## The Development of Philosophy in the R.O.C. in the Past 100 Years: A Lecture by Prof. Vincent Shen 沈清松

As part of its ongoing Chinese Studies Lecture Series, on October 14, 2011, the National Central Library invited Prof. Vincent Shen to the Houston TECO Culture Center (the Houston branch of Taiwan Academy) to give a lecture on The Development of Philosophy in the R.O.C. in the Past 100 Years. Prof. Shen obtained his Ph.D. from the Université Catholique de Louvain in Belgium. After returning to Taiwan, he taught for many years at National Chengchi University, and is now a professor in the Departments of East Asian Studies and Philosophy at the University of Toronto, holding the Lee Chair in Chinese Thought and Culture.

In his lecture, Prof. Shen gave an account of contemporary Chinese philosophy, including not only research into traditional Chinese philosophy, but also Taiwanese and Chinese philosophers' fundamental, comprehensive, and critical reflections on the continual introduction of Western philosophical ideas into the subject matter of traditional Chinese philosophy and philosophy itself and on the various problems of society and culture, describing the unique course of development in Taiwanese philosophy this has resulted in. Prof Shen's talk enabled attendees to gain a better understanding of the past century of development in Taiwanese Philosophy.



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