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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Jan 2023 – current Associate Professor and Undergraduate Panel Chair  
Jan 2016 – Jan 2023 Assistant Professor  
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

Sept 2018 – current Faculty Member, Global Studies Programme, CUHK

Sept 2022 – Aug 2023 Visiting Professor  
Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy  
University of Toronto

## EDUCATION

2015 University of Southern California (USC)  
Ph.D. in Political Science and International Relations  
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 APPOINTMENTS

2021 – current Executive Editor, *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*  
International Advisory Board member, *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy*

2017 – current Area Editor, *Oxford Bibliographies* (International Relations)

## AWARDS

2022 Anthony Deos Young Scholar Award, Diplomatic Studies Section, International Studies Association  
2017 Article Award, Diplomatic Studies Section, International Studies Association

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

International relations theory; security studies; diplomacy and negotiations; foreign policy analysis; political psychology; emotions; East Asia (particularly China); qualitative and experimental methods

## PUBLICATIONS

### The microsociology of diplomacy

2023. "Face-to-face with a Madman," *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*.

2023. "Diplomatic Negotiations," in Gesine Lenore Schiewer, Jeanette Altarriba, and Bee Chin Ng (eds.), *Language and Emotion: An International Handbook* Vol. 3 (De Gruyter Mouton): 1885-1905.

2021. "Who Blinked? Performing Resolve (or Lack thereof) in Face-to-face Diplomacy," *Security Studies* 30(3), 419-449.

2021. "One-upmanship and Putdowns: The Aggressive Use of Interaction Rituals in Face-to-face Diplomacy," *International Theory* 13(2), 341-71.

2020. "Mapping the Repertoire of Emotions and their Communicative Functions in Face-to-face Diplomacy," *International Studies Review* 22(1), 77-97.

2019. "Stoics and Hotheads: Leaders' Temperament, Anger, and the Expression of Resolve in Face-to-face Diplomacy," *Journal of Global Security Studies* 4(2), 190-208.

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 Article Award, Diplomatic Studies Section, International Studies Association (awarded for published article that "best advances the theoretical and empirical study of diplomacy").  
Translated into Chinese in 《国际关系前沿》2021年第11期.

### Emotions in international politics

2023. "Explaining the 'Cult of Toughness': In-group Fear, Kennedy's Reputation for Weakness, and the Berlin Crisis of 1961," *International Politics*. <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41311-023-00481-5>

### International relations of East Asia

2023 (with Charles Fung). "Perils of the Orient: Hong Kong as a Battleground in the US-China Rivalry," *Asian Perspective* 47(2): 209-227. Also forthcoming in Brad Roberts and Hyun Ji Rim (eds.), *US-China Strategic Competition: US Indo-Pacific Strategy and Foreign Policy Challenges* (Routledge).

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.

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.

Reprinted in Greta Uehling, ed. 2018. *International Studies: Perspectives on a Rapidly Changing World* (Cognella); and Joan T. Mims and Elizabeth M. Nollen. 2011. *Mirror on America: Essays and Images from Popular Culture*, 5<sup>th</sup> 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

2023. Review of Eunbin Chung's *Pride, Not Prejudice: National Identity as a Pacifying Force in East Asia*. H-Diplo | RJISSF Roundtable Review 14-14.
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 | ISSF Article Review 74.
2015. "The Passion of Face-to-face Diplomacy," *Border Crossing* 1(6), 18-19. *Diplomat Magazine*.

### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

"Ah Q Spirit" at Work: How Beijing Manages its Citizens' Loss of Esteem (and thereby Avoids Audience Costs) in International Conflicts (under review)

"Emotions in Diplomacy" (handbook chapter under contract)

The microsociology of diplomacy (book project)

The psychology of victory and defeat in international politics (book project)

### **EXTERNAL GRANTS**

2022 – 2023 General Research Fund (GRF) Grant, Research Grants Council, Hong Kong (Project Number: 14619721; HKD510,852)

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

### **INTERNAL GRANTS**

2020 – 2021 Direct Grant, Faculty of Social Science, CUHK (HKD100,000)

