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ANNUAL REPORT
2018 – 2019
Dear Friends of Yale Center Beijing,

Yale Center Beijing (YCB) is proud to celebrate its fifth anniversary this fall. Since its establishment on October 27, 2014, YCB is Yale University’s first and only university-wide center outside of the United States and continues to serve as an intellectual hub that draws luminaries from China, the U.S., and beyond.

During 2018-2019, YCB hosted a variety of events and programs that advanced Yale’s mission to improve our world and develop global leaders for all sectors, featuring topics ranging from health and medicine, technology and entrepreneurship, environment and sustainability, to politics, economics, and the arts and humanities.

Over the past half-decade, YCB has become a prominent convening space that engages scholars and thought leaders in dialogues that foster openness, connectedness, and innovation. Today, the Center is a key hub for Yale’s global activities, as programming that features Yale faculty, students, and alumni increased from 33% of the Center’s activities in 2014-2015 to nearly 70% in 2018-2019.

Looking forward, as YCB aims to maintain and advance its standing as one of the most vibrant foreign university centers in China, the Center will facilitate and organize programming that:

- **Enlighten** — Promote interdisciplinary and transnational discourse, through the Yale Starflight Science Series, the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium, etc., and;

- **Engage** — Convene emerging and established leaders, whether from academia, business, government, or nonprofit organizations, to discuss and tackle important issues in an ever-changing world, through programs such as the Yale-Sequoia China Leadership Program and the Women’s Leadership Program.

We are grateful for the support of Yale University’s faculty, administrators, students, alumni, as well as YCB’s founding donors and advisory committee members. In the coming years, we look forward to continuing to play a pivotal role in connecting Yale, China, and the world.

Sincerely,

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From July 2018 to June 2019, YCB, as Yale University’s “home” in China, welcomed close to 40 Yale faculty members, including Marvin Chun, Dean of Yale College, Robert Blocker, Dean of the Yale School of Music, and Sten Vermund, Dean of the Yale School of Public Health, to engage with live and online audiences on the latest research and initiatives at Yale.

- **Marvin Chun**, Dean of Yale College and Richard M. Colgate Professor of Psychology, spoke on how “Neuroscience and Artificial Intelligence Complement Each Other” as the inaugural speaker of the Yale Starlight Science Series. The event was livestreamed and attracted 136,000 online viewers.

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- The fourth Yale Young Global Scholars (YYGS)-Beijing program on “Asia in the 21st Century” took place over 14 days. 90 high school students from 25 countries discussed the most pressing issues facing Asia and the world with thought leaders such as: Edward Wittenstein ’04, ’12 JD, then Executive Director of YYGS, Wang Xingzui, ’13 Yale World Fellow and Vice President of the China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation, and Jian Yi, ’09 Yale World Fellow and documentary filmmaker.

- YYGS-Beijing participants visit various sites in Beijing and converse on Asia’s role in the 21st Century.
The Yale Starlight Science Series has welcomed leading scientists and professors at Yale to share about the latest scientific research and breakthroughs, including Marvin Chun, Dean of Yale College and Richard M. Colgate Professor of Psychology; Cao Hui, John C. Malone Professor of Applied Physics and Physics; and Chen Xi, Assistant Professor of Global Health Policy and Economics at the Yale School of Public Health.

Jet Li, actor and Founder of One Foundation, Wang Xiaogei, 13 Yale World Fellow and Vice President of the China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation, and others spoke at the “Millennial Impact Summit” co-hosted by Yiqiao China, Philanthropy in Motion (FIM), and YCB. The summit brought together international leaders across various fields to discuss philanthropy and social impact.

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Celebrating Five Years at Yale Center Beijing

Managing Partner at Sequoia Capital China, Bob Xu, Founder and Managing Partner at ZhenFund, Brad Huang ’90 MBA, and Richard Platt, Executive Vice Chairman at Alibaba Group, are among those who attend and speak at YCB’s opening ceremony.

