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Employment

- 1990- Professor, Department of Anthropology, Boston University (Assistant Professor, 1990-1992; Associate Professor, 1992-2000; Chair, 2006-2013; Director of Graduate Studies, 2015-), and Research Associate, Institute on Culture, Religion, and World Affairs
- 1986-90 Assistant Dean for Study Abroad and Adjunct Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Duke University
- 1980-86 Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Duke University

Academic Interests

Religion and ritual; economic culture; nature and environment; civil association and political change; kinship; peasantries and rural unrest; China and Taiwan

Courses Taught

Elements of Cultural Anthropology; Language, Culture, and Society; China: Tradition and Transition; Socialism and Society in China; Culture and Environment; Anthropological Approaches to Religion; Symbol, Myth and Ritual; Peasantry and Peasant Movements; Culture and Ideology; Graduate Seminar in Anthropological Theory; Qualitative Methodology

Education

- 1975-81 The Johns Hopkins University, Anthropology, Ph.D.
- (1976-77 Stanford University, Program in East Asian Studies, on leave from Johns Hopkins)
- 1974-75 Yale University, Anthropology, transferred
- 1970-74 Yale University, Anthropology, B.A.

Honors and Awards

- 2020 Lichtstern Visiting Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Chicago
- 2019-20 Honorary Professor, Department of China Studies, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Suzhou, China
- 2019-20 Early Stage Research Grant, Boston University Initiative on Cities
- 2019 Publication Subvention Grant, Fritt Ord Foundation, Norway
- 2016-19 Visiting Professor, School of Sociology and Anthropology, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China

- 2015 Phi Beta Kappa Honorary Induction and Address, Boston University
- 2013-14 Guggenheim Fellowship
- 2013-14 Fulbright Award
- 2014-19 Chair of the Overseas Section, 海外文化研究专业委员会学术委员会 [Academic Committee of the Overseas Cultural Studies Committee, China]
- 2012-18 Honorary member, Expert Advisory Board, Research Center on Philanthropy and the Public Good, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China
- 2010 Michaelsen Endowed Visiting Scholar for 2010-11, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2010- Center Associate, Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, Harvard University
- 2005-08 Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Grant (co-PI)
- 2003-04 Humanities Foundation Grant, Boston University
- 2002-03 Humanities Foundation Grant, Boston University
- 1998-00 Himalaya Foundation Grant
- 1992 Wenner-Gren Foundation Grant
- 1986 American Council of Learned Societies Intl. Conference Grant
- 1984-85 Duke University Research Council Major Grant
- 1981 Duke University Research Council Grant
- 1977-79 National Science Foundation Grant
- 1977-79 Social Science Research Council Intl. Doctoral Research Fellowship
- 1976 Wenner-Gren Foundation Grant-in-Aid
- 1975-77 Johns Hopkins University Fellowship
- 1974-75 Yale University Fellowship
- Phi Beta Kappa

Publications--Authored Books

- 2019 *How Things Count as the Same: Memory, Mimesis, and Metaphor* (2nd author, with Adam Seligman). New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2018 *Religion and Charity: The Social Life of Goodness in Chinese Societies* (1st author, with Chien-yu Julia Huang, Keping Wu, and Lizhu Fan). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- 2012 *Rethinking Pluralism: Ritual, Experience, and Ambiguity* (2nd author, with Adam Seligman). New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2008 *Ritual and Its Consequences: An Essay on the Limits of Sincerity* (2nd author, with Adam Seligman, Michael Puett, and Bennett Simon). New York: Oxford University Press. (Italian translation, 2011, *Rito e modernità: I limiti della sincerità*, Armando Editore. Russian translation of ch. 1 as "Да здравствует ритуал!" in *Historical Psychology and Sociology of History*, 2009(2):171-183.)
- 2006 *Discovering Nature: Globalization and Environmental Culture in China and Taiwan*. Cambridge University Press.
- 1999 *Alternate Civilities: Chinese Culture and the Prospects for Democracy*. Westview. Paperback edition, 2001.
- 1994 *Resistance, Chaos and Control in China: Taiping Rebels, Taiwanese Ghosts and Tiananmen*. Macmillan Press and University of Washington Press.
- 1987 *Unities and Diversities in Chinese Religion*. Macmillan Press and University of Washington Press.

Publications--Edited Works

- 2020 *Symposium: The Achievement of David Martin* (with Adam B. Seligman). Special issue of *Society* 57(2).

- 2020 *It Happens Among People: Resonances and Extensions of the Work of Fredrik Barth* (2nd editor, with Keping Wu). New York: Berghahn Books.
- 2019 *Testing the Margins of Leisure: Case Studies on China, Japan, and Indonesia* (4th editor, with R. Wagner, C. Yeh, and E. Menegon). Heidelberg: Heidelberg University Publishing (open access at <https://heiup.uni-heidelberg.de/heiup/catalog/book/550>).
- 2015 *江南地区的宗教与公共生活 [Religion and Public Life in China's Lower Yangzi Region]*. Editor, with Lizhu Fan. Shanghai: Shanghai People's Press.
- 2005 *Civil Life, Globalization, and Political Change in Asia: Organizing Between Family and State*. Editor. Routledge (paperback edition, 2007).
- 1996 *Unruly Gods: Divinity and Society in China*. Editor, with Meir Shahar. University of Hawai'i Press.
- 1987 *Symposium on Hegemony and Chinese Folk Ideologies*. Editor, with Hill Gates. Special issues of *Modern China*, 13, nos. 1 and 3.
- 1982 *Power and Protest in the Countryside: Studies of Rural Unrest in Asia, Europe and Latin America*. Editor, with Scott E. Guggenheim. Duke University Press. Paperback edition, 1989.

Publications--Journal Articles

- i.p. "Overnight Urbanization and Changing Spirits: Disturbed Ecosystems in Southern Jiangsu." *Current Anthropology*.
- i.p. "华人的宗教性慈善与社会资本的限制 [Chinese Religious Philanthropy and the Limits on Social Capital]." *宗教人类学 [Anthropology of Religion]*.
- 2020 "Respecting Silence: Longing, Rhythm, and Chinese Temples in an Age of Bulldozers." *History & Anthropology*, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/02757206.2020.1777112>.
- 2020 "Introduction" (1st author, with Adam B. Seligman). In *Symposium: The Achievement of David Martin* (edited by Adam B. Seligman and Robert Weller), special issue of *Society*, 57(2):129-131, <https://rdcu.be/b2Q6E>.
- 2020 "David Martin and the Sociology of Hope" (2nd author, with Adam B. Seligman). In *Symposium: The Achievement of David Martin* (edited by Adam B. Seligman and Robert Weller), special issue of *Society*, 57(2):180-184.
- 2019 "Goddess Unbound: Chinese Popular Religion and the Varieties of Boundary." *Journal of Religion*, 99(1):18-36.
- 2017 "Salvaging Silence: Exile, Death, and the Anthropology of the Unknown." *Anthropology of this Century*, 19 (May): <http://aotcpres.com/articles/salvaging-silence/>.
- 2017 "On the Boundaries Between Good and Evil: Constructing Multiple Moralities in China" (joint author with Keping Wu). *Journal of Asian Studies* 76(1): 47-67.
- 2017 "全球宗教变迁与华人社会：世俗化、宗教化、理性化、与躯体化 [Globalizing Religious Change and Chinese Societies: Secularization, Religionization, Rationalization, and Embodiment]." *华东师范大学学报 [Journal of East China Normal University]*, 2017(2): 48-55. Reprinted in Fan Ke and Yang Der-Ruey (eds.), "俗"与"圣"的文化实践 [The Cultural Experience of "Profane" and "Sacred"] (Beijing: Zhongguo Shehui Kexue Chubanshe), 2018: 19-34. (Revised translation of Weller 2015.)
- 2016 "Паметта, Метафората и Double Bind [Memory, Metaphor, and the Double Bind]" (2nd author, with Adam Seligman). In *Християнство и Култура [Christianity and Culture]*, 117: 85-103.
- 2015 "'善'与'恶'界限的多重性：中国道德体系中的包容性及其后果 [The Multiple Borders of Good and Evil: Tolerance in the Chinese Moral Order]." *宗教人类学 [Anthropology of Religion]*, 6:18-39.

- 2015 "Global Religious Changes and Civil Life in Two Chinese Societies: A Comparison of Jiangsu and Taiwan." *Review of Faith & International Affairs* 13(2):13-24 (also online at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/15570274.2015.1039305>). Translated as "全球宗教变迁与中国两个社区的民众." *民俗研究* 5:34-43, 2017.
- 2014 "The Politics of Increasing Religious Diversity in China." *Daedalus* 143 (2), Spring 2014, pp. 1-10.
- 2014 "Pluralism and Chinese Religions: Constructing Social Worlds through Memory, Mimesis, and Metaphor" (1st author, with Adam Seligman). *Review of Religion and Chinese Society* 1:29-47 (also online at <http://booksandjournals.brillonline.com/content/journals/22143955/1/1>). Translated as "多元主义与中国宗教：通过记忆、摹拟与隐喻建构社会世界" in Fenggang Yang, Shining Gao, and Xiangping Li, eds., 田野歸來——中國宗教和中國社會研究, vol. 1, 台灣基督教文藝出版社.
- 2013 "Taiwan and Global Religious Trends." *Taiwan Journal of Religious Studies* [台灣宗教研究] 12:9-34.
- 2012 "The Dynamics of Religious Philanthropy in Lukang." *宗教人类学* [Anthropology of Religion], 3:246-264.
- 2006 "Religions and Philanthropies in Chinese Societies." *Society* 44(1):42-49.
- 2004 "Authority, Locality, and the Possibility of Alternate Civilities in China and Taiwan." *Korea Observer* 35(3):361-390.
- 2003 "Afterword: On Global Nation-States and Rooted Universalisms." *European Journal of East Asian Studies* 2(2):321-328.
- 2002 "The Human Dimensions of Pollution Policy Implementation: Air Quality in Rural China" (3rd author, with William P. Alford, Leslyn Hall, Karen R. Polenske, Yuanyuan Shen, and David Zweig). *The Journal of Contemporary China* 11:495-513.
- 2001 "Dangdai Huaren Chengshi Shehui de Minjian Zuzhi: Taipei, Xianggang, Guangzhou, Xiamen de Bijiao Fenxi [Civil Associations in Contemporary Chinese Urban Societies: A Comparative Analysis of Taipei, Hong Kong, Guangzhou, and Xiamen]" (with Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao, Hsin-chi Kuan, Kim Man Chan, Qiu Haixiong, Lü Dale, Yang Guozhen, and Huang Shunli). PROSEA East Asia Research Paper No. 10, Academia Sinica. Reprinted as Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Occasional Paper No. 123, March 2002.
- 2000 "From State-Owned Enterprise to Joint Venture: A Case Study of the Crisis in Urban Social Services" (with Jiansheng Li). *China Journal* 43:83-99.
- 1998 "Zongjiao yu 'Xin Taiwan Rentong': Yixie Chubu Sisuo [Religion and New Taiwanese Identities: Some First Thoughts]." *Hong Kong Journal of Social Sciences* No. 11:73-82. English version in *Harvard Studies on Taiwan: Papers of the Taiwan Studies Workshop*, vol. 3, pp. 225-232, 2000.
- 1998 "Merit and Mothering: Women and Social Welfare in Taiwanese Buddhism" (with Chien-Yu Julia Huang). *Journal of Asian Studies* 57(2):379-396. Korean translation in *Taeman pulgyo ūi 5 kaji songgong kodŭ* 대만불교의 5 가지 성공코드 [Five Reasons for the Success of Taiwanese Buddhism], Seoul: Pulgwang Publishers, 2012.
- 1995 "Antecedents of an Environmental Movement in Taiwan" (co-authored with Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao and Lester W. Milbrath). *Capitalism, Nature, Socialism* 6(3):91-104.
- 1995 "Matricidal Magistrates and Gambling Gods: Weak States and Strong Spirits in China." *Australian Journal of Chinese Affairs* 33:107-124.
- 1992 "Tradition und Modernisierung in Sudostasien." *Transit* 3:206, 210-215.
- 1991 "Using the Old to Build the New (Taiwan)." *Optima* 38:12-17.

