

Curriculum Vitae

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Education: National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan,
1971-1975, B. A. (History)
Graduate Institute, National Taiwan University
1975-1976 (History)
Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, U.S.A.
1976-1977 (Graduate study in Egyptology)
The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.A.
1977-1978, M.A. (Near Eastern Studies)
The Johns Hopkins University
1978-1984, Ph.D. (Egyptology)

Present Position:

Chair Professor of History, Department of History, The Chinese University
of Hong Kong (2009 -)
Director and Founder, Centre for the Comparative Study of Antiquity,
Chinese University of Hong Kong (2010 -)
Member, Humanities and Social Sciences Council, The University Grant
Council of Hong Kong SAR (2013 -)
Member, Assessment Panel for 2014/16 Competitive Research Funding
Schemes for the Local Self-financing Degree Sector (APSF), Hong Kong
SAR
Executive Committee Member, Centre for the Study of Islamic Culture,
Chinese University of Hong Kong (2015 -)
Editorial Board Member: *Journal of Chinese History* (Cambridge)
Member, Committee on Senior Secondary History, Education Bureau, Hong
Kong SAR
Adjunct Research Fellow, Institute of History and Philology, Academia
Sinica (2009-)

Positions Held:

- Research Fellow, Institute of History and Philology,
Academia Sinica, Taipei (1991-2009)
- Associate Research Fellow, Institute of History and Philology,
Academia Sinica, Taipei (1984-91)
- Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of History,
National Taiwan University, Taipei (1984-91)
- Visiting Scholar, Middle Eastern Center,
The University of Washington, Seattle (1987-88)
- Visiting Scholar, Oriental Institute,
The University of Chicago, Chicago (Jan.- Feb. 1990)
- Adjunct Professor, Department of History,
National Taiwan University, Taipei (1991-2003)
- Visiting Scholar, Department of Anthropology,
Harvard University, Cambridge (Sept. 1992- June 1993)
- Chair, Division of Anthropology,
Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Taipei(1993-99)
- Visiting Professor
École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociale, Paris (June 1997)
- Adjunct Professor, Department of Anthropology,
National Taiwan University, Taipei (2000-4)
- Adjunct Professor, Graduate Institute of Religious Studies,
National Cheng-chi University, Taipei (2000-5)
- Visiting Professor, Department of History,
University of California at Los Angeles (Fall 1999)
- Visiting Fellow,
British Academy, London (July-August, 2001)
- Adjunct Professor,
National Taipei University of Art, Taipei (2001-2)
- Visiting Professor, East Asian Languages and Culture,
Columbia University, New York (Fall 2001)
- Visiting Professor, Aegyptologisches Seminar,
Free University, Berlin (Sept.-Oct. 2003)
- Visiting scholar,
East Asia Institute, Cornell University, Ithaca (Spring 2004)
- Visiting Professor,
École Pratique des Hautes Études, Paris (March-April, 2004)
- Visiting Scholar, Institute of Archaeology,

Waseda University, Tokyo (October-November, 2004)
John R. Heath Visiting Professor,
Grinnell College, Grinnell (Spring 2005)
Visiting Scholar,
Harvard-Yenching Institute, Cambridge MA (Summer 2006)
Visiting Professor, Department of History,
Chinese University of Hong Kong (Fall 2007)
Visiting Scholar,
Cotsen Institute of Archaeology, UCLA (Fall 2012)
Visiting Professor, Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures,
UCLA (Fall 2013)

Membership:

Association for Asian Studies
International Association for Egyptologists
Consortium for Humanities Centers and Institutions, institutional member
Asian New Humanities Network

Fields of Research and Teaching:

History and Religion of Ancient and Medieval China
Comparative Ancient History
Egyptology
History of the Ancient Near East

Modern Languages:

Chinese (native)
English (reading, speaking, writing)
German, French, Japanese, Italian (reading)

Ancient Languages:

Egyptian Hieroglyphics, Coptic, Greek (1 year), Latin (1 year),
Biblical Hebrew (1 year)

Courses Taught:

1. History of the Ancient Near East (National Taiwan U)
2. History of Ancient Egypt (National Taiwan U, Chinese UHK)
3. Western Civilization (National Taiwan U)
4. Graduate Seminar on Society & Religion in Ancient and Medieval China (National Taiwan U)

