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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Jan 2023 – current	Associate Professor (with tenure)
Jan 2016 – Jan 2023	Assistant Professor
2024 – current	Director, BSSc Programme in Government and Public Administration School of Governance and Policy Science Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)
2017 – current	Director, International Affairs Research Centre Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, CUHK
2026 – current	Fellow, Balsillie School of International Affairs
2025 – 2026	CUHK-Stanford Fellow Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences Stanford University
2022 – 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

2025 – current	Member, Editorial Committee, *European Journal of International Relations*
2021 - current	Member, International Advisory Board, *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy*
2017 – current	Area Editor, *Oxford Bibliographies* (International Relations)
2021 – 2026	Executive Editor, *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*

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); propaganda

PUBLICATIONS

The microsociology of diplomacy

2025. "Emotions and Interpersonal Diplomacy," in Simon Koschut and Andrew A.G. Ross (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Emotions in International Relations* (Oxford University Press).

2025. "Face-to-face with a Madman," *Cambridge Review of International Affairs* 38(6): 944–964.

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

2024. "Explaining the 'Cult of Toughness': In-group Fear, Kennedy's Reputation for Weakness, and the Berlin Crisis of 1961," *International Politics* 61, 761-783.

International relations of East Asia

2024. "Audience Costs, Humiliation, and Social Creativity Strategies: How Beijing Boosts Citizens' Esteem in International Conflicts," *European Journal of International Relations* 30(3): 569-594.

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 in Brad Roberts and Hyun Ji Rim (eds.). 2003. *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,* 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

2026. Review of Reinhard Wolf's *Status, States, and Moral Sentiments: How Respect and Disrespect Shape International Politics.* H-Diplo.

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

Diplomacy as Performance (book project)

Giving and Giving Off in Diplomacy (book project)

"Leaders as Mere Mortals in Face-to-face Diplomacy" (under review)

"Bringing Together the Two 'Prima Donnas': Roosevelt, Churchill, and the Politics of Rituals at the 1941 Atlantic Conference" (under review)

"The Elephant in the Room: Words Not Spoken as Intentions in Diplomacy"

The Social Psychology of Propaganda

EXTERNAL GRANTS

2022 – 2024 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 – 2022 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 LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

2026 International Relations Thoughts Series, University of California, Berkeley

O'Brien Notre Dame International Security Center, University of Notre Dame

Center for International Studies, University of Southern California

2025 School of Graduate Studies, Lingnan University

2023 Institute of International Relations, Tsinghua University

2021 Department of Political Science, National University of Singapore

2019 School of International Relations and Public Affairs, Fudan University

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

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CUHK

GPAD4225 Theories of International Relations
GPAD2345/UGEC2610 International Politics
GPAD2185 International Organizations
GPAD2111 Political Research Methodology
GPEC5421 Terrorism and Counterterrorism
GPEC5016 Introduction to Comparative Politics

University of Hong Kong

SPACE344 Introduction to Political Science

POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION

	Number of Students
Supervisor, Ph.D. students	6
Member of Dissertation Committee, Ph.D. students	1
Supervisor, M.Phil. students	5
Member of Thesis Committee, M.Phil. students	6
External Examiner, Ph.D. students from other universities	4
External Examiner, M.Phil. students from other universities	3
Supervisor, visiting student/predoctoral fellow	1

UNDERGRADUATE SUPERVISION

	Number of Students
Supervisor, senior thesis	27
Supervisor, independent study	17

ACADEMIC SERVICES (EXTERNAL)

2016 – current	Reviewer, *European Journal of International Relations*; *International Studies Quarterly*; *International Security; Security Studies; Journal of Global Security Studies; British Journal of Political Science; International Studies Review; Foreign Policy Analysis; Political Psychology; International Interactions; 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*
2027	Program Co-Chair, Foreign Policy Section, American Political Science Association
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
2019 – current	External Reviewer of courses, School of Humanities and Social Science, CUHK, Shenzhen

ACADEMIC SERVICES (CUHK)

Faculty of Social Science

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

School of Governance and Policy Science (formerly Department of Government and Public Administration)

2024 – current	Director, BSSc Programme in Government and Public Administration
	Member, Department Academic Personnel Committee
	Chair, Teaching and Student Affairs Panel
2024 – 2025	Member, Search Committee for lecturer and professorial positions
2020 – 2024	Chair (2023 – 2024) and Member, Undergraduate Panel
2022 – current	Member, Graduate Panel
2018 – 2023	Member, Research Panel
2016 – 2018, 2021 – 2022	Member, Admissions and Publicity Panel

Other

June 2024	Co-organizer, Workshop on Political Psychology in East Asia

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

LANGUAGES

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