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EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Kansas (American Studies). May 2007.

M.A. University of Kansas (American Studies). May 2002.

B.A. University of Iowa (English). August 1971.

Non-degree study in Mandarin Chinese at Johnson County [Kansas] Community College (2001-2003) and Beloit College Center for Language Studies (Summer 2010).

ACADEMIC AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Courses taught:

- United States History, 1492 – 1865/1877 (including two online sections)
- United States History, 1865/1877 – Present
- U.S. Immigration & Ethnic History
- Gilded Age & Progressive Era
- African American History & Culture
- Age of Jefferson & Jackson
- Asian Civilizations
- East Asian Civilizations I
- East Asian Civilizations II
- South Asian Civilizations
- China-US Relations
- Contemporary Issues in Chinese Modernization
- Intro to Historical Research

Employment:

Fall 2008 - Assistant Professor, Social Science Department, Missouri Southern State University, Joplin, Missouri.

Spring 2008 Long-term Substitute Chinese Teacher, Barstow School, Kansas City, Missouri.

2007-08 Instructor, History Department, Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas.

July 2007, July 2008 Instructor, Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth, Nanjing

2006-07 Instructor, History & Political Science Dept., Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa

1988 – 2006 Executive with Harlan Global Manufacturing, LLC, Kansas City, Kansas.

1981 – 87 Executive with Dura-Pak Corporation, South Sioux City, Nebraska.

PUBLICATIONS

Book

The Role of American NGOs in China's Modernization: Invited Influence (London and New York: Routledge Press, 2012).

Book Chapters and Journal Articles

“Educational Exchange as a Factor in Post-Mao Sino-American Relations: The Hopkins-Nanjing Center,” *Journal of American-East Asian Relations*, 17:1 (2010), 56-88.

“Cross-lingual Oral History Interviewing: Confronting the Methodological Challenges,” *Oral History* 36:1 (2008), 82-94.

“Modernization Discourse with Chinese Characteristics,” *East Asia: An International Quarterly* 22:3 (2006), 3-24.

“Cultural Studies and the Pitfalls of Interdisciplinarity: Lisa Lowe's Use and Misuse of History,” *Journal of the Historical Society* 5:2 (2005), 193-201.

“A Civic Trend within Ethnic Transnationalism? Some Insights from Classical Social Theory and the Chinese American Experience,” *Global Networks* 4:4 (2004), 391-408.

“Gaining Access and Sharing Authority – What I Learned about Oral History from an Episode in U.S-China Transnationalism,” *Oral History Review* 31:2 (2004), 53-68.

“Improving Mainland Society and U.S.-China Relations: A Case Study of Four Chinese American-led Transnational Associations,” 185-206, in *The Expanding Roles of Chinese Americans in U.S.-China Relations: Transnational Networks and Trans-Pacific Interactions*, edited by Xiao-huang Yin and Peter Koehn (M.E. Sharpe Publishers, 2002). [Translated and reprinted (under Wu Ninghua) as *Gaishan dalu shehui zhuangkuang he meizhong guanxi: sige you meiji huaren lingdaoxiade kuaguo xiehui ge'an yanjiu* in *Meiji huaren yu zhongmei guanxi*, edited by Xiao-huang Yin and Peter Koehn (Beijing: Xinhua Press, 2004).]

Ongoing Scholarship

Journal article: Influence of German philosophy on nineteenth-century American literary culture (“revise and resubmit” status with the journal *Clio*).

Journal article: Role of the African American civil rights movement in the establishment and early history of the George Washington Carver National Monument (initial research underway).

Book Reviews

Hongshan Li, *U.S.-China Educational Exchange: State, Society, and Intercultural Relations, 1905-1950* (New Brunswick: Princeton University Press, 2008). *American Studies* 48:4 (Winter 2007), 166.

Anne-Marie Brady, *Making the Foreign Serve China: Managing Foreigners in the People's Republic* (Oxford: Rowman and Littlefield, 2003). *Millennium: A Journal of International Studies* 34:2 (2006), 638-639.

Catherine Keyser, *Professionalizing Research in Post-Mao China: The System Reform Institute and Policy Making* (Armonk, New York and London: M.E. Sharpe, 2003). *China Information* 18:2 (2004), 339-341.

Philip A. Kuhn, *Origins of the Modern Chinese State* (Stanford University Press, 2002). *H-Diplo*, 1/25/2003 (<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=201051047000316>).

David Zweig, *Internationalizing China: Domestic Interests and Global Linkages* (Ithaca, New York: Cornell University Press, 2002). *H-Diplo*, 5/25/2003 (<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=121011057291894>).

Weili Ye, *Seeking Modernity in China's Name: Chinese Students in the United States, 1900-1927*, (Stanford University Press, 2001). *American Review of China Studies* 3:1 (2002).

CONFERENCES

Paper: "Complementary Private Diplomacy: The National Committee on United States-China Relations," Society for the History of American Foreign Relations, Washington, DC, June 2011.

Panel moderator: "Engaging Histories in the Study of 'America,'" Mid-America American Studies Association Conference, Lawrence, KS, March 2010.

Paper: "Informal Diplomacy: American Contributions to Reforms in Post-Mao China," Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, March 2007.

Paper: "Gemeinschaft and Gesellschaft: Evolving Patterns in Chinese American Transnationalism," Social Science History Association, St. Louis, October 2002.

Paper: "Bay Area Chinese Americans: A Transnational Response to Tiananmen Square," Oral History Association, San Diego, October 2002.

Paper: "Transnationalism and Development in Contemporary U.S.-China Relations," Society for the History of American Foreign Relations, Athens, GA, June 2002.

Paper: "A Case of the Two-Fold Globalization of American Society," Mid-America American Studies Association, Kansas City, April 2000.

HONORS

Kansas Board of Regents' James B. Pearson Fellowship for research abroad. June 2005.

Harry S. Truman Good Neighbor Award Foundation's Jerry Smith Scholarship. May 2003.

Nominee, University of Kansas Outstanding M.A. Thesis award, May 2002: "Bridging the Pacific: The 1990 Institute and U.S.-China Transnationalism at the End of the 20th Century."

SERVICE

University

Moderator, MSSU Gockel Symposium, Fall 2012 Thailand Semester.

MSSU Faculty Senate representative from the Social Sciences Dept., spring 2011 – Spring 2012.

MSSU College of Arts & Sciences representative to Library Committee, beginning fall 2010.

Taught one-semester seminar, TAH (Teaching American History) professional development program for Missouri K-12 teachers, spring 2010. MSSU/Southwest Center joint project.

Student advising, Missouri Southern State University, beginning fall 2009.

General

Judge, Missouri History Day, March 2010, March 2011, and March 2012.

Panelist at 20th Anniversary Dinner of The 1990 Institute (US-China relations organization), April 2010.

Two oral history presentations to Junior Park Rangers at George Washington Carver National Monument, July 2009.

Judge, Kansas History Day, February 2008.

Wrote pedagogical review of draft fourth edition of *American Promise* (Volume 2) for Bedford/St. Martin's, February 2008.

Reviewed Chinese language candidates for Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) on behalf of the U.S. State Department's Critical Language Scholarship program, February 2008.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Advanced proficiency in Mandarin Chinese.

AFFILIATIONS

Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Mid-America American Studies Association, World History Association, Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, National Committee on United States-China Relations, Melville Society.