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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

07/2005 – Associate Professor
Department of Asian and Middle Eastern Cultures
Barnard College, Columbia University
08/2000 – 06/2005 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology
University of Hawaii at Manoa

AFFILIATIONS IN COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Faculty, Weatherhead East Asian Institute
Faculty, Dept. of East Asian Languages & Cultures
Affiliated Faculty, Department of Sociology
Global Fellow, Columbia Committee on Global Thought

HIGHEST DEGREES

Ph. D., Sociology, New York University, September, 2000. Dissertation: *China's Red Guard Generation: The Ritual Process of Identity Transformation*. Dissertation committee: Craig Calhoun (Chair), Jeff Goodwin, and Doug Guthrie.
Ph. D. English Literature (specialization: Literary Translation), Beijing Foreign Studies University, March 1993. Dissertation: *An Annotated English Translation of 30 Chapters of Wenxin diaolong with a Critical Introduction*. Adviser: Tso-Liang Wang.

AWARDS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS

March – June, 2008. Visiting Senior Research Fellow. East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore.
Jan. 2003 – Dec. 2004 The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Writing and Research Grant (Grant No. 02-76177-000-GSS), January 2003-December 2004.
Sept. 2003 – May 2004. Fellow, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C.
2001. Summer Faculty Fellow, Social Science Research Council Program on

- Information Technology, International Cooperation and Global Security. Hosted by the Institute of International Studies, University of California at Berkeley.
2002. Best Article Award, American Sociological Association Section on Social Movements and Collective Behavior, for Steven Pfaff and Guobin Yang, "Double-edged Rituals and the Symbolic Resources of Collective Action: Political Commemorations and the Mobilization of Protest in 1989." *Theory and Society* 30 (2001): 539-589.
2002. Seed Money Grant. University Research Council, University of Hawaii at Manoa.
2001. "Outstanding Recent Contribution Award," Sociology of Emotions Section, the American Sociological Association, for Guobin Yang, "Achieving Emotions in Collective Action: Emotional Processes and Movement Mobilization in the 1989 Chinese Student Movement." *The Sociological Quarterly* 41(4), 593-614.
1999. "Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award," the ASA Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements, for "The Liminal Effects of Social Movements: Red Guards and the Transformation of Identity."
1999. Best Graduate Student Paper Award, the American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Emotions, for "Achieving Emotions in Social Movements: Emotional Processes and Movement Mobilization in the 1989 Chinese Student Movement."
- 1999-2000. Dean's Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, New York University.
1998. Predoctoral Summer Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, New York University.
- Sept. 1994- May, 1996. Two Henry Luce Foundation Fellowships (awarded through The Curriculum in Asian Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill).
1996. CCS/CJS Asia Library Travel Grant, Center for Chinese Studies, The University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, 1996.
1996. Field Research Travel Fellowship (Ford Foundation, administered through The University Center for International Studies, Univ. of North Carolina-Chapel Hill).
1995. Honorary Visiting Fellow, Department of English and Related Literature, University of York, Great Britain.
1995. Sino-British Fellowship Trust Fund Award, The British Academy.
1990. Research and Travel Award (for 5 weeks of travel and research in Australia), Australia-China Section, Cultural Relations Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia.

BOOKS AND EDITED VOLUMES

- Under contract. *The Power of the Internet: Chinese Citizen Activism Online*.
Columbia University Press. [400-page manuscript complete]
2007. Ching Kwan Lee and Guobin Yang (eds.). *Re-envisioning the Chinese Revolution: The Politics and Poetics of Collective Memories in Reform China*. Washington D.C.: The Woodrow Wilson Center Press and Stanford University Press.
2005. Guobin Yang and Ming-bao Yue (eds.), *Collective Memories of the Cultural Revolution*. Special issue of *The China Review* Vol. 5, No. 2 (Fall 2005).

2003. *Dragon-Carving and the Literary Mind* (an annotated English translation of *Wenxin diaolong*). 2 Vols. (Library of Chinese Classics in English Translation) Beijing: Foreign Language Teaching and Research Press.