2019 – 2020 Workshop Grant, Research Summit Series, CUHK (HKD220,000; with Peter Beattie)

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)

### **GUEST PRESENTATIONS**

2023 Institute of International Relations, Tsinghua University, Beijing

2021 Department of Political Science, National University of Singapore

2019 School of International Relations and Public Affairs, Fudan University, Shanghai

2018 Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Hong Kong

Institute for Political Studies, Seoul National University

2016 Department of Political Science, National University of Singapore

### **INVITED SPEECHES**

- 2021 Sino-US Relations in the Biden Era: Conflict, Competition or Cooperation?, Hong Kong Baptist University
- 2020 Global Perspectives on US 2020 Election Forum, University of Oregon

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Course Number and Title	Number of Times Taught
CUHK	
GPAD4225 Theories of International Relations	5
GPAD2345/UGEC2610 International Politics	4
GPAD2185 International Organizations	4
GPAD2111 Political Research Methodology	3
GPEC5421 Terrorism and Counterterrorism	2
GPEC5016 Introduction to Comparative Politics	1
University of Hong Kong	
SPACE344 Introduction to Political Science	1

### POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION

	Number of Students
Supervisor, Ph.D. students	6
Member of Dissertation Committee, Ph.D. students	1
Supervisor, M.Phil. students	3
Member of Thesis Committee, M.Phil. students	6
External Examiner, Ph.D. students from other universities	1
External Examiner, M.Phil. students from other universities	2
Supervisor, visiting student/predoctoral fellow	1

### UNDERGRADUATE SUPERVISION

	Number of Students
Supervisor, senior thesis	23
Supervisor, independent study	16

### ACADEMIC SERVICES (EXTERNAL)

- 2016 – current Reviewer, *European Journal of International Relations*; *International Studies Quarterly*; *International Security*; *Journal of Global Security Studies*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *International Studies Review*; *Foreign Policy Analysis*; *Political Psychology*; *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*; *Global Studies Quarterly*; *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*; *Diplomacy & Statecraft*; *International Relations*; *Political Behavior*; *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy*; *The Chinese Journal of International Politics*; *International Political Sociology*; *Modern American History*; *Diplomatica*
- 2023 Member of the Jury, Book Award, *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy*
- 2022 Member of the Jury, Biennial Article Award, *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy*

- 2016, 2017            Member, Award Committee, Bertha Lutz Prize and Article Award, Diplomatic Studies Section, International Studies Association
- 2022 – current        External Examiner, International Relations and Political Science Modules, Hang Seng University of Hong Kong

### **ACADEMIC SERVICES (CUHK)**

#### Faculty of Social Science

- 2023 – current            Member, Teaching and Learning Committee  
 Member, Scholarships Selection Committee  
 Member, Student Discipline Committee  
 Programme Advisor, Social Science Broad-based Programme

#### Department of Government and Public Administration

- 2020 – current            Chair (since 2023) and Member, Undergraduate Panel
- 2022 – current            Member, Graduate Panel
- 2018 – current            Member, Research Panel
- 2016 – 2018, 2021 – 2022    Member, Admissions and Publicity Panel

#### Other

- 2019 – current            External Reviewer of courses, School of Humanities and Social Science, CUHK, Shenzhen. Courses reviewed: GLB5110 Foundation of International Relations; GLB5210 Foundation of Global Political Economy; GLB5420 International Security Affairs; GLB5480 Economic Statecraft and Negotiations; GLB5410 Diplomacy Theory and Practice; GLB5120 Theories and Practice of International Relations; GLB5220 International Economic and Business; GLB5420 International Organizations and Global Governance; GLB5450 Seminar on Selected Topics of International Relations; GLB5470 Global Financial and Monetary System; GLB5510 Seminar on Selected Topics of Global Political Economy; GLB5440 Foreign Policy Decision Making; HSS2101 Chinese Foreign Policy; GLB5420 International Law and International Organizations; and GLB5460 International Trade and Business
- 2017 – current            Member, Committee on New Asia Lectures on Contemporary China, New Asia College
- Member, Global China Research Programme

### **OTHER TRAINING**

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

### **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