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Due to travel restrictions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Social Sciences Mini-Retreat will be online

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DKU SOCIAL SCIENCES MINI-RETREAT 2020

FRIDAY OCTOBER 30th: DKU FACULTY ONLY

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM, EST
8:00 PM – 10:00 PM, Beijing time

8:00 – 9:00 Pedagogy Discussion Groups

Moderators:	ECON:	Bill Parsons
	CULMOVE:	Nellie Chu
	I&G/PUBPOL:	Annemieke van den Dool
	BEHAVSCI:	Gergely Horvath

Moderator: Bill Parsons: Chair, Division of Social Sciences, DKU

9:00 – 10:00 Undergraduate Research in Social Sciences

Annemieke van den Dool, Assistant Professor of Environmental Policy
Xiaochen Zhang, Assistant Professor of Economics
Yu Wang, Assistant Professor of Social Sciences
Shan Wang, Assistant Professor of Psychology

Moderator: Bill Parsons: Chair, Division of Social Sciences, DKU

SATURDAY OCTOBER 31st: OPEN SESSIONS

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM, EST
8:00 PM – 10:00 PM, Beijing time

8:00 – 9:00 Funding Workshop

8:00 – 8:30 Finding Funding for Scholarship
8:30 – 9:00 Q&A, open discussion

**Moderators: Bill Parsons: Chair, Division of Social Sciences, DKU
Alicia Korenman, Research Administrator, Duke University**

9:00 – 10:00 Meet & Greet for Collaborative Research

Moderator: Katherine Robertson, Director of Faculty Affairs, DKU

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