School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, and Yale Center Beijing’s founding donors—Neil Shen ’92 MA, Founding and Edith L. Green Fund Professor of Public Policy, and Chris Argyris Professor of Public Policy and Co-Director of the Center for Social Development—share their views on how the Yale School of Management (SOM), Robert Blocker, Dean of the Yale School of Management (SOM), and Charles Bailyn ’81, Inaugural Dean of Faculty at Yale-NUS College, speak on the future of clean energy, green business, and investing.

Peter Salovey ‘86 PhD, President, and Ernest Moniz, U.S. Secretary of Energy, speak on energy and environmental developments in Asia.

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Edward Wittenstein ’04, ’12 JD, Executive Director of the Yale Social and Economic Development Research Center and the Paul Tsai Global Institute; Seamus Barkley, Head of International Strategy at Sequoia Capital; and William Hychko, Managing Director at ZhenFund, discuss the development of policies related to China-U.S. Artificial Intelligence (AI) cooperation and competition and the role that international cooperation can play.

Shelly Kagan, Clark Professor of Philosophy, leads “Death and the Meaning of Life” for the inaugural lecture of the Yale Global Health Leadership Institute: China Hospital Development Research Center and the Paul Tsai Global Institute: China Hospital Development Research Center and the Paul Tsai Global Institute; and Kam Yuen, Professor of Law at Stanford University, discuss the legal and regulatory environment for China-U.S. Artificial Intelligence (AI) cooperation and competition.

Ian Shapiro ’83 PhD, ‘87 JD, Sterling Professor of Political Science and Henry R. Luce Director of the MacMillan Center, responds to the panelists’ views.

A first-of-its-kind leadership development program in China-UK Relations”.

Architecture at Yale, Ma Yansong ’02 MA, founder of MAD Architecture, life-long collaborator in the creation of the Yale School of Architecture, and Dean of Princeton University’s School of Architecture, share their views on how architecture in today’s world challenges us to forge a new identity.

In April 2015, “Cultural Heritage in Crisis” forum with architects, scholars, and practitioners from around the world.

“Sino-U.S. Agricultural Product Workshop” in collaboration with the China Center at the Yale Law School, and Economics and the Paul Tsai Global Institute: China Hospital Development Research Center and the Paul Tsai Global Institute: China Hospital Development Research Center.

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Amplifying Yale’s Impact in China

The percentage of events at YCB featuring Yale faculty, staff, and alumni has more than doubled from 6% in 2015 to 20% in 2019.

In the past 5 years, YCB has attracted more than 32,000 unique visitors, bringing the total to over 50,000 visitors.

The frequency of events at YCB has increased from an average of one event every 5 days to a peak of one event every 2 days.

President Peter Salovey’s Statement “Yale’s Steadfast Commitment to Our International Students and Scholars” gained widespread media attention, reaching over 100 million views.

YCB has collaborated with the most influential media platforms to broadcast Yale’s research achievements and latest updates.

Since 2016, YCB’s live broadcast has attracted up to 2.36 million views, with an annual growth rate of 169% and a peak of over 200,000 views for a single livestream.

YCB’s official WeChat account reached over 3.5 million views, with an average annual growth rate of 222%, while the number of subscribers has grown by 184% annually.

Since 2016, YCB’s WeChat account has accumulated up to 254,000 followers, reaching an average of 1.57 million views annually.

Since 2016, YCB’s WeChat account has reached over 54,000 subscribers, with an average annual growth rate of 169%. Since 2015, YCB has reached over 100 million followers across all platforms.