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

2007. (with Craig Calhoun) "Media, Civil Society, and the Rise of a Green Public Sphere in China." *China Information*. 21(2):211-236. [Reprinted in Peter Ho and Richard Edmonds (eds.), *China's Embedded Activism: Opportunities and Constraints of a Social Movement*. Routledge, 2008, pp.69-88.]
2007. "How Do Chinese Civic Associations Respond to the Internet: Findings from a Survey." *The China Quarterly* No. 189, pp. 122-143.
2006. "Activists beyond Virtual Borders: Internet-Mediated Networks and Informational Politics in China." *First Monday* Vol. 11, No. 9 (September).
2005. "Days of Old Are Not Puffs of Smoke: Three Hypotheses on Collective Memories of the Cultural Revolution." *The China Review* Vol, 5, No. 2: 13-41.
2005. (with Ming-Bao Yue) "Introduction: Gilded-Age Memories of the Cultural Revolution." *The China Review* Vol. 5, No. 2: 1-12.
2005. "Environmental NGOs and Institutional Dynamics in China." *The China Quarterly*. (March 2005), No. 181, pp. 46-66.
2003. "China's Zhiqing Generation: Nostalgia, Identity, and Cultural Resistance in the 1990s." *Modern China* Vol.29, No.3: 267-296.
2003. "The co-evolution of the Internet and Civil Society in China." *Asian Survey*. Vol. 43, No. 3: 405-422.
2003. "The Internet and the Rise of a Transnational Chinese Cultural Sphere." *Media, Culture & Society* 25(4): 469-490.
2003. "The Internet and Civil Society in China: A Preliminary Assessment." *Journal of Contemporary China*. Vol. 12, No 36: 453 - 475.
2001. (With Steven Pfaff). "Political Commemorations as Symbolic Resources of Collective Action: Protest Mobilization in Eastern Europe and China in 1989." *Theory and Society* 30: 539-589. [Best Article Award, American Sociological Association Section on Social Movements and Collective Behavior, 2002]
2000. "The Liminal Effects of Social Movements: Red Guards and the Transformation of Identity." *Sociological Forum* 15(2): 379-406. Lead article. ["Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award," the American Sociological Association Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements, 1999]
2000. "Achieving Emotions in Collective Action: Emotional Processes and Movement Mobilization in the 1989 Chinese Student Movement." *The Sociological Quarterly* 41(4): 593-614. ["Outstanding Recent Contribution Award," Sociology of Emotions Section, the American Sociological Association, 2001]

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Under review. "Genre, Media, and Contested Memories of the Chinese Cultural Revolution." In *East Asia Collective Memory*, edited by Mikyoung Kim and Barry Schwartz.
- Under review. "Virtual Transgressions into Print Culture: A Sociological Analysis of the

