Date	Event Title	Lecturers/speakers	Topic	Link
February 4 & 5, 2010	2010 Asian Studies Symposium	 Richard J. Samuels Ford International Professor of Political Science, MIT Leif-Eric Easley, Harvard University Ken Jimbo, Keio University Hiroki Takeuchi, SMU Min Ye, Boston University Peter Hays Gries, University of Oklahoma Thomas U. Berger, Boston University William W. Grimes, Boston University Keiko lizuka, Yomiuri Shimbun Diana Helweg Newton, SMU The Honorable J. Thomas Schieffer Former U.S. Ambassador to Japan Thomas J. Christensen, Princeton University Christopher P. Twomey, Naval Postgraduate School Jianwei Wang, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point Ka Zeng, University of Arkansas Seyom Brown, SMU 	The China-Japan-US Triangle: Economic and Security Dimensions	https://calendar.smu.edu/s ite/centersinstitutes/event/ sun-amp-star-symposium the-china-japan-us-triangle- economic-and-security- dimensions-1/ https://site- xkbss9v8.wsecdn1.websitec dn.com/uploads/778BE322 88CA0BBD.pdf?v=2202010 91522 https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2009/12/17/save- the-date-asian-studies- symposium-feb-4th-5th/
January 6, 2012	SMU-Keio Workshop	 James Hollifield, Southern Methodist University Hiroki Takeuchi, Southern Methodist University Melanie Manion, University of Wisconsin, Madison Mari Nakaoka, Tokiwa University Tomoki Kamo, Keio University Teresa Wright, California State University, Long Beach Masong Wu, Keio University Martin Dimitrov, Tulane University Kazuko Kojima, University of Tsukuba Mark Frazier, University of Oklahoma Yuen Yuen Ang, University of Michigan 	Political Participation in Contemporary China	https://site- xkbss9v8.wsecdn1.websitec dn.com/uploads/4DAB7A8C F3D0C2D4.pdf?v=22020109 1522
February 28, 2012	The Past and Future Development of the Korean Peninsula	 Professor Hiroki Takeuchi, Political Science, SMU Mr. Chong Choe, Chair, Korean American Coalition Mr. Brian Park, National Unification Advisory Council 	North Korea's Challenges with Economic Stagnation and International Criticism of its Nuclear Program in the Wake of the Recent Death ff Kim Jung-II	https://calendar.smu.edu/s ite/centersinstitutes/event/ the-past-and-future- development-of-the- korean-peninsula/

November 7 & 8, 2012	Sun & Star Symposium: 2012	 Dr. Heizo Takenaka, Director of Global Security Research Institute and Professor of Policy Management, Keio University Marie Anchordoguy, University of Washington Patricia Maclachlan, University of Texas at Austin Leonard Schoppa, University of Virginia Discussant: Hiroki Takeuchi, SMU John Campbell, Professor Emeritus, University of Michigan Kenneth Mori McElwain, University of Michigan Linda Hasunuma, Franklin & Marshall College Discussant: Ko Maeda, University of North Texas The Honorable J. Thomas Schieffer, former U.S. Ambassador to Japan Andrew Oros, Washington College Yoshihide Soeya, Keio University Tomohito Shinoda, International University of Japan Discussant: Michael Strausz, Texas Christian University 	Are Reforms Dead in Japan? The Legacy of Prime Minister Koizumi	https://site- xkbss9v8.wsecdn1.websitec dn.com/uploads/8E2352ED B0F84C76.pdf?v=22020109 1522
September 18, 2013	Managing Sino-American relations in the 21 st Century	The Honorable James B. Steinberg, Dean of the Maxwell School, Syracuse University		Paper Pamphlet
September 19, 2013	Sun & Star Symposium: 2013	 Alexis Dudden, University of Connecticut William Tsutsui, Southern Methodist University Micah Muscolino, Georgetown University Discussant: Ling Shiao, Southern Methodist University William Norris, Texas A&M University Peter Gries, University of Oklahoma Daniel Lynch, University of Southern California Discussant: Hiroki Takeuchi, Southern Methodist University 	Asia's Contested Waters: The East China and South China Sea	https://youtu.be/AZBKK7v N5cc?si=fZR- bQy6LHR41d6T https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=NYxR3Qmmv3w& t=1s
March 25, 2014	The 2011 Earthquake, Tsunami, and Nuclear Accident in Japan: Coordinating the U.S. Government Response	Kevin McQuade, Analyst Development Program, Analyst Services, Inc.	How the U.S. and Japanese Governments Addressed a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) Threat	https://calendar.smu.edu/s ite/centersinstitutes/event/ the-2011-earthquake- tsunami-and-nuclear- accident-in-japan- coordinating-the-us- government-response-1/