Since 2015, YCB has reached over 32,000 unique visitors, with an average annual growth rate of 33%. Since 2015, YCB has reached over 200,000 followers across all platforms.
From July 2018 to June 2019, YCB organized and hosted events and programs in the following areas:

- **Arts and Humanities**
- **Technology, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship**
- **Business and Finance**
- **Education, Philanthropy, and Social Impact**
- **Health and Medicine**
- **Information Sessions and Special Events**
- **Energy and the Environment**
- **Law, Politics, and International Affairs**

**Selected Programming**

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**Arts and Humanities**

- **August 19, 2018**
  - Christopher Bayes, Professor and Head of Physical Acting at the Yale School of Drama, led a seminar on “Acting for Fun”

- **September 28, 2018**
  - Renowned cellist Chu Yi-Bing and pianist Jin Wenbin ’15 MM & AD, performed a masterful cello and piano duet and other pieces

- **November 3, 2018**
  - Cellist Wesley Baldwin ’87 MM, violinist Shawn Moore ’13 MM, and violinist Geoffrey Herd performed a live string trio concert

- **December 21, 2018**
  - Pianist Jin Wenbin ’15 MM and AD, cellist Zhang Bo ’13 MM, violinist Pang Zhenguo, Director of the Orchestra Department at the Conservatory of Minzu University of China, and pianist Lin Lu, Supervisor of the Master of Piano Performance Specialty at Minzu University of China, performed at the Yale Alumni Christmas Concert

- **January 24, 2019**
  - Wang Yingxue ’17 and others led seminars on eastern and western literature and philosophy as part of a winter humanities reading group hosted by Project Nous, an education organization set up by Chinese students from Yale and Columbia Universities

- **March 27, 2019**
  - Robert Blocker, Dean of the Yale School of Music, Ye Xiaogang, composer and Chairman of the Chinese Musicians Association, and Lu Siqing, violinist, performed at an event for NYO-China

- **April 9, 2019**
  - Paul Freedman, Chester D. Tripp Professor of History at Yale, explored “The History of Taste in China” via videoconference with Georgia Freedman, food writer and former Managing Editor of *Saveur* magazine

- **May 14, 2019**
  - Yale’s Spizzwinks(), the first and oldest acaPELLA group in the U.S., performed the “Hero Song,” “Yale Football Fight-Song Medley,” “No Regrets,” and 16 other songs

*The National Youth Orchestra of China (NYO-China) performs chamber music pieces to a live audience and over 160,000 music enthusiasts online.*

*Cellist Wesley Baldwin ’87 MM, violinist Mo Lingfeng ’13 MM, and violinist Geoffrey Herd perform a beautiful string trio.*

*The Spizzwinks() interact with the audience during their concert.*
July 8, 2018
William N. Goetzmann ’78, ’86 MBA, ’90 PhD, Professor of Finance and Management at Yale SOM and Director of the Research Center for International Finance, discussed “Financial Innovation in Chinese History” and his new book Money Changes Everything: How Finance Made Civilization Possible

September 7–9, 2018
Jiwon Shin, Professor of Marketing at Yale SOM, discussed “Marketing Strategies in the Era of Big Data” at the Second CITICPE School of Management & Yale School of Management Executive Training Program

September 10, 2018
The Milken Institute released its annual report on the “Best-Performing Cities in China 2018”

October 23, 2018
Sally Shan ’97 MBA, Managing Director and Head of China at HarbourVest, Nathan Yao ’03 PhD, Financial Business and Finance

Ma Yansong ‘02 MA, Founder and Partner of MAD Architects, shares his vision of cities in the future

Yuri Kordonsky (left), Professor of Directing at the Yale School of Drama, describes what the dramatic arts mean to him during a dialogue on “Chinese and Western Dramatic Arts” with Liu Tianchi (center), actress and Assistant Professor of Performing Arts at the Central Academy of Drama

June 26, 2019
Yun Kordonsky, Professor of Directing at the Yale School of Drama, and Liu Tianchi, actress and Assistant Professor of Performing Arts at the Central Academy of Drama, discussed Chinese and Western theatrical arts as part of the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium

June 12, 2019
Ma Yansong ’02 MArch, Founder and Partner of MAD Architects, talked about “What Will Cities of the Future Look Like?” as part of the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium

May 17, 2019
Derek Chang ’89, CEO of NBA China, discussed about “Strengthening Ties Between the U.S. and China Through Basketball” as part of the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium

