

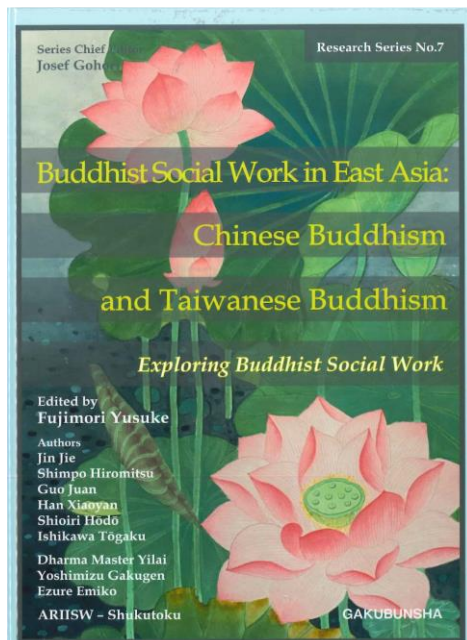
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Research Series “Exploring Buddhist Social Work:”

Two New Titles Released

Starting in 2017, ARIISW has been publishing the research series based on the international joint research project focusing on social work activities provided by temples and monasteries in mainly Buddhist countries in Asia. In March 2022, two books have been published.



The first one is the English version of “Buddhist Social Work in East Asia,” already released in March 2021 in the Japanese language. This title focuses on Chinese and Taiwanese Buddhism, highlighting the welfare system and its philosophy strongly connected with Buddhist teaching, providing actual data and information on what’s happening in this field “now.” The part on Chinese Buddhism has been compiled by the Taisho University team, while the part on Taiwanese Buddhism, bringing a complete overview of activities of Buddhism-based organizations was edited by

Rev. Gakugen Yoshimizu.

The second book highlights the role and potential of Buddhist teaching and social work in Myanmar and Cambodia. Both countries carry a very difficult history and Myanmar finds itself in a very complicated situation now. Despite this fact, our research team together with colleagues from both countries was able to conduct all field activities showing how Buddhism has been involved in social work practice and education in this region.

