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As a university at the forefront of distance learning and online education, Fort Hays State University is perfectly positioned to take part in international teaching and scholarship. In 2000, Fort Hays officially partnered with Sias International University to offer dual degree programs. Since the beginning of this partnership in 1999, FHSU has continued to grow strong ties with many other Chinese academic institutions.

This exhibition celebrates some of these partnerships, highlighting Sias International University, Northwest University of Politics, and Shenyang Normal University. Featured here are objects given to Fort Hays State University Presidents to commemorate our relationship with these universities.

The objects displayed here are part of the Chinese Memorabilia Collection held by the University Archives.
Sias International University, located in Xinzheng, was founded by Dr. Shawn Chen as the first private university owned by a Chinese-American in China. In 1999 Dr. Chen reached out to President Hammond at Fort Hays State University about launching a dual bachelor degree program. The official agreement between Fort Hays State University and Sias International University was signed in 2000. Since then Fort Hays State University, in partnership with Sias, has graduated over 10,000 Chinese students. Displayed here are some of the gifts from Sias International University given to FHSU University Presidents.
Northwest University of Politics and Law was originally founded in 1937 and has been one of the top law schools in China. One of the key principles of Northwest University of Politics and Law is that its students should study internationally in order to broaden their skills and experiences. They have formed partnerships with universities all over the world including Fort Hays State University. Northwest University of Politics and Law became partners with Fort Hays State University in 2008, which includes not only the dual programs for students but also opportunities for faculty exchange. Displayed here are some of the gifts from Northwest University of Politics and Law given to FHSU University Presidents.
Shenyang Normal University is a public university located in Shenyang, Liaoning Province and originally founded in 1951. Shenyang Normal University formed a strong partnership with Fort Hays State University in 2003. With Fort Hays State University they opened their College of International Business and offer two dual degrees with FHSU: Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership. The items displayed here represent Fort Hays State University’s rich history with Shenyang Normal University along with other academic institutions and organizations all over China.