

Department of English

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Postgraduate Research and Publications

Our PhD student Ma Qianyi Iris presented a paper titled “Shapeshifting and Boundary-crossing: From ‘Madam White Is Kept Forever Under the Thunder Peak Tower’ to Her Adventures in *Serpentine* and *Sacrifice*” at the AAS-in-Asia Conference 2025, held in Kathmandu, Nepal.

She also presented a paper titled “*The Traveling Chinese Snake Woman*” at the 56th Annual Convention of the Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA). She was the session organizer and chair for “*Snake Sisters in Literature and Film*” at the conference.

Our PhD student Yang Lijin Jamie presented a paper titled “Serpentine Desires: Trans and Lesbian Intimacies in *The Legend of the White Snake*” at the AAS-in-Asia Conference 2025. She was the chair and organizer of “Crossing Gendered Boundaries: Yaoguai (妖怪), Monstrosity, and Identity in East Asian Narratives”. She served as the discussant for “Reconstructing Identities and Cultural Resistance: Youth Culture in East Asia’s Digital Age”.

Jamie also presented a paper titled “Transgression and Abjection: A Queer Reading of *Bai She Zhuan* (*Legend of the White Snake*)” at NeMLA’s 56th Annual Convention held in Philadelphia, USA.