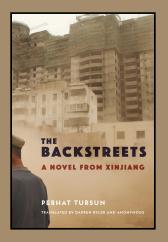
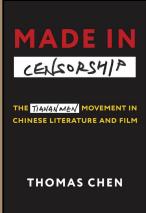
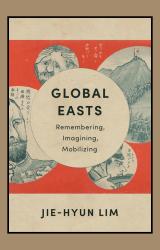
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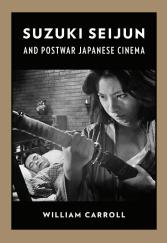
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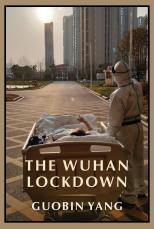
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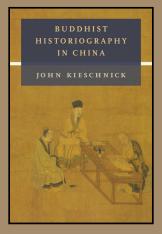












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We are pleased to present the 2022 Columbia University Press Asian studies catalog. These books span many fields in Asian studies—history, politics, literary studies, philosophy, religion, and film—and reflect the interdisciplinary and global approach of our list.

For the tea lovers among you, Robert Hellyer's *Green with Milk and Sugar* tells the fascinating story of the rise and fall of Japanese tea exports to the United States, where nineteenth-century Midwestern farmers would start the day with a mug of sweet, milky sencha. In *The Values in Numbers*, Hoyt Long brings a computational approach to modern Japanese literary history, while the editors of *Literary Information in China* show how informatic practices shape literary tradition. Wai-yee Li's *The Promise and Peril of Things* and Sophie Volpp's *The Substance of Fiction* consider the complex role of objects in the culture and literature of late imperial China. And in Internationalist Aesthetics, Edward Tyerman offers new insight into the transnational dynamics that shaped socialist aesthetics and politics in both China and the Soviet Union.

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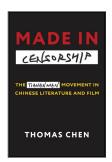
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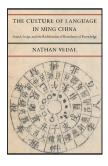
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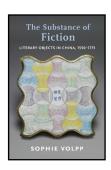
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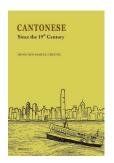
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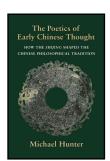
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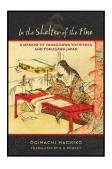
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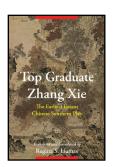
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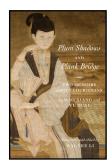
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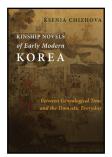
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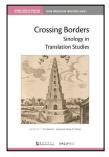
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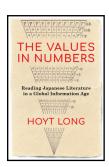
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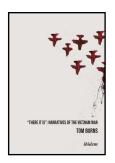
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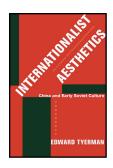
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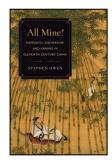
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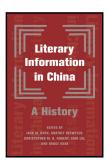
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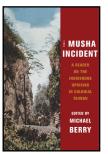
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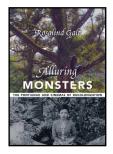


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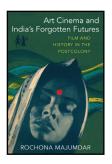
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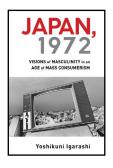
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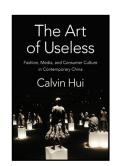
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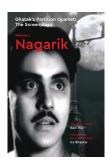
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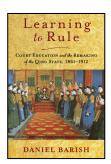
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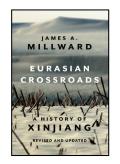
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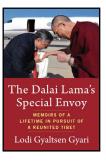
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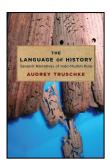
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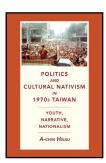
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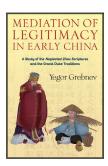
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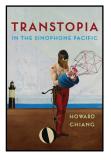
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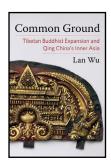
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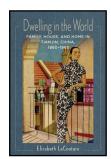
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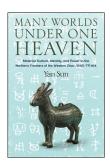
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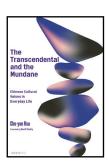
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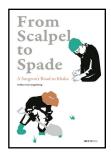
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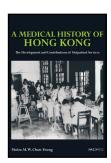
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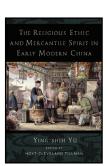
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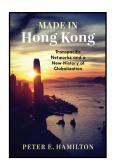
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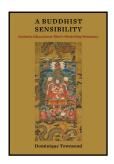
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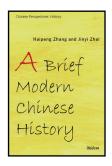
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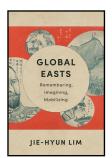
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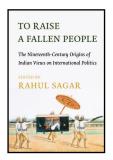
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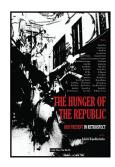


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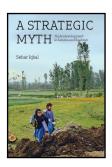
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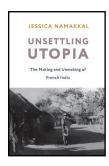
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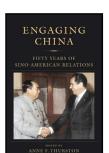
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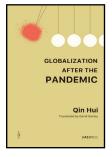


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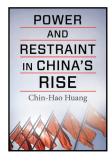
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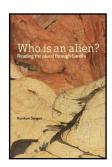
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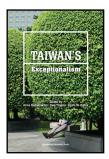
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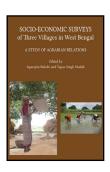
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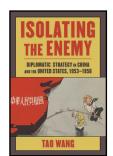
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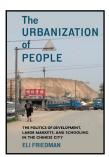
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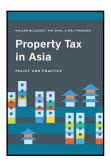
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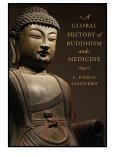
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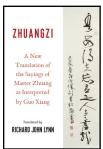
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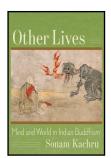
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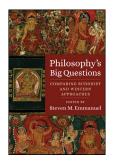
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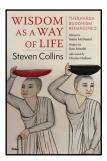


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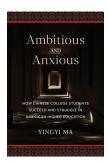
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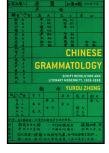
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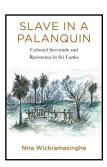
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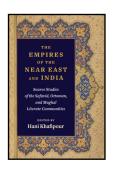
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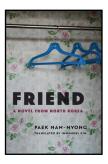
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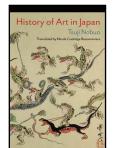
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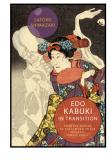
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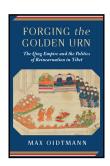
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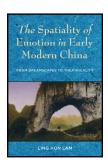
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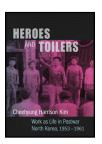
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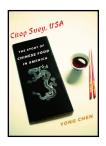
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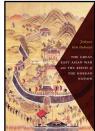
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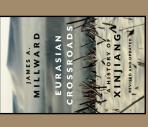
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