March 3 & 4, 2015	Sun & Star Symposium: 2015	 The Honorable Richard L. Armitage Ambassador Thomas Schieffer Thomas Berger, Boston University Leonard Schoppa, University of Virginia Nathaniel Smith, University of Arizona Patricia Maclachlan (Discussant) Bill Tsutsui Alexander Tan, University of Canterbury, New Zealand Anny Wong, Tower Center Diana Newton (Discussant) Atsuko Abe, J.F. Oberlin University, Tokyo Erin Chung, Johns Hopkins University Michael Orlando Sharpe, York College, CUNY James Hollifield, Tower Center Director 	Japanese New Nationalism and Beyond	https://www.houston.us.e mb- japan.go.jp/en/archive/201 5/150303 SS.html https://youtu.be/JuGLazljP hc?si=LITIJDrZ9frmtiEv https://youtu.be/6pP5HgNi s9E?si=HzD11EQay2PcqKTQ https://youtu.be/TjGSgrvrz M4?si=uHZ65a1SFQKJepeZ https://youtu.be/8lhuKCX8 mPM?si=7dG92gPnY9EWtu Uz
March 15, 2015	Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia Annual Conference 2015	 Michael Horowitz, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Pennsylvania Christopher Jenks, Director of the Criminal Justice Clinic and Assistant Professor of Law, SMU 		https://calendar.smu.edu/s ite/centersinstitutes/event/ sun-amp-star-program-on- japan-and-east-asia-annual- conference/
May 15, 2015	Celebrating The American Experience and U.SJapan Relations	 Irene Hirano Inouye, President, U.SJapan Council Admiral Patrick M. Walsh, U.S. Navy (Ret.), former Commander of the Pacific Fleet & Tower Center Senior Fellow, SMU Anny Wong, Tower Center Research Fellow, SMU Moderator Hiroki Takeuchi, Associate Professor & Director of Sun & Star Program on Japan East Asia, Tower Center, SMU 	Irene Hirano Inouye, Her Life, Works and Achievements	https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2015/05/22/celebr ating-the-american- experience-and-us-japan- relations-irene-hirano- inouye-her-life-works-and- achievements/
June 10 and 11, 2016	Sun & Star Symposium: 2016	 Admiral Patrick Walsh The Honorable Istunori Onodera Hiroki Takeuchi Joshua Rovner Diana Newton Satoshi Machidori Junya Nishino Nicolas Sternsdorff-Cisterna James Hollifield Tomoshito Shinoda 	U.SJapan Relations and Security in the Asia- Pacific: Challenges and Hopes	https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=gW7u_v0SSU0 https://www.youtube.com/ watch?app=desktop&v=Nq PlQ9nRem0&ab_channel=S MUTowerCenter https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=md2X-YWbqzk https://m.youtube.com/wa tch?v=BdjfjwYOVql https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=3IrBLP_4xWo https://m.youtube.com/wa tch?v=n6szxJ7JiEM

August 31, 2016	Sun & Star: The Resource Curse in China	Dr. Jing Vivian Zhang, Associate Professor in the Department of Government and Public Administration at the Chinese University of Honk Kong	The Resource Curse in China	https://youtu.be/SyXLi- rGlqk?si=ipwBs5D11GZpeA Hm
September 7, 2016	Sun & Star Scott Hawkins Lecture	Scott Hawkin	Strategic Dilemmas in American Foreign Policy	https://youtu.be/KwWA5C9 msyl?si=Mxc2CzL7qOnLEH Wh
September 21, 2016	Sun & Star I'll See It When I Believe It: How Voters Think and Learn About Elections	 Arthur Lupia, Hal R. Varían Professor of Political Science Matthew Wilson, Director of the Center for Faith and Learning and Associate Professor of political science at Southern Methodist University Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia at the Tower Center 	Why Citizens Know So Little About Politics and What We Can Do About It	https://youtu.be/xOrb7yce 7yc?si=kfL9YA4cZ4oRHSDQ
September 29, 2016	Sun & Star China's Evolving Economy and Society: A Long View	Andrew G. Walder, Denise O'Leary and Kent Thiry Professor in the School of Humanities and Sciences, and Senior Fellow in the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University		https://calendar.smu.edu/s ite/centersinstitutes/event/ sun-amp-starchinas- evolving-economy-and- society-a-long-view-1/
November 3, 2016	Sun & Star China's Economic Statecraft	Dr. William Norris, Assistant professor of Chinese foreign and security policy at the George Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University	The Role of Economics in China's Grand Strategy and, More Broadly, the Theory of Economic Statecraft	https://calendar.smu.edu/s ite/centersinstitutes/event/ sun-amp-starchinas- economic-statecraft-1/ https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2016/11/05/studen t-blog-chinas-economic- statecraft/
November 11, 2016	Sun & Star Security of the Korean Peninsula	Kuyoun Chung, Research fellow in the Korea Institute for National Unification (KINU)'s International and Strategic Division	Replacing the Current Cycle of Provocation and Compensation with Enough Trust to Begin a New Cycle of Denuclearization and Collaboration	https://calendar.smu.edu/s ite/centersinstitutes/event/ sun-amp-starsecurity-of- the-korean-peninsula-1/ https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2016/11/18/studen t-blog-hope-fades-for- unification-of-the-korean- peninsula/
November 15, 2016	Sun & Star The U.S. Presidential Election and the Future of Japan-U.S. Relations	Toshihiro Nakayama, Professor of American Politics and Foreign Policy at the Faculty of Policy Management at Keio University	What Can We Do to Beef Up the Alliance So that Japan and the U.S. Can Cope with the Issues the Region is Facing?	https://calendar.smu.edu/s ite/centersinstitutes/event/ sun-amp-starthe-us- presidential-election-and-

