

UNIVERSITY-WIDE RESEARCH GRANTS FOR LIBRARIANS COVER SHEET

NOTE: Grant proposals are confidential until funding decisions are made.

INSTRUCTIONS: The applicant(s) must submit two (2) copies of their application packet. The application packet consists of the Cover Sheet and the Proposal. Applicants send 1 (one) printed copy of their application packet, with signatures, to the Chair of the divisional research committee, who forwards the packet to the Chair of the university-wide Research and Professional Development Committee. Applicants send the second copy of their application packet as an email attachment to the Chair of the divisional research committee who forwards it on to the Chair of the university-wide Research and Professional Development Committee.

Date of Application: 10/15/2014
Title of Proposal/Project: Proof-editing and producing subject & name index for a manuscript entitled <i>Archival Resources of Republican China in North America: 1911-1949</i>
Expected Length of Project: About one month for proof editing and about two to three months for indexing.
Total Funds Requested from LAUC University-Wide Research Funds: \$3,595 dollars
Primary Applicant Your Name (include your signature on the paper copy): Su Chen Academic Rank and Working Title: Librarian V, Head of East Asian Library, UCLA Bargaining Unit Member/Non-Member: Non-represented librarian Campus Surface Mail Address: 20167 Charles E. Young Research Library Telephone and Email Address: 310-825-1401 / suchen11@library.ucla.edu URL for home campus directory (will be used for link on LAUC University-Wide Funded Research Grants web page): http://www.library.ucla.edu/eastasian
Co-Applicant(s) None Name:

Academic Rank and Working Title:

Bargaining Unit Member/Non-Member:

Campus Surface Mail Address:

Telephone and Email Address:

Proposal Abstract (not to exceed 250 words):

The manuscript entitled *Archival Resources of Republican China in North America: 1911-1949*, to be published by the Columbia University Press, has gone through two reviews by leading scholars in the field of East Asian Studies. Since both authors, Chengzhi Wang and myself, are not native English speakers, we have been advised by Press to hire a professional editor to proof read the entire manuscript to ensure that the English writing is up to academic standards. In addition, the Press has encouraged us to hire a professional indexer to produce a subject and name index to facilitate easy access to the contents of the book. The manuscript will be published simultaneously in both print and electronic by the Columbia University Press.

The bilingual guide aims to offer an easily accessible, cross-institutional introductory to over 330 Chinese studies archival resources in libraries and archives held by colleges and universities in North America. The guide is a “must reading for any student looking for a thesis topic on Republican China,” (Esherick) and it “performs an important service in furthering the globalization of Chinese studies and advancing a process in which scholars of all countries search broadly for new sources to gain fresh insights into the Chinese past.” (Esherick)

As librarians, Wang and I are consistently looking for ways to support teaching, learning, and research. The compilation of the guide is a rewarding process that advanced us professionally in many ways. We hope to broaden the effort to East Asian Studies in order to benefit more scholars and students.

Two blurbs suggested by Professor Bary and Professor Esherick are appended at the end.

Does the proposal require any of the following:

Use of UC Library facilities or other site(s) requiring prior approval (Yes/No): no

If yes, include signature and position of person authorized to permit use of facilities on paper copy of application:

Release time (Yes/No): no

If yes, include signature(s) of person(s) authorized to approve release time on paper copy of application:

Use of Human Subjects (Yes/No): no

If yes, attach appropriate university form to paper application form. The process of obtaining IRB approval or a determination of exemption from subject protection regulations does not have to be completed prior to submitting your grant proposal. However, the grant cannot be awarded without evidence that the approval or exemption has been obtained.

List any previous grant proposals (divisional and university-wide) from this program that have been awarded to the primary applicant or co-applicants by title. Include date of completion and amount funded:

1. \$500 mini grant for presentation awarded to Su Chen, completed in 2013.
2. \$500 mini grant indexing the same manuscript, to be completed by May 2015.

Budget Summary

Total amount requested from LAUC statewide research funds: \$3,595 dollars

1. **Proof editing:** Ms. Peggy Johnson, Former managerial editor for *Library Resources and Technical Services* (ALA Journal), Former Associate University Librarian for Collection and Technical Services, and author for an award winning book entitled *Fundamentals of Collection Development and Management*, and many other books. Total estimated cost \$2,086.
2. **Producing subject & name index:** Ms. Anne Holmes, a professional and celebrated indexer of Asian materials that the Columbia University Press recommended, charges \$6.50 per page for indexing the entire manuscript, the total estimated cost \$2,009.
3. **The total amount applied.** The total applied grant is \$3,595. Because the total applied grant (\$4,095) should minus \$500, which was awarded by LAUC-LA in 2011-12, and the amount was not used for indexing the same manuscript.

Please see budget form at the end as Appendix 2.

Total amount requested from LAUC divisional research funds: \$3,595

Other funding obtained or expected (amount and source): \$0

Fiscal Year of Application (fiscal year that funding begins): FY15

New Project (Yes/No): yes

Supplemental Funding (Yes/No): no

Salaries: n/a

Total Salaries: n/a

Supplies: n/a

Total Supplies: n/a

Travel: n/a

Total Travel: n/a

Other Expenses: n/a

Total Other Expenses: n/a

Total State-Wide Research Funds Requested: \$3,595 dollars

Campus Fund Manager

Name of business officer who will manage receipt of your funds: Debra Shade

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Appendix 1: Suggested blurbs

The authors of *Archival Resources of Republican China in North America* are to be congratulated for producing this scholarly aid at precisely the time when scholar-teachers find it hard to keep up with all the research materials discovered and produced today. The problem of information overload and the burden of received culture have been increasing ever since the invention of printing and the means of coping with it has been a key feature of both the advancement of knowledge and its assimilation into the educational process.

Access to learning has always been dependent on the availability of texts, and the development of learning and teaching in historic times has been marked by the rise of libraries as centers of both study and teaching, as witness the spread of learning throughout medieval and early modern East Asia. Based on academies literally known as “Halls of Books” (*shuyuan*), physical access to texts by scholars and teachers was crucial and, because classics as the focus of a curriculum always had to be reread and reinterpreted in the light of contemporary knowledge, the scholar’s effectiveness as a teacher depended on his being kept informed of new knowledge as well as new source materials. Access to source materials was important to learning and teaching.

Today with rapid expansion of technology, the problem of access to new knowledge and source materials is compounded by the vastly increased production of information and the attendant need for new media to serve the function of mediating and facilitating access to this expanded production. The present compilation by Wang and Chen should make a significant contribution to filling this need.

Professor William Theodore de Bary
John Mitchell Mason Professor of the University and Provost Emeritus
Special Service Professor
Columbia University

This guide *Archival Resources of Republican China in North America* is must reading for any student looking for a thesis topic on Republican China. The clear descriptions of the size, location, and contents of over 300 major archival collections are extremely useful. As a bilingual Chinese-English finding aid, it also performs an important service in furthering the globalization of Chinese studies and advancing a process in which scholars of all countries search broadly for new sources in open archives to gain fresh insights into the Chinese past.

Joseph W. Esherick, Professor
Department of History
Hwei-chih and Julia Hsiu Professor of Chinese Studies
University of California, San Diego

Appendix 2: Budget Form

Item	Cost per page	Estimated cost	Actual cost
Proof editing	\$6.75	\$2,086*	
Indexing	\$6.50	\$2,009*	
Estimated total		\$4,095	
Minus awarded fund FY2012		\$500	
Total grant applied for FY15		\$3,595	

*Calculation is based on 309 pages of the manuscript.