



China Oxford Scholarship Fund

Mid-Autumn Festival Event for COSF Friends and Scholars

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The China Oxford Scholarship Fund (COSF) hosted a Mid-Autumn Festival celebration for its supporters and Scholars on September 14 in Hong Kong. The intimate dinner event took place at the art deco China Club and was aimed at highlighting the Fund's educational initiative and its milestones since COSF was established in 1992. Hong Kong Trustee Kenneth Fok welcomed the 52 guests to the festive evening. The event's guest speakers included Scholars Vincent Chan Hong Yiu, Dr Yuen Yi Lo, Fei Yan, Albert Lei Shen and Yuk-Hang Ng. On hand to help celebrate the Fund's accomplishments were the former Chief Justice of Hong Kong, Sir T.L. Yang and COSF Hong Kong Trustees Sue Lau, Annie Bentley and William Louey. COSF Committee members Rachel Cartland, Laura Weeks, Sharon Chan Muksch, Roland Muksch, Rupert McCowan, Peggy Liu and Andrew Lo attended as well as Oxford University's China Office Director Jeremy Woodall. Next year will mark both the Year of the Dragon and COSF's 20th anniversary. COSF is already looking forward to staging another festive gathering to mark these events in 2012. Please go to pages 9 to 11 for a pictorial of the Mid-Autumn Festival China Club gathering.

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Special Points of Interest

- *Lord Wei Event*
- *Friends Online*
- *Donations Online*

International Chairman's Letter

Dear Friends,

- The Awards Panel had another challenging year in processing a large number of applications for the 2011– 2012 COSF Awards. 20 scholarships were disbursed this year and it is always a pleasure to learn who the recipients are and information about their personal and academic background in this Autumn Newsletter issue.
- As the Fund approaches its 20th anniversary next year, the COSF Committees have been hard at work continuing with their publicity and fundraising campaigns. It was very good to see new friends of the China Oxford Scholarship Fund attend the Mid-Autumn China Club dinner event in Hong Kong.
- It is satisfying to see that the COSF Speaker's Programme is keeping up its momentum. The Fund appreciates the support of distinguished guest speakers such as Lord Wei taking part in our fundraising campaign.
- I am pleased to learn that COSF's network of alumni Scholars and friends is expanding through the Fund's presence on social networking sites such as Facebook and LinkedIn. I hope our growing community of supporters will help with COSF's public awareness and fundraising efforts.
- At present, the COSF's major challenge is to raise enough funds to cover its basic operational costs in Hong Kong and the United Kingdom. I hope that you will support COSF by making a donation. Whatever the amount, your gift will make a difference.

Timothy Beardson
International Chairman



2011 COSF *Award Recipients*

Hoare Family Award

Zhan Wang received the £5,000 Hoare Family Award. He was born in Lanzhou in Gansu Province. The 23-year-old is pursuing an MJur in Law and attending St Hilda's College. Zhan earned his Bachelor of Law Degree at Renmin University of China in Beijing. He has received numerous scholarships and carried out volunteer work providing legal aid at various law firms in the Chinese capital. He has a special interest in corporate and financial law. In his view, China's market-oriented economy is still developing and is not immune to administrative and regulatory interference from the Chinese Government's planned economic policies. He believes the role of business lawyers is important to aid communities that might be inadvertently caught between these two systems in China. He hopes one day to establish a scholarship programme in China to help law students like himself to study abroad.



Zhan Wang

Wolfson China Scholarship

Vicky Ip received the £12,500 Wolfson China Scholarship. The 21-year-old is pursuing an MSc in Modern Chinese Studies and will be at Wolfson College. Vicky is a graduate of the Chinese University of Hong Kong. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Public and Government Administration and minored in Anthropology. During her undergraduate studies, she gained work experience in China at private Chinese educational consultancy firms that research China's local economies and policies. Vicky was also an active volunteer for numerous community programmes in Hong Kong, India, Cambodia and the Philippines. Her aim is to become a scholar on Hong Kong's social and political phenomenon and its dynamic and challenging relationship with the mainland Chinese Government. She aims to return to Hong Kong and work in policy formation in public administration for the Hong Kong Government.