February 8, 2017	Sun & Star The China-Japan- Southeast Asia Relationship	Rumi Aoyama, Professor at The Research Institute of Current Chinese Affairs, School of Education, Waseda University		the-future-of-japan-us-relations-1/ https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2016/11/20/studen t-blog-the-u-s-presidential-election-and-the-future-of-japan-us-relations/ https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s un-amp-starthe-china-japan-southeast-asia-relationship-1/
February 17, 2017	JASDFW Japan Update Symposium 2017	 Jospeh M. Young, Director for Japanese Affairs, East Asian/Pacific Affairs Bureau, U.S. Department of State Dr. Haruo Iguchi, Professor of International Studies, Kwansei Gakuin University Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia at the Tower Center Junji Kurokawa, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Houston (Japan External Trade Organization) Tim B. Keith, President, Texas Central Partners Howard E. Kass, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, American Airlines 	U.SJapan Relations Under the new U.S. Administration	https://site- xkbss9v8.wsecdn1.websitec dn.com/uploads/E5A17410 782DDCF5.pdf?v=22020109 1522
March 8, 2017	Sun & Star Six years after the Arab Spring: Trajectories, Outcomes and the Regional Order	Housam Darwisheh, MA and PhD (Tokyo University of Foreign Studies), Research Fellow at the Institute of Developing Economies (IDE-JETRO), Japan	A discussion on the various outcomes of the Arab spring's uprisings and how the international order and Western hegemony in the Middle East shaped the trajectories of the Arab Spring	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s un-amp-starsix-years- after-the-arab-spring- trajectories-outcomes-and- the-regional-order/
May 3 and 4, 2017	Sun & Star Symposium: 2017	 Dr. Susan J. Pharr, Edwin O. Reischauer Professor of Japanese Politics, Harvard University Adm. Patrick Walsh, Admiral U.S. Navy (retired), former commander of the Pacific Fleet Benjamin R. Goldberg, Department of State Adam P. Liff, Indiana University Hideshi Tokuchi, Former First Vice-Minister of Defense, Japan Discussant: Joshua Rovner, SMU 	One Hundred Days In: The State of U.SJapan Relations Under the Trump Administration	https://site- xkbss9v8.wsecdn1.websitec dn.com/uploads/BFF4E66F 652E0162.pdf?v=22020109 1522

		 Adm. Yoji Koda, Vice Admiral of Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force (retired) Phillip Y. Lipscy, Stanford University Megumi Naoi, University of California at San Diego Hiroki Takeuchi, SMU Discussant: Justin Reeves, Harvard University Sara Wilshaw, Consul General of Canada in Dallas Francisco de la Torre Galindo, Consul General of Mexico in Dallas Diana Helweg Newton James F. Hollifield, SMU 		
June 21, 2017	Sun & Star Coffee & Conversation with Kazuko Kojima	Kazuko Kojima (Ph.D in Law, Keio University, 2006), Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, Keio University, Japan	The Influences of Changes in Japanese Domestic Politics Over Japan's Policymaking Process Toward China	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s un-amp-starcoffee-amp- conversation-with-kazuko- kojima/
September 7, 2017	Food Safety after Fukushima: Scientific Citizenship and the Politics of Risk	Nicolas Sternsdorff-Cisterna, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, SMU	How the processes by which notions about what is safe to eat were formulated after the nuclear meltdown and how risk was framed under uncertain circumstances	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/f ood-safety-after-fukushima- scientific-citizenship-and- the-politics-of-risk-1/
October 23, 2017	Sun & Star Walk in the U.S., Talk on Japan	 Shotaro Oshima, Chairman of the Institute for International Economic Studies Akio Ogasawara, Part-time Lecturer at Nihon University College of International Relations Soushin Ikeda, Master of Tea Ceremony Hokuto Suzuki, Student, Waseda University Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Tower Center Sun & Star Program on Japan and Southeast Asia 		https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s un-amp-starwalk-in-the- us-talk-on-japan/
October 30, 2017	Sun & Star How China Escaped the Poverty Trap	Yuen Yuen Ang, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Michigan	An analysis of China's foundational development which lies in its sequence of strategies: the first step out of the poverty trap is, paradoxically, to harness	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s un-amp-starhow-china- escaped-the-poverty-trap- 1/

