19

\$ 38.00

[Approaches and methods in comparative education research are of obvious importance, but do not always receive adequate attention. This book contributes new insights within the longstanding traditions of the field.

A particular feature is the focus on different units of analysis. Individual chapters compare places, systems, times, culture, values, policies, curricula and other units. These chapters are contextualised within broader analytical frameworks which identify the purposes and strengths of the field. The book includes a focus on intra-national as well as cross-national comparisons, and highlights the value not only to producers of comparative education research but also to consumers who wish to understand more thoroughly the parameters and value of the field.]

Environment

Global International Waters Assessment: Regional Assessment 36 East China Sea / Edited by Ulla Li Zweifel
Kalmar : University of Kalmar on behalf of United Nations Environment Programme, c 2005
xv, 81 p.; ill.; 27 cm.
ISSN: 1651-940X
\$ 45.00

General

Streets : Exploring Kowloon / Jason Wordie
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007
xi, 291 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography
978-962-209-813-8
\$ 27.95

[Streets: Exploring Kowloon is a guidebook with a difference: through explorations of Kowloon it illustrates aspects of Hong Kong's history, culture, society and heritage in ways not covered in standard works, and guides the reader into areas few locals, let alone visitors, go. It is the ideal book for the person who wishes to see a different, more authentic and gritty Hong Kong than that of the usual guidebooks and tours.

The book starts with a district familiar to all visitors-Tsim Sha Tsui-but then moves into the hinterland of Kowloon. Taking the reader and walker far beyond the well-known streets of tourist-oriented shops and hotels. Streets: Exploring Kowloon, like its companion, Streets: Exploring Hong Kong Island, guides the reader with maps and travel information to take 45 walks throughout Kowloon, each along a specific street pointing out historically and culturally important sites, but also the curious and the intriguing.

While accessible to readers new to Hong Kong and offering them a very different side of the place to the shopping-focused tourist traps or the glass-and-steel glitz of Central, it also offers much that is new and unknown to frequent visitors and residents.]

Hong Kong X 24 X 365 : A Year in the Life of a City / David Clarke
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007
173 p. ; ill. ; 22 cm.
978-962-209-817-6
\$ 45.00

to the HUTONGS / Iain Masterton
Hong Kong : Islemount Market Development Ltd, 2006
132 p. ; ill. : 28 cm.
988989361-4
full of photographs
\$ 45.00

History

Dr Sun Yat-sen Museum : Exhibition Catalogue
Hong Kong : Leisure and Cultural Services Department, 2006
208 p. : ill ; 30 cm
978-962-7039-59-4
\$ 40.00

The Legitimation of New Orders : Case Studies in World History / Edited by Philip Yuen-sang Leung

Hong Kong : The Chinese University Press of Hong Kong, 2007

xviii, 243 p. ; 23 cm.

962-996-239-X

\$ 42.00

[In order for a society to function effectively, the need for legitimacy is crucial. But Perhaps of more interest is how legitimacy is established in different cultures and at different periods of history. The Legitimation of New Orders: Case Studies in World History is a collection of seven case studies which examine different aspects of political and ritual legitimation in China and Europe over the outstanding scholars with different research interests in history, ranging from the Qin Dynasty to Norman England, from Tsarist Russia to early Republican China.

With a primary focus on the analysis of crisis and change, the book's main concern is how rulers and states strived to produce a popular political consensus that accepted their rule, thereby establishing themselves as the voice of authority.]

Where Empires Collided : Russian and Soviet Relations with Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macao / Michael Share

Hong Kong : The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2007

xxii, 376 p. ; 24 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

\$ 55.00

[For two centuries Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan fascinated Russian and Soviet leaders. Newly declassified Russian and Soviet archives reveal a long chronicle of international drama, passion, and intrigue, as the world's biggest powers clashed repeatedly over china's fringes. Where Empires Collided: Russian and Soviet Relations with Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macao represent the fruit of some eight years of research in those archives. It deals with the past relationship between Russia and the Chinese Eastern periphery (Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macao)-an area of study that in the past received only marginal academic attention. The book is crammed with illuminating details on how Russian and Soviet dealings with the China Eastern periphery where inextricably linked to the broader international relationships among Russia, China, Great Britain, Japan, and the United States.]