Vicky Ip

Wolfson China Scholarship

Yuge Ma also received the £12,500 Wolfson China Scholarship. The 24-year-old is studying for a DPhil in Geography and the Environment and is at Wolfson College. Yuge was a £5,000 China Oxford Award winner last year. She is from Yuxi town in Yunnan Province in Western China. She earned her MSc degree in Contemporary India in the Department of Contemporary India Studies Programme at the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies at Oxford. Yuge holds a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Building Science from the Architecture School and a BA degree in Law at Tsinghua University in Beijing. She secured an MA degree in Geography from the Centre for the Study of Regional Development at the Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi. Her aim is to become a future global leader and an eminent scholar on India and China in terms of their energy and climate policies and how these policies interact with social and political development.



Yuge Ma

Tang Oxford Award

Liang Kong received a £5,000 Tang Oxford Award for Environmental Sciences. The 25-year-old is from Nanjing in Jiangsu Province. Liang is a second year DPhil student studying Inorganic Chemistry at Oxford and is at St Hilda's College. Her area of study is in the sustainability of energy and the environment and she has carried out award-winning research work in chemistry and has presented her work internationally at conferences overseas. Her research focus is on solar energy. Liang is a graduate of Nanjing University where she earned a first class BSc degree in chemistry.



Kong Liang

Tang Oxford Award

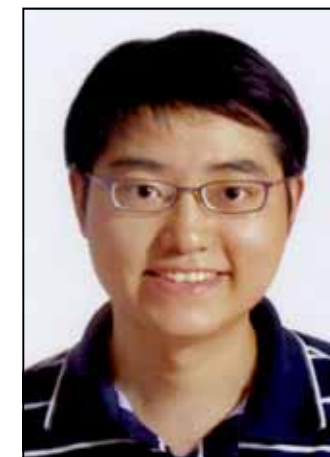
Feifei (Sophie) Deng also received a £6,500 Tang Oxford Award. This is the second year that Feifei has been the recipient of the Award. The 23-year-old is a second year DPhil student studying Oceanography in the Department of Earth Sciences and is at Wolfson College. Sophie is from Guiyang in Guizhou Province and she earned her BSc degree in Marine Chemistry from the Ocean University of China in Qingdao. Her research work is focussed on global carbon cycles and climate change. She would like to return to China to help develop innovative research and development in oceanographic work in the country.



Feifei (Sophie) Deng

Wei Oxford Award

Fei Yan received the £5,000 Wei Oxford Award. The 29-year-old is from Nanjing in Jiangsu Province. He is pursuing a DPhil in Sociology and is at St Cross College. Fei earned his BA degree in Sociology from Fudan University in Shanghai. He then attended Oxford University and earned his MSc degree in Comparative Social Policy. Fei continued his postgraduate studies at Stanford University where he earned his MA degree in East Asian Studies. His scholarly interests focus on political sociology, social movements and political transition in China. Fei has authored more than 150 articles which have been published in the Chinese media. His research on popular social and political movements resulted in the publication of two books.



Fei Yan

Winkler Oxford Award

Xiao Wan received the £2,500 Winkler Oxford Award. She is a second year DPhil student at Oxford studying Biomedical Engineering. The 26-year-old is at Linacre College. Her current research project is developing three dimensional cancer models using tissue engineering and exploring their applications in the testing of new drugs and therapeutics. She plans to incorporate the use of stem cells into her research project during the latter course of her DPhil work. Upon completion of her studies, she hopes that she can contribute in the development of medical treatments for cancer and other diseases in China. Xiao is a graduate of Peking University where she earned both her BSc degree in Pharmacy and her MSc degree in Chemical Biology. Xiao is a native of Wuhan in Hubei Province.