			"weak/wrong/backward" institutions to build markets.	
November 13, 2017	Sun & Star Political Self- Censorship in an Authoritarian State	Melanie Manion, Vor Broker Family Professor of Political Science at Duke University		https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s un-amp-starpolitical-self- censorship-in-an- authoritarian-state-1/
January 8, 2018	Asia's Nuclear Challenge: North Korea, China and the Role of Extended Deterrence	Dr. Ken Jimbo, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Policy Management, Keio University	Discusses the options the U.S. has in addressing NK's nuclear armaments	https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2018/01/10/event- recap-asias-nuclear- challenge/
January 31, 2018	Japan-Mexico-Texas Relations: Exploring Politics and Economics	 James F. Hollifield, SMU Ulises Granados, ITAM, Mexico Justin Reeves, SMU Moderator: Luisa del Rosal, SMU Thomas Klier, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Hiroki Takeuchi, SMU Moderator: Charles Cochran, PricewaterhouseCoopers Yugo Hashimoto, President of Sumitomo Corporation Mexico 	A joint symposium looking at the economic and Political Relations Between Japan, Mexico and Texas.	https://site- xkbss9v8.wsecdn1.websitec dn.com/uploads/228BE6DB F8A4989D.pdf?v=22020109 1522 https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2018/02/07/japan- mexico-texas/
February 27, 2018	JASDFW Japan Update Symposium 2018	 Dr. Toshihiro Nakayama, Professor, Faculty of Policy Management, Keio University Paul Havala, Vice President, Planning, Fujitsu Network Communications Brian Kursar, Vice President and Chief Data Scientist, Toyota Connected Girish Nazhiyath, Solutions Architect Director, Retail Solutions, NEC Corporation of America Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Associate Professor and Director, Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia, Tower Center for Political Studies, SMU 	Experts from both countries will examine the state of the relationship one year into the Trump administration and will focus on the commercial relationship between Japan and the North Texas region	https://jasdfw.org/event/japan-update-symposium/
March 15 and 16, 2018	Sun & Star China Symposium 2018	 Rumi Aoyama, Waseda University, Japan Scott W. Harold, RAND Corporation Joshua Shifrinson, Texas A&M University Discussant: Hiroki Takeuchi, SMU Dr. R. Bin Wong, Distinguished Professor of History, UCLA Naoko Eto, IDE-JETRO, Japan Robert Hoppens, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Sayuri Guthrie Shimizu, Rice University Discussant: Johan Elverskog, SMU 	The China challenge and International Relations of the Asia-Pacific	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ keynote-dinnerthe-china- challenge-and- international-relations-of- the-asia-pacific/

May 17, 2018	Mimicry Dynamics: A Study of MNEs' Philanthropic Donation to Disaster Relief in China	 Martin K. Dimitrov, Tulane University Hiroki Takeuchi, SMU Ka Zeng, University of Arkansas Discussant: Justin Reeves, SMU James F. Hollifield, SMU Jianjun Zhang, professor of Organizational and Strategic Management at Guanghua school of Management, Peking University 	The dynamic process of imitation in which multinational enterprises shift their mimetic target from home country peers to host country peers, leading to local	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/c hinas-corporate-social- responsibility/
June 14 and 15, 2018	Sun & Star Symposium in Japan 2018	 James Hollifield, Academic Director of the SMU Tower Center Diana Newton, Senior Fellow of the SMU Tower Center Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the SMU Tower Center Futoshi Shibayama, Professor of Public Policy, KGU Yasuyuki Miyake, Professor of International Studies, KGU Takahiro Shinyo, Professor of KGU, Former Ambassador to Germany Matthew Wilson, Associate Professor of Political Science, SMU Justin Reeves, Assistant Professor of Political Science, SMU Kyoichi Marukusu, Professor of International Studies, KGU Masahiro Yamada, Professor of Political Science, KGU Haruo Iguchi, Professor of International Studies, KGU Norito Kunisue, Asahi Shimbun, Editor in Chief of GLOBE Nicolas Sternsdorff-Cisterna, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, SMU 	isomorphism. U.SJapan Relations in a tumultuous time: is liberal international order decaying?	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s unstar-symposiumus- japan-relations-in-a- tumultuous-time-1/
November 6, 2018	Global Value Chains, Free Trade Agreements & Regional Security in the Asia-Pacific	Hiroki Takeuchi, Associate Professor of Political Science, and Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the Tower Center	Argues that the complicated multinational negotiating process promotes international cooperation and strengthens regional	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s ecurity-implications-of- global-value-chains-in-the- asia-pacific/ https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2018/11/19/studen

			security by empowering people who favor reform and internationalism in each nation's domestic politics.	t-perspective-free-trade- evolved-global-value- chains-and-security- considerations/
February 15, 2019	JASDFW Japan Update Symposium 2019	 Dr. Mieko Nakabayashi, Professor, School of Social Sciences Waseda University Dr. Gene Park, Associate Professor of Political Science Loyola Marymount University Sarah Carabias-Rush, SVP, International Engagement Dallas Regional Chamber Josh Mayfield, Managing Director, Office of the President ORIX Corporation USA Julia Wada, Group Vice President, Corporate Strategy, Strategic Innovation, Operational Excellence & Enterprise Program Management Toyota Financial Services Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the SMU Tower Center 	Development In U.S Japan Relations and How They Affect North Texas	https://site- xkbss9v8.wsecdn1.websitec dn.com/uploads/98823548 F9985A91.pdf?v=22020109 1522
March 7, 2019	Sun & Star Abenomics and Japan-U.S. Economic Relations	 Dr. Motoshige Itoh, Professor Emeritus at the University of Tokyo, and Professor at Gakushuin University Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the SMU Tower Center 	Japan-U.S. Economic Relations	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s un-and-star-event conversation-with-dr- motoshige-itoh/
March 20, 2019	Sun & Star U.S. Navy and Japanese Maritime Self- Defense Force since the end of WWII	 Prof. Naoyuki Agawa, Distinguished Visiting Professor of Doshisha University in Kyoto Admiral Tomohisa Takei, Chief of Naval Operations Distinguished International Fellow, U.S. Naval War College Admiral Patrick Walsh, Former Commander of the Pacific Fleet, United States Navy Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the SMU Tower Center 	U.S. Navy And Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force Since the End Of WWII	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s un-and-star-event conversation-with- professor-naoyuki-agawa/
May 7, 2019	Sun & Star Symposium in Washington D.C. 2019	 Dr. Sheila Smith, Senior Fellow for Japan Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations Toshihiro Nakayama, Professor, Faculty of Policy Management, Keio University, Japan Diana Newton, Senior Fellow, Tower Center, SMU Andrew Oros, Director of International Studies, Washington College 	U.SJapan Relations in Disarray	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s unstarsymposiumus- japan-relations-in-disarray/