Hong Kong : A Cultural and Literary History / Michael Ingham

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007

xxiv, 254 p. ; ill. : 20 cm.

Includes Index of Historical and Literary Name and Index of Places.

962-209-835-5

\$ 21.95

Cardiothoracic Surgery in China : Past, Present and Future / Edited by Song Wan and Anthony P.C.Yim

Hong Kong : The Chinese University Press, 2007

xxi, 581 p. ; 23 cm.

962-996-321-3

\$ 70.00

[The growth of thoracic surgery in China was much more difficult than in many industrialized countries over the first five decades because of the ever-changing political and harsh socioeconomic conditions. The struggle to establish this specialty in a developing country with more than one fifth of the world population was certainly one of the most crucial challenges in the last century.

The book is the first ever published in the English language to provide a comprehensive review of the history of cardiothoracic surgery in China. It highlights the remarkable surgical heritage of which the younger generation of Chinese surgeons should be proud.

A unique feature of this volume is that all contributors are acknowledged experts and leaders in the field of cardiothoracic surgery, both nationally and internationally. Many of the photographs have never been published before.]

Old Peking – The City and Its People / Compiled and Edited by Part One: Qi Fang, Part Two: Qi Jiran

Hong Kong : Hai Feng Publishing Co., 1993

146 p. ; ill. : 25 cm.

962-238-206-1

\$ 50.00

Confucian Tradition and Global Education / Wm. Theodore De Bary

Hong Kong : The Chinese University Press of Hong Kong , 2007

113 p. ; 23 cm.

962-996-304-3

\$ 26.00

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Preface

Personal Prologue

1. Confucian Education and "The Point of Democracy"

2. Asian Classics and Global Education

3. Translating the Classics

4. Tang Junyi and the Philosophy of "General Education."

5. The Overdominance of English in Global Education: A Global Response

Appendix 1. Life Chronology of Tang Junyi / Lau Kwok-Keung

Appendix 2. The Chinese at Columbia: A Personal Testament.]

Hong Kong's Chinese History curriculum from 1945 : Politics and Identity / Flora L.F.Kan

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007

182 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

978-962-209-837-4

\$ 22.95 (PB)

[“This book provides a fascinating account, in English, of the history of the Chinese history curriculum in Hong Kong’s schools since 1945. By analyzing the changes to the subject through the interactions at three different levels-the macro, meso and micro-the book provides a powerful insight into the socio political history of Hong Kong.”]

Edge of Empires : Chinese Elites and British Colonials in Hong Kong / John M.Carroll

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2005

xii, 260 p. ; 22 cm.

Includes Index.

978-962-209-858-9

\$ 24.95

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1. Colonialism and Collaboration: Chinese Subjects and the Making of British Hong Kong
2. A Better Class of Chinese: Building the Emporium of the East
3. Strategic Balance: Status and Respect in the Colonial context
4. A Place of Their Own: Clubs and Associations
5. Nationalism and Identity: The Case of Ho Kai
6. Preserving Hong Kong: The Strike-Boycott of 1925-1926
7. Transforming the Barren Island: The 1941 Centenary

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Selected Bibliography

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Law

China : The Art of Law : Chronicling deals, disasters, greed, stupidity and occasional success in the new china / Mark E. Schaub

Hong Kong : CCH Hong Kong Limited, 2006

488 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes Index.

988-99177-5-0

\$ 65.00

[This book will give both newcomers and old hands alike a practical perspective on why some foreign investors fail, others succeed and the rest somehow totter along somewhere in between.]

Linguistics

Language Acquisition, Change and Emergence : Essays in Evolutionary Linguistics / Edited by James W. Minett, William S.Y. Wang

Hong Kong : City University of Hong Kong, c2005

xii, 538 p.; 22 cm.

Includes Index.

962-937-111-1

\$ 39.00

[This volume is a collection of essays by noted researchers from diverse fields that deals with a broad spectrum of issues in the study of language evolution. the Principle topics addressed here include :

- the genetic and cognitive bases for the phylogenetic emergence of language ;
- Several distinct accounts of the underlying cognitive processes by which children learn to acquire language ;
- a critique of the methods employed by historical linguists in the last century;
- the modeling of language evolution using mathematical and computational techniques ;
- discussions on the complexity of language.]

