

MEET THE CONTRIBUTORS

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Matthew F. Fleming is currently a Master of Global Affairs and Policy student at Yonsei University Graduate School of International Studies. Before moving to Seoul, Korea, he lived on the East Coast of the United States, studying Communication Studies and International Studies at the University of North Carolina Wilmington. While studying Japanese and Global Communication at Aichi Shukutoku University in Nagoya, Japan, Matthew found his research interests based in the Asia-Pacific. Matthew hopes to contribute to the repair of the world by focusing on issues of international human rights, cultural history, promotion of personal narratives, and the relationship of collectivism vs. individualism in contemporary issues.

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Megan Ann Pellouchoud is a graduate student finishing her final semester at the Graduate School of International Studies at Yonsei University. While Megan's research in this spring/summer issue explores a junction in the fields of migration and tourism studies, Megan's primary research interests extend to security and non-traditional security topics in Northeast Asia, human rights, and Asian studies. Megan enjoys making calculated moves in the stock market in leisure time, consuming gore and horror films, and watching street cats.

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Hannah Evans is a scholar of International Relations with a bachelor's degree from King's College London. She will begin a master's in International Security in September 2021. She has specialized in African

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Aaron Molnar is a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of History at the University of British Columbia. He specializes in the premodern history of Inner and Northeast Asia, with particular attention to the Mongol Empire in China, Korea, and Central Asia. His dissertation project looks at networks of urban steppe sites in their relationship to material and cultural exchange in the Mongol Empire. Therein, he looks closely at Koryo as an integrated realm in this circulations system in an attempt to include Korean history more fully in narratives of globalization. He has also written on Koryo-era Chinese language texts (*Paktongsa*; *Nogeoldae*) as sources for travel history. Thus, points of comparison with West Asian travelogues better understand the history of travel in Mongol Eurasia.