CHINA FOCUS ESSAY CONTEST

China Focus and the Fudan-UC Center on Contemporary China at the University of California San Diego School of Global Policy and Strategy are returning the China Focus Essay Contest in 2016. The second annual contest invites students from the University of California system and Fudan University to submit an essay reflecting on U.S.-China relations.

Two winners will each receive a $1,000 cash prize. Winners and finalists will have the opportunity to publish their work with China Focus. Finalists will be notified by late September and winners will be announced in December.

ESSAY TOPIC:
What was the biggest missed opportunity for U.S.-China cooperation in the past two decades?

CONTEST REQUIREMENTS:
Each entry must be the original work by a student enrolled in the 10 campuses of the University of California system or Fudan University for the 2015-16 academic year. Collaborative projects are encouraged, but prize money must be split among the collaborators. The contest is open to undergraduate and graduate students only. Entries must be in English.

Essays should be written in op-ed style (not academic, footnoted papers) with a length of 1,000-2,000 words.

CONTEST DEADLINE: June 30, 2016
CONTEST PRIZE: Two $1,000 prizes

2015 ESSAY WINNERS:
Please visit China Focus Blog to read the 2015 winning essays by Christine Jiang (姜美华) from UC Berkeley and Xiao Yuan (袁晓) from Fudan University.

CONTEST CRITERIA:
Each entry will be reviewed by a panel of judges drawn from the China Focus board of advisers: Xu Xian, Lei Guang, Susan Shirk, Karl Gerth and Barry Naughton

HOW TO ENTER:
1. Send your submission to us by email with the subject heading: CFContest-Last Name
2. Send from your university email address—submissions only are permitted from .edu emails from Fudan University and the UC system.
3. Send your essay as a PDF in an email attachment.
4. Please include the full name, school affiliation at the end of the essay or in the video description in the following format:

[Author 1 Full Name, Chinese Name (optional)]
[School Affiliation]
[Degree Pursued, Year]
[Nationality/Country Name]

Example:
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Any questions? Please contact Jack Zhang.