Xiao Wan

William SD Louey Educational Foundation Scholarship

Shan (Betty) Huang received a £10,000 William SD Louey Educational Foundation Scholarship. The 22-year-old was born in Henan Province and resides in Zhuhai. She will be pursuing an MSc degree in Financial Economics at the Said Business School. Shan is a graduate of Lingnan University in Hong Kong where she earned her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. During her undergraduate studies, she was an exchange student for one year at Carleton College in Minnesota in the United States. Shan's interest is in China's financial market development and its internationalisation. She is also focussed on the promotion of business ties between mainland China and Hong Kong. Shan is at Green Templeton College.



Shan (Betty) Huang

William SD Louey Educational Foundation Scholarship

Wei (Wayne) Gong also received a £10,000 William SD Louey Educational Foundation Scholarship. The 23-year-old is pursuing an MSc degree in Financial Economics at the Said Business School. Wei is from Chongqing and is a graduate of Sichuan University in Chengdu where he earned his Bachelor of Economics in Finance degree. During his undergraduate studies, he was an exchange student for a year at the University of Washington in Seattle in the United States. Wei received a number of scholarships based on his academic excellence and has interned at the Bank of China. His focus is on the global finance industry, asset management and the creation of what he calls "value for society". Wei is at Green Templeton College.



Wei (Wayne) Gong

China Oxford Award

Xiao (Hana) Ma received a £5,000 China Oxford Award. The 22-year-old is from Hangzhou in Zhejiang Province. She is pursuing an MJur in Law and is at St Hilda's College. Hana earned both her BA degree in English Language and Literature and her Bachelor of Laws degree in International Law from the Beijing Foreign Studies University. Her interest is in international commercial arbitration law and she hopes to research this topic in China with the view she can play a role in making the Chinese elements in this area more comprehensible to foreign litigants.



Xiao (Hana) Ma

China Oxford Award

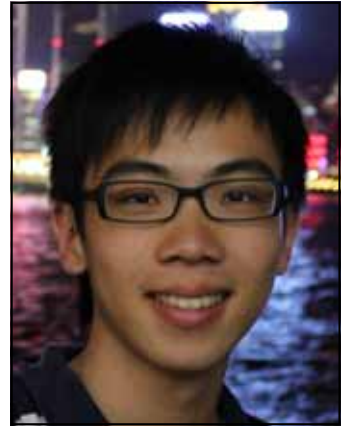
Morton Teng Wan received a £5,000 China Oxford Award. The 23-year-old is pursuing an MSt degree in Music and is at Linacre College. He graduated from the University of Hong Kong with a Bachelor of Economics degree and minored in Music and Philosophy. Morton has participated in several summer exchange student programmes at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, Harvard University, University of Edinburgh, the London School of Economics and Political Science and the Freie University of Berlin.



Morton Wan Teng

China Oxford Award

Geng Xi received a £5,000 China Oxford Award. The 22-year-old is from Guangzhou. He is studying for a DPhil degree in Mathematics and is at Lincoln College. He graduated at the top of his class at the Sun Yat-Sen University in Guangzhou where he earned his BSc degree in Mathematics. During his undergraduate studies, Geng won several major scholarships based on his academic excellence. After his studies at Oxford, Geng would like to return to China and contribute in the area of academia.



Xi Geng

China Oxford Award

Chu (Sabrina) Xu received a £5,000 China Oxford Award. The 22-year-old was born in Jiang Xi Province and resides in Shanghai. She is pursuing an MSc degree in Financial Economics at the Said Business School and is at St Edmund Hall. Chu is a graduate of Jiao Tong University in Shanghai where she earned her BA in Economics and Finance. She graduated within the top 1% of her class of 300. Chu was an exchange student at the University of Texas in Austin in the United States. She also interned as an analyst at Morgan Stanley Asia and Fountain Vest Partners. Her goal is to play a role in improving transparency and efficiency of China's financial markets.



Chu Xu (Sabrina)

China Oxford Honorary Awards

The following students each received a £1,000 China Oxford Honorary Award.