Cantonese : Colloquial Expressions / Lo Tam Fee-Yin
Hong Kong : The Chinese University Press, c2007
xxii, 346 p.; 22 cm.
Includes Index.
978-962-996-181-7
962-996-181-4
\$ 25.00

[This book of Cantonese idioms is a pragmatic reference guide to everyday Cantonese conversation in Hong Kong. It will help users understand speakers idiomatic meanings, since people do not always use the literal meaning of words in communication with others. Instead people often use metaphors and figurative language to express themselves. It is important to note that the metaphorical use of language is pervasive in all aspects of human discourse, including casual conversation as well as poetry.]

Literature

Imprint 2007: The Annual anthology of Women in publishing society Hong Kong
Hong Kong : Women in Publishing society Hong Kong, 2007
242 p. ; ill. : 21 cm.
978-988-98161-3-1
\$ 19.95

The Kindest Cut / Edited by Ivy Siu
Hong Kong : ET Press, 2006
222 p. ; 17 cm.
962-678-398-2
\$ 19.95

Chinese Proverbs : Essence of Ancient Wisdom / Edited by Peter Moss
Hong Kong : Form Asia Books Limited, 2006
147 p. ; ill. : 21 cm.
988-98269-6-8
\$ 25.00

Baptism / by Yang Jiang
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007
xviii, 282 p. ; 21 cm.
978-962-209-831-2
\$ 24.95

[Baptism has wide appeal for general readers, especially those with an interest in China. Written in a direct and fact-moving style with vivid characters and universal plot motifs, it will also be a welcome addition to university courses in modern Chinese literature or Chinese history and politics.

Baptism is the only novel written by the distinguished Chinese women playwright, essayist, and translator, Yang Jiang. Born in 1911, she has experienced the entire sweep of China's turbulent twentieth-century history. Passages from this novel have already been quoted, in English, in books about the period. Her memoir of life during the Cultural Revolution has been translated twice and widely read.]

The Chang Interpretations of Wang Wei's Poetry : A Critical Review / YANG Jingqing
Hong Kong : The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2007

xvi, 280 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index.
962-996-232-2
\$ 45.00

Critical Zone 2 : A Forum of Chinese and Western Knowledge / Edited by Q.S. Tong, and Wang Shouren (et al)
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2006
vii, 307 p. ; 22 cm.
978-962-209-799-5
\$ 32.50

[The second volume of Critical Zone, as does its predecessor, consists of two parts. The first part deals with the concept and practice of "empire," as a collective response to the question of how imperial formations and operations, past and present, should be examined in a larger context of international politics and how historical imperialism may be considered in relation to the conditions of our time. Part II includes two sets of translations of essays, first published in Chinese, about two recent debates in China: one on the canonicity of Lu Xun and the other on the problem of how to reform Peking University in the context of globalization. These two groups of translations are led by review essays that contextualize the debates.]

Madmen and other survivors : Reading Lu Xun's Fiction / Jeremy Tambling
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007
vii, 126 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Index of Name.
978-962-209-825-1
\$ 17.95

[Madmen and Other Survivors: Reading Lu Xun's Fiction puts the short stories written by the outstanding Chinese writer between 1918 and 1926 into a broad context of Modernism. The fiction of Lu Xun. (1881-1936) deals with the china moving beyond the 1911 Revolution, He asks about the possibilities of survival, and what that means, even considering the possibility that madness might be strategy by which survival is made possible. Such idea calls identity into question, and Lu Xun is read here as a writer for whom that is a wholly problematic concept. The book makes use of critical and cultural theory to consider these short stories in the context of not only Chinese fiction, but in terms of the art of the short story, and in relation to literary modernism, It attempts to put Lu Xun into as wide a perspective as possible for contemporary reading. To made his work widely accessible, he is treated here in English translation.]