Group Vice President at JD.com, Jie Lin ’04 PhD, Founder and Managing Director of Jian 24, and Helen Sun ’13 MAM, President of the Yale Club of Beijing, shared insights about consumer trends during a panel discussion on China’s consumption boom

Jiwon Shin, Professor of Marketing at Yale SOM, discusses how Chinese culture impacts marketing strategies while admiring Chinese calligraphy during his “Marketing Strategies in the Era of Big Data” workshop

Business and Finance
October 31, 2018
Chen Chunhua, Dean of BiMBA Business School at the National Development Institute at Peking University and Visiting Professor at the National University of Singapore (NUS) Business School, spoke on “The Philosophy of Management”

January 16, 2019
The government of Beijing’s Central Business District (CBD) and YCB invited business leaders to discuss how to improve the business environment for high technology and innovative companies

January 18, 2019
Tina Tao ’10 MBA, COO and Partner of Sinovation Ventures, Sally Shan ’97 MBA, Managing Director and Head of China at HarbourVest, Julia Zhu ’98 MBA, CEO of Phoenix Live Entertainment Company, and Martin Ma ’07 PhD, Founder and CEO of Happy Universe, (From left to right) Tina Tao ’10 MBA, COO and Partner of Sinovation Ventures, Martin Ma ’07 PhD, Founder and CEO of Happy Universe, Julia Zhu ’98 MBA, CEO of Phoenix Live Entertainment Company, and Sally Shan ’97 MBA, Managing Director and Head of China at HarbourVest, discuss the role of female leadership in the workplace

March 20, 2019
Frank Zhang, Professor of Accounting at Yale SOM, spoke about asset management at the first module of the “China Minsheng Bank: 2019 Senior Management Training Program”

May 31–June 2, 2019
James Baron, the William S. Beinecke Professor of Management at Yale SOM, Emma Seppälä ’99, Co-Director of the Yale College Emotional Intelligence Project, and others discussed how to build high-performance teams, manage crises, lead organizations, and build strong personal brands with Chinese leaders at the Yale Women’s Leadership Program.

June 13, 2019
Fabrizio Zilibotti, Professor of International and Developmental Economics at Yale, shared insights from his co-authored book Love, Money and Children: How Developmental Economics Explains the Way We Raise Our Kids

June 19, 2019
Sequoia Capital China hosted a “Chief Marketing Officer Day,” where panelists spoke on “Storytelling and Public Relations for Brands”

June 29, 2019
The American Chamber of Commerce of China hosted a strategy development session with its Board of Governors

July 5, 2018
Li Yinuo, Co-Founder of ETU Education, Spencer A.M. Fowler, Dean of Dalton College at the High School Affiliated with Peking University, Li Sengwei, lecturer of psychology at Tsinghua University, and other innovative educators from China and the U.S. discussed the latest developments in global education

July 18, 2018
Lean In China’s second annual “Young Leaders Program” and the first “Top 20 Young Leaders Summit” took place

July 25–August 7, 2018
Yale Young Global Scholars (YYGS)–Beijing: Asia in the 21st Century was held over the course of 14 days, where 90 top high school students from 23 different countries engaged with world leaders across various fields, including Edward Wittenstein ’94, ’12 JD, then Executive Director of YYGS, Wang Xingzui, ’13 Yale World Fellow and Vice President of the China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation, Wu Qing ’95 PhD, Professor of American Studies at Beijing Foreign Studies University, and Che Wei ’95 MA, Vice President of Danfoss China

August 8–12, 2018
Jasmine Lau ’12, Co-Founder and CEO of Philanthropy in Motion (PIM), hosted the “Model Foundation: Startups for Good” workshop, training emerging change-makers to act and think strategically

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Jet Li, actor and Founder of One Foundation, Wang Xingzui, ’13 Yale World Fellow and Vice President of the China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation, and others spoke at the “Millennial Impact Summit” on philanthropy and social impact