- 1987 "Historians and Consciousness: The Modern Politics of the Taiping Heavenly Kingdom." *Social Research* 54:731-755.
- 1987 "Hegemony and Chinese Folk Ideologies" (with Hill Gates). *Modern China* 13:3-16.
- 1987 "The Politics of Ritual Disguise: Repression and Response in Taiwanese Religion." *Modern China* 13:17-39.
- 1985 "Bandits, Beggars and Ghosts: The Failure of State Control over Religious Interpretation in Taiwan." *American Ethnologist* 12:46-61. Reprinted in Maxine Weisgrau and Morton Klass (eds.), *Beyond the Boundaries of Belief: Contemporary Issues in the Anthropology of Religion*. Westview, 1999.
- 1984 "Social Contradiction and Symbolic Resolution: Practical and Idealized Affines in Taiwan." *Ethnology* 23:249-260.
- 1982 "Sectarian Religion and Political Action in China." *Modern China* 8:463-483.
- 1981 "Affines, Ambiguity, and Meaning in Hokkien Kin Terms." *Ethnology* 20:15-29.

Publications--Book Chapters

- 2020 "Philanthropy and the Religious Life of Goodness in China" (1st author with C. Huang and K. Wu). In Stephan Feuchtwang (ed.), *Handbook on Religion in China*. Cheltenham: Edgar Elgar, pp. 34-53.
- 2020 "Introduction" (1st author with Keping Wu). In Keping Wu and Robert P. Weller (eds.), *It Happens Among People: Resonances and Extensions of the Work of Fredrik Barth*. New York: Berghahn Books, pp. 1-16.
- 2020 "Cosmologies in the Remaking: Variation and Time in Chinese Temple Religion." In Keping Wu and Robert P. Weller (eds.), *It Happens Among People: Resonances and Extensions of the Work of Fredrik Barth*. New York: Berghahn Books, pp. 61-81.
- 2019 "Introduction" (4th author, with R. Wagner, C. Yeh, and E. Menegon). In R. Wagner et al., eds., *Testing the Margins of Leisure: Case Studies on China, Japan, and Indonesia*, Heidelberg: Heidelberg University Publishing, pp. 1-9 (open access at <https://heiup.uni-heidelberg.de/heiup/catalog/book/550>).
- 2019 "Leisure, Ritual, and Choice in Modern Chinese Societies." In R. Wagner et al., eds., *Testing the Margins of Leisure: Case Studies on China, Japan, and Indonesia*, Heidelberg: Heidelberg University Publishing, pp. 89-105 (open access at <https://heiup.uni-heidelberg.de/heiup/catalog/book/550>).
- 2018 "La Confianza, el Regalo y el Otro: Desafíos Contemporáneos al Intercambio Generalizado [Trust, the Gift, and the Other: Contemporary Challenges to Generalized Exchange]" (second author, with Adam Seligman). In Juan Carlos Scannone, ed., *Sociedad Civil y Bien Común: Hacia una Nueva Articulación del Mercado, el Estado y la Sociedad Civil [Civil Society and the Common Good: Toward a New Articulation of Market, State and Civil Society]*, vol. 1. Córdoba, Argentina: Universidad Católica de Córdoba, pp. 315-338, <https://www.ucc.edu.ar/archivos/documentos/EDUCC/Novedades%20editoriales/2018/Sociedad-civil-y-bien-comun-Tomo-1.pdf>.
- 2017 "Shared Fictions and Informal Politics in China." In Vivienne Shue and Patricia Thornton (eds.), *To Govern China: Evolving Practices of Power*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 154-173.
- 2015 "导演：大江南地区的宗教与社会的变迁 [Introduction: Religion and Social Change in Greater Jiangnan]." In Robert P. Weller and Lizhu Fan (eds.), *江南地区的宗教与公共生活 [Religion and Public Life in China's Lower Yangzi Region]*. Shanghai: Shanghai People's Press, pp. 1-17.

- 2015 "The Gains and Losses of Scaling Up in Chinese Religious Philanthropy." In Keping Wu and Michael Feener, eds., *Religion and Development in China: Innovations and Implications*. Singapore: Asia Research Institute.
- 2014 "Beyond Globalization and Secularization: Changing Religion and Philanthropy in Lukang, Taiwan." In Thomas Jansen, Thoralf Klein, and Christian Meyer, eds., *Globalization and the Making of Religious Modernity in China: Transnational Religions, Local Agents, and the Study of Religion, 1800-Present*. Leiden: Brill, pp. 136-155.
- 2013 "Chinese Communist Thought on Religious Diversity." In Joachim Gentz and Perry Schmitt-Leukel, eds., *Religious Diversity in Chinese Thought*. New York: Palgrave-Macmillan, pp. 171-186.
- 2013 "The Religious Dynamics of Region and Nation Across the Strait." In Wen-hsin Yeh (ed.), *Mobile Horizons: Dynamics Across the Taiwan Strait*. Berkeley: Institute of East Asian Studies, pp. 124-146.
- 2013 "中国的多重全球化与自然概念的多样性 [Multiple Globalizations and Diversities of Nature in China]." In 苏发祥 [Su Faxiang] and 郁丹 [Dan Smyer Yu] (eds.), *中国宗教多元与生态可持续性发展研究 [Religious Diversity and Ecological Sustainability in China]*, Beijing: 学苑出版社 [Academy Press], pp. 3-20. Translated as "Globalizations and Diversities of Nature in China." In James Miller, Dan Smyer Yu, and Peter van der Veer (eds.) *Religion and Ecological Sustainability in China*. Abingdon: Routledge, pp. 147-163, 2014.
- 2012 "Responsive Authoritarianism and Blind-Eye Governance in China." In Dorothy J. Solinger and Nina Bandelj (eds.), *Socialism Challenged, Socialism Vanquished: China and Eastern Europe, 1989-2009*, New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 83-99.
- 2012 "Religion, Ritual, and the Public Good in China." In Fenggang Yang and Joseph Tamney (eds.), *Confucianism and Spiritual Traditions in Modern China and Beyond*, Boston: E. J. Brill, pp. 329-349.
- 2011 "Religion and Environment." In David Palmer, Glenn Shive and Philip Wickeri (eds.), *Religion in Chinese Society: Communities, Practices and Public Works*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 124-138. Chinese translation, "中国的宇宙论与自然环境." In *中国人的宗教生活*. Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2014.
- 2010 "The Possibilities and Limitations of Spiritual Capital in Chinese Societies." In Peter L. Berger and Gordon Redding (eds.), *The Hidden Form of Capital: Spiritual Influences in Societal Progress*. London: Anthem Press.
- 2010 "Religion: The Dynamics of Religious Growth and Change" (1st author, with Yanfei Sun). In Joseph Fewsmith (ed.), *China Today, China Tomorrow: Domestic Politics, Economy, and Society*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, pp. 29-50.
- 2010 "中国的宗教仪式和公益 [Chinese Ritual and the Public Good]". In Shining Gao and Fenggang Yang (eds.), *从书斋到田野: 宗教社会科学高峰论坛文集 (上) From the Armchair to the Field: Selected Articles from the Beijing Summit on Chinese Spirituality and Society*, vol. 1. Beijing: Zhongguo Shehui Kexue Chubanshe, pp. 170-183.
- 2008 "Responsive Authoritarianism." In Bruce Gilley and Larry Diamond (eds.), *Political Change in China: Lessons from Taiwan*. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner, pp. 117-133.
- 2008 "Charisma in Motion: The Compassion Relief Movement in Taiwan, the United States, Japan, and Malaysia" (1st author, with Julia Chien-yu Huang). In Sherman Cochran and David Strand (eds.), *Cities in Motion*. Berkeley: Institute of East Asian Studies, pp. 272-294.
- 2008 "Asia and the Global Economies of Charisma." In Pattana Kitiarsa (ed.), *Religious Commodifications in Asia*. London: Routledge, pp. 15-30.
- 2007 "Within and Beyond the Market: Religions, Moralities, and Philanthropies in Chinese Societies." In Jonathan B. Imber (ed.), *Markets, Morals & Religion*. New Brunswick: Transaction, pp. 231-246 (expanded version of "Religions and Philanthropies," listed below).

- 2006 "Market Development, Political Change, and Chinese Cultures." In Lawrence Harrison and Jerome Kagan (eds.), *Developing Cultures: Essays on Cultural Change*. London: Routledge, pp. 215-233.
- 2006 "Market Development, Political Change, and Taiwanese Cultures." In Lawrence Harrison and Peter L. Berger (eds.), *Developing Cultures: Case Studies*. London: Routledge, pp. 119-137.
- 2005 "Introduction: Civil Institutions and the State." In Robert P. Weller (ed.), *Civil Life, Globalization, and Political Change in Asia: Organizing Between Family and State*. London: Routledge, pp. 1-19.
- 2005 "Civil Associations and Autonomy under Three Regimes: The Boundaries of State and Society in Hong Kong, Taiwan, and China." In Robert P. Weller (ed.), *Civil Life, Globalization, and Political Change in Asia: Organizing Between Family and State*. London: Routledge, pp. 76-94.
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- 2003 "The Transformation of Chinese Civil Associations in Taiwan, Hong Kong, and South China" (with Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao). In David Schak and Wayne Hudson (eds.), *Civil Society in Asia*. Aldershot: Ashgate, pp. 160-179.
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- 1998 "Culture, Gender and Community in Taiwan's Environmental Movement" (with Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao). In Arne Kalland and Gerard Persoon (eds.), *Environmental Movements in Asia*. London: Curzon, pp. 83-109.
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- 1998 "From Heaven-and-Earth to Nature: Chinese Concepts of the Environment and their Influence on Policy Implementation" (with Peter K. Bol). In Michael B. McElroy, Chris R. Nielson, and Peter Lydon (eds.), *Energizing China: Reconciling Environmental Protection and Economic Growth*. Cambridge: Harvard University Committee on Environment, pp. 473-499. Reprinted in Mary Evelyn Tucker and John Berthrong (eds.), *Confucianism and Ecology: The Interrelation of Heaven, Earth, and Humans*. Cambridge: Harvard University Center for the Study of World Religions, 1998, pp. 313-341.
- 1998 "Divided Market Cultures in China: Gender, Enterprise, and Religion." In Robert W. Hefner (ed.), *Market Cultures: Society and Morality in the New Asian Capitalisms*. Boulder, CO: Westview, pp. 78-103. Reprinted and abridged in S. Sheck and J. Haggis, *Development: A Cultural Studies Reader*. Blackwell, 2002.
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- 2017 "当代中国民间宗教要'接地气'." Interview, in 民俗研究 5:29-33.
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- 2010 "序：宗教是一个有用的跨文化概念吗？ [Forward: Is Religion a Useful Cross-Cultural Category?], in 李向平 [Xiangping Li], *信仰但不认同 [Believing Without Identifying]*, Beijing: Social Sciences Academic Press, pp. 1-3.
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- 2005 Review of Richard von Glahn, *The Sinister Way: The Divine and the Demonic in Chinese Religious Culture*. In *American Historical Review*, June, pp. 770-771.

