



**H-index of East Asian Studies Journals according to
Google Scholar Metrics (2011-2015)**

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Abstract

This report presents a ranking of East Asian Studies (EAS) journals indexed by Google Scholar Metrics (GSM) during the 2011-2015 period. Being the fourth in a collection of working papers that has covered the same data since the 2008-2012 period, it represents an update of the ranking and can be used to compare the evolution of the journals as far as h-index is concerned.

GSM poses a series of methodological problems as a bibliometrical tool. First, it does not currently allow grouping and sorting all journals belonging to a scientific discipline, but only shows the 20 journals with the greatest impact by topic, which is measured using the h-index. Second, it only lists journals according to academic disciplines if they are written in English. Last but not least, the nearest area to East Asian Studies offered by GSM is "Asian Studies & History". Therefore the list of the 20 most cited journals had a clear bias towards the Social Sciences and does not include many EAS journals with a higher h-index.

In order to overcome the above-mentioned limitations, librarians from the Library of Humanities at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona used a diversity of search procedures to identify title by title the greatest number of EAS journals possible. This search was carried out in October 2016, using keywords in different languages (including Chinese, Korean and Japanese) and Boolean operators. However, from an initial list of 165 titles provided by the Department of Translation and Interpreting and East Asian Studies of the same university, only 57 titles had a h5-index, which means that GSM only covers 34.5% of all living EAS journals. In this sense, it must be reminded that GSM only takes into account journals that have published at least 100 articles during the analysed period and that have received at least one citation.

Journals are sorted according to their h5-index in descending order. In case of draw, the discriminating value is the h5-median.¹

¹ The h5-index and h5-median of a publication are, respectively, the h-index and h-median of only those of its articles that were published in the last five complete calendar years.



Keywords

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East Asian Studies (2011-2015)						
Rank	Country	Journal	ISSN	ISSN-e	h5-index	h5-median
1	United Kingdom	<i>Journal of Asian earth sciences</i>	1367-9120	1878-5786	48	71
2	China	<i>Zhongguo Shehui Kexue (中国社会科学)</i>	1002-4921	-	34	54
3	United Kingdom	<i>China quarterly</i>	0305-7410	1468-2648	25	37
4	United States of America	<i>Journal of contemporary China</i>	1067-0564	1469-9400	23	37
5	United Kingdom	<i>Europe-Asia studies</i>	0966-8136	1465-3427	23	33
6	China	<i>Zhongguo Fanyi (中国翻译) = Chinese translators journal</i>	1000-873X	-	23	30
7	United States of America	<i>Journal of Asian economics</i>	1049-0078	1873-7927	22	36
8	United Kingdom	<i>China & world economy</i>	1671-2234	1749-124X	20	29
9	China	<i>Zhongguo Nongcun Jingji (中国农村经济) = Chinese rural economy</i>	1002-8870	-	20	28
10	Korea	<i>Asia Pacific journal of tourism research</i>	1094-1665	1741-6507	19	24
11	United States of America	<i>Eurasian geography and economics</i>	1538-7216	1938-2863	18	25
12	United States of America	<i>Asian survey</i>	0004-4687	1533-838X	18	22
13	United Kingdom	<i>Journal of contemporary Asia</i>	0047-2336	1752-7554	17	27
13	China	<i>Zhongguo Renkou Kexue (中国人口学) = Chinese journal of population science</i>	1000-7881	-	17	27
14	United States of America	<i>Modern China</i>	0097-7004	1552-6836	16	34
15	Australia	<i>China journal = Zhongguo Yanjiu (中国研究)</i>	1324-9347	1835-8535	16	25
16	United Kingdom	<i>Journal of North African studies</i>	1362-9387	1743-9345	13	22
17	United States of America	<i>Journal of Asian studies</i>	0021-9118	1752-0401	12	20



18	China	<i>Shanghai Fanyi (上海翻译) = Shanghai journal of translators</i>	1672-9358	-	12	17
19	Holland	<i>China information = Zhongguo Qingbao (中国情报)</i>	0920-203X	1741-590X	12	16
20	United Kingdom	<i>Modern Asian studies</i>	0026-749X	1469-8099	12	14
21	United States of America	<i>Critical Asian studies</i>	1467-2715	-	11	26
22	Spain	<i>Revista CIDOB d'afers internacionals</i>	1133-6595	2013-035X	11	16
23	Germany	<i>Asia Europe journal</i>	1610-2932	-	11	14
23	Taiwan	<i>Language and linguistics = Yuyan Ji Yuyanxue (語言暨語言學)</i>	1606-822X	2309-5067	11	14
24	Australia	<i>Asian studies review</i>	1035-7823	1467-8403	11	13
24	China	<i>Shijie Hanyu Jiaoxue (世界汉语教学) = Chinese teaching in the world</i>	1002-5804	-	11	13
25	Hong Kong	<i>China perspectives = Shenzhou Zhanwang (神州展望)</i>	2070-3449	1996-4617	10	17
26	China	<i>Zhongguo Yuwen (中国语文) = Chinese language</i>	0578-1949	-	10	15
27	United States of America	<i>Comparative studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East</i>	1089-201X	1548-226X	10	14
28	Holland	<i>Asian journal of social science</i>	1568-4849	1568-5314	10	13
29	United Kingdom	<i>Asian ethnicity</i>	1463-1369	1469-2953	10	12
29	United Kingdom	<i>Inter-Asia cultural studies</i>	1464-9373	1469-8447	10	12
29	China	<i>Yuyan Jiaoxue Yu Yanjiu (语言教学与研究) = Language teaching and linguistic studies</i>	0257-9448	-	10	12
30	Australia	<i>Asia Pacific journal of anthropology</i>	1444-2213	-	9	13
31	Holland	<i>East Asia</i>	1096-6838	1874-6284	9	12
32	China	<i>Yuyan yanjiu (语言研究)</i>	1000-1263	-	9	11
33	United States of America	<i>Asian perspectives</i>	0066-8435	1535-8283	8	13
34	China	<i>Zhongguo Keji Fanyi (中国科技翻译) = Chinese</i>	1002-0489	-	8	12