August 18, 2018
Gu Jiayi ’17, Co-Founder of Strive for China, Victor Yuan, ’07 Yale World Fellow and Chairman of Horizon Youth Center for Entrepreneurship for Society, Xie Yongguang, Founder of the Hope Project and Director of the Narada Foundation, Wang Xixin, former visiting scholar at the Yale Law School and Associate Dean at the School of Law at Peking University, and others discussed the role young people play in revitalizing China’s rural regions at “The First Youth Leaders Rural Revitalization Summit”

August 22, 2018
Helen Gao ’11, Founding Member of Building Bridges at Yale, and Liu Hong, Co-Founder and Executive Director of Peer Experience Exchange Rostrum (PEER), spoke on “A Reflection on Dreams and Education” as part of Building Bridges’ 10th anniversary

September 12, 2018
Martin Ma ’07 PhD, Founder and CEO of Happy Universe, Qiu Yue, Principal of Jingshan High School, Wu Fengjin, Vice Principal of Beijing No. 11 High School, Simon Herbert, Principal of Dulwich College Beijing, and Robin Goldberg, Chief Experience Officer at Minerva University, discussed the future of education at the Yale Education Forum

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March 7, 2019
Carol Li Rafferty ’00, Executive Director of YCB, Liu Meng, General Representative of the United Nations Compact Organization for Asia and Oceania, and Liu Qian, President of Economist Group in Greater China, shared their insights at Lean In China’s press conference for the “Report on Women, Career and Happiness in 2019: Challenges for Women in China’s Workplace”

March 20, 2019
Unni Karunakara ’95 MPH, former International President of Doctors Without Borders and Assistant Clinical Professor at the Yale School of Public Health, spoke on “Leadership in Crisis” for the inaugural lecture of the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium

April 12, 2019
Carol Li Rafferty ’00, Executive Director of YCB, moderated a panel discussion on “Raising the Next Generation of Innovators” with Yinuo Li, Co-Founder of ETU Education, and Ami Drot, co-author of Raising Future Innovators: Leveraging Jewish and Chinese Best Practices in Education

April 25, 2019
Alan Beebe ’91 MA, President of the American Chamber of Commerce of China, Benjamin Sand, Director of Education of the United States Embassy in China, Yu Ye, Coordinator of Education of the United States Embassy in China, Nicholas Grandchamps, Visa Officer of the Consular Office of the United States Embassy in China, Carol Li Rafferty ’00, Executive Director of YCB, and Annie Wang, Vice President of Human Resources at Bayer China’s Prescription Pharmaceutical Department, conversed on the future of American Higher Education for overseas students

May 7, 2019
Yale Center Beijing Advisory Committee Meeting

May 28, 2019
Martin Ma ’07 PhD, Founder and CEO of Happy Universe, Weng Mingrong ’11, Director of Admissions Counseling at the International Department of the High School Affiliated with Tsinghua University, Jiang Xiaobo, Co-Director of the College Counseling Office at Keystone Academy, and Yu Xiaoli, Director of the College Counseling Office of Beijing No. 4 High School, shared their perspectives on how to help students have meaningful experiences when studying abroad

June 15 – 16, 2019
Grace Kao, Professor and IBM Chair of Sociology and Faculty Director of Education Studies at Yale, led a 2-day seminar on “Educational Outcomes in the US: Challenges and Comparisons”

June 20, 2019
The Paul Tsai China Center at the Yale Law School held a meeting on “China’s Social Credit System”

September 18, 2018
Tim Ryan, President of the Culinary Institute of America, presented on “Chefs, Leadership, and the Global Food Industry: Building an Innovative Culture,” tracing the institute’s history back to Yale in 1946 and discussing how food must be part of the solution to addressing global issues such as environmental sustainability

December 11, 2018
Martin Ma ’07 PhD, Founder and CEO of Happy Universe, Li Jie, Executive Vice President of Government Affairs and Joint Office of Jaguar Land Rover (China), Chang Qing, Co-President of Baiteng, and Li Zhuang, Vice President of Weilai Software Development, discussed the future of the car industry at the Yale-HEC Forum on “Imagining the Future of Automobiles”
Health and Medicine

December 7, 2018
Zhao Hongyu, the Ira V. Hiscock Professor of Biostatistics and Genetics and Chair of the Biostatistics Department at the Yale School of Public Health, analyzed whether DNA could predict a person’s future during a talk on “Discovering Genetic Testing.”

