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Harmony and Coexistence: The New Trend of Pearl S. Buck Research in the New Era

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Pearl S. Buck – Bridging Cultures Through Literature

The Nobel Prize in Literature 1938: awarded “for her rich and truly epic descriptions of peasant life in China and for her biographical masterpieces”.

Cultural influence: played a key role in bridging Eastern and Western cultures through her writing.

Social activist: focused on issues such as women's rights, racial equality, and humanitarian efforts.



**Pearl Sydenstricker Buck
(1892–1973)**



2021 China Zhenjiang Pearl S. Buck International Symposium and the 2nd Pearl S. Buck Research Camp



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2023年6月26日



Launch Ceremony and Symposium for the Pearl S. Buck Research Center, Jiangsu University of Science and Technology (June 26, 2024)



Professor Duan Huaqing from the Department of Chinese Language and Literature at Fudan University delivered a keynote speech titled "The Good Earth: A Mid-to-Distant Reading and Interpretation."



Research Scope

- Literary Works & Translations
- Philanthropy & Internationalism
- Cross-Media thematic representation
- Representation of China
- Impact on China-US Diplomatic History
- Contributions to Education

Research Methods

- Horizontal Research
- Correlation Research
- Quantitative Research



Trends in Pearl S. Buck Studies

- Expanding the research scope of Pearl S. Buck studies
- Enhancing interdisciplinary integration in Pearl S. Buck studies
- Elevating Chinese Perspectives in Global Pearl S. Buck studies



Expanding the Research Scope of Pearl S. Buck Studies

- 1) through the lens of English literary studies;
- 2) from the perspective of Chinese literary studies;
- 3) and within the context of diasporic/migrant literature.



Enhancing interdisciplinary integration in Pearl S. Buck Studies

- **Interdisciplinary approaches:** literature, linguistics, history, sociology, communication studies, the arts, etc.
- **Comparative cross-culture studies:** China vs. US.
- **Integrating digital humanities:** promoting creative projects including thematic novel writing, digital archives, cross-media storytelling, etc.



Elevating Chinese Perspectives in Global Pearl S. Buck Studies

- **Chinese Narrative:** Advancing Chinese scholarly perspectives through Pearl S. Buck studies.
- **Cross-Cultural Exchange:** Buck's works as a bridge between East and West.



Future Goals

- **Zhenjiang's Role:** Promoting the academic and cultural legacy of Pearl S. Buck.
- **Jiangsu University of Science and Technology's mission:** As the first branch of the Zhenjiang Pearl S. Buck Research Society outside its headquarters, the Pearl S. Buck Research Center at JUST will devote to promote Pearl S. Buck's spirit as a cultural bridge through academic research, the translation and publication of her works, and the translation of scholarly texts in the future.

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