- Rise of Internet Literature in China.” In Christopher Reed and Cynthia Brokaw eds., *From Woodblocks to the Internet: Chinese Publishing and Print Culture in Transition*.
- Forthcoming. “Cultural Translation and Civic Environmentalism in China.” In You-tien Hsing and Ching Kwan Lee eds., *Remaking Chinese Society: Politics of Redistribution, Recognition, and Representation*.
- Forthcoming. “Historical Imagination in the Study of Chinese Digital Civil Society.” In Yongnian Zheng and Xiaoling Zhang (eds), *Information Technology and Social Transformation in China*. Routledge.
- Forthcoming. “Contention in Chinese Cyberspace.” In Kevin O’Brien and Rachel Stern (eds.) *Popular Contention in Contemporary China*. Harvard University Press.
2007. “Theoretical and Methodological Issues in the Study of the Internet and Chinese Civil Society.” *Journalism and Communication Review*, No. 3 (Beijing: Beijing University Press). [In Chinese]
2007. "A Portrait of Martyr Jiang Qing': The Chinese Cultural Revolution on the Internet." In Ching Kwan Lee and Guobin Yang (eds). *Re-envisioning the Chinese Revolution: The Politics and Poetics of Collective Memories in Reform China*. Woodrow Wilson Press and Stanford University Press, pp. 287-316.
2007. “Introduction: Memory, Power, and Culture.” (with Ching Kwan Lee). In Ching Kwan Lee and Guobin Yang (eds). *Re-envisioning the Chinese Revolution: The Politics and Poetics of Collective Memories in Reform China*. Woodrow Wilson Press and Stanford University Press, pp. 1-20.
2007. “The Identity Transformation of the Red Guard Generation.” In *The Cultural Revolution: Historical Truth & Collective Memories*, edited by Yongyi Song. Hong Kong: Tianyuan shuwu, pp. 384-398. [In Chinese]
2006. "The Internet and Emerging Civil Society in China." In *Political Reform in China: The Rule of Law versus Democratization*, edited by Suisheng Zhao. M. E. Sharpe, pp. 196-214. [A revised and updated version of "The Internet and Civil Society in China: A Preliminary Assessment." *Journal of Contemporary China*. Volume 12, Number 36 (August 2003), pp.453 - 475.]
2006. “The Internet and Civil Society in China: Co-evolutionary Dynamics and Digital Formations,” in *China’s Deep Reform: Domestic Politics in Transition*, edited by Lowell Dittmer and Guoli Liu. Rowman & Littlefield, pp. 303-318. [A revised and updated version of "The co-evolution of the Internet and Civil Society in China." *Asian Survey*. Vol. 43, No. 3 (May/June 2003), pp.405-422.]
2005. “Information Technology and Grassroots Democracy: A Case Study of Environmental Activism in China.” Charles L. Nieman (ed.), *Democracy and Globalization*. Kent State University Press.
2005. “Emotional Events and the Transformation of Collective Action: The Chinese Student Movement.” Pp. 79-98 in Helena Flam and Debra King (eds.) *Emotions and Social Movements*. London: Routledge.
1991. "Liu Xie and Coleridge: Two Versions of Organic Theory." In *Wen Yuan: Studies in Language, Literature and Culture*. Beijing: Foreign Language Teaching and Research Press, pp. 45-62.

ENCYCLOPEDIA & DICTIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS

2007. “Emotions and Movements,” in *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, ed.

- George Ritzer (Oxford: Blackwell Publishing), vol. 3, pp. 1389-1392.
2004. Entries on "Environmental organizations," "NGOs," and "laosanjie." In Edward Davis (ed.), *Encyclopedia of Contemporary Chinese Culture*. London: Routledge.
2002. Contributing editor to *Oxford Dictionary of the Social Sciences*, edited by Craig Calhoun. New York: Oxford University Press.
1995. "The Translation of English Poetry." In Chan Sin-wai & David Pollard eds., *An Encyclopedia of Translation*. Hong Kong: Chinese University Press, pp. 783-793.

OTHER ARTICLES

- Forthcoming. "Media, Power, and Protest from the Cultural Revolution to the Internet" (with Craig Calhoun). *Harvard Asia Pacific Review*.
2008. "A Civil Society Emerges from the Earthquake Rubble." *YaleGlobal Online Magazine*, June 5. <<http://yaleglobal.yale.edu/display.article?id=10910>>
2008. "China's Environmental Movement in the Making." In *Global Civil Society 2007/8: Communicative Power and Democracy*, edited by Martin Albrow, Helmut Anheier, Marlies Glasius, Monroe E. Price, and Mary Kaldor. London: Sage Publications, pp. 98-99.
2006. "Between Control and Contention: China's New Internet Politics." *Washington Journal of Modern China* Vol. 8, No. 1: 30-47.
2004. "Is There an Environmental Movement in China? Beware of the 'River of Anger.'" Pp. 4-8 in *Active Society in Formation: Environmentalism, Labor, and the Underworld in China*. Asia Program Special Report, No. 124, (Sept. 2004). Washington, D.C.: The Woodrow Wilson Center.
2004. "Mingling Politics with Play: The Virtual Chinese Public Sphere." *International Institute for Asian Studies Newsletter* #33, March 2004, p.7.
2004. "Global Environmentalism Hits China." *YaleGlobal Online Magazine*. February 4. <<http://yaleglobal.yale.edu/index.jsp>>
Reprinted in *International Herald Tribune*, Feb. 11, 2003.
<<http://www.iht.com/articles/129105.html>>
2003. "Weaving a Green Web: The Internet and Environmental Activism in China." *China Environment Series*. Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C., pp. 89-92.
2002. "Information Technology, Virtual Chinese Diaspora, and Transnational Public Sphere." Paper commissioned for the "Virtual Diaspora and Global Problem Solving" Project of the Nautilus Institute, Berkeley, CA.
<<http://www.nautilus.org/archives/virtual-diasporas/paper/Yang.html>>

