

## Contributors

**Sarah Boedicker** is an upcoming senior at Wittenberg University, and an East Asian studies major. Some of the other academic topics that she works with are Women's Studies, Sociology, and music, and she truly enjoys being able to tie all of these topics together as she studies at Wittenberg. As a result, some of the topics in East Asian Studies that most pique her interests are women's issues, histories, and topics, and philosophical traditions, such as Buddhism, Confucianism, and Taoism. After she graduates, she plans on applying to a number of graduate programs to refine all of her various interests into an ultimate career goal, in whatever field she ultimately ends up in.

**Bailey DuBois** is a junior Geography major and East Asian Studies/Chinese minor at Wittenberg University. She is not a religious studies scholar and knows almost nothing about physics, but a course on Buddhism inspired her to take a research position with her professor and try to learn more about both. Her primary academic interest is Chinese growth and urban planning. She spent a summer in China as a camp counselor and English teacher at Yew Wah International Education School of Shanghai, and returns to China in the summer of 2013 with a research grant to study "ghost" cities in Inner Mongolia for her senior thesis.

**Michele Druga** is a double major in Psychology and Japanese with a minor in East Asian Studies. She spent fall semester 2012 in Japan at Kansai Gaidai University. A member of the Wittenberg University Class of 2014, after graduation she plans to pursue a graduate degree in Industrial/Organizational psychology. Her eventual goal is to work for a company with a large amount of Japanese workers and help make the transition into a new culture and workspace as smooth as possible.

**Meghan McLaughlin** is currently a graduating senior at Wittenberg University. She is from Loveland, Ohio. She will be graduating with a degree in History as well as with her teaching license for secondary education. She plans on teaching high school history, but has yet to find a position for next year. During her time at Wittenberg, she has concentrated her studies in Modern History, but has also had the opportunity to study various time periods and regions in history, including East Asia. She hopes to use her background in history not only while teaching, but also while doing museum or library work during the summers.

**Hui Sian Tan** graduated from John Carroll University and has a strong passion for language and literature studies. When not buried in books, she likes hanging out with Bob Richardson and their cats. She hopes to further her studies in Chinese literature and Japanese language.