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ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Columbia University, New York, NY.
Ph.D. in History of East Asia, 2010.

Dissertation: "Producing History through 'Wenshi Ziliao': Personal Memory, Post-Mao Ideology, and Migration to Manchuria" (Co-sponsors: Eugenia Lean and Adam McKeown).

Stanford University, Stanford, CA.
M.A. in East Asian History, May 2001.
Master's thesis: "Marketing Socialism: the Reframing of Ideology and Control in Post-Mao Education Reform."

Nankai University, Tianjin, China.
Independent study of modern Chinese, 1997-1999.

Brown University, Providence, RI.
B.A., East Asian Studies, May 1997

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Worcester State University, Worcester, MA. Department of History and Political Science. Assistant Professor, 2013-present.

Wheaton College, Norton, MA. Department of History. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow, 2012-2013.

Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN. Department of History. Visiting Faculty, 2011-2012. Courses: World in the Twentieth Century; East Asian Civilization; History of Modern China; Tragedy and Triumph: the Making of Modern Japan; Travels in Asia: Missionaries, Adventurers, and Poets.

Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA. Department of East Asian Studies. Visiting Faculty, 2010-2011. Courses: East Asian Civilization; History of Modern China; History of Pre-modern China; Manchuria and Empire; Chinese Diaspora; Travels in Asia (Capstone senior seminar).

University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL. Department of History. Visiting Faculty, 2009-2010. Courses: Introduction to East Asia; History of Modern China; Manchuria and Empire; Travels in East Asia.

Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY. Department of Asian Studies. Visiting Faculty, 2007-2008. Courses: Modern China on the Move; China within Contesting Empires.

Columbia University, New York, NY. Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures. History of Modern China, spring 2006, teaching assistant. Included Major Topics in East Asian Civilization, with William Theodore de Bary, fall 2002.

Undergraduate senior thesis advisor, fall 2002, fall 2003, fall 2005.

Nankai University, Tianjin, China.

Instructor of English as a foreign language for undergraduate and graduate students of all disciplines, in classroom and tutorial sessions, 1997-1999.

Fulbright Teacher Series Lecturer, China, Spring 1999.

EDITORIAL DUTIES

Editor, *Currents in Teaching and Learning*, Fall 2015-present.

- Responsible for all aspects of editing and publicizing journal's Fall and Spring issues, including a rigorous double blind peer review process.
- Edited six issues of the journal, containing thirty-seven articles in total. Reviewed seventy articles, wrote the editorial for each issue, and contacted (and re-contacted) all article reviewers.
- Initiated the designation of themes for the Spring issues. Themes of past issues include "concepts and designs for a liberal arts education in the 21st century" (Spring 2016), "teaching students with disabilities: concepts, approaches, and practices" (Spring 2017), and "theories and practices of project-based and problem-based learning" (Spring 2018). Future themed issues include "Globalizing Learning" (Spring 2019) and "Digital Pedagogies" (Spring 2020).
- Expanded journal's visibility through publicizing calls for papers, reaching out to an international network of scholars as authors and reviewers, and giving a formal presentation, "The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning: The Future of *Currents*," about the journal at the Center for Teaching and Learning-sponsored Summer Institute in May 2017.
- Co-organizer of the Symposium on Globalizing Learning, featuring 18 presenters and one keynote speaker, that is aligned with the theme of the Spring 2019 issue of *Currents*.

PUBLICATIONS

Borderland Memories: Searching for Historical Identity in Post-Mao China. Cambridge University Press, *Columbia Weatherhead East Asian Series*, and *Cambridge Studies in the History of the PRC*, 2019.

"Invoking the Ghosts of Blagoveshchensk: Massacre, Memory, and the Post-Mao Search for Historical Identity." Joseph Tse-hei Lee and Siu-Keung Cheung, eds. *China's Rise to Power: Conceptions of State Governance*. Palgrave-MacMillan, November 2012.

CONFERENCES, PANELS, AND SEMINARS

Invited presenter, conference in memory of Adam McKeown titled "How International, Transnational, and Global History Conquered the World." Columbia University, November 30-December 1, 2018.

Co-organizer and Presenter on panel, "China's Margins: Rethinking "Frontiers" in Late Imperial and Modern Chinese History." Presented talk entitled "Post-Mao Knowledge Production and the Recovery of 'Northern Manchuria.'" New England Association for Asian Studies Conference, Brandeis University, October 6, 2018.

Presenter, "Borderland and Nationalist Concepts of Wild Spaces: the Case of Northeast China." 14th Annual Conference of the International Association for the Study of Environment, Space, and Place. University of Mary Washington, April 27-29, 2018.

Presenter, "A Northeast Borderland Perspective on Post-Mao Transformations in the Environment." Symposium entitled Monumental Change: China's Transformation Since the 1980s. University of San Francisco Center for Asia Pacific Studies, November 15-16, 2017.

Organizer, Chair, and Presenter on panel, “Wenshi Ziliao and the Post-Mao Reconstruction of the History of China’s Borderlands.” Presented talk entitled “‘Seeking Truth from Facts?’ *Wenshi ziliao* and the Production of Post-Mao Historical Identity.” Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference, Toronto, March 16-19, 2017.

