



MIDDLESEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ASIAN STUDIES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PRESENTS

Contemporary South Asia: Emerging Trends and Voices

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The Asian Studies Development Program was initiated in 1990 by the East-West Center and University of Hawai'i. Its mission is to infuse Asian content and perspectives into the core curriculum at American two-year and four-year colleges and universities. The ASDP network now includes more than 400 colleges in 49 states, with 20 schools designated as ASDP regional centers.

Middlesex Community College was involved in the early development of ASDP and was the first institution to become a regional center. Over two decades, Middlesex and ASDP have collaborated in organizing ASDP workshops and conferences. This seminar, which highlights the cultural complexities of South Asia with special attention to the globally strategic areas of India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan, focuses on the social, political, and economic roles these countries play in their region and throughout the world, and is indicative of the importance of promoting international education.

– Elizabeth Buck, Co-Director of ASDP

SCHEDULE:

Friday, March 26

8:15 – 9 a.m.

Registration & Continental Breakfast

The Federal Reserve Plaza, AV Lounge, 3rd floor
600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Mass.

ALL PRESENTATIONS ARE HELD AT THE FEDERAL RESERVE PLAZA, AV-1 AUDITORIUM, 3RD FLOOR

9 – 11:45 a.m.

Peace and Conflict in Pakistan, Afghanistan and India

Zia Mian: Director of the Project on Peace and Security in South Asia at the Program on Science and Global Security at Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Break

Noon – 12:45 p.m.

Lunch

New England Room, 3rd floor

1 – 1:50 p.m.

India and China: A Comparative Perspective

Tarun Khanna: the Jorge Paulo Lemann Professor at the Harvard Business School and faculty chair for HBS activities in India, Harvard University

2 – 4:45 p.m.

The Politics of Globalization in South Asia and Beyond

Sankaran Krishna: Professor of Political Science at the Public Policy Center at the University of Hawai'i, Manoa

SCHEDULE (CONT.):

3:15 – 3:30 p.m.	Break
4:45 – 5 p.m.	Closing Remarks

PRESENTERS:



Zia Mian is the director of the Project on Peace and Security in South Asia, at the Program on Science and Global Security at Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University. His research interests include nuclear weapons and nuclear energy policy in South Asia, and issues of nuclear disarmament and peace. Previously, he has taught at Yale University and Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. He has worked at the Union of Concerned Scientists, Cambridge (Mass.), and at the Sustainable Development Policy Institute, Islamabad. He is Associate Editor of *Science & Global Security*, an international journal for peer-reviewed scientific and technical studies relating to arms control, disarmament and nonproliferation policy. In addition to his scholarly articles, he is the editor of several books and has helped make two documentary films on peace and security in South Asia. He has a Ph.D. in physics from the University of Newcastle upon Tyne.



Tarun Khanna is the Jorge Paulo Lemann Professor at the Harvard Business School and Faculty Chair for HBS activities in India. He serves on the boards of the AES Corporation, a global power company; SKS Microfinance, India's largest microfinance firm; Parliamentary Research Services, a non-partisan NGO research input to India's Members of Parliament; and Primary Source, a Boston-based NGO dedicated to helping US K-12 schools adopt curricular material reflecting global societies. In 2007, Professor Khanna was nominated to be a Young Global Leader (under 40) by the World Economic Forum. In 2009, he was elected a Fellow of the Academy of International Business. He is the author of numerous articles in scholarly journals and anthologies and editor of several economics and management journals. His recent books include: *Billions of Entrepreneurs: How China and India are Reshaping Their Futures and Yours* (2008) and *Winning in Emerging Markets: A Roadmap for Strategy and Execution* (March 2010).



Sankaran Krishna is Professor and past chair of Political Science at the Public Policy Center at the University of Hawai'i, Manoa. His research centers on nationalism, ethnic identity and conflict, identity politics, and post-colonial studies, located primarily around India and Sri Lanka. He has published numerous articles that cover the partition of the Indian subcontinent in 1947, the culture of Indian foreign policy making, the silent presence of race in discourses of international relations, and the diasporic forms of Indian nationalism. His books include: *Postcolonial Insecurities: India, Sri Lanka, and the Question of Nationhood*; *India's Role in Sri Lanka's Ethnic Conflict (A History of Ethnic Conflict in Sri Lanka)*; and *Globalization and Postcolonialism: Hegemony and Resistance in the Twenty-first Century* (2009).

SPONSORS:

Middlesex Community College

Founded in 1970, Middlesex Community College is the largest community college in Massachusetts with campuses in downtown Lowell on the bank of the Merrimack River and on a 200-acre site in the suburban town of Bedford. Middlesex is a progressive and dynamic learning community, committed to providing educational programs and services that support personal growth and economic opportunity for its diverse student population. Dedicated to student success, the college provides excellence in teaching, personal attention, and extensive opportunities for exploration and growth. Closely linked to the fabric of the community, Middlesex partnerships with school, business and service organizations provide leadership in economic and community development and foster a culture of civic engagement and responsive workforce development. The college's state-of-the-art programs in the liberal arts, basic skills, and more than fifty career and technical fields respond to student and community needs, providing a strong foundation for college transfer, employment, professional development and lifelong learning.

Middlesex Community College Foundation & Annual Fund Grants Program

The Middlesex Community College Foundation (MCCF) was created in 1988 to enlist private sector support "in furtherance of the educational and charitable purposes of Middlesex Community College." In addition, the foundation provides the college additional funds and flexibility to further its mission. The MCC Foundation Annual Fund helps the college fund projects that support innovative activities, programs, services, equipment and training not covered through the college's traditional budget process.

Asian Studies Development Program at the East-West Center

The Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP) is a joint program of the University of Hawai'i and the East-West Center. It was initiated in 1990 with a mission to infuse Asian content and perspectives into the core curriculum at American two-year and four-year colleges and universities through programs that help faculty expand and refine their knowledge and teaching of Asia. The co-directors of ASDP are Elizabeth Buck, at the East-West Center, and Roger T. Ames, at the University of Hawaii. Peter Herschok is ASDP Coordinator. The ASDP network now includes more than 400 colleges in 49 states, with 20 schools designated as ASDP regional centers.

ASDP offers summer residential institutes in Honolulu and workshops at mainland colleges designed to enhance teaching about Asia and support curriculum development; field studies in Asia; program support for ASDP regional centers that serve as mentoring campuses in their area; outreach on an on-going basis to ASDP alumni and other interested faculty through the ASDP newsletter; and an Internet discussion list (asdp-L@h-net.msu.edu).

The Contemporary South Asia seminar co-directors thank all those at Middlesex Community College and ASDP who have made this event possible. We also appreciate the Federal Reserve Bank's commitment to scholarship and the community.