

Religious Beliefs in China

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Three Pillars of the Chinese Religions

- Confucius Special Quotes (5 minutes):
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=endscreen&NR=1&v=MkHmogHwaCU>
- Words of Wisdom from the Heart of a Buddha (4 minutes):
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xMVpidvMd8&feature=related>
- Top 10 Lao Tzu Quotes (4 minutes):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fIDJlx4ZJT_w&feature=related
- *More at the OLLI class site:*
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Song Dynasty Painting (Li Tang, c.1050-1130)

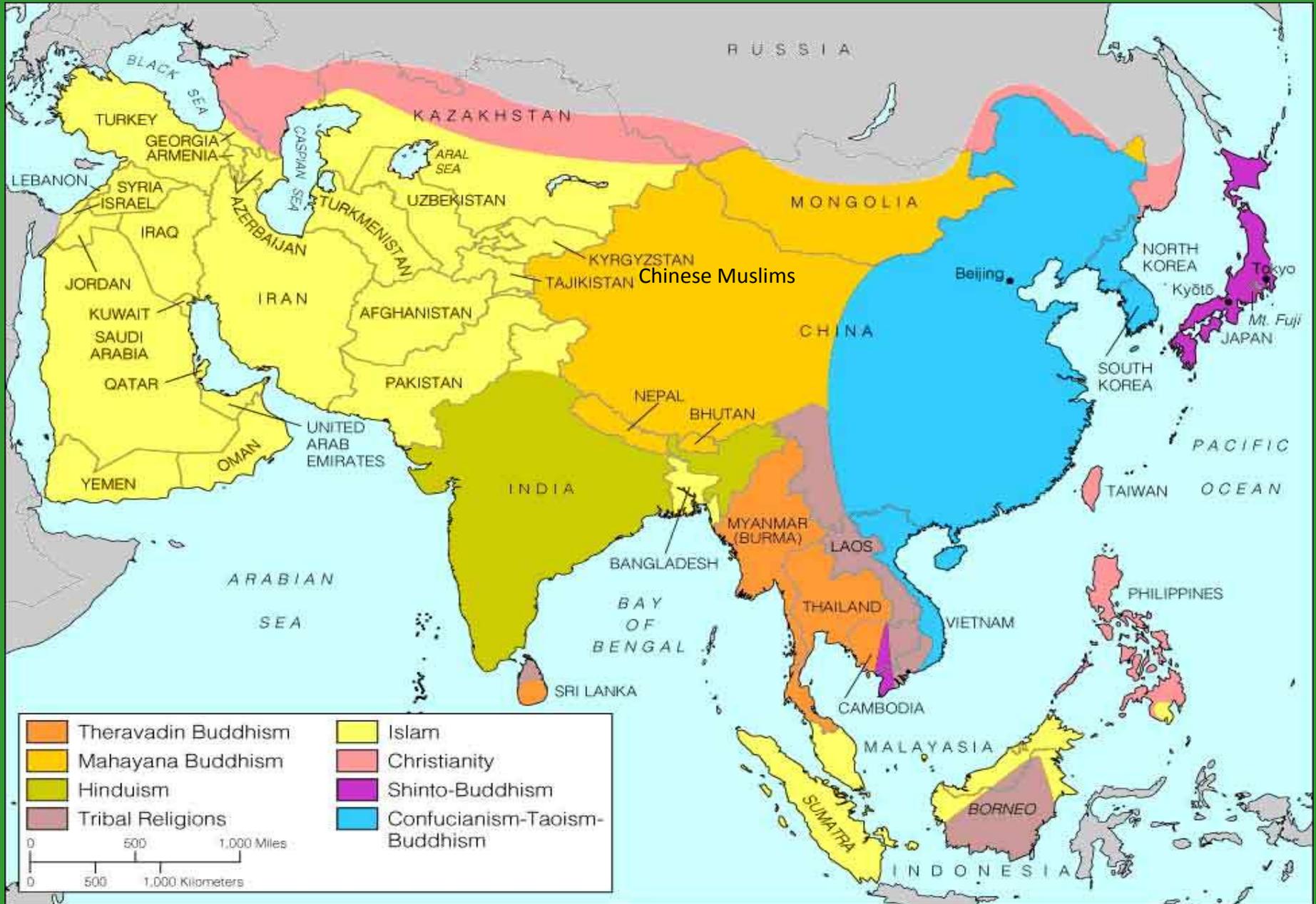
Huxisanxiaotu: “Three Laughing Men by the Tiger Stream”

Daoist Lu Xiuqing (left), Buddhist monk Hui Yuan (center), and Confucian official Tao Yuanming (right)

Religious Pluralism: Confucianism, Buddhism and Daoism are one.



