Putting Asia at the Forefront of Our Public Policy Discussion

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Fellows: Each year, we welcome a community of emerging scholars and senior practitioners working at the cutting edge of Asia public policy issues.

Students: We support students through RA positions, internship funding, and study groups.

Scholarship: Our papers, reports, and surveys spark discussions on governance and policy challenges throughout Asia.

Rajawali Foundation Institute for Asia

The Rajawali Foundation Institute for Asia convenes leaders from the academic, policymaking, business, and student communities committed to enhancing public policy research and teaching on Asia. We work to deepen understanding of the region, explore possibilities for innovation, and advance important initiatives that will affect millions of lives in Asia.
You can’t understand the world today without knowing how policy is developed throughout Asia.

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Asia Energy and Sustainability Initiative

The Asia Energy and Sustainability Initiative (AESI) provides first-rate scholarly analysis and independent research relating to the intersection of innovation, energy policy and technology, and environmental outcomes in Asia.

Indonesia Program

The Indonesia Program runs a number of activity-based programs including hosting Indonesian fellows and executive education participants; participating in collaborative research; convening of conferences and seminars; and facilitating visiting delegations of senior Indonesian leaders at HKS.

China Programs

The Ash Center’s China Programs provides a school-wide platform that engages Chinese scholars, policymakers, business and non-profit leaders, and students to analyze key policy challenges both within China and in China’s increasing global engagement. We accomplish this through three sets of related activities: research; teaching, including tailored executive education; and fellowships.

Our research activities include the longest running western survey of Chinese citizen satisfaction with Chinese government, work on China’s energy policy and needs, and the build-out of a unique dataset of new Chinese philanthropists. These insights and results are effectively disseminated through working papers and high-level policy dialogues with Chinese colleagues.

Myanmar Program

The Myanmar Program seeks to deepen the understanding of the development and governance challenges facing Myanmar. Moving beyond technical economics, the program examines the broader political economy of reform and explores the connections between politics and institutional development to better address the country’s social and economic problems.

Vietnam Program

The Vietnam Program is a recognized leader in the study of Vietnam’s political and economic development. Through a combination of teaching in Vietnam, research, and policy advising, the program is an influential participant in Vietnam’s policy dialogue, informing Vietnam’s ongoing reform process.