Lei Xu is from Suizhou in Hubei Province. The 22-year-old is pursuing a DPhil degree in Computer Science and is at St Anne's College. He earned his BSc degree in Control Science and Engineering at the Huazhong University of Science and Technology in Wuhan. Lei received First Class Honours with a first place ranking in his class. His interest is in bio-inspired computer technology which he believes has exciting implications for a host of areas such as scientific research to stock market predictions. Lei is a recipient of a full scholarship from the China Scholarship Council.



Xu Lei

Yuk Hang Ng is from Hong Kong. The 22-year-old is studying for an MSt degree in Global and Imperial Studies. She is at St Antony's College. Yuk Hang graduated with First Class Honours at the University of Hong Kong where she earned her Bachelor of Journalism degree. During her undergraduate studies, Yuk Hang was an exchange student at the Institute for European Studies in Prague and at the University of Maryland in the United States. She has served internships at various international media organisations in Hong Kong while also carrying out volunteer work for groups aiding the underprivileged in Hong Kong and mainland China. Yuk Hang is a recipient of the Swire Cathay Pacific Scholarship.



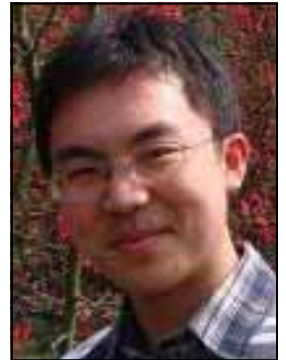
Ng Yuk Hang

Rui Liang is from Kunming in Yunnan Province. The 23-year-old is pursuing an MSc degree in Climate Change and Management at the Environmental Change Institute at the School of Geography and the Environment. Rui graduated with First Class Honours from Waseda University in Tokyo where she earned her BA degree in International Relations. She was a political science exchange student at Carleton College in Minnesota in the United States and attended the Asian Integration Summer School programme at the United Nations University in Tokyo. Her interest is to play a role in public policy and corporate decision-making relating to environmental issues in China.



Rui Liang

Yingqi Liu is from Chongqing. The 22-year-old is studying for an MSc degree in Environmental Change and the Environment at the School of Geography and the Environment. He earned a BSc degree in Biological Science from Sichuan University in Chengdu. During his undergraduate studies, he was an exchange student at the University of Washington in Seattle where he earned a place on the Annual Dean's List. Yingqi has been a volunteer for several educational projects in China and has interned as a researcher in forestry for the Jinjyun Mountain National Nature Reserve. His interests involve examining the efficiency of Chinese environmental governance. Yingqi is a recipient of the £15,000 Dr Yungtai Hsu Scholarship offered at St John's College.



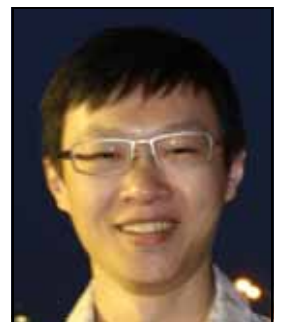
Yingqi Liu

Zhe Sha is from Suzhou in Jiangsu Province. The 23-year-old is pursuing an MSc degree in Applied Statistics and is at St Cross College. She graduated within the top 5 per cent of her class at the South-Western University of Finance and Economics in Chengdu in Sichuan Province. Zhe earned her Bachelor's degree in Statistics. Upon completion of her studies, she would like to gain work experience at the World Bank and continue her academic pursuits by studying for a doctorate degree. Her goal is to work in academia or for a government institution such as the China State Council's Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.



Sha Zhe

Tao (Edric) Min is originally from Tsingtao in Shandong Province. The 24-year-old Beijing resident is pursuing an MSc degree in Law and Finance and is at Merton College. Tao earned both his Master of Law and Bachelor of Law degrees from Tsinghua University. In 2009, Tao attended a Summer School of Common Law programme at Oxford University. During his undergraduate studies, Tao founded the Tsinghua Student Book Council that aims to pique students' interest in ancient books on history and provide a forum for academic research. Tao would like to work for the Export and Import Bank of China where he hopes to contribute to the stronger development of state-owned enterprises and their transition with or to private global organisations.