Map of Religions in Asia



Readings on Chinese Religious Beliefs

- *Discussion based on the Wikipedia paper*

- Chinese Religions (by Bob Whyte):
<http://www.sacu.org/religion.html>
- Religions in China (from Wikipedia):
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religion_in_China#Chinese_ethnic_religion
- International Religious Freedom Report for 2011:
<http://www.state.gov/j/drl/rls/irf/religiousfreedom/index.htm#wrapper>
 - Search country report on China under the “Country/Regions” tab



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“Confucianism and New Humanism in a Globalized World”

“Le Confucianisme et le Nouvel Humanisme
dans un monde globalisé”

巴黎尼山論壇

“儒家思想与全球化世界中的新人文主义”

For more about Confucianism and New Humanism:

→ UNESCO report: <http://www.unesco.org/new/en/bureau-of-strategic-planning/themes/new-humanism/paris-nishan-forum>

→ Katalin Bogyay: <http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0021/002160/216009e.pdf>

→ Report from China: http://english.chinese.cn/confuciusinstitute/article/2012-04/23/content_433610.htm

→ More at Nishan Forum Website: <http://www.nishan.org.cn>

Gate of Northeast Normal University in Changchun, China

Seeking a shared future or a clash of civilizations?



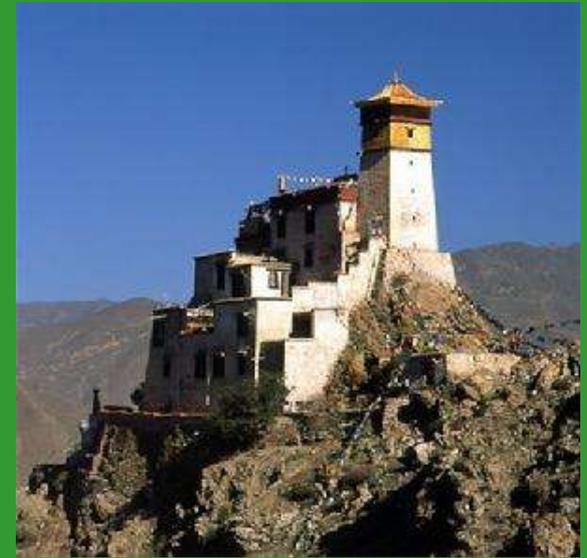
Seeking a shared future for all civilizations: <http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=-6705627964658699201> and <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yJfJvHscL3k>

Offerings and Guanyin in Leshan, Sichuan



1000-hand Guanyin Dance at Chinese New Year (CCTV)
<http://www.tudou.com/programs/view/mfY3zA1Ylfs/?fr=rec1>
and (11 minutes with chants):
<http://www.tudou.com/programs/view/bbc4Lv8B60k/?fr=rec1>

Princess Wencheng (623-680AD) in Tibet



Songtsän Gampo (605-650) and Princess Wencheng (right)

公主与松赞干布的婚殿



Potala Palace in Lhasa (1645)

藏传佛教格鲁巴四皈依

http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMzA4NTM3OTE2.html

Tibetan Buddhist Dance 藏传佛教金刚舞

http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMjQwMTAzNDI4.html



Churches in Beijing and Shanghai

Performance at a Christian church in Shandong: "Ode to My Closest Friend - the Lord":