5. Readings in Ancient Western History (National Taiwan U)
6. Graduate Seminar on Comparative Ancient History (National Taiwan U, Chinese UHK)
7. Graduate Seminar on Intellectual and Religious Tradition of Early Imperial China (UCLA, Columbia)
8. Thought and Society in China to 1000 (UCLA)
9. Graduate Seminar on Chinese Religion (National Cheng Chih U)
10. Readings in Ancient Egyptian Art (NUArt)
11. The Construction of Antiquity in Early Modern Europe and China (Grinnell College)
12. In Search for an Explanation: Religious Piety in Ancient China, Egypt and Mesopotamia (Grinnell College, Chinese UHK)
13. World Civilization (National Central U)
14. Ancient Egypt: History, Art, Religion and Modern Perceptions (Chinese UHK)
15. Women in the Ancient World: A Comparative Perspective (Chinese UHK)

Scholarly and Community Services:

1. Television Lecture Course on the History of Ancient Western History, National Open University, Taipei (1990-1991)
2. Member, Editorial Board, Committee on High School History Textbooks, Ministry of Education, Taiwan, R.O.C. (1985-1997)
3. Executive Secretary, Editorial Board, *Bulletin of the Institute of History and Philology*, Academia Sinica (1991-1992)
4. Member, Editorial Board, *Bulletin of the Institute of History and Philology*, Academia Sinica (1993-1999, 2001-2007)
5. Director, Workshop on History for Graduate Students, Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Taipei, 1994, 1996, 1998.
6. Advisor, TV Program “Discoverer”, Public Television, Taiwan, R.O.C. (1997-2000)
7. Panel Organizer, 1998 Association for Asian Studies, (1998)
8. Outside Examiner, M.A. program, Department of History, Chinese University of Hong Kong (1999)
9. Chair, Editorial Board, *Taiwan Journal of Religious Studies* (1999-2001)
10. Member, Advisory Board, Graduate Institute of Religious Studies, National Cheng-chih University, Taipei (2000-5)
11. Member, Advisory Board, Department of History, National Taipei University (2000-3)

12. Public Lecture Series on Ancient Egyptian Civilization, National Museum of Natural Science, Taichung, Taiwan (March 2000)
13. Outside Examiner, Ph. D. program, Department of Religion, Chinese University of Hong Kong. (2000, 2006)
14. Public Lecture Series on the History of Ancient Near East and Egypt, National Museum of History, Taipei (March-April, 2001)
15. Outside Reviewer, Faculty Promotion, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (2002)
16. Outside Examiner, Ph. D. dissertation, Department of Chinese, National Singapore University (2004)
17. Outside Examiner, Ph. D. dissertation, Department of Cultural and Religious Studies, Chinese University, Hong Kong (2006)
18. Outside Examiner, Ph. D. dissertation, Department of History, National Ching Hua University (2007)
19. Outside Examiner, Departmental Assessment, Department of History, National Taiwan University (2007)
20. Public Lecture Series on Ancient Egyptian Art and Religion, National Palace Museum (2007)
21. Outside Reviewer, Faculty Promotion, Chinese University of Hong Kong (2008)
22. Dissertation examiner, Department of Cultural and Religious Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (2009)
23. Dissertation examiner, Department of Fine Art, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (2010, 2015)
24. Bowen Public Lecture, The Public Library, Hong Kong, April 9, 2010.
25. Cultural Talk, New Asia College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, April 12, 2010.
26. Faculty Promotion Outside Reviewer, Stanford University, 2012.
27. Faculty Promotion Outside Reviewer, UC Riverside, 2012, 2015.
28. Faculty Promotion Outside Reviewer, University of Arkansas, 2013.
29. Member of Humanities and Social Sciences Panel, University Grant Committee, HKSAR, 2013-15.
30. Committee Member, Research Excellence Award, Faculty of Arts, CUHK. August 1, 2013-July 31, 2015.
31. Dissertation Examiner, China Study Centre, CUHK, 2015.
32. Book Manuscript Reviewer, Oxford University, 2015.
33. Book Manuscript Reviewer, Brill, 2016.