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November 12, 2019	Sun & Star The Dictator's Dilemma: Electoral Manipulation & Economic Maneuvering in Authoritarian Regimes	 ❖ Ambassador Ira Shapiro, President of Ira Shapiro Global Strategies ❖ Dr. Masaaki Higashijima, Associate Professor of Political Science in the Graduate School of Information Sciences at Tohoku University, Japan The dilemma autocrats face when designing elections as well as their ability to mobilize public support. 	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/t he-dictators-dilemma-at- the-ballot-box-electoral- manipulation-economic- maneuvering-and-politica/
February 4, 2020	Sun & Star Understanding Religious Nationalism in Japan	 Levi McLaughlin, Associate Professor at the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies at North Carolina State University Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the SMU Tower Center The shifts within Japan's religious institutions that are transforming elections and efforts toward constitutional revision. 	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ understanding-religious- nationalism-in-japan- dispatches-from-the-field/
February 13, 2020	JASDFW Japan Currents Symposium 2020	 Ambassador Ryozo Kato, Former Ambassador from Japan to the U.S. Dale Petroskey, President and CEO at Dallas Regional Chamber Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer, Former Ambassador from the U.S. to Japan Robert Fitts, Baseball Historian and Award-Winning Writer Kazuhiro Gomi, President and CEO of NTT Research, Inc. Karin Morris, Vice President, Community Outreach, Texas Rangers Matt Murton, Baseball Operations Staff at Chicago Cubs Baseball Club Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the Tower Center In collaboration with the JASDFW 	https://jasdfw.org/event/20 20-japan-currents- symposium/

August 11, 2020	Japanese Government Leadership and U.SJapan Relations during COVID-19	 Benjamin Goldberg, Japan Analyst for the Bureau of Intelligence and Research, United States Department of State Dr. Yosuke Sunahara, Professor in Graduate School of Law, Kobe University Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the Tower Center, Southern Methodist University (SMU) 	A discussion on how leaders in Japan addressed the pandemic, the importance for the future of Japanese politics, and the implications for the U.SJapan alliance.	https://jasdfw.org/event/ja panese-government- leadership-and-u-s-japan- relations-during-covid-19/
September 22, 2020	Security and Economy: The Current State of Japan-Korea- U.S. Trilateral Relation	 Marc Knapper, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Korea and Japan, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs at U.S. Department of State Yasuyo Sakata, Professor of International Relations at the Kanda University of International Studies (KUIS) Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the Tower Center, Southern Methodist University (SMU) 	A discussion on the realities of present bilateral and trilateral relations, the effects of Covid-19, and what the immediate future may hold for these three countries.	https://jasdfw.org/event/str ategy-and-security-current- relations-between-the-u-s- japan-and-korea/ https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2020/10/02/the- current-state-of-japan- korea-u-s-trilateral- relations/
October 8, 2020	Sun & Star Integrating air pollution and climate change policy in Asia	Eric Zusman, Senior policy researcher/area leader at the Institute for Global Environmental Studies in Hayama, Japan	An overview of some of the solutions capable of delivering integrated approaches to air pollution and climate policy to achieve climate benefits—what are often called co-benefits.	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ online-event-sunstar- integrating-air-pollution- and-climate-change-policy- in-asia/ https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=FI-q38jkgto
October 22, 2020	Sun & Star The Business Reinvention of Japan	Ulrike Schaede, Professor of Japanese Business at the University of California, San Diego, School of Global Policy and Strategy	An introduction to the concept of "Aggregate Niche Strategy" and a demonstration on how Japan's reinvention has changed the trade dynamics within Asia.	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ online-event-sunstar-the- business-reinvention-of- japan/ https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=oaE23pwvCbg
November 5, 2020	Sun & Star The Belt, Road, and Beyond: Domestic Motivations & Implications for the World	Min Ye is an Associate Professor of International Relations at the Pardee School of Global Studies, Boston University	Introduces the origin and implementation of China's national strategies such ss The Belt and Road Initiative.	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ online-event-sunstarthe- belt-road-and-beyond- domestic-motivations-and- implications-for-the/ https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=OaD10qi9dGU