		<i>science & technology translators journal</i>				
35	Singapur	<i>Journal of Southeast Asian studies</i>	0022-4634	1474-0680	8	11
35	Korea	<i>Korea observer</i>	0023-3919	-	8	11
36	United States of America	<i>Japan Forum</i>	0955-5803	1469-932X	8	10
36	Singapur	<i>Journal of Southeast Asian economies</i>	2339-5095	2339-5206	8	10
37	Hong Kong	<i>China review</i>	1680-2012	-	8	9
37	Korea	<i>Global Asia</i>	1976-068X	-	8	9
38	United States of America	<i>Journal of Chinese linguistics = Zhongguo Yuyan Xuebao (中國語言學報)</i>	0091-3723	-	7	11
39	China	<i>Social sciences in China</i>	0252-9203	1940-5952	7	9
40	United States of America	<i>Journal of Japanese studies</i>	0095-6848	1549-4721	6	12
41	United Kingdom	<i>Asian affairs</i>	0306-8374	1477-1500	6	9
42	United Kingdom	<i>Social science Japan journal</i>	1369-1465	1468-2680	6	8
42	China	<i>Zhongguo Xiandai Wenxue Yanjiu Congkan (中国现代文学研究丛刊)</i>	1003-0263	-	6	8
43	United States of America	<i>Journal of the American Oriental Society</i>	0003-0279	2169-2289	6	7
43	China	<i>Waiguo Wenxue Yanjiu (外国文学研究) = Foreign literature studies</i>	1003-7519	-	6	7
44	United States of America	<i>Positions: East Asia cultures critique</i>	1067-9847	1527-8271	6	6
45	United Kingdom	<i>Asian philosophy</i>	0955-2367	1469-2961	5	8
46	Germany	<i>Chinese journal of applied linguistics = Zhongguo Yingyong Yuyanxue (中国应用语言学)</i>	2192-9505	2192-9513	5	7
46	China	<i>Yunnan Shifan Daxue xuebao. Duiwai hanyu jiaoxue yu yanjiu ban (对外汉语教学与研究)</i>	1672-1306	-	5	7
47	Japan	<i>Asian ethnology</i>	1882-6865	-	5	6



47	United Kingdom	<i>Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies</i>	0041-977X	1474-0699	5	6
48	United Kingdom	<i>Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society</i>	1356-1863	1474-0591	4	9
49	United States of America	<i>Asian theatre journal</i>	0742-5457	1527-2109	4	5
49	China	<i>Chinese language globalization studies (汉语国际传播研究)</i>	-	-	4	5
49	United States of America	<i>Harvard journal of Asiatic studies</i>	0073-0548	1944-6454	4	5
49	China	<i>Yuyan Yu Fanyi (语言与翻译) = Language and translation</i>	1001-0823	-	4	5
49	China	<i>Zhongguo Wenxue Yanjiu (中国文学研究)</i>	1003-7535	-	4	5
50	Taiwan	<i>Concentric: literary and cultural studies = Tongxinyuan: Wenxue Yu Wenhua Yanjiu (同心圓與文學與文化研究)</i>	1729-6897	1729-8792	3	7
51	Mexico	<i>Estudios de Asia y África</i>	0185-0164	-	3	6
52	Taiwan	<i>Huayu Wenjiaoxue Yanjiu (華語文教學研究) = Journal of Chinese language teaching</i>	1811-8429	-	3	5
52	Korea	<i>Korea journal</i>	0023-3900	-	3	5
53	Holland	<i>T'oung Pao (通報)</i>	0082-5433	1568-5322	3	4
54	Italy	<i>Between</i>	-	2039-6597	3	3
55	Txec Republic	<i>Archiv orientální = Oriental archive</i>	0044-8699	-	2	3
55	Japan	<i>Monumenta Nipponica = Nippon bunka shiso</i>	0027-0741	1880-1390	2	3
55	Holanda	<i>Nan nü (男女): men, women and gender in early and imperial China</i>	1387-6805	1568-5268	2	3
56	Switzerland	<i>Asiatische Studien</i>	0004-4717	2235-5871	2	2
56	Germany	<i>Central Asiatic journal</i>	0008-9192	-	2	2
56	Germany	<i>Journal of Asian history</i>	0021-910X	-	2	2
57	Hong Kong	<i>Arts of Asia</i>	0004-4083	-	1	4
57	United States of	<i>China review international = Zhongguo Yanjiu</i>	1069-5834	1527-9367	1	4



	America	<i>Shuping</i> (中國研究書評)				
58	Spain	<i>Instituto Confucio</i>	1674-9723	-	1	2
59	Japan	<i>Gendai Chûgoku Kenkyû</i> (現代中国研究)	1343-2656	-	1	1



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