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- 1993 Review of Luo Zhufeng (ed.), *Religion under Socialism in China*. In *China Quarterly*: 833-835.
- 1991 Review of Philip Huang, *The Peasant Family and Rural Development in the Yangzi Delta, 1350-1988*. In *Man* 26:770-771.
- 1989 Review of David Shack, *A Chinese Beggars' Den: Poverty and Mobility in an Underclass Community*. In *Journal of Asian Studies* 48:146-147.
- 1988 Review of Philip Huang, *The Peasant Economy and Social Change in North China*. In *Man* 23:188-189.
- 1987 Review of Rubie Watson, *Inequality Among Brothers: Class and Kinship in South China*. In *American Anthropologist* 89:167-168.
- 1987 Descriptive copy for East Asian pieces in Anna R. Cohn and Lucinda A. Leach (eds.), *Generations: A Universal Family Album*. New York: Pantheon.
- 1985 Review of Norman Chance, *China's Urban Villagers: Life in a Beijing Commune*. In *American Anthropologist* 87:968-970.
- 1984 Review of H. Y. Lowe, *The Adventures of Wu: Life Cycle of a Peking Man*. In *Journal of Oriental Studies* 22:77-78.
- 1983 Comment on Eugene Cooper, "Ten-Section Systems, Omaha Kinship, and Dispersed Alliance Among the Ancient Chinese." *Current Anthropology* 24:388-389.
- 1982 Review of Johanna Meskill, *A Chinese Pioneer Family: The Lins of Wu-feng*. In *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 102:576-577.

Papers Read

- 2019 "Women Mediums and Widowed Gods: Gender and Religious Change in Urbanizing Suzhou." Session on "Spirits, Mediums, and Urban Change in Asia," American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Vancouver.
- 2019 "Anti-Heroic Agents: The Gendered Dynamics of Religious Change in Urbanizing China." Program in East Asian Studies, University of Virginia.
- 2019 "'To See A World in a Grain of Sand': The Global Lives of Parochial Gods." Keynote speech, 16th Annual Symposium of Social Science of Religion, Renmin University, Beijing.
- 2019 "What is the Difference Between a Ghost and a Bad Memory? Thoughts on Chinese Religious Epistemologies." Workshop on Conceptions of Knowledge and Belief in Religion and Science," Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study.
- 2019 "宇宙论的重构：中国庙宇宗教的变异和实践观." Harvard Chinese Salon, no. 85.
- 2019 "Reclaiming Silence in China: Temples, Longing, and Rhythm in an Age of Bulldozers." Green College, University of British Columbia (online at <https://youtu.be/1WEbovduxtw>).

- 2019 "Taiwan Temple Performances." ASIABU Lectures on Disappearing Cultures, Boston University.
- 2018 "Cosmologies in the Remaking." Department of Religion and Theology, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.
- 2018 "民族志的田野与写作." Institute of Anthropology, Nanjing University.
- 2018 "急速的城市化与宗教变化：江苏南部不均衡的文化生态." Center on Social Development, Fudan University, Shanghai.
- 2018 "Overnight Urbanization and Religious Change." Workshop on Chinese Religions in the Age of Massive Urbanization, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2018 "Silence and an Anthropology of the Unknowable: Longing and Rhythm in a Time of Bulldozers." Workshop on Beyond Self and Other: Contemporary Ethnography in and Beyond China, University of Chicago Center in Beijing.
- 2017 "Religious Change and Disturbed Religious Ecosystems in Jiangsu, China." New School for Social Research.
- 2017 "Overnight Urbanization and Religious Change: Non-Equilibrium Ecosystems in Southern Jiangsu." Conference on The Enigma of Change and Continuity in China, University of Cologne, Germany.
- 2017 "Expanding Cities and Transforming Religions in Contemporary China." Conference on Chinese Religions in City Space and Cyberspace, Department of Anthropology, National Taiwan University.
- 2017 "再创造的宇宙论：拜神的变迁与变异." Institute of Sociology, Nanjing University.
- 2017 "Cosmologies in the Remaking: Variation and Change in Chinese Temple Religion." Transactions and Values: An International Workshop on the Life and Work of Fredrik Barth, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou.
- 2017 "Overnight Urbanization and Religious Change in Southern Jiangsu." Institute of Chinese Studies, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Suzhou.
- 2017 "Religious Change and Disturbed Religious Ecosystems." Conference on Environmental Humanities in Asia, Duke-Kunshan University.
- 2017 "From Fields of Blessings to Political Merit-Making: Forms of Religious Charity in China." Symposium on Charitable Faiths? NGOs and Religion in Asia, Asia Research Institute (NUS) and CURA (BU).
- 2017 "The Silent and the Spoken: Exile, Death, and the Anthropology of the Unknowable." Anthropology Seminar, London School of Economics and Political Science.
- 2017 "'The Yin World is in Chaos': Urban Expansion and Religious Creativity in Contemporary China." Asia Seminar, London School of Economics and Political Science.
- 2017 "Religious Change and Disturbed Religious Ecosystems in Jiangsu, China." Workshop on Environmental Humanities in Asia, Duke University.
- 2016 "Religious Change and the Urban Edge in China." East Asia Program, Cornell University.
- 2016 "Mazu Across Boundaries." Taiwan Colloquium, Columbia University.
- 2016 "江南都市化与宗教生态变迁." Institute of Anthropology, Nanjing University.
- 2016 "阴间乱了!"移民与宗教学术研讨会, Fudan University, Shanghai.
- 2016 "Putting Nature in Humanity and Humanity in Nature." Cross-Strait Anthropology Camp, Lanzhou University.
- 2016 "Religion in Nanjing and in China." CEDAR Program on the Beliefs of Migrants, Nanjing.
- 2016 "Expanding Cities and Transforming Religions in Contemporary China." China Centre, Oxford University.

- 2016 "Goddess Unbound: Chinese Popular Religion and the Varieties of Boundary." Workshop on Bordering Religions in (Post-) Cold War Worlds. State Research University Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg, Russia.
- 2016 "The Cult of Tianhou/Mazu in China and Taiwan." Conference on Economic Networks, Social Organizations and Popular Culture in Vietnam. Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences, Hanoi.
- 2016 "Religious Economies in China: Currencies of Spirits and the State." Keynote speech, Conference on Guerilla Markets: Exchange Systems as Survival Politics in Northeast Asia. Australian National University.
- 2016 "The Silent and the Spoken: Exile, Death, and the Anthropology of the Unknowable." Keynote speech, Conference on the Secret and the Sacred: The State and Its Alternatives in Chinese Societies. University of California, Berkeley.
- 2015 "Expanding Cities and Transforming Religions in China." George Washington University.
- 2015 "Urban Expansion and Religious Innovation in Contemporary China." University of Rochester.
- 2015 "On Culture and Crossing Culture." Concluding roundtable discussion for *Crossing Cultures*, 60th Anniversary Conference for the Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica.
- 2015 "Time, Context, and Flow in Fieldwork." International workshop on Doing Ethnography in a Globalized World, Nanjing University.
- 2015 "The American Anthropology of China and the Reverse." Beijing University Workshop on the Ethnography of the United States.
- 2015 "善与恶的界限：往一个新的道德人类学." International Conference on World Society and New Civilization, Beijing University Anthropology Forum.
- 2015 "人类学视角下的中国研究：道德、都市化与环境." 174th Eastern Forum Lecture, Zhejiang University.
- 2015 "Shared Fictions and Informal Politics in China." Graduate School of East Asian Studies, Free University of Berlin.
- 2015 "Chinese Moralities and the Changing Boundaries of Good and Evil." Phi Beta Kappa Induction Ceremony, Boston University.
- 2015 "Global Religious Change, Local Politics, and Civil Life in China and Taiwan." East Asia Workshop, University of Chicago.
- 2014 "On Good and Evil in Chinese Religions" (with Keping Wu). Annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2014 "Monkey Demon Battles the Banality of Good" (with Keping Wu). Workshop on Evil in Chinese Religions, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 2014 "Social Capital and Engaged Religions in China." Conference on God, Globalization, and the Good Society in Asia, Center for Faith and Inquiry, Gordon College. Available online at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FtghYIVZY0o&index=5&list=PLQwO0NNflp5Tbr_A_jDWv2OsOdcMAQ8lu.
- 2014 "Global Religious Changes and Social Life in China and Taiwan." International Institute, UCLA.
- 2014 "全球宗教变迁与中国社会：世俗化、宗教化与躯体化 [Global Religious Change and Chinese Societies: Secularization, Religionization, and Embodiment]." Daxia Forum, East China Normal University.
- 2014 "中国宗教的慈善、社会资本、与创新 [Philanthropy, Social Capital, and Innovation and Chinese Religions]." Institute of Religion, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences.
- 2014 "全球宗教变迁与中国社会：世俗化、宗教化与躯体化 [Global Religious Change and Chinese Societies: Secularization, Religionization, and Embodiment]." Keynote address, International Conference on Religion and Culture, Nanjing University.
- 2014 "现代中国社会的休闲与礼仪 [Leisure and Ritual in Modern Chinese Societies]." Institute of Anthropology, Renmin University.