BOOK REVIEWS AND REVIEW ESSAYS

- Forthcoming. Review of *International Comparisons on Environmental Politics*, by HUAN Qingzhi (Jinan: Shandong University Press, 2007). In *Environmental Politics*.
2007. Review of *Rightful Resistance in Rural China*, by Kevin O'Brien and Lianjiang Li (Cambridge University Press, 2006). In *Mobilization: An International Journal*.

2006. Review of *Yangtian changxiao: yige danjian shiyi nian de hongweibing yuzhong yutianlu* (Outcry from a Red Guard Imprisoned during the Cultural Revolution), by Lu Li'an and edited by Wang Shaoguang.. Hong Kong: The Chinese University Press, 2005. In *The China Review* Vol. 6, No. 2 (Fall), pp. 180-183.
2005. "'Accounts' of Information Technologies and an Information Society." *European Journal of Cultural Studies* 8(4):505-512. [Review essay on *Digital Democracy* by Kenneth Hacker and Jan van Dijk, *Critique of Information* by Scott Lash, and *The Information Society* by Christopher May.]
2003. Review of Catherine Keyser, *Professionalizing Research in Post-Mao China: The System Reform Institute and Policy Making*. Armonk, M. E. Sharpe, Inc., 2002. *Political Science Quarterly*. 118(4): 719-721.
2002. "Civil Society in China: A Dynamic Field of Study." *China Review International* Vol.9, No.1 (Spring), pp. 1-16. [A review essay]
2002. Wenfang Tang and William Parish, *Chinese Urban Life Under Reform: The Changing Social Contract*. (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2000). *Contemporary Sociology* 31(2): 152-154.
2002. Dingxin Zhao, *The Power of Tiananmen: State-Society Relations and the 1989 Beijing Student Movement*. (Chicago: Chicago University Press, 2001). *Contemporary Sociology* 31(3): 312-314.
1998. Elizabeth J. Perry and Li Xun, *Proletarian Power: Shanghai in the Cultural Revolution* (Westview Press, 1997). *China Review International* 5 (2): 507-512.
1997. Zhengyuan Fu, *China's Legalists: The Earliest Totalitarians and Their Art of Ruling*. (M. E. Sharpe, 1996). *China Review International* 4 (2): 389-396.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2008. "Brokering Environment and Health: Issue Entrepreneurs of the Public Sphere." International Workshop on Environment and Health in China: Perspectives from the Social Sciences. Organized by the Social Science Research Council. April 17-20, University of Hong Kong.
2008. "Social Movements during China's Great Transformation." International Conference on "China and India: Economic and Social Development. Jointly organized by Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, India; The Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University; and East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore, March 17-18, 2008.
2007. "Historical Imagination in the Study of Chinese Digital Civil Society." International Conference on Information Technology and Social Responsibility. The Chinese University of Hong Kong, December 17-18, 2007.
2007. "Internet Development in China: Social and Political Impact." The Brookings Institution, Washington D.C. December 4.
2007. "The Continuing Co-evolution of the Internet and Civil Society in China." Beijing Forum, November 2-4. Beijing University.
2007. "Web Presence of Environmental NGOs in China: An Empirical Analysis." International Symposium on Information and Communication Technologies and Transformation in China, School of Contemporary Chinese Studies, the University of Nottingham, UK. June 14-15.

