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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

- Jan 2016 – current Assistant Professor (tenure-track)
Department of Government and Public Administration
Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)
- Nov 2017 – current Director, International Affairs Research Centre
Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, CUHK

EDUCATION

- 2015 University of Southern California (USC)
Ph.D. in Political Science and International Relations
Committee: Patrick James, David Kang, Brian Rathbun and Peter Carnevale
Fields: International Politics and Security; Comparative Politics;
Culture, Gender and Global Society
- 2005 Hopkins-Nanjing Center for Chinese and American Studies, Nanjing
Certificate in China Studies
- 2004 University of Chicago
M.A. in International Relations
B.A. in Political Science, with general honors and minor in Economics

OTHER TRAINING

- 2015 International Society of Political Psychology Summer Academy, San Diego, CA
- 2013 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

International relations theory; security studies; foreign policy analysis; diplomacy; political psychology; East Asia (particularly China); nationalism, identity and intergroup conflicts

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Forthcoming. “Mapping the Repertoire of Emotions and their Communicative Functions in Face-to-face Diplomacy,” *International Studies Review*.

Forthcoming. "Stoics and Hotheads: Leaders' Temperament, Anger, and the Expression of Resolve in Face-to-face Diplomacy," *Journal of Global Security Studies*.

2018 (with Hak Yin Li). "The Evolution of Chinese Public Diplomacy and the Rise of Think Tanks," *Place Branding and Public Diplomacy* 14(1), 36-46.

2016. "Emotions and the Communication of Intentions in Face-to-face Diplomacy," *European Journal of International Relations* 22(1), 144-167.

Co-winner of the 2016 Diplomatic Studies Section Article Award, International Studies Association (awarded for published article that "best advances the theoretical and empirical study of diplomacy").

2006. "What's in a Dumpling? The Chinese Fast Food Industry and the Spread of Indigenous Cultures under Globalization," *Stanford Journal of East Asian Affairs* 6(1), 25-32. Excerpts reprinted in Joan T. Mims and Elizabeth M. Nollen (2011), *Mirror on America: Essays and Images from Popular Culture*, 5th edition (Bedford/St. Martin's).

2005. "Economic Statecraft across the Strait: Business Influence in Taiwan's Mainland Policy," *Asian Perspective* 29(2), 41-72.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

2017. Review of Marcus Holmes' "You Never Get a Second Chance to Make a First Impression? First Encounters and Face-based Threat Perception," *H-Diplo*, accessible at <https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/discussions/174975/issf-article-review-74-you-never-get-second-chance-make-first>

2015. "The Passion of Face-to-face Diplomacy," *Border Crossing* 1(6), 18-19. *Diplomat Magazine*.

WORK IN PROGRESS

"Diplomatic Negotiations" (handbook chapter under contract; under review)

"Who Blinked? Projecting Resolve (or Lack Thereof) in Face-to-face Diplomacy" (working manuscript)

"The Strategic Nature of Rituals in Face-to-face Diplomacy" (working manuscript)

The Microsociology of Diplomacy (book project; tentative title)

"Social Identity Symbols, Media Cues, and the Polarization of Identities" (in data collection phase)

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2017 – 2019 Early Career Scheme (ECS) Grant, University Grants Committee, Hong Kong (Project Number: 24602217; HKD320,000)

2017 – 2018 Direct Grant, Faculty of Social Science, CUHK (HKD94,750)
Research Grant, Greater China Research Programme, CUHK (HKD20,000; with Hak Yin Li)
Seed Grant, Social Mentality Research Programme, CUHK (RMB9,000)

2015 International Scholarship, Phi Beta Kappa Alumni in Southern California
Travel Grant, American Political Science Association
Junior Scholars Committee Travel Award, International Society of Political Psychology
Summer Academy Scholarship, International Society of Political Psychology
Junior Scholar Symposium Travel Grant Award, International Studies Association (declined)

2014 Academy of Korean Studies Graduate Research Grant, Korean Studies Institute, USC

- 2012 & 2013 Sejong Society Research Fund, Korean Studies Institute, USC (twice)
- 2012 Tsai Family Research Fund for Taiwan Studies, East Asian Studies Center, USC
Runner-up, Center for International Studies Awards for Essays on International Affairs, USC
- 2011 & 2012 Graduate Student Summer Fieldwork Grant, US-China Institute, USC (twice)

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2009 – 2014 Elizabeth von KleinSmid Bannerman Fellowship, USC
- 2012 – 2013 Center for International Studies Dissertation Fellowship, USC
- 2004 – 2005 Stephen D. Hassenfeld Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University