Invited Lectures:

1. "Popular Religion in Ancient China: What and How?" East Asian Archaeology Forum, Harvard University, March 1993.
2. "Popular Religion in Ancient China: Observations on the Almanac of Shui-hu-ti." Hu-shih Memorial Lecture, Cornell University, April, 1993.
3. "Ghost in Medieval China." St. Mary's College, Maryland. July 24, 1996.
4. "Encountering Strangers: A Comparative View of Cultural Consciousness in Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia and China." Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan. January 19, 1997.
5. "The Image of Ghost in Chinese Popular Religion before Buddhism." École des Hautes Études en Science Sociale, Paris. June 11, 1997.
6. "How to Steer through Life: Negotiating Fate in the Daybook." Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, Nov. 11, 1999.
7. "The Culture of Ghosts in Ancient and Medieval China. " The Anna I. Morgan Lectures in Religion, Rutgers University, Oct. 19, 2000.
8. "Barbarians, Enemies, and Others: Attitudes toward Foreigners in Ancient Mesopotamia, Egypt, and China." Institute for Advanced Studies, Princeton, Oct .30, 2001.
9. "Three Ways of Thought Concerning Foreigners in the Ancient World." Institut für Vorderasiatische Altertumskunde und Ostasiatischen Seminar, Free University, Berlin, July 4, 2002.
10. "Three Lectures on Ancient Chinese Religion." Chinese Civilization Lecture Series, Chinese Civilization Center, Hong Kong City University. July 20-24.
11. "Comparative Ancient History: An Exercise." Department of History, Wuhan University, China, January 23, 2003.
12. "Ritual Texts in the Ptolemaic Temples." Aegyptologisches Seminar, Free University, Berlin, Oct. 27, 2003.
13. "Attitudes toward Foreigners in Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia and China." Indiana University, Nov. 17, 2003.
14. "The Changing Conception of Ghost in Ancient China." University of Chicago, Nov. 20, 2003.
15. "Ghost in Early Daoist Texts." University of Chicago, Nov. 21, 2003.
16. "Ding-tripod: From Cooking Utensil to Divine Omen." East Asian Seminar, The Fairbank Center, Harvard University, Feb. 13, 2004
17. Four Lectures on Early Chinese Religion. École Pratique des Hautes Études (March-April, 2004)

18. "Shawabti and Lead Figurines." Institute of Archaeology, Waseda University (Nov. 4, 2004)
19. "Justice, Morality, and Skepticism in the Ghost Stories of the Six Dynasties Period." China Center, University of California, Los Angeles, February 24, 2006.
20. "Making Sense by Comprehending Sensibility: A View of Chinese Religions." **Keynote Speech**, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Nov. 18, 2007, San Diego.
21. "The Development of Egyptology in the West." Zhongshan University, Guanzhou, China. December 28, 2007.
22. "Looking for Foreigners in the Ancient World." **Keynote Speech**, International Symposium on Cultural Exchanges: Cultural Impact and Cultural Transformation, Fu-jen Catholic University, Taipei, May 15, 2008.
23. "Religion, Art and Daily Life in Ancient Egypt." **Hu-shih Memorial Lecture**, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Dec 19, 2009.
24. "Popular beliefs in ancient China: Observations on the Daybook of Qin." Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, April 5, 2010.
25. "Ancient Near East in the Textbooks of Meiji Japan." **Keynote speech** at the Conference on Teaching and Research in World History, National Normal University, Taipei, Dec. 4, 2010.
26. "Looking for the Beyond, Searching for Happiness: Netherworld in Ancient China and Egypt." **Keynote speech** at the 9th International Symposium on Cultural Exchanges, Fu-jen Catholic University, Taipei, Nov 8-9, 2013.
27. "Ghosts in Buddhist and Daoist Texts." Center for the Study of Religion, UCLA, Nov. 21, 2013.
28. "The Culture of Ghost in ancient China." Department of History, Beijing University. Dec. 3, 2014.
29. "The Cross-cultural and Comparative Study of Ghost." Institute of History, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Dec. 4, 2014.
30. "The Netherworld in Comparison: China and Egypt." Department of History, National Taipei University, Taiwan. May 5, 2015.
31. "Comparative Study and Internationalization of the Humanities." Humanities Center, National Cheng-chih University, Taiwan. May 6, 2015.
32. "From Classics to Religion—Or the other way round?" Asia Institute, UCLA. May 20, 2015.

