

Chief Editor's Note

The 2014 issue of *Southern University Academic Journal* embarks on a new beginning. First, the new editorial board is established. Second, the Journal is now open to all interested scholars in humanities and social sciences. Third, the peer-reviewed process of articles submitted is further strengthened. Fourth, a substantial book review section has been added. With these changes, the editorial board hopes to upgrade the academic standard of the journal which is now at its 9th year of publication. Today, there are many reputable international scholarly journals in the humanities and social sciences, and we recognize the difficulties in instituting an academic journal which can attract international scholars to publish. We nevertheless will try our best, bearing in mind the reputations are not built overnight. We continue to seek the support of the academic community to realize the goal of an excellent academic journal. Further changes in editorial policies will be made in the future if necessary.

The issue comprises of articles by Wang Gungwu, Terence Russell, Ng Boey Kui, Cheng Wing-Sheung, Lee Kuei-Min, Chen Tsung-Yuan, Hu Yueyan, Dong Tiezhu. They are scholars from Singapore, Canada, Malaysia, Taiwan, and China. The “Research Report” and “Review Article” sections are important components. What is significant is the book review section, in three languages (Bahasa Malaysia, English and Chinese). We are of the opinion that many books published did not receive the scholarly attention that they deserve, and this expanded section reflects our commitment to review these publications. We welcome authors or publishers to send us publications for review, and scholars to submit articles and join the list of book reviewers.

Ho Khai Leong
Chief Editor

主编的话

《南方大学学报》2014 期开始了几项创新。一、组合一支新的编辑团队；二、公开给所有人文与社会科学的学者投稿；三、强化同行评审程序；四、增加相当比重的书评部分。编辑委员会希望这些改变能够进一步提升这一份已经出版了 9 年的学报的学术水平。当今有不少拥有国际声望的人文与社会科学学报，而我们也认识到要吸引国际学者发表著作的不易。不过我们还会不断努力，因为声望不是一蹴而成的。我们会继续悬

请各界学者的支援，以成就一份卓越的学报。以后如果需要编辑方针还会进一步调整。

这一期内容有王赓武、罗德仁、黄梅贵、郑永常、李贵民、陈琮渊、胡越云、董铁柱等论文。他们来自新加坡、加拿大、马来西亚、台湾、中国等地。“研究报告”和“综述评论”是两项重要单元。而值得一提的是拥有三种语文（马来文、英文、中文）的书评部分。我们认为许多著作出版后并没有得到应有的重视，因此“书评”的设立反映出我们对评审学术著作的承诺。我们欢迎学者、出版社寄来著作让我们评介，也欢迎学者投稿并加入书评者的行列。

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