

## In Dedication

Every year, the *East Asian Studies Journal* is dedicated to a Wittenberg University faculty or staff member who is actively involved in the East Asian Studies Program, promotes academic achievement and encourages students to stretch beyond their limits in their chosen fields of study. The student staff would like to dedicate this year's issue to Dr. Lauren Shapiro Crane, Associate Professor of Psychology.

Dr. Crane teaches cross-cultural psychology and served as the former Director of Wittenberg's interdisciplinary East Asian Studies Program. As a cultural psychologist, her work focuses on the question of how cross-cultural differences emerge and are maintained over time. She and her research students investigate the socializing effects of language use and religious engagement in the United States, Japan, and India, where she was a Fulbright-Nehru Senior Research Scholar. Her courses address how culture and language reflect and support human psychological functioning, including Psychology & Culture, Psychology of Language, and Cultural Research in Psychology. Off-campus, she provides cross-cultural training seminars to U.S. Air Force personnel and their spouses, as well as international business professionals. Dr. Crane has taught courses at Stanford University, Williams College, Kenyon College, and Nagasaki Junior College in Japan and has lectured at Banaras Hindu University in India. Additionally, she has carried out social science research & development work in a corporate setting at Sociometrics Corporation. She earned her B.A. from Yale University and her Ph.D. from Stanford University.