2007. "The Rise of Environmentalism in China." Keynote speech at the "2007 Chinese Environmental Film Festival (February 15-17)," presented by the Asian Studies Center, Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures, the Film Studies Program, and Department of Sociology, University of Pittsburg.
2007. "Can the Internet Be a Collective Organizer? Evidence from China." Department of Sociology and Asian Studies Center, University of Pittsburg, February 16.
2007. "Contested Memories of the Chinese Cultural Revolution." Collective Memory in Northeast Asia Workshop, Washington, D.C., organized by Mikyoung Kim (Hiroshima Peace Institute/Hiroshima City University) and Barry Schwartz (University of Maryland). March 27-28.
2006. "Contention in Chinese Cyberspace: A Field Approach." Workshop on "Popular Contention in China," Center for Chinese Studies, University of California at Berkeley, organized by Professor Kevin O'Brien. October 6-7.
2006. "Civic Environmentalism: China's New Social Movement." Conference on "Remaking Chinese Society: Politics of Redistribution, Recognition, and Representation." Center for Chinese Studies, University of California at Berkeley, organized by Professors You-tien Hsing and Ching Kwan Lee. October 27-28.
2006. "Can Cultural Values Save the Environment? A Panel Forum Marking the Publication of *Forging Environmentalism*, edited by Joanne Bauer. M.E. Sharpe. September 13, Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs, New York.
2006. "Theories of the Public Sphere and Research on the Internet in China." School of Journalism, Fudan University, Shanghai. June 16.
2006. "Between Control and Contention: The New Culture and Politics of the Internet in China." Conference on New Media and Citizenship in China, University of Wisconsin-Madison and Marquette University, Madison, Wisconsin, May 26-27.
2006. "The Identity Transformation of the Red Guard Generation." Conference on History, Truth and Collective Memories: The 40th Anniversary of the Cultural Revolution. College of Staten Island, May 12-14.
2006. "An Evening on Emergent Media Culture in the People's Republic of China," 30 March, 19:00-22:00. V2_Institute for the Unstable Media, Eendrachtstraat 10/12, Rotterdam in collaboration with International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden.
2005. "How Do Chinese Civic Associations Respond to the Internet." Program on Human Rights and Technology and Program on Asian Studies, Bard College. November 21.
2005. "The Culture and Politics of the Internet in China." CUNY-College of Staten Island. September 15.
2005. "Activists beyond Virtual Borders: Internet-mediated Networks and Informational Politics in China." Conference on "Command Lines: The Emergence of Governance in Global Cyberspace," University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, April 27-29.
2004. "Virtual Transgressions into Print Culture: A Sociological Analysis of the Rise of Internet Literature in China," Conference on "From Woodblocks to the Internet: Chinese Publishing and Print Culture in Transition." East Asian Studies Center, Ohio State University, November 3-7, 2004.
2004. "Is There an Environmental Movement in China? Beware of the River of Anger."

- “Active Society in Formation: Labor, Environmentalism and the Underground in China.” Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, May 18, 2004.
- 2004 “Educated Youth as Young Intellectuals: An Archaeology of a Lost Intellectual History, 1968-1978.” Conference on “The Problem of (Public) Intellectuals,” organized by University of California at Berkeley, Center for Chinese Studies, April 2-3.
- 2003 “Globalization and the Environmental Ethics in China.” The East Asia Culture Seminar on “Globalization and East Asian Culture.” Organized by Nihon University, Japan. December 6.
- 2003 “ICT, Environmental Activism, and Grassroots Democracy in China.” The Fourth Annual Symposium on Democracy: Democracy and Globalization. Kent State University, April 28-29, 2003.
- 2002 “Information Technology, Virtual Chinese Diaspora, and Transnational Public Sphere.” The “Virtual Diasporas and Global Problem Solving Project,” The Nautilus Institute. April 25-26, San Francisco.
2000. University of Hawaii-TV Panel: “Cyberspace and Globalization.” 7-8:30pm, November 21. Organized by the Globalization Research Center of the University of Hawaii at Manoa. Hawaii, Cable Channel 55.