December 18, 2018
Liu Kun, Visiting Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the Yale School of Medicine and Director of the PEACE Project at Yale, hosted a conference on “Physical Education and Cognitive Development.”

January 11, 2019
Sten Vermund, Dean of the Yale School of Public Health, discussed “Medical and Health Challenges Faced by China and the U.S.” where he introduced the work and contributions made by the Yale School of Public Health in recent years.

January 15, 2019
Bruce Wexler, Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry and Neuroscience at the Yale School of Medicine, shared insights from his newly translated book Brain and Culture.

March 2, 2019
Kevin Ye ’04 MBA, CEO of Salubris Pharmaceuticals and President of the Yale Alumni Healthcare Club of China, Zhang Sisi ’04, General Manager of the Yale Alumni Healthcare Club of China, Sally Shan ’97 MBA, Managing Director and Head of China at HarbourVest, Xia Daqing ’98 MBA, Founder of Sherpa Investment, Huang Shengxuan ’05 MBA, Managing Director of Sunshine Financing Capital, Zhang Liang ’12 MBA, Managing Director of Cambridge Huishi Investment, Lu Man, Director of the China Investment Corporation, Huang Danjie, Director of Business Development of Bayer Medical and Health in China and the Asia-Pacific Region, Yu Zhiyun, Managing Director of Matrix Partners China, and Zhang Yan, Partner of Ping An Venture Capital, discussed “Healthcare Investment at the Forefront of Health & Medicine.”

November 5, 2018
Marvin Chun, Dean of Yale College and Richard M. Colgate Professor of Psychology, delivers the inaugural lecture for the Yale Starlight Science Series on “Neuroscience and Artificial Intelligence Complement Each Other,” the event was broadcasted live and attracted over 135,000 online viewers.

November 8, 2018
Craig Bailey, Director of Early Childhood at the Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence and Associate Research Scientist at the Yale Child Study Center, spoke about “EQ and a Healthier Emotional Experience.”

November 29 - 30, 2018
The Paul Tsui China Center at the Yale Law School hosted a workshop on “Affirmative Therapy.”

November 30, 2018
Liu Kun, Visiting Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the Yale School of Medicine and Director of the PEACE Project (Physical Exercise Affecting Cognition and Emotion) at Yale, led a symposium on how “Movement Promotes Children’s Cognition and Emotion.”

December 6, 2018
Anthony J. Koleske, Professor of Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry at Yale, shared about the latest progress in understanding the genetic basis of schizophrenia during his lecture “Progress of Schizophrenia: Will Genes Generate New Therapies?”

March 2, 2019
Kevin Ye ’04 MBA, CEO of Salubris Pharmaceuticals and President of the Yale Alumni Healthcare Club of China, Zhang Sisi ’04, General Manager of the Yale Alumni Healthcare Club of China, Sally Shan ’97 MBA, Managing Director and Head of China at HarbourVest, Xia Daqing ’98 MBA, Founder of Sherpa Investment, Huang Shengxuan ’05 MBA, Managing Director of Sunshine Financing Capital, Zhang Liang ’12 MBA, Managing Director of Cambridge Huishi Investment, Lu Man, Director of the China Investment Corporation, Huang Danjie, Director of Business Development of Bayer Medical and Health in China and the Asia-Pacific Region, Yu Zhiyun, Managing Director of Matrix Partners China, and Zhang Yan, Partner of Ping An Venture Capital, discussed “Healthcare Investment at the Forefront of Health & Medicine.”