- 2014 "中国宗教的慈善、社会资本、与创新 [Philanthropy, Social Capital, and Innovation and Chinese Religions]." Fei Hsiao-T'ung Academic Lecture Series, Institute of Anthropology, Tsinghua University, Beijing.
- 2014 "华人社会与全球宗教趋势 [Chinese Societies and Global Religious Trends]." Institute of Anthropology, Beijing Normal University.
- 2014 "华人社会与全球宗教趋势 [Chinese Societies and Global Religious Trends]." Keynote speech, Conference on the Establishment of the Overseas Research Committee, Chinese Association of Anthropology and Ethnology.
- 2014 "汉传佛教的变迁 [Changes in Chinese Buddhism]." Shaolin Monastery, Henan, China.
- 2014 "现代中国社会的休闲与礼仪 [Leisure and Ritual in Modern Chinese Societies]." Henan University.
- 2014 "人类学的问题是社么 [Asking an Anthropological Question]." Henan University.
- 2014 "现代中国社会的休闲与礼仪 [Leisure and Ritual in Modern Chinese Societies]." Institute of Sociology, Nanjing Normal University.
- 2014 "中国宗教的慈善，社会资本，与创新 [Philanthropy, Social Capital, and Innovation and Chinese Religions]." Heren Forum on Charity, Institute of Social Sciences, Nanjing University.
- 2014 "Leisure, Ritual and Choice in Modern Chinese Societies." Workshop on Leisure and Social Change, Cluster Asia and Europe, University of Heidelberg, Germany.
- 2013 "现代中国社会的休闲与仪式 [Leisure and Ritual in Modern Chinese Societies]." Institute of the Humanities, Chongqing University.
- 2013 "现代中国社会的休闲与仪式 [Leisure and Ritual in Modern Chinese Societies]." School of the Humanities, Southwest University, Chongqing.
- 2013 "Grassroots Services and Local Social Life." Southeast University, Nanjing.
- 2013 "Taiwan and Global Religious Trends." Southeast University, Nanjing.
- 2013 "Memory, Mimesis and Metaphor in Chinese Religious Pluralism." Department of Anthropology, National Taiwan University.
- 2013 "The Dynamics of Religion Across the Taiwan Strait." Keynote speech, wrap-up meeting on Comparative Anthropological Studies in China and Taiwan, Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan.
- 2013 "The Gains and Losses of Scaling Up in Chinese Religious Philanthropy." Inter-Asia Roundtable 2013: Religion & Development in China, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore.
- 2013 "Scaling Up Philanthropy: Consequences for Civil Virtues." International Conference on Civil Virtues and Modern Civilization, Jiangsu CCP Publicity Department, Nanjing University and Southeast University, Nanjing.
- 2013 "Pluralism and Chinese Religions: Constructing Social Worlds through Memory, Mimesis and Metaphor." Keynote speech, International Conference on Religion, Spiritual Capital and Civil Society, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- 2013 "Grassroots Services and Local Social Life in China." Symposium on Civil Society & Governance, Harvard China Fund, Shanghai.
- 2013 "What Counts As the Same? Memory, Mimesis and Metaphor in Chinese Syncretisms." Invited Presidential Panel, Biennial meeting of the Society for the Anthropology of Religion, Pasadena, CA.
- 2013 "Religious Pluralism in Chinese Policy and Practice." Annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Diego.
- 2013 "Ritual and Leisure: Money, Gender and Choice in Modern China." Social Sciences Colloquia Series on China, Watson Institute, Brown University.

- 2013 "Hanging a Sheep's Head and Selling Dog Meat: Religion and Governance in China." Dept. of Anthropology and Inst. for Culture, Religion and World Affairs, Boston University.
- 2012 "Global Religious Trends in a Taiwanese Context." International Conference on Religion and Politics in Greater China, Oregon State University.
- 2012 "Pluralism and the Problem of Ambiguity in Chinese Religions." New England China Seminar, Harvard University.
- 2012 "Ambiguity, Borders and Time." Berkeley Summer Research Institute, University of California, Berkeley.
- 2012 "Local Life and Fields of Religious Knowledge in China." Training Program in Social Science Approaches to Everyday Life in China, Nanjing University.
- 2012 "Leisure, Ritual and Choice in Modern Chinese Societies." Workshop on "Leisure and Money: The Dynamics of the Exchange of Goods, Lifestyles, and Institutions Across Asia," Boston University.
- 2012 "Taiwan and Global Religious Trends." 1st World Congress of Taiwan Studies, Academia Sinica, Taiwan.
- 2012 "慈善与社会资本的限制 [Philanthropy and the Limits to Social Capital]." Salon presented to the Center on Philanthropy, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China.
- 2012 "弹性与治理：中国公益组织的生存与发展 [Flexibility and Governance: Religious Organizations and NPOs in Chinese Society]." Qian Ho Academic Lecture, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China.
- 2012 "Developing a Curriculum on Civil Society in China: Informality and Illegality." Harvard China Fund.
- 2012 "Governing by Turning a Blind Eye." Conference on Power in the Making: Governing and Being Governed in Contemporary China, Contemporary China Studies Programme, Oxford University.
- 2012 "Globalizations and Diversities of Nature in China." Conference on Religious Diversity and Ecological Sustainability in China." School of Ethnology and Sociology, Minzu University; Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity; Yale Forum on Religion and Ecology, Beijing.
- 2011 "Religion and Civil Society in China: Boundaries, Ambiguity, and the Problem of Pluralism." Department of Anthropology, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- 2011 "Chinese Communist Thought on Religious Diversity." Symposium on Religious Diversity in Chinese Thought, University of Münster, Germany.
- 2011 "Ritual, Rhythm and Living with Difference in Chinese Societies." International Conference on Comparing Conviviality: Dreams and Realities of Living with Difference, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2011 "Death and Memory." Roundtable on Scholarship on the Dead, Workshop on the Social Life of Dead Bodies in China, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 2011 "Religious Philanthropy and the Limits of Social Capital in Taiwan." Annual meeting of the Taiwan Association for Religious Studies, Taipei.
- 2011 "Socially Engaged Religion in China and Taiwan." Conference on Religion, Social Movements, and Progressive Reform in Latin America, CURA, Boston University.
- 2011 "Religion and Philanthropy in Taiwan's History." Seminar on Taiwan, Columbia University.
- 2011 "The Advantages of Weak Social Ties: Gender, Religious Philanthropy and Scale in Chinese Societies." Annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Honolulu.
- 2011 "Grassroots Organizing: Religion." Conference on Civil Society and Nonprofits in China, Jan. 21-23, 2011, Hauser Center, Kennedy School, Harvard University.

- 2011 "华人的宗教性慈善与社会资本的限制 [Chinese Religious Philanthropy and the Limits of Social Capital]." Inaugural Lecture in Religion and Anthropology, Institute for World Religions, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.
- 2011 "中国的 '自然' 概念的全球性与地方性 [Global and Local in China's Concepts of 'Nature']." Symposium in Science and Humanity, Beijing Normal University. (Also covered in 科学时报, 25 Jan. 2011, B4.)
- 2011 Lectures on "Grassroots Religion and Its Significance" and "Social Science Methodology." Workshop on Grassroots Politics and Chinese Society, Harvard-Yenching Institute and Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Peking University.
- 2010 "Religion in China Today." Workshop on Communist and Post-Communist Societies, Harvard University.
- 2010 "Ritual, Rhythm and Ambiguity: Living with Difference in Chinese Societies." 2010-11 Michaelson Endowed Visiting Scholar Lecture, Religious Studies Department, University of California, Santa Barbara.
- 2010 "Religion and State Across the Strait." Workshop on "Mobile Horizons: New Perspectives on Cross-Straits Relations," Institute for East Asian Studies, UC Berkeley.
- 2010 "The Social Scientific Study of Religion." Workshop on Religion and Modernity in a Globalizing World, Fudan University, Shanghai.
- 2010 "Gods and Doing Good: The Changing Faces of Taiwan's Religions." ITASA 2010 Conference.
- 2010 "Religion and Blind-Eye Governance in Taiwan and China." Conference entitled Below the Storm: 60 Years of Cross-Straits Connections, Institute of Political Science, Academia Sinica, Taiwan
- 2010 "Blind-Eye Governance in China." Department of Anthropology, Harvard University.
- 2010 "Blind Eyes and Thin Disguises: Religion and Local Governance in China and Taiwan." Department of Anthropology, Yale University.
- 2009 "Ritual and the Rhythms of Ambiguity." Annual Benson Saler lecture in Religious Studies, Department of Anthropology, Brandeis University.
- 2009 "Globalization and Blind-Eye Governance in China." Conference on 1989 and Beyond: Perspectives from China and East Europe, UC Irvine.
- 2009 "Religion and the Public Good in Chinese Societies." Invited lecture, Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2009 "Democratic Culture, Responsive Authoritarianism, and Blind-Eye Governance in Taiwan." Conference on Dynamics Across the Taiwan Strait, 1949 to the Present, UC Berkeley.
- 2009 "Religious Growth and Regulation: Reconfiguring State and Society in China." International Conference on the People's Republic of China at 60, Harvard University.
- 2009 "Ritual, Rhythm and the Problem of Certainty." Invited lecture, Center for Myth and Ritual in American Life, Emory University.
- 2009 "Mountains and Valleys: Multiple Natures and their Consequences in China." Conference on Asian Environments Shaping the World, National University of Singapore.
- 2009 "Religion, Ritual, and the Public Good in Chinese Societies." Invited lecture, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore.
- 2009 "Religion and the Public Good in Taiwan." Invited lecture, Center for Chinese Studies, UCLA.
- 2008 "Power of the Periphery: The Dynamics of Religious Growth and Change in Contemporary China" (co-authored with Sun Yanfei). Conference on Three Decades of Reform and Opening: Where is China Going? Pardee Center, Boston University.
- 2008 "Religion, Boundary and Power in Chinese Society." Invited lecture, Social Science and Religion Network, Boston University.
- 2008 "Religion and State Across the Strait." Conference on "Formative Dialectics: New Perspectives on Cross-Straits Relations, Institute of East Asian Studies, UC Berkeley.