November 12, 2020	Sun & Star China & the Japanese Multinational: Politics and the Risks of Doing Business	Kristin Vekasi, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science and School of Policy and International Affairs at the University of Maine	Discusses which kinds of businesses get targeted in the aftermath of political disputes, which escape unscathed, and how the targeted businesses try to manage political risks.	https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2020/11/18/sun- star-china-and-the- japanese-multinational- politics-and-the-risk-of- doing-business/ https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ online-event-sunstarrisk- management-strategies-of- japanese-companies-in- china/
February 10, 2021	JASDFW Japan Currents Symposium 2021	 Dr. Michael Green, Senior Vice President for Asia and Japan Chair, Center for Strategic and International Studies; Director of Asian Studies, School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University Aiko Lane, Executive Director, U.SJapan Business Council at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Dr. Yoshihide Soeya, Professor of Political Science, Faculty of Law, Keio University Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the Tower Center, Southern Methodist University 	A conversation with three experts from Japan and the U.S. on what 2021 will hold for relations between these transpacific partners. The future of the alliance under President Biden and Prime Minister Suga.	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ 2021-japan-currents- symposium/ https://jasdfw.org/event/20 21-japan-currents- symposium-day-one/ https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2021/03/24/sun- star-the-future-of-the- alliance-under-president- biden-and-prime-minister- suga/
February 25, 2021	Sun & Star The Emperor's New Road: China and the Project of the Century	❖ Jonathan Hillman, Senior Fellow with the CSIS Economics Program and director of the Reconnecting Asia Project	A discussion on the BRI's global impacts since its announcement in 2013 and how this grand vision is adapting in the aftermath of the Covid-19 Pandemic, and what to watch going forward.	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s unstar-the-emperors-new- road-china-and-the-project- of-the-century/ https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2021/02/25/sun- star-the-emperors-new- road-china-and-the-project- of-the-century/ https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=EiuKsUbSxA8
March 4, 2021	Sun & Star From Abe to Suga: Japan's Embattled Prime Minister and the Legacy of His Long-Tenured Predecessor	❖ Tobias Harri, Expert on Japanese politics, and the author of The Iconoclast: Shinzo Abe and the New Japan, the first English-language biography of Japan's longest-serving prime minister	A discussion on Suga's struggles and how his tenure — and the tenure of future leaders — will	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ online-event-from-abe-to- suga-japans-embattled-

			be shaped by decisions made by Abe during his record-setting tenure.	prime-minister-and-the- legacy-of-his-long-tenured- predecessor/ https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2021/03/04/sun- star-webinar-from-abe-to- suga-japans-embattled- prime-minister-and-the- legacy-of-his-long-tenured- predecessor/
March 18, 2021	Sun & Star Immigrant Incorporation in East Asian Democracies	❖ Erin Aeran Chung, Charles D. Miller Associate Professor of East Asian Politics in the Department of Political Science at Johns Hopkins University	Immigrant Incorporation in East Asian democracies. Examines how the civic legacies of past struggles for democracy shape current movements for immigrant rights and recognition.	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ online-event-sunstar- immigrant-incorporation-in- east-asian-democracies-1/ https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=2Velmcum5os https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2021/06/01/sun- star-webinar-immigrant- incorporation-in-east-asian- democracies/
April 8, 2021	Sun & Star The Right Protection Movements in Contemporary China	Maosong Wu, Visiting Scholar at Tower Center, an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Economics, Keio University Japan	A glimpse of the reality of the new state - social relations and bottom-up political participation. This seminar also redefines this phenomenon from a historical perspective.	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/ online-event-sunstarthe- right-protection- movements-in- contemporary-china-1/ https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=RKrZJNhc7s4 https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2021/06/28/sun- star-webinar-series-the- rights-protection- movements-in- contemporary-china/
April 29, 2021	Sun & Star Networked Japanese Investment in Mexico's Automotive Sector: Cooperation, Small-and- Medium-Sized Enterprises and Challenges Under the USMCA	 Melba Falck Reyes, Professor-Researcher at the Pacific Studies Department of the University of Guadalajara since 1990 Dr. Leo Guzman earned a master's degree in Economics from Tokyo International University, Japan 	The seminar addresses Japanese foreign direct investment in Mexico's automotive sector and aspects related to Japanese cooperation, knowledge transfer, and externalities to local firms via training and the	https://calendar.smu.edu/si te/centersinstitutes/event/s unstar-networked- japanese-investment-in- mexicos-automotive-sector- cooperation-small-and- medium-sized-enterprises- and-challenges-under-the- usmca/