Islands and Continents : Short Stories by Leung Ping-kwan / Edited by John Minford
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007
xx, 129 p. ; 21 cm.
979-962-209-844-2
\$ 17.95

[In this kaleidoscope of stories, translated from the Chinese, P.K. Leung, one of Hong Kong's most celebrated literary figures, presents his personal vision of the city, evoking in his inimitable voice the local and international dimensions of this extraordinary place, capturing its poignant ambivalence as a postcolonial territory on the fringe of China. Writing in his uniquely unpretentious and honest style, he brings to life for the reader an

unforgettable gallery of characters, with their shared memories and ties with Hong Kong. He portrays ordinary lives against the background of local history, mingling subtle pathos with realism and humour. This is a collection for all general readers of fiction, for all those interested in Hong Kong literature, and for the many who already known and admire P.K.Leung and his work.]

Official Publications

Annual Report on the Consumer Price Index 2006
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, Consumer Price Index Section, 2006
iv, 85 p.; 30 cm.
\$ 18.00

Report on 2005 Annual Survey of Industrial Production
Hong Kong : Census and statistics Department
47 p. ; 29 cm
\$ 18.00

Report on 2005 Annual Survey of Transport and Related Services
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, Logistics and Producer Prices Statistics Section
ii, 39 p. ; 30 cm.
\$ 20.00

Report on Hong Kong Trade in Services Statistics for 2005
Hong Kong : Trade in Services Statistics Section, Census and Statistics Department
iv, 79 p.; 30 cm.
\$ 20.00

Hong Kong Merchandise Trade Statistics , Annual Supplement 2006 : Country by Commodity – Imports
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, 2007
XV, 473 p. ; 29 cm.
\$ 55.00

Hong Kong in Figures 2007 Edition
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, 2007
44 p. ; 21 cm.
\$ 5.00

Hong Kong's Export Outlook for 2007 : Moderation Amid Heightened Policy Risks
Wanchai : Hong Kong Trade Development Council, 2006
v. 25 cm.
TDC Research
\$ 20.00

Hong Kong Merchandise Trade Statistics, Annual Supplement 2006 : Country by Commodity-Domestic Exports and Re-exports
Hong Kong : Trade Analysis Section. Census and Statistics Department, 2007
xv, 889 p. ; 29 cm.
\$ 55.00

2006 Gross Domestic Product
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region,
2007
165 p.; 30 cm.
\$ 16.95

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2006 Population By-Census :Summary Results
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department,2007
xiii, 115 p. ; 29 cm.
Chinese and English
\$ 16.50

2006 Economic Background and 2007 Prospects
Hong Kong : Economic Analysis Division, Economic Analysis and Business Facilitation Unit,
Financial secretary's office, Government of the Hong Kong special Administration Region,
2007
183 p. ; 29 cm.
\$ 18.00

Hong Kong as an Information Society : 2006 Edition
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department,
xi, 126 p. ; 29 cm.
Chinese and English
\$ 18.50

Annual Review of Hong Kong External merchandise Trade 2006
Hong Kong : Census of Statistics Department, 2006
vi, 142 p. ; 29 cm.
Chinese and English
\$ 20.00

Thematic Household Survey Report No.29 / Public Views of Education Reform, Enforcement
of Maintenance Order
Hong Kong : Social Surveys Section, Census and Statistics Department, 2007
vii, 59 p. ; 29 cm.
Chinese and English
\$ 19.50

Politics

US-Hong Kong Relations and the Response to Counter-terrorism / Simon Shen
Hong Kong : Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, c2006
30 p. ; 22 cm
Occasional Paper No. 179 (December 2006)
962-441-179-4
978-962-441-179-9
\$ 6.00

Organizing for Sex Worker Rights in Hong Kong / Adelyn Lim
Hong Kong : Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, c2007
28 p. ; 22 cm
Occasional Paper No. 184 (March 2007)

978-962-441-184-3
\$ 6.00

Strategy and Security in the Asia – Pacific / Edited by Robert Ayson and Desmond Ball
New South Wales : Allen and Unwin, c2006

xxiii, 343 p. ; 22 cm.

Includes Index.

