

Doctoral/ Moral Dispute and Moral Knowledge in Early Chinese Thought

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During my stay I have joined the following academic events:

1. A weekly-based held reading group devoting to the Book *Nothingness in Asian Philosophy*.
2. The conference of 'Contradiction and Japanese Buddhism' held from Jan 16 to Jan 18.
3. The serious lectures on Buddhism given by Prof. Jay Garfield who currently teaches at the University of Singapore held from Feb 24 to Feb 27.

Besides these, I also had interesting conversations with researchers from this University as well as foreign universities in Korea and German.

Kyoto is one of the most historical cities with profound philosophical background of the development of Kyoto School. Such an environment is very beneficial to a researcher who tends to spend much time thinking along with philosophical issues. From my personal experience I testified this truthness.

My supervisor of this programme, Deguchi Sensui is one of the scholars being enthusiastic about making conversations with people coming from different philosophical doctrines. This is very conducive not only to building network but also to developing friendship, both of which are important for me in terms of long-run academic career considerations. In addition, before my departure I gave a talk at KUASU Office addressing one of the major concerns in my thesis. Through presenting and interaction with the audience, I got to have a clear idea about the aims I want to achieve.

Having conversations with people whom I had been made able to meet on this programme has broaden my views about the academic world. In addition, from the conversations I had with Deguchi Sensei about both my current thesis orientation and developing topics for future research, I have gained better ideas of the potential topics that I may want to devote to in the next two years.

I was informed by Deguchi Sensei that he will organize a conference for people from this University, NCCU in Taiwan, and NUS in Singapore in March 2015. I have expressed to him my commitment to this event and hopefully before that I will have opportunities to return to this University for academic purposes.