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES (Omitted)

COURSES TAUGHT

Barnard/Columbia (Fall 2005 – Spring 2007)

- First-Year Seminar: Revolutionary Movements (BC1279);
Critical Approaches to East Asia in the Social Sciences (EAAS W4102);
China’s Cultural Revolution in History and Memory (EAAS G8030; HSEA W4828);
Civil Society, Public Sphere, & Popular Protest in Contemporary China (HSEA W4867);
Contemporary Chinese Culture and Society (HSEA W3850).

University of Hawaii at Manoa (Fall 2000 – Spring 2003)

- Contemporary Sociological Theory (Soc 612, graduate seminar)
Cultural Analysis (Soc 706, graduate seminar)
Survey of Sociological Theory (Soc 321)
Sociology of China (Soc 356)
Modern Chinese Society: Civil Society, Public Sphere and Popular Protest since 1978 (Soc 723B, graduate seminar).
Comparative Sociology of East Asia (Taught by Hagen Koo, with Patricia Steinhoff and Guobin Yang)
Current Issues in Sociology: Cultural Analysis (Soc 715, graduate seminar).
Peoples and Institutions of China (Soc. 356).

New York University

- Sociological Theory (V93.0111.001), Summer, 1999.

Introduction to Sociology (A93.0001.002), Summer, 1998.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Human Societies (Soc. 11), Summer, 1996.

Sociological Theory (Soc. 50), Fall, 1996.

SERVICES TO THE PROFESSION

Editorial

2008 - , International Advisory Board, *The China Environment Yearbook*. Brill (The Netherlands) and Social Sciences Academy Press (Beijing).

2007 - , Editorial Board, International Convention for Asian Studies Publications Series, Amsterdam University Press.

2004 - , Editorial board, *Sociological Perspectives* (official journal of the Pacific Sociological Association).

Fall 1997-Summer, 1999. Assistant editor, *Sociological Theory* (An official journal of the American Sociological Association).

Committee

2007. Member of the Book Prizes Reading Committee, the International Convention for Asian Scholars.

2003-2004. Vice-President and President-elect, Hawaiian Sociological Association.

2004. Organizer, Roundtable panels of the ASA Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements, Annual Conference American Sociological Association.

2002. Committee member, Best Article Award, American Sociological Association Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements.

2000. Committee Member, Best Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, ASA Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements.

Manuscript referee

American Journal of Sociology; Sociological Theory; The Sociological Quarterly; Social Forces; Social Problems; Sociological Forum; The Sociological Review; Sociological Focus; Qualitative Sociology; Sociological Perspectives; Comparative Political Studies; Mobilization; Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication; The Information Society; Communications of the AIS; Communication and Society (published in Chinese, Hong Kong); Asian Journal of Communication (Singapore); Philosophy East and West; Journal of Peacebuilding and Development; Theory, Culture, and Society; Gender & History; International Journal of Politics, Culture, and Society; China Information; Asian Survey; Modern China, The China Quarterly, The China Journal, Critical Asian Studies.

Addison Wesley Longman Press; RoutledgeCurzon; SUNY Press; University of Michigan Press.

Grant proposal reviewer

National Science Foundation, USA; Research Council of Hong Kong.

Other: Asia Society Analyst 2007- .

PREFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association, 1994-; Association for Asian Studies, 1998-; Eastern Sociological Society, 1997-2000; Pacific Sociological Association, 2000-2001; Hawaii Sociological Association, 2000-2004; North American Chinese Sociologists Association, 2001; International Sociological Association, 2005-2009.