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October 7, 2021	Sun & Star The East Asian COVID-19 Paradox	★ Yves Tiberghien, Professor of Political Science and Konwakai Chair in Japanese Research at the University of British Columbia The presentati updated comp on Covid-19 pe across the wor unpacks choice most East Asia	watch?v=QozL6Q8jFw4&ab channel=SMUTowerCenter https://blog.smu.edu/towe rcenter/2021/10/21/sun- star-webinar-the-east-
October 14, 2021	Sun & Star Betting on the Farm: Institutional Change in Japanese Agriculture	❖ Patricia Maclachlan, Professor of Government and Asian Studies; Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Professor in Japanese Studies Transforming t into profitable oriented busin enterprises, bu remain stuck in approaches to cooperation.	re rcenter/2021/10/24/sun-star-betting-on-the-farm-institutional-change-in-japanese-agriculture/https://www.facebook.com/events/102123776863276
October 21, 2021	Sun & Star Cyber Great Game: Geopolitics and Geoeconomics for Data	 ❖ Dr. Motohiro Tsuchiya, Vice-President for Global Engagement and Information Technology at Keio University, and Professor at Keio University Graduate School of Media and Governance Cyberspace is deeper, darker State actors are active in cyber we are watching great game and great game are 	and dirtier. e also more space, and g cyber ong them. realso more event-sun-star-cyber-great-game-geopolitics-and-geoeconomics-for-data/https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7_sSQP-DCXk&ab_channel=SMUTowerCenter
November 11, 2021	Sun & Star Japan's Geoeconomic Strategy	★ Mireya Solís, Director of the Center for Asia Policy Studies, Senior Fellow of Foreign Policy, Center for Asia Policy Studies, Philip Knight Chair in Japan Studies A discussion of contours of Japan Studies economic secular and how Tokyon respond to Chiregional trade and U.S. disent from the regioneconomic arch	rity policies o should na's diplomacy gagement nal recenter/2021/11/16/sun-star-japans-geoeconomic-strategy/https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ODsYknng8&ab_channel=SMUTowerCenter

April 11, 2022 March 9, 2022	Sun & Star Japan's New Foreign Policy Strategy and U.SJapan Relations in the Evolving International Order Japan Currents Symposium 2022	 Michael Beeman, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative (AUSTR) for Japan, Korea, and APEC Hiroki Takeuchi, SMU Mieko Nakabayashi, Waseda University Diana Newton, SMU William Noris, Texas A&M University Shahin Berenji, SMU Kristi Govella, The German Marshall Fund of the United States Kathryn Ibata-Arens, DePaul University Gene Park, Loyola Marymount University Michael Stausz, Texas Christian University Replaced by Catherine Mellor, Vice President, International Trade, UPS Kantaro Takenaka, General Manager, Logistics Strategy Department (Corporate Planning Division), Mitsui & Co. (U.S.A.), Inc. Tim Feemster, CEO and Managing Principal, Foremost Quality Logistics Mollie Haney Bailey, Vice President, International Logistics, Transplace, an Uber Freights Company Masaru Uchida, Director, Cargo Planning and Sales (The Americas), Japan Airlines Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi (moderator), Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the Tower Center, Southern Methodist University In collaboration with the JASDFW 	What common ground does Japan share with the U.S. and other likeminded countries regarding trade agreement standards? The symposium went over the movement of goods as a driver for growth in U.SJapan business and trade.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dLdeprXH jc&abchannel=SMUTowerCenterhttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H5CIFVjobLk&abchannel=SMUTowerCenterhttps://blog.smu.edu/towercenter/2022/04/24/6508/ https://jasdfw.org/blog/japan-currents-symposiumhighlights-vital-role-oflogistics-and-supply-chains/https://jasdfw.org/program-overview/business-networking/japan-update-symposium/
November 11, 2022	Sun & Star Anatomy of a Regional Civil War, 1967- 1968*	Andrew G. Walder, Denise O'Leary and Kent Thiry Professor in the Department of Sociology at Stanford University	This lecture explained why the province of Guangxi experienced the highest death toll out of any other comparable region during the violent years of China's Cultural Revolution.	https://booking.smu.edu/e vent/9821200
November 12, 2022	Sun & Star Overreach and Overreaction: The Downward Spiral in US-China Relations	Susan Shirk, Research Professor and Chair of the 21st Century China Center	A discussion on the current state of U.S.–	https://booking.smu.edu/e vent/9848340
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January 24, 2023	American Domestic Politics and U.SJapan Relations	* * *	Liv Coleman, University of Tampa Kazuhiro Maeshima, Sophia University, Japan Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi (moderator), Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the Tower Center, Southern Methodist University	China relations and how we got to where we are. Implications of American domestic politics for U.SJapan relations. Also, this event commemorated Dr. Toshihiro Nakayama, who passed away suddenly on May 1, 2022. Dr. Nakayama emphasized the importance of Texas for American politics and U.SJapan relations.	https://booking.smu.edu/event/10239686?hs=a
February 17, 2023	Japan Currents Symposium 2023		Jason Galui, Professor of Practice, Cox School of Business at Southern Methodist University Jessica Gordon, Director, U.S. Department of Commerce's U.S. Commercial Service Dallas-Fort Worth Office Richard Katz, Publisher, Japan Economy Watch; Correspondent, Weekly Toyo Keizai; Senior Fellow, Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs lichiro Uesugi, Professor, Hitotsubashi University Institute of Economic Research Hiroyuki Watanabe, Director, Texas Japan Office Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi (moderator), Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the Tower Center, Southern Methodist University In collaboration with the JASDFW	An evaluation of Japan's small and medium-sized enterprises (SME) and the prospects for Japanese firms in North Texas, namely in the highgrowth Northern Dallas suburbs.	https://jasdfw.org/blog/feb ruary-events-focus-on- security-and-economic- affairs-in-u-s-japan- relations/ https://jasdfw.org/program -overview/business- networking/japan-update- symposium/
February 28, 2023	Japanese Ambassador to Visit SMU	*	Koji Tomita, Ambassador of Japan to the United States	Koji Tomita, Ambassador of Japan to the United States, discusses the state of U.SJapan relations, including its strong foundations and the promise of future cooperation.	https://www.peoplenewspa pers.com/2023/02/27/japa nese-ambassador-to-visit- smu/