March 12, 2019
Cao Hui, John C. Malone Professor of Applied Physics and Physics at Yale, spoke about her research in optics and its application in biomedical imaging.

November 8, 2018
Cao Hui, John C. Malone Professor of Applied Physics and Physics at Yale, delivers the inaugural lecture for the Yale Starlight Science Series on “Neuroscience and Artificial Intelligence Complement Each Other.”
March 25-26, 2019
Robert Makuch, Professor of Biostatistics at the Yale School of Public Health, Joseph Scheeren, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Drug Information Association (DIA), and others exchanged views at the "Sino-Europe Symposium on Traditional Chinese Medicine & Herbal Medicine".

April 19, 2019
Che Wei '95 MA, Vice President of Danfoss China, Sally Shan '97 MBA, Managing Director and Head of China at HarbourVest Partners, and Huang Jingzheng, Managing Director of the Harvard Center Shanghai, discussed "How to Manage Workplace Anxiety".

May 15, 2019
Bruce Wexler, Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry and Neuroscience at the Yale School of Medicine, led a workshop on exercise and cognition as part of the PEACE Project.

June 5, 2019
Chen Xi, Assistant Professor of Global Health Policy and Economics at the Yale School of Public Health, spoke on "How Childhood Growth Environments Determine Lifetime Health and Implications for Policy and Business" as part of the Yale Starlight Science Series.

Law, Politics, and International Affairs

June 26, 2019
The Paul Tsai China Center at the Yale Law School and Beihang University jointly organized a workshop on "Artificial Intelligence and China-U.S. Relations".

Robert Makuch, Professor of Biostatistics at the Yale School of Public Health, co-hosts "The Sino-Europe Symposium on Traditional Chinese Medicine & Herbal Medicine" with industry organizations.

Chen Xi, Assistant Professor of Global Health Policy and Economics at the Yale School of Public Health, shares research showing how the environment in which a child lives can predict his or her future health as an adult.

Stephen Roach, Senior Fellow at the Jackson Institute for Global Affairs, discusses the conflict between China and U.S. as part of the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium.

Odd Arne Westad, Elihu Professor of History and Global Affairs at Yale, shares insights from his new book Cold War: A World History as part of the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium.

David Bach ‘99, Deputy Dean and Professor in the Practice of Management at Yale SOM, and Da Wei, Assistant President and Professor at the School of International Relations, discuss the origins of the trade war and the future of Sino-U.S. relations as part of the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium.

Stephen Roach, Senior Fellow at Yale’s Jackson Institute for Global Affairs, spoke on “U.S.-China Conflict: Truce or Cold War 2.0?” as part of the Greenberg Distinguished Colloquium.
Technology, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship

July 6, 2018
Zhang Bangxin, Founder and CEO of TAL Education Group, spoke on the future of education.

July 6–8, 2018
Lang Chunhui, Partner at Sinovation Ventures, You Jing, former Assistant to the Dean at the China Mobile Communications Management Institute, and Deng Mei, a blockchain expert from EcosystNet Technology, spoke at the third “Her Village Leadership Workshop” organized by Her Village Academy.

July 13–15, 2018
Kyle Jensen, Associate Dean and Director of Entrepreneurship at Yale SOM, and Zhang Ying, Partner at Sinovation Ventures, dialogued about entrepreneurship during the 3rd Module of the Sinovation Fellows Program.

September 5, 2018
Anna Fang, Partner and CEO of ZhenFund, spoke at the ZhenFund LP Demo Day.

September 14–16, 2018
Li Kaifu, Chairman and CEO of Sinovation Ventures, and Daylian Cain, Senior Lecturer of Negotiations and Ethics at Yale SOM, spoke at the 4th Module of the Sinovation Fellows Program.

September 19, 2018
Chen Wei, Professor of Management Practice at the HSBC Business School and Director of the Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship at Peking University, shared his ideas on entrepreneurship at ZhenFund’s ZhenMasters workshop.