http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMjM0MDE2OTYw.html



Missionaries in China

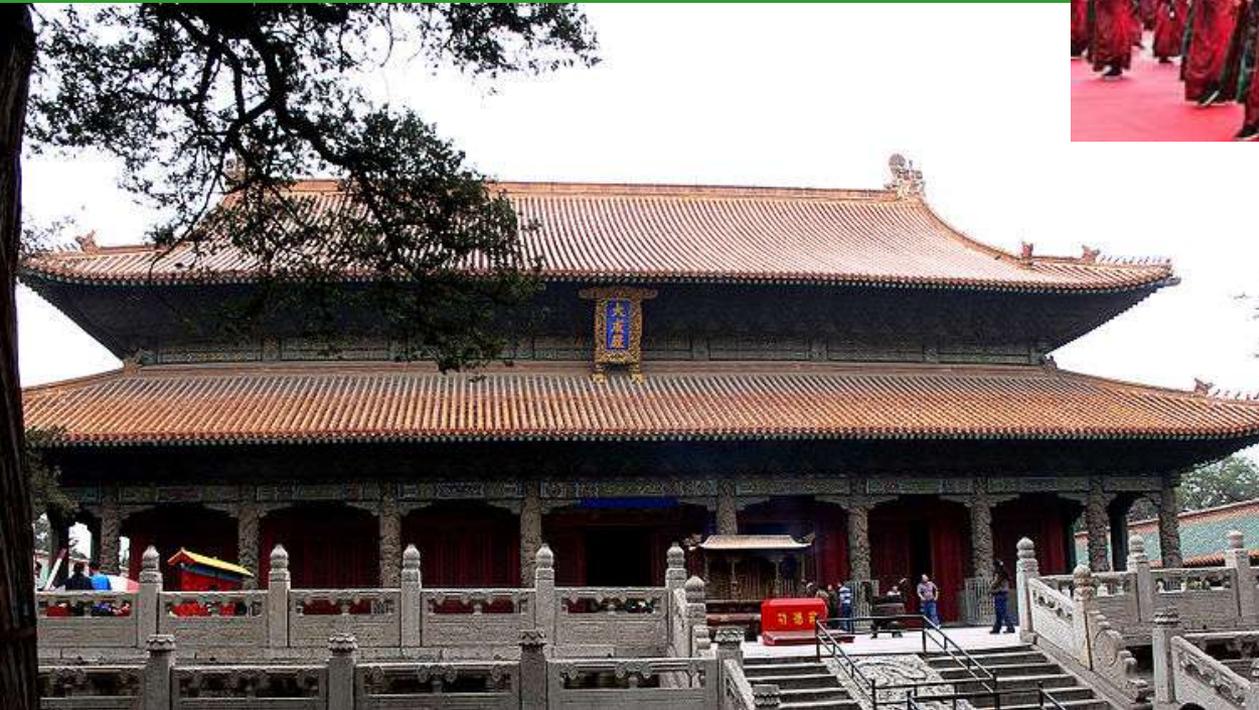
- John MacGowan (1835-1922): *Men and Manners of Modern China* (1860) (多面中国人)
- Arthur H. Smith (1845-1932): *Chinese Characteristics* (1894) (中国人的人性)
- **Pearl Buck** (赛珍珠1892-1973): *The Good Earth* (1931) → Pulitzer Prize in 1932 and Nobel Prize in Literature in 1938.
- Alvyn Austin (2007): *China's Millions: The China's Inland Mission and Late Qing Society, 1832-1905.* (2007)



Confucian Ritual at Dacheng Hall, Qufu

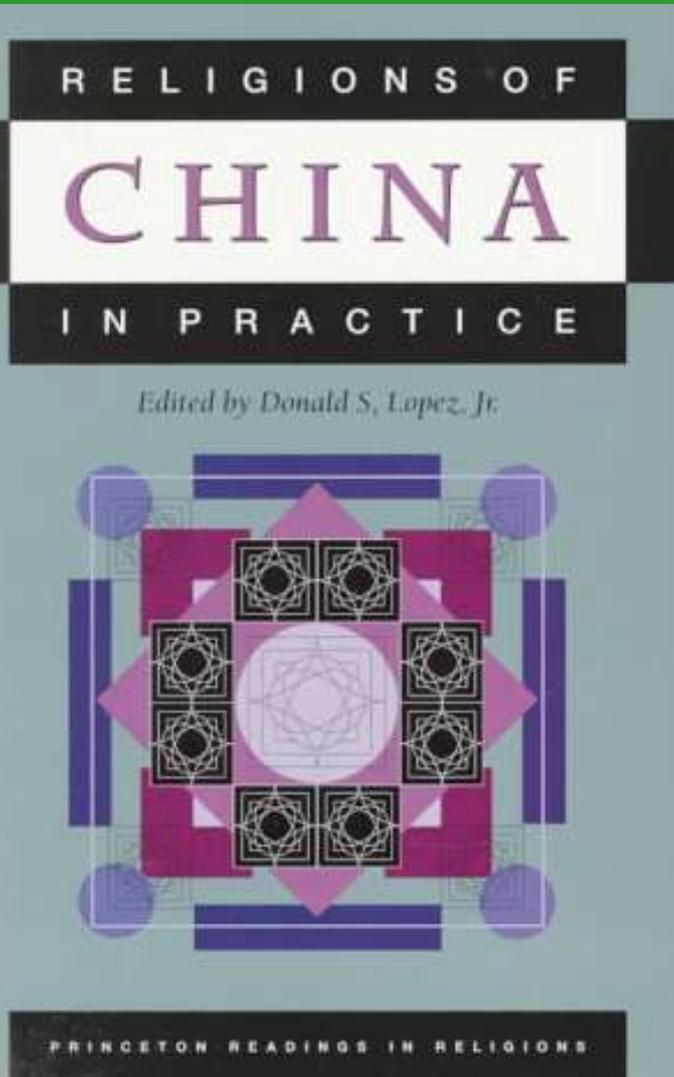
Report with photos and video:

<http://english.cntv.cn/program/china24/20110929/106548.shtml>



Religions of China in Practice

(Princeton University Press, 1996)



This third volume of *Princeton Readings in Religions* demonstrates that the "three religions" of China--Confucianism, Daoism, and Buddhism (with a fourth, folk religion, sometimes added)--are not mutually exclusive: they overlap and interact with each other in a rich variety of ways. Selections from minority cultures here are the folktale of Ny Dan the Manchu Shamaness and a funeral chant of the Yi nationality collected by local researchers in the early 1980s. Each of the forty unusual selections, from ancient oracle bones to stirring accounts of mystic visions, is preceded by a substantial introduction.

Drums of the Ancestors: Manchu & Mongol Shamans:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xhEnv4fxJ2M>

Amazing Nature in China

The sources for its cultures and beliefs



- Shangri-La/Zhongdian (in 2 minutes):
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cEggDjGNlqQ&feature=relmfu>
- Zhang Jia Jie (張家界-阿凡達 and Avatar):
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WEFAfmoiUXk&feature=fvwrel>
- Guilin Scenery - 桂林山水:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TltWZ4K7ijU&feature=related>
- Nine Village Valley (Jiu Zhai Gou):
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TcvtwXdsDJE&feature=endscreen&NR=1>
- BBC - Wild China - Tides of Change:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MdoASzQ4xnw&feature=relmfu>
- WILD CHINA ICONS:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14T4n19PJ3I&feature=related>

USF Confucius Institute Events in September 2012

Everyone is invited!

Stories from Western China's Xinjiang and Tibetan Areas



Thursday, September 20, 2012
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Patel Center Auditorium, CGS

CI Lecture #13 since September 2010 (First of the 2012-13 Academic Year)



Kun Shi with a Uyghur in Xinjiang June 2012

"Stories from Western China" is based on a field research project by Kun Shi, Director of the USF Confucius Institute. In June 2012 Mr. Shi visited the Xinjiang and Tibetan areas where he spent several weeks conducting research on the regional customs. Known for their fascinating cultures and environments, Tibet and Xinjiang are among the most interesting places in China. This lecture will focus on basic information about the peoples in these two regions and provide a brief summary of the socio-political challenges facing them today. Mr. Shi will engage the audience in dialogues that will help the audience better understand the peoples in Western China.

Guest Speaker

Kun Shi is the Director of the USF Confucius Institute. He has a graduate degree in anthropology from Ohio State University. Previously, he was the director of the OSU K-12 Chinese Flagship Program. Additionally, he served in various capacities including program evaluator of the Ohio Legislative Office of Education Oversight (2000-2005) and development director of the Asian American Community Services in central Ohio (1990-1999). He has taught in

universities in Ohio and China, conducted field research in East Asia and Scandinavia, and published in Chinese and English in the areas of cultural anthropology and Chinese language education.

Upcoming Events

- **Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival**
Sunday, September 30, 2012
7:00-8:30 PM • MSC Ballroom
Moon cakes and tea will be served. Co-hosted by the USF-CI, CSSA, CAAT, CCLC and INTO USF.
- **China: Past and Present**
Continuing Education class for senior citizens takes place October-November on Tuesdays, 1:00 - 3:00 PM. Course taught by Kun Shi. (Register with USF OLLI at www.usfseniors.org)
- **CI Lecture on US-China Relations by Henry Levine**, former US Consulate General in Shanghai.
Wednesday, November 14, 2012
Time and Place TBD

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The USF Confucius Institute offers Chinese language and culture classes, sponsors events related to Chinese culture, and provides technical support to Chinese language programs at Florida's K-12 schools. To find out more about the USF Confucius Institute visit: www.global.usf.edu/confucius/.



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Chinese Mid-Autumn (Moon) Festival

Sunday, September 30, 2012
7:00 - 8:30 pm (Doors open at 6:30 pm) •
MSC Ballroom

The Chinese Mid-Autumn (Moon) Festival is a traditional event for families and friends to enjoy moon cakes and entertainment under the fullest moon of the year. Based on the lunar calendar, the festival falls on September 30th this year. Please join us for a wonderful evening with performances by USF students and Tampa Bay community artists, as well as moon cakes and tea.



The event is co-sponsored by USF World Confucius Institute, Chinese Students & Scholars Association (CSSA), Chinese American Association of Tampa Bay (CAAT), Chinese Culture & Language Club (CCLC) and INTO USF.