- 2008 "Changing Religion and Public Service in the Chinese World." Invited lecture, CURA Conversations, Boston University.
- 2008 "Religion, Ritual, and the Public Good in China." Beijing Summit on Religion, Beijing University.
- 2008 "Religion and Sustainable Society in China." Invited lecture, Boston University School of Social Work, Colloquium on Social Welfare.
- 2008 "Globalization and the Rise of Philanthropic Religion in Taiwan." Conference on Chinese Religions and Globalization, Cambridge University, England.
- 2008 "Religions and the Public Good in Lukang, Taiwan: Beyond Globalization and Secularization." Conference on Secularization and Changing Religiosity, International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, Netherlands.
- 2008 "Religious Traditions and the Public Good in Taiwan." Conference on Engaged Religions and the Public Good in Chinese Societies, Tsing-hua University, Taiwan.
- 2008 "Boundary and Power in Globalizing China and Taiwan." Invited lecture, Modern China Studies Seminar, Hong Kong University.
- 2008 "Sustainable Development and Religion in Chinese Societies." Shanghai Forum, Shanghai.
- 2008 "Pilgrims to an Imagined Taiwan: Remaking Lukang." Conference on the Politics of Neighborhood Asia, Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2008 "Religion and Sustainable Society in China." Conference on Rethinking Development in China, Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2008 "Religion and the Public Good in the Chinese World." Keynote speech for the opening of the Center on Religion and Chinese Society, Purdue University.
- 2008 "Networks Beyond Temples in Taiwan." Symposium on Chinese Temple Networks, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 2008 "Religious Tradition and the Public Good in Taiwan." Symposium on Taiwan's Religions, Political Process, and Civil Society, University of South Carolina.
- 2008 "Boundary and Power in Globalizing China and Taiwan." International Conference on the Cultural Interpretation of Mobility, Chinese Studies Center, National Library, Taiwan.
- 2008 "Borders, Politics, and Religion in Globalizing China." Invited lecture, Floersheimer Colloquium on Religion and Political Space, Cardozo Law School, New York.
- 2007 "*The Man Who Fell to Earth*: An Anthropological Commentary." Coolidge Corner Theater, Brookline, MA.
- 2007 "台湾宗教与公共利益." Invited lecture, Folklore Programs, Beijing Normal University and Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing.
- 2007 "Religious Traditions and the Public Good in Taiwan." Invited lecture, Research Center on Sociology and Anthropology, Peking University.
- 2007 "Religious Ritual, Boundaries, and Living with Difference." Beijing Forum, Beijing.
- 2007 "Places and Powers: Landscapes, Spirits, and Identity in Globalizing China." Invited lecture, Center for Chinese Studies, University of California, Berkeley.
- 2007 "The Problem of Long-Distance Charisma: Compassion Relief and a Home for the Homeless Mind." Invited lecture, 2007 Triangle East Asia Colloquium, University of North Carolina.
- 2007 "Civil Society and the Informal Sector in Chinese Development." Invited lecture, Munk Graduate Conference on Alternative Approaches to Development in Asia, University of Toronto.
- 2007 "Growth of the Informal Sector: NGOs and Religion." Briefing for Sandy Randt, U.S. Ambassador to China, Harvard University.
- 2007 "Taiwanese Voluntary Association and Democracy." Intercollegiate Taiwanese American Students Association, East Coast Conference, Harvard University.
- 2006 "Protest, Resistance, and the Techniques of Responsive Authoritarianism." Symposium on Democratization in Greater China, Stanford University.

- 2006 "On 'Policies from Above and Countermeasures from Below:' State, Culture and Environmental Policy in China and Taiwan." Invited lecture, Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan.
- 2006 "Stories of Stone: Globalization and Nature Tourism in China and Taiwan." Invited lecture, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan.
- 2006 "Within and Beyond the Market: Religions and Changing Life Worlds, Moralities, and Philanthropies in Chinese Societies." Conference on "Visible Hands: The Changing Nature of Capitalism in Response to Religious Culture," Institute on Culture, Religion, and World Affairs, Boston University.
- 2006 "Stories of Stone: Globalization and Nature Tourism in China and Taiwan." Invited lecture, Anthropology and Asian Studies, Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia.
- 2006 "State, Culture, and Environmental Policy in China and Taiwan." Invited lecture, Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2006 "Is What People Say Enough? On Truth and Lies, Sincerity and Conventions, Deep Structures and Behaviors." Invited lecture, Department of Anthropological Sciences, Stanford University.
- 2006 "NGOs and Political Change in China: The Problem of Social Capital and the State." Invited lecture, Asian-Pacific Research Center, Stanford University.
- 2006 "Charismatic Bodies in an Age of Mechanical Reproduction: The Global Flows of the Compassion Relief Movement." Invited lecture, Working Groups on Bodies, Beliefs, and Bioethics, New York University.
- 2006 "Globalizing 'Nature' in China and Taiwan: An Anthropological Perspective." Invited lecture, Department of Asian Studies, Tel Aviv University.
- 2005 "Speaking from Silence." Session on Waking Up Sleeping Metaphors: Conversations with Emily Martin, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2005 "Asia and the Global Economies of Charisma." Keynote speech, Workshop on Religious Commodifications in Asia, National University of Singapore.
- 2005 "On NGOs and Political Change in China." Invited lecture, New England China Seminar, Harvard University.
- 2005 "NGOs and Social Change in East and Southeast Asia." Invited lecture, Center for Civil Society Studies, Beijing University.
- 2005 Statement to the Congressional-Executive Commission on China, Roundtable on "Unofficial Religions in China." CECC, Washington, D.C.
- 2005 "On 'Policies from Above and Countermeasures from Below:' State and Culture in Chinese Environmental Policy." Invited lecture, Center for East Asian Studies and Department of Anthropology, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2005 "Confucianism in China: Tradition and Transition" and "Hong Kong and Taiwan: Barometers of Change." Panels at the Tufts Institute for Leadership and International Perspectives Symposium on Chinese Politics and Society.
- 2004 "On Asian Values and the Possibility of Civil Society." Harvard Project for Asian and International Relations and Fudan University, Shanghai.
- 2004 "Civil Society and the State in East Asia." Invited lecture, Project on East Asian and the Curriculum, University of Maryland, College Park.
- 2004 "Community, Locality, and the Possibility of an Asian Alternate Civility." 1st International Korean Studies Workshop on Civil Society and Consolidating Democracy in Comparative Perspective, Yonsei University, Seoul.
- 2004 "Market Development, Political Change, and Taiwanese Cultures." Culture Matters Project Final Conference, Fletcher School, Tufts University.
- 2004 "Globalization, Tourism, and the Invention of Nature in China and Taiwan." Invited lecture, Luce Asia Program and Program in Environmental Studies, Skidmore College.
- 2004 "On 'Policies from Above and Countermeasures from Below:' State and Culture in Chinese Environmental Policy." Invited lecture, Department of Anthropology, Cornell University.

- 2003 "Ritual Space and Power in China." Invited lecture, Department of Religion, Duke University.
- 2003 "Environmental Cultures and Policy Implementation in China." Critical Policy Studies of China International Workshop, Harvard and MIT.
- 2003 "The Modern Invention of Nature in China and Taiwan: Globalization, Nature Tourism, and Rocks." Invited lecture, Institute for Chinese Studies, Oxford University.
- 2003 "The Obstacles to Air Pollution Policy Implementation in Rural China." Meeting on Air Pollution Challenges in Rural China, China Environment Forum, Wilson Center, Washington, D.C.
- 2003 "Jesus's Brother in the Chinese Wilderness: The Role of the Periphery in Making the Modern World." Conference on Blacks and Asians in the Making of the Modern World, Boston University.
- 2002 "Compassion Relief and Its Global Diaspora." Seminar Series on Redefining the Boundaries of Belonging: Comparative and Historical Perspectives on Transnational Membership, Hauser Center, Harvard University.
- 2002 "Charisma in Motion: The Compassion Relief Movement." Conference on Cities in Motion: Coast and Diaspora in Modern China, University of California, Berkeley.
- 2002 "Universalism and Ethnicity in a Global Charismatic Movement: Compassion Relief in Taiwan, Malaysia, Japan, and the U.S." Session on Discerning Globalization, Social Science History Association, St. Louis.
- 2002 "Buddhism and Popular Practice in China and Taiwan." Workshop on Buddhism and Local Deities, University of Oslo.
- 2002 "Worship, Teachings, and State Power: Religion and Civil Society in Taiwan and China." Invited lecture, Humanities Center, Central European University, Budapest.
- 2002 "Civil Associations and Autonomy under Three Regimes: The Boundaries of State and Society in Hong Kong, Taiwan, and China." International conference on NGOs and the Nation in a Globalizing World, Institut für die Wissenschaften von Menschen, Vienna.
- 2002 "Notes on Three Wishes." Workshop on Anthropology in and of China, Center for Chinese Studies, University of California at Berkeley.
- 2002 "The Origins of Environmental Action in Chinese Society: Anthropological Reflections on Globalization, Culture, and Authoritarian Politics." Invited lecture, Bard College.
- 2001 "Anthropology and Beyond in Taiwan Studies." Symposium on Taiwan Studies at the Millennium, University of Texas, Austin.
- 2001 "The Transformation of Chinese Civil Associations in Taiwan, Hong Kong, and South China" (with Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao). Keynote session, Conference on Civil Society in Asia, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia.
- 2001 "Local and Global in the Rise of Environmental Consciousness in Taiwan." Invited lecture, Center for East Asian Studies, Stanford University.
- 2001 "Night of the Living Dead Fish: China and the Globalization of Nature." 41st Annual Edward H. Hume Memorial Lecture, Yale University.
- 2001 "Globalization and China: Challenging Cultural Boundaries." Panelist for sessions on "The Politicization of Culture" and "The Global Environment." Tufts University.
- 2001 Guest on "Perspectives on China." TV-Radio simulcast, Voice of America.
- 2000 "Popular Religion and Public Institutions." Conference on Realms of Freedom in the Modern Chinese World, Washington University, St. Louis.
- 2000 "Markets, Margins, and the Growth of Religious Diversity: Taiwan in Comparative Perspective." International Conference on Sinology, Taiwan.
- 2000 "Markets, Political Margins, and Religious Change: New Buddhisms, Old Spirits, and Falun Gong in China and Taiwan." Invited lecture, Harvard University Seminar on Religion and Economic Change.
- 2000 "The Political Implications of Falun Gong." U.S. Department of State.

- 1999 "The Development of Civil Society in Taiwan and China." Conference on Taiwan and Cross-Strait Relations, U.S. Department of State.
- 1999 "Alternate Civilities in China and Taiwan." Invited lecture, New England China Seminar.
- 1998 "Environmental Policy in China." Harvard University, Asia Center Inaugural Conference.
- 1997 "Religion and New Taiwanese Identities: Some First Thoughts." Workshop on Cultural China and Taiwanese Consciousness, Hsin-Yi Foundation and the Harvard-Yenching Institute, Cambridge.
- 1997 "Daoism and the Possibility of a Chinese Civil Society." International Conference on Daoist Tradition and Modernity, Konrad Adenauer Foundation, St. Augustin, Germany.
- 1997 "From State-Owned Enterprise to Joint Venture" (with Jiansheng Li). Invited lecture, East Asia Colloquium, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 1996 "The Origins of Nature Tourism in Taiwan." Taiwan Studies Workshop, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 1996 "Between Family and State: Social Capital and Social Change in China." Invited lecture, Fairbank Center Seminar, Harvard University.
- 1996 "The Story of Stone: Reflections on the Continuity of Being." Conference on Confucianism and Ecology, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University.
- 1996 "Democracy and the Environmental Movement in Taiwan." Conference on Taiwan, A Decade of Democratization, George Washington University and University of Michigan.
- 1996 "Human Rights in Taiwan." Intercollegiate Taiwanese American Student Association East Coast Conference, Brown University.
- 1995 "Culture and Changing Civil Values in China and Taiwan." Conference on Transition of Values in Civil Society, Club of Rome and Bertelsmann Foundation, Berlin.
- 1995 "From Cosmic Resonance to Nature: Chinese Concepts of the Environment and their Influence on Policy Implementation." Conference on Reconciling Economic Growth and Environmental Protection in China, Harvard University.
- 1994 "Culture, Gender, and Community in Taiwan's Environmental Movement." Workshop on Environmental Movements in Asia, Leiden, Netherlands.
- 1994 "Gender and Divided Market Cultures in China." SSRC/ACLS Conference on Market Culture: Entrepreneurial Precedents and Ethical Dilemmas in East and Southeast Asia, Cambridge MA.
- 1994 "Merit and Mothering: Women and Social Welfare in Taiwanese Buddhism" (with Julia Huang). Session on Female Religious Practice and Social Change in Contemporary East Asia, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Atlanta.
- 1993 "Guojia Gongyuan yu Jumin Guanxi zhi Guowai Jingyan [International Experience with the Relation of National Parks to Local Residents]." Conference on National Parks Interpretation and Education, Ministry of Interior, Taiwan.
- 1993 "Interpreting Resistance and Resisting Interpretation: Tiananmen and After." Seminar in Atlantic History and Culture, The Johns Hopkins University.
- 1993 "Nature and Environmental Protest in Taiwan." Taiwan Studies Seminar, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 1992 "Beyond Tiananmen: The Limits to Cultural Domination." Modern China Seminar, Columbia University.
- 1992 "Popular Religion, Sect and Success in Taiwanese Enterprises: Toward a Comparative Perspective." Conference on Enterprise Organization, Social Relations and Cultural Practices in Chinese Societies, Taiwan.
- 1992 "Matricidal Magistrates and Gambling Gods: Weak States and Strong Spirits in China." Session on Chinese Gods Beyond the Bureaucracy, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Washington, D.C.
- 1991 "The Culture of Nature in Taiwan." Fairbank Center, Harvard University.

