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EDUCATION

University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa **Honolulu, HI**
Ph.D. in Philosophy Aug. 2012
Certificate in Chinese Language Studies June 2006
Master of Arts in Philosophy May 2005

Areas of Specialization: Traditional Chinese Philosophies, Philosophy of Ecology, Environmental Ethics

Research Language Competences: Mandarin and Classical Chinese

Beijing Foreign Studies University **Beijing, China**
Chinese Language and Culture Studies March – July 2007

Yunnan Normal University **Kunming, China**
Certificate in Chinese Language and Culture May – July 2002

Purdue University **West Lafayette, IN**
Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy Dec. 2001

Saint Andrews University **Saint Andrews, Scotland**
Study Abroad with Philosophy Major Sept. 2000 – May 2001

TEACHING

University of Central Arkansas **Conway, AR**
Associate Professor May 2017 – Present
Assistant Professor Aug. 2011 – May 2017
Courses: Buddhism; Asian Philosophies; Chinese Philosophies; World Philosophies; Philosophy of Religion

Beijing Foreign Studies University **Beijing, China**
Visiting Lecturer: Classical Chinese Philosophy Spring 2007

University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa **Honolulu, HI**
Lecturer: Introduction to Philosophy Summer 2010

Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) **Indianapolis, IN**
Adjunct Instructor: Ethics; Logic Spring – Summer 2009

Indiana University Northwest (IUN) **Gary, IN**
Adjunct Instructor: Ethics Spring 2008

Moraine Valley Community College **Blue Island, IL**
Adjunct Instructor: World Philosophies Fall 2007

University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa **Honolulu, HI**
Teaching Assistant: Logic Summer – Fall 2006

PUBLICATIONS

- Book: *Neo-Confucian Ecological Humanism: An Interpretive Engagement with Wang Fuzhi (1619-1692)***
State University of New York Press May 2017
- Article: “An Exploration into Confucian Ecology”**
Journal of Chinese Philosophy 34.3 (Wiley-Blackwell) Sept – Dec, 2016
- Chapter, co-authored with Taine Duncan: “Contemporary Ecofeminism and Confucian Cosmology”**
Feminist Encounters with Confucianism (Brill) Oct. 2016
- Article: “Considerations for a Confucian Ecological Humanism”**
Philosophy East and West 66.4 (University of Hawai‘i Press) July 2016
- Article: “Ecological Self-Understanding in Early Chinese Philosophies”**
International Communications of Chinese Culture 3.2 (Springer) June 2016
- Article: “Aesthetics of Qi: Building on an Internalist - Essentialist Philosophy of Art”**
Dao: A Journal for Comparative Philosophy 14.1 (Springer) Jan. 2015
- Article: “Conjunctions and/or Disjunctions: Radical Empiricism in the History of Philosophy”**
Frontiers of Philosophy in China 9.1 (Brill) March 2014
- Review: Bongrae Seok. *Embodied Consciousness and Confucian Moral Psychology***
Philosophy East and West 64.4 (University of Hawai‘i Press) Oct. 2014
- Review: J. G. Blair et al. *Western Civilization with Chinese Comparisons***
China Review International 15.1 (University of Hawai‘i Press) May 2008
- Review: Tian Chenshan. *Chinese Dialectics***
China Review International 13.1 (University of Hawai‘i Press) Jan. 2007
- ## AWARDS
- FULBRIGHT - Research Scholar at Jinan University: \$118,000** Guangzhou, China
Project Title: “Science and Philosophy of Environmental Management in Guangzhou” Sept. 2018 – July 2019
- Grants: \$25,800** National Endowment for the Humanities via Arkansas Humanities Council Little Rock, AR
Program Title: University of Central Arkansas Humanities Fair Nov. 2013 – Nov. 2015
- Research Stipend: \$3,000** University of Central Arkansas Research Council Conway, AR
Project Title: “Neo-Confucian Ecological Humanism” July – Aug. 2015
- Research Stipend: \$3,900** National Endowment for the Humanities via East-West Center Honolulu, HI
Program Title: NEH Summer Institute, Buddhist Asia May – June 2015
- Best Graduate Student Essay in Asian Philosophy Award: \$1,000** Asilomar, CA
Uehiro Foundation and Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy June 2009
- FLAS Fellowship: \$15,000** U.S. Department of Education via University of Hawai‘i Honolulu, HI
Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship for Chinese Studies Aug. 2006 – May 2007

INVITED LECTURES

- “Environmental Philosophy and Policy in America”
“Ecological Humanism in Marxist Ecology”
“Ecological Humanism in Song-Ming *Lixue*”
Anhui Normal University; Anhui Polytechnic University; Wannan Medical College
Wuhu, Anhui, China
May 2018
- “Environmental Philosophy and Policy in Modern America”;
“Environmental Awareness in Traditional Chinese Philosophies”
Jinan University
Guangzhou, China
May 2017
- “Ecology and Environmental Ethics in neo-Confucianism and Chinese Buddhism”
Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN
Sept. 2015

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Wang Fuzhi’s Ecological Worldview**
World Congress of Philosophy
Beijing, China
Aug. 2018
- Yijing (Book of Changes) as Undergraduate Curriculum***
Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP)
Washington D.C.
March 2018
- Ontology of *Qi* and New Materialism**
Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP)
Portland, OR
March 2017
- A Critique of Peter Herschok’s *On Diversity***
Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP)
Washington D.C
March 2016
- Yinyang in Chinese Philosophy: A Response to Robin Wang***
American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division (APA)
Panel: Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (SACP)
Vancouver, Canada
March 2015
- Continuities and Discontinuities: Nature and Persons in Confucian Philosophy**
Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP)
Houston, TX
March 2014
- Moral Psychology and Epistemology in the Thought of Wang Fuzhi**
Cognitive Dimensions of Chinese Culture Conference at East China Normal University
Shanghai, China
June 2013
- Apologia: Anthropocentrism in the *Analects***
Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP)
Phoenix, AZ
March 2013
- Neo-Confucian Ecological Humanism**
Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (SACP)
Carbondale, IL
Oct. 2012
- Aesthetics of *Qi*: Exposition of a Paradigm**
Mid-South Philosophy Conference at Rhodes College
Memphis, TN
Feb. 2012
- A neo-Confucian Model of Philosophical Ecology**
Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (SACP)
Honolulu, HI
May 2011

Tiantai Buddhism, Holism, and Religious Pluralism
Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (SACP)

Asilomar, CA
June 2009

Mencius and Zhu Xi on Relational Persons
Neo-Confucianism and Global Philosophy Conference at Wesleyan University

Middletown, CT
Feb. 2006

MANAGEMENT AND EDITORIAL WORK

China Review International (University of Hawai'i Press)
Managing Editor
Assistant Managing Editor

Honolulu, HI
Aug. 2009 – Jan. 2011
Nov. 2005 – Feb. 2007

Confucius Institute in Indianapolis (IUPUI)
Office Manager
Chinese Language and Culture Camp Director

Indianapolis, IN
Jan. 2008 – Aug. 2009
Summer 2008, 2009

CONTINUED EDUCATION (Classes and Institutes)

Computer Science I & II (C++); Calculus I; Discrete Mathematics I
University of Central Arkansas

Conway, AR
Spring 2018 – 2019

Buddhist Asia: National Endowment for Humanities Summer Institute
East-West Center (Asia Studies Development Program)

Honolulu, HI
May – June 2015