Organizer of and Presenter on panel, “Border Anxiety, Border Ambiguity: Nation and Empire Building in the Borderlands of East Asia.” Individual talk was entitled “Memory Politics in China’s Northeast Borderland: Local and Regional Processes of Producing Post-Mao Nationalism.” Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference, Seattle, March 31-April 3, 2016.

Presenter, “Layers of Fact, Fiction, and Memory in the Forging of Post-Socialist Chinese Identities,” Forum for Interdisciplinary Dialogue, Jefferson Scholars Foundation, University of Virginia. Conference entitled “Supposition, Fact, Fiction: Creating Truth, Engineering Reality,” Sept 27-29, 2012.

Presenter on panel, “Dynamics of Evolving State-Society Relations in Contemporary China: Historical, Political, and Social Perspectives,” Association of Asian Studies Conference, Toronto, March 15-18, 2012.

Presenter, “The Blagoveschensk Massacre and the Post-Mao Politics of ‘Wenshi Ziliao’ Production,” Symposium on China’s Appeal and its Discontents, Hong Kong, June 20-23, 2011.

Presenter, “National Historiographies” roundtable, workshop entitled “Empire and Beyond: Manchuria in the Modern World,” Harvard University, May 6-7, 2011.

“Nation, Violence, and Memory: Chinese Migrants and the ‘Blagoveschensk Massacre.’” Paper presented at the International Conference: Local Memories in a Nationalizing and Globalizing World (1750 up to the present), Antwerp, Brussels, October 15-17, 2009.

“Retracing the Steps across the Pass: Migration to Manchuria, 1900-1937,” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Francisco, CA, April 2006.

Panel discussant, Thirteenth Annual Graduate Student Conference on East Asia, Columbia University, February 6-7, 2004.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

Recipient, 2018 Extraordinary Dedication Award, Worcester State University.

Nominee for George I. Alden Excellence in Teaching Award, 2016-17.

Teaching and Learning Innovation Grant. Worcester State University, 2016-17.

China and Inner Asia Council Small Grant Award for archival research, funded by Association of Asian Studies and Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation, summer 2015.

Theme Semester and Alden Foundation grant, funding for organization of guest speaker events, Worcester State University, 2014-2015.

Faculty Learning Community Grant, Worcester State University, 2013-2014.

Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship, Weatherhead East Asian Institute, Columbia University, 2007-2008.

Whiting Dissertation Writing Fellowship, 2006-2007.

Fulbright IIE Fellowship for Dissertation Research in China, 2004-2005.

Affiliation with Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, conducted year-long field research in northeast China.

Faculty/Teaching Fellowship, Columbia University, 2002-2004, 2005-2006.

Weatherhead East Asian Fellowship for Pre-Dissertation Research in Japan, summer 2003.

Foreign Language Area Studies Grant, Japanese immersion program at Middlebury, summer 2002.

Foreign Language Area Studies Grant, Inter-University Board language program, Beijing, Summer 2000.

SERVICE

Founder and organizer, East Asia Speaker Series, starting Fall 2017.

- Theme of series in 2017-18: "Borderlands and Ethnicity." Invited speakers include Dr. Lan Wu (Mt. Holyoke College) and Dr. Pat Giersch (Wellesley College).
- Invited Dr. Suzy Kim (Rutgers University) to speak on issues pertaining to North Korea in Spring 2019.

Organizer, visiting scholar lectures.

- Invited Dr. Emma Teng (MIT) to give Diversity Lecture Series Talk entitled "Eurasian: Mixed Identities in the United States, China and Hong Kong," Nov 12, 2014.
- Collaborated with Dr. Jennifer Rudolph (Worcester Polytechnic Institute) and Dr. Karen Turner (College of the Holy Cross) to invite Professor Dan Ben-Canaan (Heilongjiang University, Harbin, China) to present "The Reconstruction of the Jewish Block in Harbin." Feb 25, 2015.

Co-founder, Faculty Shared Scholarship Series, 2014-present.

"Reading Across the Curriculum: History" IRB-approved Faculty Learning Community study on reading habits, compliance, and strategies to improve student engagement with readings.

- Conducted literature review, interviews, analysis, and write-up of findings from May 2016-May 2017. Presented findings with panel of fellow investigators at the Center for Teaching and Learning-sponsored Summer Institute in May 2017.

Chair, Assessment Committee, Department of History and Political Science, Worcester State University 2015-present.

Tenure-Track Faculty Search Committee, African History Search, 2016-17.

University Curriculum Standing Committee, Worcester State University, 2017-present.

Academic Policies Standing Committee, Worcester State University, 2015-2017.

University-Wide Library Advisory Committee, Worcester State University, 2014-2015.

International Programs Advisory Committee, Worcester State University, 2013-2014.

Rapporteur, Seminar on Modern China, Columbia University, fall 2003/spring 2004.

Organizer and chair, Twelfth Annual Graduate Student Conference on East Asia, Columbia University, February 7-8, 2003.

COURSES TAUGHT

Environmental Crisis and Management in China (HI 334/GE 299/GS 299)

Imperial Crossroads of Modern East Asia (HI 335)

Travels in Asia (HI 337)

Roots of China's Rise: Reform, Revolution, and Reinvention (HI 251)

Modern Far East I and II (HI 236, 237)

Historian's Craft (HI 200)

World civilizations I, II, III (HI 103, 104, 105)