33. "Cities and Urban Life in Early Imperial China." Free University, Berlin. June 29, 2015.
34. "Cross-cultural Comparative Study: The Case of Religion." Invited talk given to the Summer School "History, Archaeology, and Civilization", Sun-yat Sen University, Guangzhou. August 24, 2015.
35. "The cross cultural comparative study of ghosts." Polytech University, Hong Kong, Sept. 19, 2015
36. "Belief, imagination, and the search for happiness in Han China." **Distinguished Lectures** on Chinese Culture and Religion, Polytech University, Hong Kong, Sept. 22, 2015.
37. "Art and Religion in Ancient Egypt." Orient Forum of Zhejiang University, Jan. 7, 2016.
38. "Common Elements of an Axial Age? Comparative Perspectives on Ancient China and Ancient Egypt." Invited lecture, University of Göttingen, July 6, 2016.

International Conferences:

1. "Liturgy of Wine Offering in Ancient Egypt." *The Fourth International Conference of Egyptologists*, Munich, August 26-31, 1985
2. "Toward an Understanding of the Han Notion of Death--The Evolution of Han Tombs." *Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting*, Chicago, March 21-23, 1986.
3. "Immortals and Eminent Monks: A Preliminary Study of Religious Mentality in Early Medieval China." *The XVIth Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions*, Rome, September 3-8, 1990.
4. "The Liturgy of the Offering of Mirrors: A Structural Analysis." *The Sixth International Conference of Egyptologists*, Turin, Italy, September 1-8, 1991.
5. "Han Intellectuals and Popular Beliefs." *International Symposium on the Integration of Chinese Archaeology and Historiography*. Taipei, Academia Sinica, January 4-7, 1994.
6. "Encountering the Strangers: A Comparative Study of Cultural Consciousness in Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia, and China." *The Seventh International Conference of Egyptologists*, Cambridge, England, September 3-7, 1995.
7. "Ancient Egyptian Attitudes toward Foreigners." *Academic Conference on Politics and Religions in Ancient and Medieval Europe and Asia*,

- Chinese University of Hong Kong, March 26-27, 1996.
8. "The Completion of an Ideal World: Ghost in Medieval China." *Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting*, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 11-14, 1996.
 9. "The Nature of Hope in pre-Buddhist Chinese Religion." International Conference on *the Interpretation of Hope in Chinese Religions and Christianity*. Chinese University of Hong Kong, November 29-30, 1996.
 10. "The Ancient Chinese Encounter with Foreigners." *Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting*, Chicago, March 13-16, 1997.
 11. "Ethnicity and Ancient History: Methodological and Conceptual Considerations." *The 35th International Congress of Asian and North African Studies*, Budapest, July 6-12, 1997.
 12. Panel Discussant, *Fifth Symposium on Chinese Dietary Culture*, Chinese University of Hong Kong, November 21-22, 1997.
 13. "Issues Concerning Popular Religion in the Six Dynasties." *Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting*, Washington D.C., March 26-29, 1998.
 14. Panel Discussant, *The Third International Conference on the General Education: Chinese Classics as Core Curriculum*, National Taiwan University, Taipei, May 18-19, 1998.
 15. "The Demonization of the Foreigners." *American Oriental Society Annual Meeting*, Baltimore, March 21-24, 1999.
 16. "Egyptology and Comparative Ancient History." *The Eighth International Congress of Egyptologists*, Cairo, March 28-April 3, 2000.
 17. "How to Steer through Life: Negotiating Fate in the Daybook." Conference on *Heaven's Will and Life's Lot: Fate and Determinism in Chinese Culture*, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Main, May 18-20, 2000.
 18. "The Evolving Concept of Ghost in Ancient Chinese Religion." International Conference on *Religion and Chinese Society: The Transformation of a Field and Its Implications for the Study of Chinese Culture*, Chinese University of Hong Kong, May 29-June 2, 2000.
 19. Panel Discussant, Conference on *Ritual, Theatre, and Folklore*, National Tsing-hua University, Hsin-chu, June 5-7, 2000.
 20. "Ghost Stories: Exorcistic Ritual Texts or Entertainment Literature?" International Conference on *Ritual and Text in Early China*, Princeton University, Oct. 20-22, 2000.
 21. Panel Discussant, *International Conference on Ma-tzu Belief and Modern Society*, Pei-kang, Taiwan, May 26-28, 2001.
 22. "Imperial Order and Local Variation: The Culture of Ghost in Early