- 1990 "Capitalism, Carnival, and Resistance: The Rise of Amoral Cults in Taiwan." Department of Anthropology Seminar, Harvard University.
- 1990 "Taiping Rebels, Taiwanese Ghosts, and Tiananmen: Saturated Symbols and the Limits to Hegemony." MIT Anthropology/Archaeology and Center for International Studies Faculty Seminar.
- 1990 "Values, Self, and Religious Change in Taiwan." International Conference on Cultural Change in Postwar Taiwan, National Taiwan University and University of Washington, Seattle.
- 1990 "When Risks Outweigh Benefits." Annual meeting of the National Association for Foreign Student Affairs, Portland.
- 1989 "Dajia Le (Everybody's Happy): Death and Dollars in Taiwan." Annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Washington, D.C.
- 1989 "Capitalism, Community, and the Rise of Amoral Cults in Taiwan." SSRC conference on Communities in Question: Religion and Authority in East and Southeast Asia, Hoa Hin, Thailand.
- 1988 "Religion in China Today." Forum on China Today, Sweet Briar College.
- 1988 "Institution and Interpretation in the Taiping Rebellion." Anthropology Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
- 1987 "Institution and Interpretation in the Taiping Rebellion." Anthropology Seminar, University of Chicago.
- 1987 "How the Taiping Heavenly Kingdom Lost Its Soul." Session on "Soul" in East and Southeast Asian Folk Religions, Association for Asian Studies.
- 1986 "The Politics of Possession in the Early Taiping Rebellion." Seminar on Anthropological Perspectives on Mainland China, University of California, Los Angeles.
- 1986 "The Politics of Possession: State Power and Early Taiping Religion." First International Symposium on Church and State in China, Tamkang University, Taiwan.
- 1985 "Taiping Tianguo yu Guangxi de Minjian Zongjiao (The Taiping Heavenly Kingdom and Popular Religion in Guangxi)." Guiping County, Guangxi.
- 1984 "Meiguo Renleixue de Lilun he Fazhan (Theory and the Development of American Anthropology)." Department of History, Nanjing University.
- 1983 "Bandits, Beggars, and Ghosts: Ritual and Political Economy in Taiwan." Session on Political Economy and the Uses of Beliefs and Rituals, American Ethnological Society.
- 1983 "Bandits, Beggars, and Ghosts: Ritual and Political Economy in Taiwan." Anthropology Seminars, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
- 1983 "The Politics of Taiwanese Ghosts Under Japanese Rule." Session on Chinese Folk Ideologies, American Anthropological Association.
- 1983 "Feeding the Ghosts: Ritual Change, Political Economy, and Marginality in Taiwan." Session on Culture and Historical Materialism, XIth International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences.
- 1982 "Marriage and the Languages of Kinship in Taiwan." Session on the Language and Symbolism of Kinship in East Asia, Southeast Conference of the Association for Asian Studies.
- 1982 "Ideology, Organization, and Rebellion in Chinese Sectarian Religion." Workshop on Religion and Rural Revolt, University of British Columbia.
- 1981 "Religion, Ideology, and Ghosts." Department of Anthropology, Duke University.
- 1981 "China After Normalization." Great Decisions Series, Duke Institute of Learning in Retirement.
- 1979 "Taiwan Zongjiao de Yizhixing yu Fenqixing (Unity and Diversity in Taiwanese Religion)." Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan.
- 1979 "Geomancy and Chinese Religion." Program in Asian Studies, University of Washington, Seattle.
- 1979 "The Buddhist Alternative in Chinese Religion." Symposium on Current Issues in Chinese Ethnology, American Anthropological Association.

Professional Service--Committees, Consulting, Meeting Organization

- 2018- Executive Committee, Fairbank Center, Harvard University
- 2018 Member, Anthropology Discipline Review Committee, Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program.
- 2018 Organizer, Workshop on "The Rise of New Religions in Asia," Boston University.
- 2015-16 Board of Advisors, North American Taiwan Studies Association.
- 2014-16 Board of Directors, Society for the Anthropology of Religion (elected member; part of the American Anthropological Association).
- 2014- Vice-Chair, Chinese Committee for the Anthropology of Religion.
- 2014- Editorial Board, *Chinese Sociology and Anthropology*.
- 2013 Consultant giving expert testimony, San Francisco Office of the District Attorney, New York County Office of the District Attorney.
- 2012 Co-Organizer, Berkeley Summer Research Institute, "Bordering China: Sustainability and Modernity," University of California, Berkeley.
- 2012 Member, Committee on China Grants, American Council of Learned Societies.
- 2011-16 Member, Board of Advisors, Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2010-14 Member, Advisory Board, Institute of Anthropology, Shandong University.
- 2010-12 Member, National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology Senior Panel.
- 2010-20 Member, Editorial Board, *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*.
- 2010 External Evaluator, Department of Anthropology, University of Washington, Seattle.
- 2010 Organizer and lecturer, CURA Summer Institute on Religion and Modernity in a Globalizing World, Fudan University, Shanghai.
- 2010 Organizer, Preliminary Workshop on the Religious Ecology of the Lower Yangzi Region, Fudan University, Shanghai.
- 2009 Organizer and lecturer, CURA Summer Institutes on Religion and Diversity in a Globalizing World, Fudan University, Shanghai, and People's University, Beijing.
- 2008 Co-organizer (with Julia Huang), Conference on Engaged Religions and the Public Good in Chinese Societies, Tsing-hua University, Taiwan.
- 2008 Member, China Selection Committee, American Council of Learned Societies.
- 2007-9 Advisor, Boston Children's Museum, "Children of Hangzhou: Connecting with China" project
- 2006- Advisory Committee member, *Bulletin of the Department of Anthropology, National Taiwan University*
- 2006 Faculty, Workshop on Ritual and Religion, Aigine Foundation, Talas, Kyrgyzstan
- 2005- Advisory Committee, Project to Advance the Social Scientific Study of Religion in China, Purdue University
- 2005- Board of Advisors, *Taiwan Journal of Anthropology*
- 2005 Co-organizer (with Michael Puett and Adam Yuet Chau), Workshop on "Religion" in China: Rethinking Indigenous and Imported Categories of Thought. Harvard University.
- 2004-6 Member, Fulbright Senior Scholar Review Committee for China/Taiwan Research
- 2003- Co-Director, Seminar on Chinese Religions, Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, Harvard University
- 2003 Faculty, Program on Religion, Globalization, and the State, Central European University, Budapest
- 2003 Co-organizer (with Adam Seligman), Workshop on Ritual, Identities, and Boundaries. Boston University
- 2002-04 Member, Joseph Levenson Prize Committee of the Association for Asian Studies, to award annual prizes for the best book on China since 1900
- 2002 Organizer, international conferences on NGOs and the Nation in a Globalizing World. Institut für die Wissenschaften von Menschen, Vienna, and Academia Sinica, Taipei

- 2001-12 Executive Committee, International Center for East Asian Archaeology and Cultural History, Boston University
- 2000-01 Board of Directors, Association for Asian Studies
- 2000 Organizer, Workshop on NGOs in a Global Age: An Emerging Civil Society or Power Without Accountability? Ethics and Public Policy Center, Washington, D.C.
- 1999-06 Board of Advisors, *Journal of Chinese Religion*
- 1999-01 Elected Member, China and Inner Asia Council, Association for Asian Studies (chair, 2000-2001).
- 1994-99 Consultant, World Bank Asia Division.
- 1997 Consultant, International Finance Corporation.
- 1994-96 Director, Workshop on Taiwan Studies, Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, Harvard University.
- 1993-96 Member, Joint Committee on Chinese Studies, Social Science Research Council and American Council of Learned Societies.
- 1992-96 Member, Social Science Research Council International Predissertation Fellowship Program committee; chair, 1994-96.
- 1992-95 Advisory Board, *Chinese Sociology & Anthropology*.
- 1992 Program Chair, annual meeting of the New England Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Boston.
- 1992 Co-organizer, Conference on Enterprise Organization, Social Relations, and Cultural Practices in Chinese Societies, Academia Sinica, Taiwan.
- 1992 Co-chair and co-organizer, double session on Chinese Gods Beyond the Bureaucracy, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Washington, D.C.
- 1990 Member, Joint Committee on Chinese Studies Grants Selection Committee.
- 1987-90 Lecturer, East Asia Short Courses, Foreign Service Institute, Washington, D.C.
- 1986 Consultant, Smithsonian Institution, to develop catalog and display copy for "Generations" exhibit.
- 1983 Co-organizer, session on Political Economy and the Uses of Beliefs and Rituals, annual meeting of the American Ethnological Society.
- 1983 Co-organizer, session on Chinese Folk Ideologies, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association.
- 1980 Co-organizer, Symposium on Peasant Rebellions, The Johns Hopkins University.

Professional Service—Conferences, Interviews and Paper Discussions

- 2019 Discussant for session on "Religious Environmentalism," American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Vancouver.
- 2019 Roundtable participant, author meets critics session for J. Martin, *Sentiment, Reason, and Law*. American Anthropological Association annual meeting, Vancouver.
- 2019 Discussant for session on "Whither Goes the Road: Navigating Modernity and Marginality in Times of Sociopolitical Transitions," conference on Engaging Anthropology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.
- 2019 Commentator, book workshop for Jennifer Hsieh, *From Festival to Decibel*, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 2019 Discussant, Xiangchun Huang, "The Art of Keeping Appropriate Distance: Practicing "Ethnicity" of the "Dan"(蠻) on the Margins Through Time," Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2019 Discussant for workshop on "Global Thinking and Regional Acting: from Eco-aesthetics to Political Discourses of the East Asian Natural Environment," Asia Center, Harvard University.