Tao (Edric) Min

Nan Zhang is from Beijing and is pursuing an MSc in Comparative Social Policy. The 27-year-old is at Corpus Christi College. She earned her BA degree in English from the University of International Business and Economics in Beijing. Nan worked for 5 years with the Chinese Government's Commission on Population and Family Planning and was active with various social development programmes. Nan is a recipient of the British Government's Chevening Scholarship.



Nan Zhang

Mid-Autumn China Club Event Pictorial



Albert Shen and Peihao Shen



Ivan Owyang and Mrs Owyang, Sue Lau, Annie Bentley and Paul Angwin



Kenneth Fok, Alexander van Pragg, Rupert McCowan, Jonathan Hui and Wai-Kei Tsoi



John Bantitthai, Andrew Lo and Gigi Wong



Former Hong Kong Chief Justice Sir T.L. Yang



Sharon Chan Muksch, Laura Weeks and Roland Muksch



Jonathan Hui, 2008 COSF Scholar Vincent Chan Hong Yiu, Kenneth Fok and 2011 COSF Wolfson China Scholar Vicky Ip



Dr Nien Dak Sze, Gigi Wong, John Bantitthai and 2011 COSF Scholar Morton Teng Wan



Nelson Yip, Gordon and Gloria Jones and Pauline Marland



2006 COSF Scholar Dr Yuen Yi Lo, 2011 COSF Scholar Yuk Hang Ng, Rupert McCowan and 2011 COSF Scholar Fei Yan



Dr K.M. Chow, Andrew Lo, William Baghurst and 2008 COSF Hoare Family Award Scholar Eddy Fung



Jeremy Woodall and Irene Lee



Angela and Moses Chang and Alastair Louey



Dr Wayne Hu, Emma Hu, Sir T.L. Yang and Peggy Liu



Sam and Pauline Chu , Thelma Kwan and Richard Che



2008 COSF Brian Keelan Award Scholar
Vincent Chan Hong Yiu



2011 COSF Scholar Fei Yan addressing guests



Gigi Wong, John Bantitthai, Sir T.L. Yang and Andrew Lo



2011 COSF Scholar Yuk Hang Ng



Julian Marland, Rachel Cartland and Paul Angwin



Tiffany Chan and Dr John Chan



Awards Panel Chairman Rupert McCowan

More COSF Events



The China Oxford Scholarship Fund's Beijing Committee ushered in the autumn season with an informal gathering for COSF's Scholars and Oxford University alumni on September 3. The evening event was organised by COSF Scholar (2006) and Beijing Committee member Zhe Zhang and COSF Scholar (2009) Wenyi Li. Amongst the guests of the open-air evening gathering were COSF Scholar (2006) Jingjing Chen, COSF Scholar (2009) Xiao Wang, Wenwei Li, Jingjing Zhang, Xin Liu, Wei Nie, Yangyuan Pan, Menghui Li and Xiao Tan. COSF looks forward to more events such as these taking place in mainland China to help promote its educational initiative and develop the COSF network there.