June 2 and 3, 2023	Sun & Star Symposium: 2023 in Japan	 Ambassador Tom Schieffer, former U.S. Ambassador to Japan and Australia Yuichi Hosoya, Professor of Political Science, Keio University Diana Newton, Senior Fellow of the SMU Tower Center Satoru Mori, Professor of Political Science, Keio University Jason Galui, Tower Center Fellow and Professor of Practice, SMU Cox School of Business James Hollifield, Director, SMU Tower Center Ambassador Ron Kirk, Former U.S. Trade Representative Kristen Vekasi, Professor of Political Science, University of Miane Taeko Hoshino, Emeritus Senior Fellow, Ide-Jetro Raymond Robertson, Professor of Economics, Texas A&M University Bush School of Government and Public Service & Senior Fellow, SMU Mission Foods Texas-Mexico Center Yoichi Suzuki, Forer Japanese Ambassador to France and Singapore & Former Japanese Chief Negotiator of the Japan-EU EPA Stan Crow, Founder of Stan Crow Enterprises LLC & Felow, SMU Tower Center Daiki Amaki, Senior Vice President of Heavy Industries, Development Bank of Japan, Inc. Tom Reich, President, BAE Systems Japan GK Motohiro Tsuchiya, Professor of Media and Governance, Keio University Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia, SMU Tower Center 	U.SJapan Relations in the Post-Pandemic Uncertain World A look into the progress of	https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=c xK7A9RTHg https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=2EbXR7LOWnc&t= 4s https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=JYIj7IjLyXE https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=FDVZ5Uq07Pk
October 24, 2023	Sun & Star The Belt and Road in China: Ten Years After	Min Ye, Associate Professor of International Relations at the Pardee School of Global Studies, Boston University	A look into the progress of the Belt and Roads Initiative 10 years after its inception.	https://booking.smu.edu/ca lendar/smutowercenter/bel troadchina
November 28, 2023	Sun & Star Chinese Politics in the Post-COVID Era	 Martin Dimitrov, Professor of Political Science, Tulane University Hiroki Takeuchi, Director of the Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia, SMU Tower Center 	A lecture on how Chinese politics have changed since the beginning of Covid.	https://booking.smu.edu/ca lendar/smutowercenter/Chi nesepolitics https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=6ZimA-

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February 19, 2024	Sun & Star The 2024 Presidential & Legislative Elections in Taiwan: Implications for the United States and the World	 Karl Ho, Professor of Political Science at the University of Texas at Dallas Yao-Yuan Yeh, Professor of Political Science at the University of St. Thomas Hiroki Takeuchi, Director, Sun and Star Program on Japan and East Asia, SMU Tower Center An examination of the 2024 Taiwan electoral outcomes and how they may change Taiwan's relations with China and the United States. 	https://booking.smu.edu/ca lendar/smutowercenter/Tai wanElections2024 https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=hNCx33ofX6s
March 1, 2024	Japan Currents Symposium 2024	 Atsushi Nakayama, Senior Staff Writer, Business News Department, Nikkei Inc. Cullum Clark, Director, SMU Economic Growth Initiative, George W. Bush Institute Jennifer Johnson, Co-founding Principal, Canyon Snow Consulting Harry Whalen, Director of Business Attraction & International, Frisco EDC Luigi Basalo, Manager of Construction and Development at Daiwa House Texas Inc. Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi, Associate Professor and Director, Sun & Start Japan and East Asia Program, SMU Tower Center for Public Policy and International Affairs 	
March 25 & 26, 2024	Sun & Star Symposium: 2024	 In collaboration with the JASDFW Mireya Solís, Director of the Center for East Asia Policy Studies, Knight Chair in Japan Studies, Brookings Institution Hiroki Takeuchi, Director, Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia in the SMU Tower Center Diana Newton, Senior Fellow of the SMU Tower Center Adam P. Liff, Visiting Chair in Modern and Contemporary Japanese Politics and Foreign Policy, Georgetown University Mihoko Matsubara, Chief Cybersecurity Strategist, NTT Corporation Discussant: Stan Crow, Founder of Stan Crow Enterprises LLC and Fellow of the SMU Tower Center Hiroyuki Akita, Commentator of Nikkei 	https://booking.smu.edu/event/11900562

Ulrike Schaede, Professor of Japanese Business, UC	
San Diego School of Global Policy and Strategy (GPS)	
Ning Leng, Professor of Public Policy, Georgetown	
University	
Patrick McDonald, Professor of Government,	
University of Texas at Austin	
Discussant: Stefano Recchia, John G. Tower	
Distinguished Chair in International Relations and	
National Security, SMU	
❖ James Hollifield, Director of the SMU Tower Center	