- 2019 Discussant for session on "The Politics of Memory Across Sites of Colonial Rule," conference on *Voice and Silence: Memory in East Asia*, Harvard East Asia Society.
- 2018 Discussant for Robert Efrid, "Nature for Nurture: Environmental Education, Nature Experience, and the Healthy Chinese Child," Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 2018 Discussant, session on "Identity, Mobility, and Urban Religiosity," Workshop on Chinese Religions in the Age of Massive Urbanization, Max Planck Institute, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2018 Discussant, "Workshop on Cultural Issues of Ethnic Chinese in Vietnam," Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2018 Discussant, session on "Gender, Lineage, and Patronage: Developments in Chinese Religions," annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Washington, D.C.
- 2017 Discussant, session on "Diagnosing Moral Anxieties: Contested Values, Public Discourse, and Social Transformations in Contemporary China," annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2017 Discussant, session on "Reshaping Family Life in Modern Chinese Buddhism," annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Boston.
- 2017 Discussant, Nguyen Ngoc Tho, "A Fox's Spirit and a Tiger's Might: Ritual Disguise among Hakka of Southern Vietnam." Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2017 Discussant, session on "Barth's Legacy in Southeast Asia and China: Paradigm Shifts," Transactions and Values: An International Workshop on the Life and Work of Fredrik Barth, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou.
- 2017 Discussant, session on "Defining Fengshui," annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Toronto.
- 2017 Discussant, session on "Facing Aging in Contemporary China," New England Regional Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Boston College.
- 2016 Discussant, session on "Contemporary Chinese Buddhism," Forum on Modern Chinese Buddhism, Princeton University.
- 2016 Discussant, session on "Wilful Gods: Divine Agency and Ritual Efficacy in South and East Asia," Association for Asian Studies, Seattle.
- 2016 Book workshop commentator, Brooks Jessup, *Shanghai Dharma*, University of California, Berkeley.
- 2016 Discussant, symposium on "Blessed Happiness: Visions of a Good Life in Urban China," Georgetown University.
- 2015 Discussant, John Lagerwey, "Carrying the Ancestors," Conference on Historical Anthropology of Chinese Society, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- 2015 Discussant, session on "The Politics of Ritualization and the Ritualization of Politics in East Asia." Annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Denver.
- 2015 Panelist, Global Programs session on "The Moral Case for Saving the Planet," Boston University.
- 2015 Speaker, retirement celebration for Donald S. Sutton, Department of History, Carnegie Mellon University.
- 2015 Discussant and Concluding Speaker, First Workshop on the Anthropology of Chinese Religion: Cultivation in a Secular World. Hainan, Wenbifeng.
- 2015 Discussant and Wrap-up Panelist, 21st North American Taiwan Studies Conference, Harvard University.
- 2015 Discussant, "Workshop on Collective Protest and State Governance in Xi Jinping's China." Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2015 Discussant, "Evolving Patterns: Social Organizations and State-Society Relations in China." Harvard-MIT-BU Chinese Politics Research Workshop.
- 2014 Panelist, Global Conversation: Tian'anmen. Boston University Global Studies and Center for the Study of Asia.

- 2014 Discussant, session on "Breaking Open the Religious Realm: 21st-Century Developments in Chinese Religions," annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Philadelphia.
- 2014 Discussant, session on "Between Religiosity and Secularity: Charity and Popular Religion in Modern East Asia," annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Philadelphia.
- 2014 Interview, 当代宗教研究, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, reprinted online at 中国人类学评论网, <http://www.cranth.cn/1401/00001.html>, in print in 社会科学报, 27 Feb. 2014, p. 5.
- 2013 Participant, Workshop on Religion and Rural-Urban Immigration, Institute of Social Development, Fudan University, Shanghai.
- 2013 Discussant for Michael Lambek, "Afterlife," Institute of Anthropology, Nanjing University.
- 2013 Discussant, roundtable on 民族因素与社会稳定, Institute of Social Development, Nanjing Normal University, and the Minority Affairs Committee of Jiangsu Province.
- 2013 Discussant, session on Moral Lives and the Business of Death, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago.
- 2013 Session organizer and discussant, "State Policy and the Practice of Religious Pluralism in Asia," 7th Asian Political and International Studies Association Annual Conference, Ankara, Turkey.
- 2013 Discussant for Li Xiangping, "神人关系及其信仰模式建构," International Conference on Religion, Spiritual Capital and Civil Society, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- 2013 Wrap-up commentator and discussant, Conference on the "Social Life of Dead Bodies." Brown University.
- 2013 Commentator, Workshop on "Locating Nature." Institute for Global Law and Policy Research Grant, Harvard Law School.
- 2013 Interview, Brainiac blog, Ideas Section, *Boston Globe*, http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/ideas/brainiac/2013/05/ideas_you_cove.html.
- 2012 Discussant, session on Faces of Han Buddhism in Contemporary China, annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Chicago.
- 2012 Discussant for Xu Wu, "The Sacred Wudang Mountain: Secular Villagers, Wild Foods, and Daoist Heritage." Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2011 Discussant, session on Chinese Marriage: Reinventions and Interventions since 1949, meeting of the New England Association for Asian Studies, Wellesley College.
- 2011 Participant, Roundtable on Religion and NGOs in China, Open Society Institute, New York.
- 2011 Discussant, International Workshop on Creative Forms of Public Participation in China, Harvard-Yenching Institute.
- 2011 Moderator, Seminar on the Role of Energy in Avoiding Collapse, Boston University Department of Geography and Pardee Center.
- 2011 Commentator, Workshop in *The Missionary's Curse: A Catholic Village in China*, by Henrietta Harrison, Harvard University.
- 2010 Discussant, Workshop on Leisure and the State in Asian Societies, Boston University Center for the Study of Asia.
- 2010 Discussant, session on NGO-ness and Volunteerism in Asia, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, New Orleans.
- 2010 Discussant, session on Moral Responses to Social Suffering, International Workshop on Social Suffering: The Culture of Compassion and Divided Moral Experience in China, Harvard.
- 2010 Discussant, session on Reassessing the Chinese Corporatist State, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Philadelphia.
- 2009 Discussant, three sessions at Society for East Asian Anthropology meeting, including Presidential Roundtable, Taipei.
- 2009 Discussant, session on The Mandate of Heaven at the Local Level in China, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Chicago.

- 2009 Discussant, session on Historical and Modern Anthropological Studies, Boston University Student Conference on East Asia.
- 2009 Discussant for Alison Denton Jones, "Doing Buddhism on the Organization Level." Culture and Social Analysis Workshop, Harvard University.
- 2008 Participant, "Workshop on Religion and Civil Society in Taiwan and Mainland China." Long Term Strategy Group, Cambridge, MA.
- 2008 Interview for NPR Interfaith Voices.
- 2008 Discussant for Nara Dillon, "A Third Way for the Third Sector." Conference on Adaptive Authoritarianism, Harvard University.
- 2008 Panelist, session on "Religion, Civil Society, and Economic Life." Symposium on Religion and the Future of China, Council on Foreign Relations, New York.
- 2008 Discussant for Michael Herzfeld, "Crypto-Colonialism and Subjugated Freedom." Seminar on Culture and Politics, Harvard University.
- 2007 Discussant, session on Rituals and Religion, International Conference on Modernities and Dynamics of Tradition in Vietnam, Binh Chau, Vietnam.
- 2007 Discussant, session on Paths Taken and Not Taken in the Anthropology of Buddhism, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington DC.
- 2007 Discussant, session on Popular Legal Culture, Chinese Justice Workshop, Harvard University.
- 2007 Chair, session on "Supply and Demand in the Religious Economy," International Conference on Religion and Social Integration in Chinese Societies, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- 2007 Final Roundtable participant, workshop on "In the Heat of the Sun: The Production of Legitimacy in Mao's China." Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 2007 Discussant, session on Capitalism and Religions Change in Taiwan, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Boston.
- 2007 Participant, "Chinese Protestantism Workshop." Long Term Strategy Group, Cambridge, MA.
- 2007 Commentator, Workshop on "Christianity as Local Religion in Late Imperial China." Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 2006 Discussant, Conference on Between Eternity and Modernity: Daoism and its Reinventions in the 20th Century. ACLS/CCK Foundation, Harvard University, Ecole Française d'Extreme Orient.
- 2006 Discussant, Conference on What is an Adequate Life? Vital Citizenship, Moral Experience, and the Governance of Life in Post-Mao China. Harvard University.
- 2006 Discussant for Paul Festa, "Patrimonial Value and the Social Poetics of Spear Fishing in Taiwan." Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, Harvard University.
- 2006 Discussant, Workshop on Public Culture in Contemporary East Asia, Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, Harvard University.
- 2005 Discussant, session on Bringing Chinese Religious Pasts into the Present, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 2005 Discussant, session on The Hybridity of State and Religious Culture, International Conference on Religion, Modernity, and the State in China and Taiwan. University of California, Santa Barbara.
- 2005 Discussant, session on Geographies of Class, Conference on Class-ifying "Asian Values." College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA.
- 2005 Discussant, session on Rural Development, international forum on The Third Space of the 'Commons': The Debate on the 'Public' and 'Private.' School of Agricultural Economics and Rural Development, Renmin University, China.
- 2005 Discussant, session on Professions and the Future, Conference on The Professions and Professionalism in China. Harvard Law School and the Harvard University Asia Center.
- 2004 Discussant, session on Rural Elections, Conference on Grassroots Political Reform in Contemporary China, Harvard University.

- 2004 Session chair, Workshop on Remembering to Be Chinese: History, Commemoration, and Identity in Greater China, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.
- 2003 Discussant, session on Why Body? Embodiment, Discipline, and Symbolism in Gender and Religion, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago.
- 2003 Discussant for Cathryn Clayton "Outlaw Tales: Sovereignty, Lawlessness, and Mythologies of Marginality in Transition-Era Macau." Harvard University, Fairbank Center Seminar Series.
- 2002 Discussant, session on "Discipline and Resistance," Workshop on Workplaces and Work Experiences in the People's Republic of China, Harvard University.
- 2002 Discussant, session on "Millennialism in Chinese Folk Religion," Conference on Chinese Millennialism in Comparative Perspective, Harvard University and Boston University.
- 2002 Discussant, session on "Wings of Belief: Modern Chinese Religious Transnationalism," annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies.
- 2002 Discussant for Susan McCarthy "Gods of Wealth, Temples of Prosperity: The Chinese Party-State as Minority Cultural Entrepreneur." Harvard University, Fairbank Center Seminar Series.
- 2002 Discussant, session on "The Social Organization of Religion." Harvard East Asia Society Graduate Student Conference.
- 2001 Wrap-up panelist and discussant, international workshop on Yi Studies: The Fate of Cultural Diversity in an Age of Development, Harvard University.
- 2001 Discussant, conference on Rethinking Social Science Research in the Developing World, Social Science Research Council, Park City, Utah.
- 2001 Discussant and chair, session on Civil Society, Social Movements, and Democratization on Both Sides of the Taiwan Strait, Boston University.
- 2001 Discussant, conference on Civilizing Discourses and the Politics of Culture in Twentieth-Century China, Harvard University.
- 2001 Discussant, session on Against the Grain: Buddhist Nuns in Contemporary Taiwan and China, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Chicago.
- 2000 Discussant for Sara Friedman, "For Love or Modernity? Marriage, the Market, and the State in Rural Fujian." Harvard University, Fairbank Center Seminar Series.
- 2000 Discussant, session on Religious Ritual in Taiwan, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies.
- 1999 Discussant, session on Identity, Agency, and the "Collective": Multivocality in Chinese Religions, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago.
- 1999 Discussant, session on Modernization and Its Discontents, 4th Annual Conference on the History and Culture of Taiwan, Seattle.
- 1999 Discussant, session on New Approaches to the Study of Religion Society in Early Modern China, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies.
- 1998 Participant, Religions and Ecology Culminating Conference, Harvard University.
- 1998 Discussant, Conference on Daoism and Ecology, Harvard University, for Jeffrey Meyer, "Daoist Chinese Gardens as Ecological Texts."
- 1998 Discussant, session on Chinese Traditions, American Association of Religion New England/Maritimes Regional Conference, Andover-Newton Theological Seminary.
- 1997 Participant, planning meeting on Cultural Conceptions of Environmental and Developmental Values, Carnegie Council on Ethics and International Affairs, New York.
- 1996 Discussant, invited session on Shamans Dancing at the End of the Millennium, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association.
- 1996 Discussant for Pan Ying-hai, "On the Vase Worshipping Complex in South Taiwan." Taiwan Studies Workshop, Harvard University.
- 1996 Discussant, session on Social Change, Conference on the Non-Economic Impact of China's Economic Reforms, Fairbank Center, Harvard University.

