

EAST ASIAN STUDIES 513:
Classical Historiography for Chinese History, 1000-1900

Exercise 4: Office Titles 歷代職官名

1. Identify the following offices for the dynasties designated (if marked):
 - a) *Daxue shi* 大學士 (Ming-Qing)
 - b) *xuezheng* 學正 and *xuezheng* 學政 (Ming-Qing)
 - c) *Zuo shu zi* 左庶子 (Tang)
 - d) *Qunmu suo* 群牧所 (Yuan)
 - e) *Junji dachen* 軍機大臣 (Qing)
 - f) *Zhen boshi* 針博士
 - g) *Shouxiang* 首相 (Song-Ming)
 - h) *Shouyi boshi* 獸醫博士
 - i) *xuli* 脅吏
 - j) *Shangwu weiyuan* 商務委員
2. What is the difference between the *Menxia sheng* 門下省 and the *Mishu sheng* 秘書省? What became of them?
3. Describe the evolution of the *Daxue shi* 大學士 from the early to late Ming. What became of them in the Qing?
4. Rafe De Crespigny lists a *Shi dao hou* 式道侯 in his *Official Titles of the Han Dynasty*. Comment on this.
5. Translate and identify whenever possible the following:
 - a) 署兩江總督壁昌
 - b) 三口通商大臣兵部左侍郎崇厚
 - c) 直隸河間府景州儒學學正林汝舟
 - d) 欽大臣文華殿大學士李鴻章
6. Pick an office or title of interest to you. Explain why you selected it and describe what you found out about it.