September 23–29, 2018
Jeffrey Sonnenfeld, Senior Associate Dean at Yale SOM, Barry Nalebuff, Professor of Management at Yale SOM, Tamar Gendler ’87, Dean of the Faculty of the Arts and Sciences and Professor of Philosophy, Laurie Santos, Professor of Psychology, Shelly Kagan, Professor of Philosophy, and other top Yale faculty spoke on the nature of leadership with over 30 founders and CEOs of Chinese companies during the Yale-Sequoia Capital China Leadership Program held at Yale University.

December 13, 2018
Xuining Li ’09 MBA, Assistant Dean for Executive Education at Yale SOM, and Tina Tao ’10 MBA, COO and Partner of Sinovation Ventures, discussed innovation through the lenses of humanities, sciences, and technology during the Sinovation Fellows Program.

December 14–16, 2018
Kyle Jensen, Associate Dean and Director of Entrepreneurship at Yale SOM, discussed big data, machine learning, artificial intelligence, blockchain, and other topics in innovation and technology during the CITICPE School of Management & Yale School of Management Executive Training Program.

January 26, 2019
Sally Shan ’07 MBA, Managing Director and Head of China at HarbourVest, Yuan Bing ’08 JD, Managing Director of Hony Capital, Gao Huan ’03 MBA, Senior Vice President of Wells Fargo in Beijing, Lin Jie ’04 PhD, Founder and CEO of Jian24, Chen Yuchuan ’06 MBA, Vice President of Wells Fargo in Beijing, and others spoke at the Yale-Harvard 2019 New Year Alumni Forum.

March 15–17, 2019
Arthur J. Swersey, Professor Emeritus of Operational Research at Yale, shared his views on quality management, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and the future of automation during the Second CITICPE School of Management & Yale School of Management Executive Training Program, while Edward A. Snyder, then Dean of Yale SOM, and others celebrated the completion of the program.

April 11, 2019
Martin Ma ’07 PhD, Founder and CEO of Happy Universe, Luan Ye ’07 MBA, Founder and CEO of Lavector, Wang Ye ’12 PhD, Founder of Call Technology, Lin Rong, CEO of PricewaterhouseCoopers China Creative Intelligence Center, Tan Lin, CEO of Microsoft Accelerator Beijing, Zhang Ying, Managing Director of North China and Beijing for Jones Lang LaSalle, and others spoke at the Yale Entrepreneurship Forum.

May 16, 2019
Sequoia Capital China and ZhenFund jointly organized a “Sequoia ZhenFund Entrepreneurship Meetup” for emerging Chinese entrepreneurs.
Information Sessions and Special Events

July 13, 2018
Kyle Jensen, Associate Dean and Director of Entrepreneurship at Yale SOM, spoke at the Yale SOM Admissions Reception

November 5, 2018
Rebekah Melville, Director of Grants and a member of the MBA Admissions Committee at Yale SOM, spoke about the unique features of the MBA program at Yale SOM

November 9, 2018
Joanne Legler, Director of Admissions for Management Master’s Programs at Yale SOM, and Zeng Zhan, Executive Director of the Business School of the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, spoke at an information session for the new M2M program

December 6–7, 2018
The China Scholarship Council-Yale World Scholars Program in Biomedical Sciences and the China Scholarship Council-Yale World Scholars Program in Public Health held candidate interviews

January 17, 2019
Yale SOM focus group meeting

March 4, 2019
Jared Liu, Senior Associate Director of Admissions at Yale SOM, introduced the various programs available at the school

March 19, 2019
Edward A. Snyder, then Dean of Yale SOM, shared insights from his eight years as dean during a farewell reception held in his honor

April 15, 2019
Yale SOM Welcome Reception for Admitted Students

June 18, 2019
Yale Light Fellowship Panel Discussion and Dinner

June 29, 2019
Martin Ma ’07 PhD, Founder and CEO of Happy Universe, Jia Peilin ’96, Director of Investor Relations at CreditEase, Gao Huan ’03 MA, Senior Vice President at Wells Fargo

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