- Imperial China.” *XIV European Association for Chinese Studies Conference*, Moscow, August 26-28, 2002
23. “A Taste of Happiness: Bao-p'u-tzu in the Context of Popular Religion and Medicine.” International Conference on *Food and Religion in China*, Cambridge University, April 1-2, 2004.
 24. “The Formation of the Conception of Antiquity in China.” International Conference on *Perceptions of Antiquity in China’s Civilization*, Würzburg University, May 27-29, 2004.
 25. “Preparation for the Afterlife: The Chinese Case.” International Conference on *Life and Death in Ancient China and Egypt*, University of Pennsylvania, March 18-19, 2005.
 26. “The Two Lives of Ding: From Cooking Utensil to Cosmic Symbol.” *Australian Association for Chinese Studies Biannual conference*, Bendigo, Australia, 2005, 6, 29-7,3.
 27. “The Culture of Ghost in the Six Dynasties Period.” International Conference on *Behind the Ghastly Smoke: Rethinking the Idea of Ghost in World Religions*, Taipei, Nov. 4-6, 2005.
 28. “Typology of Ritual and Ritual Texts.” International Conference on *Rituals, Pantheons et Techniques, Histoire de la religion chinoise avant les Tang*, Paris, Dec. 14-21. 2006.
 29. “Images and Ritual Treatment of Dangerous Spirits.” International Conference on *Rituals, Pantheons et Techniques, Histoire de la religion chinoise avant les Tang*, Paris, Dec. 14-21. 2006.
 30. “The Cultural Construction of Ying-xiong/hero in Chinese History.” International Conference *From Athens to Beijing: West Meets East in Olympic Games*, University of Missouri, St. Louis, April 14, 2007.
 31. “To Become a Chinese: Cultural Consciousness and Political Legitimacy in Early Medieval China (220-681).” International Conference on *Belonging, Membership, and Mobility in Global History*, University of Minnesota, April 14-19, 2008.
 32. “The Offering of Liquids in Egyptian Temple Rituals.” *The Tenth International Congress of Egyptologists*, Rhodes, Greece, May 22-28, 2008.
 33. “Religion and religious life of the Qin.” International Workshop on *The Birth of Empire: The State of Qin Revisited*, Institute for Advanced Studies, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Dec. 10-19, 2008.

34. "Wisdom Literature in Comparison: The Idea of Old Age in Ancient Egypt and China." International Conference on *Achievements and Problems of Modern Egyptology*, Moscow, Sept. 29-Oct. 2, 2009.
35. "Making Sense by Comprehending Sensibility: A View of Chinese Religions." *The First Chinese Forum for Religious Studies "Religious Studies in Chinese Academic Contexts"*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Jan. 21-23, 2010.
36. "Revering the Past and the Construction of Political Authority in Ancient China." International Conference on the *Institution and Social Order in Han China*, Chinese University of Hong Kong, May 5-7, 2010.
37. "Writing World History in a Global Historical Context: Perspectives on Japanese and Taiwanese World History Textbooks." International Conference: *Global Dialogues on Global History*, Freiburg University, Germany, May 24-27, 2010.
38. "Cultural Frontier in Early Medieval China." International Workshop on *Borderlands in Eurasia and the Americas*, University of Minnesota, August 17-20, 2010.
39. "Encountering Ghosts and Spirits in Ancient China." Workshop on "*Spirits in Modern Asia: Challenges for Societies and Scientists.*" Lichtenberg-Kolleg, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Germany, September 18-19, 2010.
40. "Visions of the Netherworld: Belief and the Search for Happiness in Ancient Egypt." International Conference on *Writings about the Other World in Religion and Literature*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Dec. 13-14, 2010.
41. "Visions of the Beyond: Belief, Imagination, and the Search for Happiness in Han." International Conference on "*Chang'an 26 BCE, from Drains to Dreams.*" University of California at Berkeley, April 21-24, 2011.
42. "Understanding cultural dynamics through comparison: The study of antiquity and global humanities." Workshop on *How to define cultural dynamics*, Free University of Berlin, Germany, Jan. 24, 2014.
43. "Civil Religion in the Context of Chinese History." *Consortium for Humanities Centers and Institutes Annual Meeting*, June 6-8, 2014.
44. "The taming of ghosts in early Chinese Buddhism." International Conference on *New Faith, Old Society: Religious Transformation of China and Rome, c. 100-600 CE*. The Chinese University of Hong Kong,

June 12-14, 2014.