- 1996 Participant, ACLS Conference on Ethnic Identity and the China Frontier, Hanover, New Hampshire.
- 1995 Discussant for Leo Ou-fan Lee, "Cultural Studies and Chinese Studies." Seminar in Anthropology and Literature, Harvard University.
- 1995 Guest, "Business Week with Jim Howell." WABU-TV, Boston.
- 1994 Discussant for Joe Bosco, "Better the Head of a Chicken than the Tail of an Ox: On Cultural Explanations for the Development of Family Factories in Taiwan." Taiwan Studies Workshop, Harvard University.
- 1994 Discussant, session on Family, Business and Culture in East Asia, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Atlanta.
- 1994 Discussant, session on Magic and the Modern in Contemporary China, annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Boston.
- 1994 Discussant for Thomas Shaw, "Is There a Taiwanese Individualism?" Taiwan Studies Workshop, Harvard University.
- 1992 Moderator, workshop on Conducting Social Science Research in the Developing World. Social Science Research Council, Boothbay Harbor, Maine.
- 1992 Discussant for Alan Wachman, "Competing Identities of Taiwan." Taiwan Studies Workshop, Harvard University.
- 1991 Participant, International Conference on Obstacles to the Transformation of Soviet-Style Societies in Eastern Europe: The "Positive" Legacy, Vienna, Austria.
- 1990 Discussant, The Rituals and Scriptures of Chinese Popular Religion, SSRC and ACLS, Bodega Bay, California.
- 1989 Discussant, Workshop on Transforming Traditions: New Media and Religious Change in South Asia, SSRC and ACLS, Carmel, California.
- 1989 Discussant, session on Political and Commercial Culture, Conference on Cultural Change in Contemporary Taiwan, Chicago.
- 1986 Discussant, invited session on Directive Force of Cultural Models, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association.
- 1986 Chair, session on Social Relations and Political Power, Symposium on Marxism and the Chinese Experience, Duke University.
- 1985 Participant, Conference on Anthropological Studies of the Taiwan Area: Accomplishments and Prospects, Taipei, Taiwan.
- 1983 Discussant for William Rowe, "Hu Lin-i and Fiscal Reform in Ch'ing China." Triangle East Asia Colloquium, North Carolina.
- 1982 Discussant, sessions on Family and Kinship in China and Korea, annual convention of the American Society for Ethnohistory.
- 1981 Discussant for Michael Adas, "A Paucity of Protest: Social Control, Peasant Defenses and Rural Responses to European Colonial Rule." Comparative Area Studies Program, Duke University.
- 1980 Discussant, session on New Perspectives on Chinese Ethnography, annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association.
- 1976 Rapporteur, conference on the Anthropology of Taiwan, SSRC and ACLS, New Hampshire.

Professional Service--Refereeing

Manuscript referee for *American Anthropologist*; *American Behavioral Scientist* (2020); *American Ethnologist* (2016, 2017); *Asia Pacific Journal of Anthropology* (2014); *Asian Anthropology*; *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry*; *China: An International Journal* (2013); *Current Anthropology* (2018, 2019); *Cultural Anthropology* (2018); *HAU* (2020); *International Communication of Chinese Culture* (2017); *Journal of Asian Studies* (2019); *Journal of Chinese Religions*; *Journal of Contemporary Religion* (2020); *Journal of Current Chinese Affairs*; *Journal of Religion* (2017); *Language, Culture, and Society*; *Man*; *Modern*

China (2012); *Public Culture* (2016); *Religion, State & Society* (2013); *Religions* (2019); *Review of Religion and Chinese Society* (2014, 2017, 2018); *Social Analysis* (2020); *Social Problems*; *Taiwan J. of Anthropology* (2015); *Taiwan J. of Religions* (2013); *宗教人类学* (2011); *華人宗教研究* (2017); Cambridge University Press (2011, 2019, 2020); China Books; Macmillan Press; Princeton University Press; Stanford University Press; SUNY Press; University of California Press; University of Michigan Press; University of Washington Press.

Proposal referee for the CSCC/Committee on Advanced Study in China; Mary Bunting Institute; National Endowment for the Humanities; National Science Foundation; Social Science Research Council; American Council of Learned Societies; Wenner-Gren Foundation; Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation (2016); Research Grants Council, Hong Kong (2005-12); Taiwan Studies Fellowships, Harvard University, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada; National Geographic Society; John Templeton Foundation; Chinese Spirituality and Society Program (Purdue); 8th Annual Conference of the European Association of Taiwan Studies; An Wang Fellowships, Harvard; Centre of Advanced Study, Norway Academy of Science and Letters (2014), Yale Center for East Asian Studies (2015).

Hiring, promotion and tenure referee for Chinese University of Hong Kong (2012, 2017, 2018, 2020), Cornell University, Griffith University (Australia), Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (2012), Institute of Ethnology of the Academia Sinica (Taiwan), Institute of Sociology of the Academia Sinica (2016, 2017), London School of Economics and Political Science (2020), Santa Clara University, Stanford University, St. Lawrence University (2015), Tel Aviv University, Tsinghua University (Taiwan), Tulane University, Université de Montréal, University of Alberta (2014), University of California Irvine, University of Cambridge (2012, 2014, 2019), University of Chicago (2012), University of Indiana (2016), University of Oregon, University of Pittsburgh, University of Vermont (2017), University of Washington at Seattle, University of Wisconsin-Madison, University of Tennessee (2018).

Outside thesis examiner for Bates College, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Australian National University, Macquarie University, Olin College, Bielefeld University (Germany, 2012), University of Copenhagen (2014), University of Oxford (2016), LSE (2017), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (2018).

External examiner, Chinese University of Hong Kong MA program (2008-12).

Program evaluator, Australian National University, University of Washington, Seattle (2010), Chinese University of Hong Kong (2011), Institute of Ethnology of the Academia Sinica (2014).

Graduate committee member at Harvard Graduate School of Design, Harvard School of Education, Harvard Department of Sociology, Harvard Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations (2006, 2009-2015, 2017-), University of Chicago Department of Sociology (2010), Graduate Theological Union (2009), University of Illinois Department of Anthropology (2008-11), Brandeis Department of Anthropology (2013, 2011-17), University of Wisconsin, Madison (2017), MIT Program in History, Anthropology, and Science and Technology (2018-), Columbia Teachers College (2020).

Award referee for Scholarly Monograph Award in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Academia Sinica (2015).

Fellowship evaluation, British Academy (2017).

University Service (Selected)

2018-19 BU Academic Program Review Committee
 2018-19 BU Faculty Grievance Committee
 2017 Search Committee, Anthropology
 2016-17 Member, Committee on the Future of the Archaeology Department

2015 Member, Review Committee for MA program in Medical Anthropology and Cross-Cultural Practice, BUMC
 2015 Member, Department of Religion Search Committee
 2015- Core Faculty, Graduate Division of Religious Studies (CAP member, 2016-20)
 2015-18 Member, Graduate Academic Affairs Committee, GRS (Chair, 2016-18)
 2015 Internal Member, Review Committee for the Department of Modern Languages and Comparative Literature
 2015- Director of Graduate Studies in Anthropology
 2015- Advisory Board, BU Master's in Medical Anthropology
 2015 BU Ethnomusicology Search Committee
 2011 Member, CAS International Programs Advisory Committee
 2011-12 Search Committee, Director, Pardee Center
 2007-13 Chair, Anthropology
 2006-7 Acting Chair, Anthropology
 2005-6 Convener, East Asia Studies Faculty Seminar
 2005-10 Advisory Committee, Environmental Analysis and Policy Concentration
 2002-03 Acting Chair, Department of Anthropology, Boston University
 2002-03 Committee to Reevaluate the Social Sciences, Core Curriculum
 2001-15 Executive Committee, International Center for East Asian Archaeology and Cultural History
 1999-00 Acting Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Anthropology, Boston University
 1998-99 Boston University CAS Committee on Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure
 1998-99 International Programs Beijing Internship Program Review Committee
 1997-09 Boston University Institutional Review Board for Research on Human Subjects
 1996-97 Acting Chair, Department of Anthropology, Boston University.
 1993-96 Boston University Committee on Social Science Curriculum
 1990-05 Boston University Committee on East Asian Studies
 1994-95 Steering Committee, Boston University Asia Institute
 1992-97 Anthropology Graduate Committee, Boston University
 1990-96 Anthropology Curriculum Committee, Boston University
 1992-96 Anthropology Search Committees, Boston University
 1991 International Relations Search Committee, Boston University
 1980-90 Duke University Committee of the Asian/Pacific Studies Institute
 Chairman, Subcommittee on Fellowships, 1982-4
 Executive Committee, 1987-9
 1986-90 Ex officio, Duke University committees for international scholarships (Fulbright, Rhodes, Marshall, Churchill)
 1989-90 Board of Advisers, Duke University Women's Center
 1982-6 Duke University Comparative Area Studies Committee
 1981-90 Duke University Committee on Exchanges with China
 1981-86 Duke University Institutional Review Board for Research on Human Subjects
 1989-90 Duke University Committee on International Exchanges
 1987-88 Duke University Language Laboratory Committee
 1985-89 Duke University Committee for Program in Marxism and Society
 1981-90 Duke University Undergraduate Faculty Council of Arts and Sciences
 Elected representative, 1981-82
 Committee on Academic Standards, 1982-83
 Study Abroad Committee, 1986-90
 1984-85 Director, Duke University Study in China Program
 1985-86 Director of Graduate Studies, Anthropology, Duke University
 1980-86 Anthropology Graduate Committee, Duke University