2018 AGENDA

9:30 AM  Sign In and Reception

10:00 AM  Opening Remarks

10:10 AM  Keynote Address: Sustaining Taiwan through the 21st Century
Dr. Shelley Rigger, Brown Professor and Assistant Dean for Educational Policy, Davidson College

10:40 AM  Panel 1: China on the World Stage

Discussants: Wendy Leutert, Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for the Study of Contemporary China, University of Pennsylvania
Scott Wingo, PhD Candidate in International Relations, University of Pennsylvania

10:40am  OFDI: A Chinese Foreign Policy Tool
James Frick, PhD Candidate in Political Science, Temple University

11:00am  Sinews of Politics: State Grid Corporation of China and Elite Coalitions in the Philippines
Alvin Camba, PhD Candidate in Sociology, Johns Hopkins University

11:20am  What have Chinese Said and Written about Korean Unification?
Discourse Analysis of Chinese Texts on the Unification of Korea
Sungmin Cho, PhD Candidate in International Relations, Georgetown University

11:40am  China’s Attitude Towards Investor-State Dispute Settlement and Its Implications for Chinese Investment Governance
Nanying Tao, Doctor of Civil Law Candidate, McGill University

12:30 PM  Lunch

1:30 PM  Panel 2: Chinese Domestic Politics

Discussant: Denise Van der Kamp, Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for the Study of Contemporary China, University of Pennsylvania

1:40pm  Do Provincial Economic Conditions Help Explain the Spread Between Chinese Central and Local Government Bond Yields?
Martin Lyng Rasmussen, M.A. in International Economics and China Studies, Johns Hopkins University

2:00pm  Human Capital or Social Security?
Politicians' Background, Growth Strategies and Social Policy Priorities
Hao Chen, PhD Candidate in Political Science, Boston University

2:20pm  Collective Action as an Alternative Form of Political Participation: A Case Study on Environmental Protests in China
Yiran Cheng, M.A. in East Asian Cultures and Languages, Columbia University