45. “Ding and Cultural Memory.” International conference on *Technical Knowledge in ancient China*, UC Berkeley, Nov. 4-8, 2014.
46. “Fernão Mendes Pinto (1509-1583) and his view of Chinese religion.” *The Annual Meeting of Asian New Humanities Net*, Xiamen University, March 21-22, 2015.
47. “Wang Chong on Ghosts.” International workshop on *Religion, Secularism, and Political Belonging*. Tel Aviv University, June 23-24, 2015.
48. “The Axial Age in light of the earliest burial customs of ancient Egypt.” International Workshop on *Comparing “Axial Breakthrough” in Ancient Civilizations*, Fudan University, Dec. 5-6, 2015.
49. “Mortuary practice and the search for happiness in Han China.” **Keynote speech**, International conference on *In pursuit of the good life: Ancient Chinese and Greek perspectives on cultivation*. University of Sydney, Jan. 15-19, 2016.
50. “Taiwanese ghosts and their ancient roots.” Conference on *Repositioning Taiwan and the Americas: Formosa to the Present*. Brown University, April 8-9, 2016.
51. “Methods and issues in cross-cultural comparison: the example of ghosts.” Eurasian Conference, Free University, Berlin, July 3-4, 2016

Honors/Awards:

1. 1991 Award for Outstanding Research, National Science Council, R.O.C.
2. 1993 Publication Grant for Important Scholarly Work, R.O.C. News Bureau NT\$ 200,000
3. 1995 Publication Grant for Important Scholarly Work, R.O.C. News Bureau NT\$ 200,000
4. 1995 Award for the Best Paper in Interdisciplinary Approach, Seventh International Congress of Egyptologists, Cambridge, England
5. 2001-03 Distinguished Chair, China Foundation, R.O.C. US\$ 20,000
6. 2002-05 Distinguished Research Award, National Science Council, R.O.C. NT \$ 900,000
7. 2006 Outstanding Scholarship Award, Ministry of Education, R.O.C. NT \$ 600,000
8. 2006-10 Outstanding Scholarship Chair: Foundation for the Advancement of Outstanding Scholarship, Taipei. NT\$ 2,750,000

9. 2007 Plenary speech: "Making Sense by Comprehending Sensibility: A View of Chinese Religions." *American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting*, Nov. 18, 2007, San Diego.
10. 2008 Plenary speech: "Looking for Foreigners in the Ancient World." *International Symposium on Cultural Exchanges: Cultural Impact and Cultural Transformation*, Fu-jen Catholic University, Taipei, May 15, 2008.
11. 2008 Hu-shih Memorial Chair, Academia Sinica, R.O..C. US\$ 15,000
12. 2008 De Carle Lectureship, The University of Otago, New Zealand.
13. 2010 Mellon Fellowship, The Huntington Library, San Marino, CA.

List of Publications:

Books in Chinese:

1. 世界文化史 *A History of World Civilizations*, 2 vols. (A textbook for the Senior High School in the Republic of China) (Taipei: National Bureau of Publication, 1986).
2. 西洋文明發展史 *A History of Western Civilization*, co-authored with Tuan Ch'ang-kuo, Wu Chun-i & Chuang Shang-wu (Taipei: National Open University, 1990).
3. 墓葬與生死 -- 中國古代宗教之省思 *Burial Styles and Ideas of Life and Death -- Reflections on the Religion of Ancient China* (Taipei: Lianjing, 1993; 2nd edition: Beijing: Zhonghua, 2008.)
4. 尼羅河畔的文采 -- 古埃及文選 *Literature by the Nile: An Anthology of Ancient Egyptian Literature* (Taipei: Yuanliu, 1993)
5. 追尋一己之福—中國古代的信仰世界 *In Search of Personal Welfare : The World of Beliefs in Ancient China* (Taipei: Yunchen, 1995) (2nd edition, Taipei: Maitian, 2004; Shanghai: Guji Chubanshe, 2007).
6. 中國文化史 *A History of Chinese Culture* (co-authored with Ping-chen. Hsiung) (Taipei: Donghua, 1997)
7. 法老的國度--古埃及文化史 *The Land of the Pharaohs: A Cultural History of Ancient Egypt* (Taipei: Maitian, 2001; Guilin: Guanxi Normal University Press: 2003)
8. 古代宗教與信仰 *Ancient Religion and Belief* (Taipei: National Taiwan University, 2003)
9. 鬼魅神魔—中國通俗文化側寫 (編) Edited: *Ghosts, Demons, Deities and Mara: A View of Chinese Common Culture* (Taipei: Maitian, 2005)
10. 生活與文化 (編) Edited: *Life and Culture* (Beijing: Zhongguo dabaikeshu chubanshe, 2005) .