1-74114-798-0

1. Terrorism – Asia – Prevention.
2. Terrorism – Pacific Area – Prevention.
3. National Security – Asia.
4. National Security – Asia

\$ 49.95

[Strategy and Security in the Asia-Pacific provides the analytical frameworks needed to make sense of this complex but exiting strategic universe. Offering a unique mix of global strategic thinking and Asia-Pacific security analysis, this book is for readers from Sydney to Seoul who want to put their own local security challenges in a wider regional and global context. It is also for North American and European readers requiring an understanding of the dynamic security developments in the Asia-pacific region around which so much of global strategy is increasingly based.]

The Power of Ideas : Intellectual Input and Political Change in East and Southeast Asia /
Claudia Derichs and Thomas Heberer

Denmark : Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, c2006.

xi, 320 p. ; 23 cm.

87-91114-81-0

1. East Asia – Politics and government
2. Asia, Southeastern – Politics and Government.

\$ 69.95

[This book brings a new approach to the study of political change in east and Southeast Asia and demonstrates the importance of political ideas behind policies and politics. The traditional approach to studying the politics of a region is to focus on events, personalities, issues – the mechanics of the political process. What this volume looks to do is to step back and examine ideas and visions, as well as those who articulate them and /or put them into operation.]

Challenges and Policy Programmes of China's New Leadership / Edited by Joseph Y.S. Cheng
Hong Kong : City University of Hong Kong Press, 2007

xii, 652 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes Index and Map of China.

978-962-937-136-4

\$ 49.80

[The new leadership team under Hu Jintao and Wen Jiabao began to consolidate power and make its mark on China's policy programmes since the autumn of 2002. While there is a well-established consensus on the challenges and problems facing China, the priorities and the policy solutions defined by the new leadership nonetheless have their distinct features. This volume tries to analyze the new leadership's perceptions of the challenges facing it, how it defines its priorities, builds up political support for its policy programmes and

overcomes the resistance of vested interests. Attempts will also be made to evaluate its achievements so far.]

Sociology

China's Urbanizing Population and Regional Integration : Opportunities and Challenges in the Era of Globalization / Yue-man Yeung
Hong Kong : Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, c2007
21 p. ; 22 cm
Occasional Paper No. 16 (December 2006)
978-962-441-816-3
\$ 6.00

All Roads Lead to the American City / Edited by Peter Swirski
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2007
154 p. ; 22 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index of Name.
978-962-209-863-3
\$ 24.95

[All Roads Lead to the American City provides an original view of urban culture in America seen through its irrevocable ties with the cities and roads. Examining the history, cinema, literature, cultural myths and social geography of the United States, the book puts some of the greatest as well as the "baddest" American cities under the microscope. Taking the role of the roads that crisscross and connect the cities as their shared point of reference, these essays explore ways to understand the people who live, commute, work, create, govern, commit crime and conduct business in them.

Cities, for the most part, are American, Their values and problems define not only what the United States is, but what other nations perceive the United States to be. Roads and transportation, on the other hand, and their impact on American culture and lifestyles, form not only an integral part of the historical rise-and-shine of the modern city, but a physical release from, and a cultural antidote to, its pressure-cooker stresses. Tracing the boundless variety and complexity of these twin themes, All Roads Lead to the American city is built around an interlinked series of essays on the urban culture of America. Juxtaposing the city and the road, it looks alternatively at cities as historical, geographical, social and cultural centers of life in the land, and at roads as physical as well as metaphorical arteries that lead in and out of the city.]

Hong Kong Triad Societies Before and After the 1997 Change-Over / Benjamin T.M.LIU
Hong Kong : Net e-Publishing Ltd.,2001
256 p. ; 21 cm.
Includes Index.
962-86155-8-0
\$ 24.95

[The triads were taken advantage of in almost every upheaval. This book provides information for the reader to draw his own conclusion as to whether the triad societies were at any time recruited in Hong Kong during the period of transition.

It offers valuable statistics in various areas and contains an uninterrupted account of triad activities for the years before and after the resumption of China's exercise of her jurisdiction over Hong Kong. The events, locally and overseas, were systematically collated and concisely retold in the book.

It is a book for those concerned with or about the 1997 Change-over, including students of triad societies and law enforcement agencies. The book is written by a former justice of Appeal of Hong Kong, who observed these manifestations of the triads for many years.]
