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Why would five extraordinary young legal scholars pack their books and head to a 'burg in historic Virginia?
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I Lan Cao, who arrives in January, will be our leader in the area of private international law, teaching courses in international business transactions, international trade, and international economic development. Lan went to college at Mount Holyoke (Phi Beta Kappa) and law school at Yale (Notes Editor of the Journal). After clerking for Judge Motley (S.D.N.Y.), she practiced law at Paul Weiss in New York City, before beginning to teach. Her publications include articles in Law and Contemporary Problems, Notre Dame Law Review, Texas International Law Journal, New York University Journal of International Law & Policy, and Brooklyn Journal of International Law. She has also written a highly acclaimed novel, Monkey Bridge. Currently, she has a novel-in-progress (under contract with Viking for publication in 2001).


Richard Hynes is a “first time” teacher interested in consumer and corporate finance, contracts, corporations, and law and economics. After receiving a B.S.E.S. from Georgetown (Phi Beta Kappa), he earned a J.D. from the University of Chicago (Order of the Coif) and a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Pennsylvania. Rich practiced at Skadden, Arps in Los Angeles before coming to William & Mary. His publications include an article in the Journal of Law and Economics. He is currently working on two articles involving the regulation of consumer finance.