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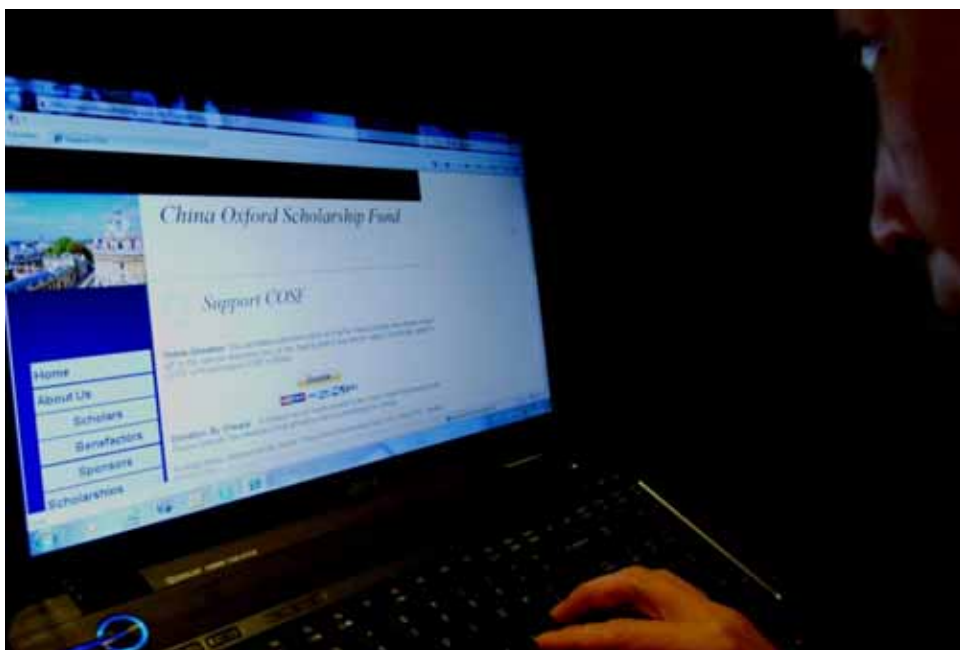
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In Hong Kong, the COSF Committee organised a fundraising event on September 20 as part of the its Speakers' Programme. The guest speaker at the China Club event was the Rt Hon the Lord Wei of Shoreditch. Lord Nat Wei is a former management consultant who was made the youngest peer of the realm last year. The social entrepreneur served from 2006 to 2010 as an unpaid advisor for the British Government's Big Society volunteering programme.

Seventeen guests were on hand to hear Lord Wei speak about China and its future global role and values. During a Q&A session, Lord Wei also touched on "Big Society" and how it has been affected by the current financial climate. The luncheon raised \$12,000 HK dollars and \$3,000 HK dollars in direct donations for COSF. The Fund is grateful for Lord Wei's support and we look forward to inviting him to be a guest speaker again. Lord Wei attended Oxford University and was at Jesus College.



COSF Online Update



We are pleased to report that the China Oxford Scholarship Fund's online community of supporters continues to grow. Through our presence on Facebook, LinkedIn and our COSF website, our number of online friends around the world has been on the rise.

Since September, COSF's website has been providing supporters the ability to make donations via their credit or debit cards online through PayPal. There is also more information on the various ways of making a gift to COSF. Whether you are in the United Kingdom, China or the United States, donations can be made easily and with tax benefits. Please go to our website for details on the different ways to make a gift to COSF.

In late November, COSF will be welcoming this year's new group of Scholars with a luncheon at Rhodes House in Oxford. The event has been made possible by a donation from a supporter. If you would also like to sponsor an event for COSF in the United Kingdom, Hong Kong or China, please get in touch with us. 2012 will mark both the Year of the Dragon and the China Oxford Scholarship Fund's 20th anniversary. We hope that you will support our fundraising efforts so that COSF can continue to provide financial assistance to postgraduate students from China and help cover the Fund's administrative costs in Hong Kong and the United Kingdom. Please remember that whatever amount you give, it will make a difference for COSF. With your help, the Fund hopes to celebrate more milestones in the future.

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Please Support COSF

China produces more than six million university graduates every year yet only a small number are able to pursue postgraduate studies abroad.

We believe that with your help, COSF can make a difference for the growing number of Chinese students hoping to pursue their graduate studies at the University of Oxford.

COSF enables China's brightest students to explore - as China Oxford Scholars - new frontiers by developing a deeper understanding of the world and its challenges in the 21st century and beyond.

To make a donation or for further information, please go to www.chinaoxford.org or contact us at info@chinaoxford.org