CONFERENCE, WORKSHOPS AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 “Who Blinked? Projecting Resolve (or Lack thereof) in Face-to-face Diplomacy”
Annual Convention, International Studies Association, San Francisco, USA
Annual Meeting, American Political Science Association, Boston, USA
12th Pan-European Conference on International Relations, Prague, Czech Republic
- “The Strategic Nature of Rituals in Face-to-face Diplomacy”
5th European Workshops in International Studies, Groningen, Netherlands
- 2017 “Language, Emotions, and Symbols: Diplomatic Culture and the Communication of Intentions”
11th Pan-European Conference on International Relations, Barcelona, Spain
International Studies Association International Conference, Hong Kong
Annual Convention, International Studies Association, Baltimore, USA
- “Mapping the Repertoire of Emotions and their Functions in Face-to-face Diplomacy”
Empirical Political Science Research Workshop, HKUST, Hong Kong
- 2016 “Political Psychology Analysis on State Leaders”
25th Harvard Project for Asian and International Relations (HPAIR) Asia Conference, Hong Kong
- “Mapping the Repertoire of Emotions and their Functions in Face-to-face Diplomacy”
New Diplomatic History Conference, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
Annual Convention, International Studies Association, Atlanta, USA
Department of Political Science, National University of Singapore, Singapore
- 2015 “Stoics and Hotheads: Anger as an Expression of Resolve in Face-to-face Diplomacy”
Annual Meeting, American Political Science Association, San Francisco
Annual Meeting, International Society of Political Psychology, San Diego
USC Center for International Studies International Relations Workshop
- 2014 “Emotions and the Communication of Intentions in Face-to-face Diplomacy”
Annual Convention, International Studies Association, Toronto, Canada
- 2012 “Assessing the Role of Myanmar in the World from Various International Relations Theories”
Master of Social Science in Global Political Economy Programme, CUHK
- “Contemporary Chinese Youth and Nationalism: A Search for Ontological Security”
Annual Graduate Seminar on China, CUHK

- 2010 “Chinese Policy towards Overseas Diasporas and its Implications for the PRC’s Foreign Relations,” Annual East-West Center International Graduate Student Conference, Honolulu, USA
- 2005 “Comparative Chinese and American Media Coverage of the 2004 South Asian Tsunami,” Forum for American/Chinese Exchange at Stanford, Palo Alto, USA

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Chinese University of Hong Kong	
Fall 2016, Spring and Fall 2017	GPAD2111 Political Research Methodology
Spring and Fall 2016, Spring 2018	GPAD4225 Theories of International Relations
Spring 2016 and Fall 2018	GPAD2345/UGEC2610 International Politics
Spring 2013 and 2014	GPAD2185 International Organizations
	GPEC5421 Terrorism and Counterterrorism
Fall 2013	GPEC5016 Introduction to Comparative Politics
University of Hong Kong	
Fall 2012	SPACE344 Introduction to Political Science

POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION

- Supervisor, Mohid Chakar, Ph.D. thesis on the Belt and Road Initiative (2016-current)
- Supervisor, Milin Yu, Ph.D. thesis on China-North Korea relations (2016-current)
- Supervisor, Jadice Lau, M.Phil. thesis: “Self-weaking Expedients: Explaining the Impact of UN Peacekeeping on Long-Term Statebuilding” (2016-18)
- Committee member, Charles Fung, M.Phil. thesis: “The Divergence of Colonial Taxation: Geopolitics, Colonial rule, and State Extractive Power in Hong Kong and Singapore at the End of Empire” (2018)
- Committee member, Johnny Chun Chai Kwok, M. Phil. thesis: “Making Labour Laws in Semi-Authoritarian Hong Kong: Policy Venues and Informal Rules” (2018)
- Committee member, Mattias Ottervik, Ph.D. thesis: “Gender Equality and Human Development” (2016-17)
- External examiner, Patryk Marek Majewski (National University of Singapore), Ph.D. thesis: “A Radical Change of Political Regime and the Emergence of Indigenous De Facto Statehood” (2017)
- Committee member, Ko Po Chow, M.Phil. thesis: “The Impact of the Internet on Youth Political Participation in Social Movements: a Comparative Study of Hong Kong and Japan” (2017)
- Supervisor, Yaman Cheng, Ph.D. thesis: “Peril and Prosperity: The Impact of External Security Threat on Economic Performance”; placement: private sector (2016-17)
- Supervisor, Chenbo Yang, Ph.D. thesis: “Analyzing the Relations between States’ Territorial Disputes and Externalized Civil Conflicts in the Postwar Era”; placement: tenure-track position, Shenzhen University (2016)
- Committee member, Steve Luk, M.Phil. thesis: “Hong Kong’s Democratization after the Umbrella Movement: A Study of Mass Political Attitudes and Civil Society” (2016)
- Committee member, Ming Yeung Wong, M. Phil. thesis: “Political Capture in China’s Financial Regulation: A Mirage of Financial Regulatory Convergence” (2016)

ACADEMIC SERVICES

- 2017 – current Reviewer, *European Journal of International Relations*
Area Advisor, *Oxford Bibliographies* (International Relations)
Member, Committee on New Asia Lectures on Contemporary China, CUHK
Member, Award Committee, Bertha Lutz Prize and Article Award, Diplomatic Studies Section, International Studies Association
- 2016 – current Member, Global China Research Programme, CUHK
Member, Committee, B.S.Sc in Global Studies Programme, CUHK
Member, Admissions and Publicity Panel, Department of Government and Public Administration, CUHK
Member, Recruitment Selection Panel, M.S.Sc in Global Political Economy Programme, CUHK
Member, Advisor, CUHK Model United Nations Club
Advisor, *Civilitas* (a student academic journal of the Department of Government and Public Administration, CUHK)

NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- 2007 – 2009 Senior Consultant, Roland Berger Strategy Consultants, Detroit and Hong Kong
Provided management consulting services to multinational corporations in the automotive, financial services and energy sectors
- 2005 – 2007 Consultant, Booz Allen Hamilton, Shanghai
Advised multinational companies on their market entry and growth strategies in China

COMPUTER SKILLS

STATA, Qualtrics, MTurk, Excel

LANGUAGES

Native fluency in English and Chinese (Mandarin and Cantonese); Basic French