11. 西洋上古文化—探索與反思 *A Cultural History of the Ancient West* (Taipei: Sanmin Publishing, 2009)
12. 飲食傳播與文化交流 (編) Edited: *Distribution of Food and Drink and Cultural Exchange* (Taipei: Foundation of Chinese Dietary Culture, 2009).
13. 禮法與信仰：中國古代女性研究論考 (編) Edited: *Law and Belief—Women in Ancient China* (Hong Kong: Shangwu yinshuguan, 2013)
14. 歷史與宗教之間 *Between History and Religion* (Hong Kong: Sanlian Shuju, 2016)

Books in English:

1. *Wine and Wine Offering in the Religion of Ancient Egypt* (London: Kegan Paul International, *Egyptological Series*, 1995)
2. *In Search of Personal Welfare: A View of Ancient Chinese Religion* (Albany: State University of New York Press, 1998)
3. *Enemies of Civilization: Attitudes toward Foreigners in Ancient Mesopotamia, Egypt and China* (Albany: State University of New York Press, 2005)
4. (Ed.) *Rethinking Ghosts in World Religions* (Leiden: Brill, 2009)
5. *Daily Life in Ancient China* (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2017)
6. (Ed. With Harold Drake, Lisa Raphals) *Old Society, New Belief: Religious Transformation of China and Rome, ca.1st -6th Centuries* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2017)

Current Book Projects

1. *The World of Lady Dai: Religious and Intellectual Life in Early Han China* (manuscript completed)
2. *Search the Dark City: The Culture of Ghosts in Ancient China* (manuscript in progress)
3. *Netherworld in Comparison: Belief, Imagination, and the Search for Happiness in Ancient Egypt and China* (manuscript in progress)

Articles in Chinese:

1. 古埃及的智慧--普塔和泰普的箴言 "The wisdom of Ancient Egypt: The Maximum of Ptahhotep." *Thought and Word* 16,4 (1978): 71-85.
2. 最古老的小說--西努赫的故事 "The Oldest Novel: The Story of Sinuhe." *中外文學 Chung-Wai Literary Monthly* 9. 11 (1981): 58-68.

3. 試析舊約創世紀約瑟故事之埃及背景 "The Egyptian Background of the Joseph Story," 台灣大學歷史學報 *National Taiwan University Department of History Bulletin* 8 (1981): 163-172.
4. 埃及新王國時代的對外關係 "The Foreign Relations of the Egyptian New Kingdom." 思與言 *Thought and Word* 19, 5 (1982): 1-7.
5. 漢摩拉比法典的性質 "The Nature of the Code of Hammurapi -- a Review Article." 食貨 *Shih-huo*, 13, 11/12 (1984): 12-21.
6. 古埃及的文字與文學 "The Language and Literature of Ancient Egypt." 古埃及文物 *The Artifacts of Ancient Egypt* (Taipei: National Museum of History, 1985), pp. 25-31.
7. 巫蠱之禍的政治意義 "The Political Significance of the Case of Witchcraft." in 歷史語言研究所集刊 *Bulletin of the Institute of History and Philology* 57, 3 (1987): 511-38.
8. 酒與古埃及宗教 "Wine and the Religion of Ancient Egypt." 歷史語言研究所集刊 *Bulletin of the Institute of History and Philology* 60, 1 (1989): 75-91.
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