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**Education:**

**Ph.D.**, History, 2010, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

**M.A.**, History, 2005, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

**B.A.**, History, 2002, Wuhan University, China

**Dissertation:**

**“Big Is Modern: The Making of Wuhan as a Mega-City in Early Twentieth Century China, 1889-1957”** advised by Ann Waltner and Liping Wang

**Current Academic Affiliation**

Associate Professor, History Department, Seattle Pacific University, 2018 September-present

Assistant Professor, History Department, Seattle Pacific University, 2010 September—2018

**Previous Academic Appointments**

Lecturer, History Department, University of Minnesota Morris, 2009 Aug.—2010 May

**Publications:**

Book review of Steven Harrell’s *An Ecological History of Modern China* (Seattle: University of Washington Press, 2023), in *American Review of China Studies,* vol. 24 no.2 (Fall 2023): 86-89.

“Remapping Chinese Cities: From Empire’s Political Center to the Battlefield of “Trade War,” in *Frontiers of History in China,* vol.12, no.4 (2017): 519-537.

“Cities under Siege: Flood in 1931 and Environmental Challenges of Chinese Urban Modernization,” in Carola Hein (edit), *History Urbanism Resilience*: *The Urban Fabric*, (Tu Delft, 2016): 79-88.

“Rethinking China’s Model: Contending Perspectives on Chinese Economic Reform and State Governance,” in *The Journal of International and Global Studies,* 5:2 (April 2014): 101-106.

Book review of *Critical Han Studies: The History, Representation, and Identity of China's Majority,* in *Asian Highlands Perspectives,* vol. 28 (2013): 413-417.

Book review of Mingxiu Pi’s *Wuhan tongshi* [A General History of Wuhan](Wuhan: Wuhan chuban she, 2006), in *Wuhan Academic Journal* (Wuhan xuekan), no.1 (2007): 36. (http://www.cnki.com.cn/Journal/G-G1-WHXK-2007-01.htm)

"Cong lishi yanjiu ‘xiao’: nvxing zai mingdai de shenghuo.” [A Historical Investigation on 'Filial Piety': Women's Life in Ming China.] *luojia renwen*, no. 2 (2001): 12-19.

**Selected Conference Papers and Participation:**

“What’s Faithfulness for the Christian Scholar” as a panel discussion monitor at the Future Asian Faculty Workshop, Veritas Forum, July 17-19, 2022.

“Big Is Modern: The Making of Wuhan as a Mega-City in Early Twentieth Century China” at the symposium on environment in China: Resilience, Response, and Reclamation in the Ecology and Environment of Greater China, University of Puget Sound, Feb 8 & 9, 2019.

“Cities under Siege: Flood in 1931 and the Environmental Challenges of Chinese Urban Modernization,” lecture given at UW China Colloquium, April 14, 2016.

“Cities, Floods and China’s Urbanism,” talk given at UW’s workshop on Resilience and Asian Urbanism, held by the college of built environments and Jackson School of International Studies, March 29, 2016.

“Cities under Siege: Flood in 1931 and the Environmental Challenges of Chinese Urban Modernization.” At CESS Conference (PRC Environmental Tradeoffs: Modern China’s Environment, Science(s) and Landscapes” KPU, Richmond BC, Sept. 21, 2015.

“Is Big Modern? The Making of Wuhan as a Mega-City in Early Twentieth Century China” at the 56th Annual Conference of the AACS (American Association of Chinese Studies) at the George Washington University, Washington DC, Oct. 10-12, 2014.

“从政治中心到’商战’战场的转变：晚清张之洞在武汉地区的城市改革 (From A Political Center to A Battle Field of ‘Trade War’: Zhang Zhidong and His Urban Reforms in The Wuhan Region)” paper presented at明清城市和明清历史研究工作坊 (City and History of the Ming and Qing China) at Renmin University, Beijing, China, July 6-7, 2013.

“Flood Challenge and Response: The Local and International Cooperation in the Flood Relief of 1931” paper presented at the annual meeting of Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast (ASPAC) on June 14-17, 2012, at Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington.

“Alternative Visions of China’s urban modernity, 1911-1925” paper presented at the conference on “the knowledge construction on locality, nation, and ethnicity (地域、民族、族群——关于人群区分的知识建构学术研讨), at Renmin University, Beijing, China, July 12-14, 2011.

“Chinese City Transformed: From a Political Center to a Battle Field of ‘Trade War’,” paper presented at the annual conference of World History Association, Beijing, China, July 7-10, 2011.

“Urban Rebuilding for Modern China: The Contesting Views and Efforts of Urban Reconstruction in the Early Republic, 1911-1925,” Paper presented at the 57th Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, at St. Olaf College, Northfield, October 10, 2008.

**Research Interests:**

* Late imperial and Modern China
* Urban history
* Environmental history

**Courses Taught:**

* UCOR 2000: The Emergence of the Modern Global System
* HIS 3765: Traditional East Asia
* HIS 3785: The Making of East Asian Modernities
* HIS 3786: Nation, City and Identity in China: History from Within
* HIS 4899: History Capstone

**Professional Associations:**

Association of Asian Studies

Association for East Asian Environmental History

Urban History Association

American History Association

World Historical Association

**Selected University and Community Service:**

* Gave a talk on “Will We Face a Taiwan Crisis in 2024?” sponsored by Hindsight History, winter 2024.
* Organizer of the public lecture on “The Venice Arsenal: Between History, Heritage and Reuse” by Dr. Luca Zan from the University of Bologna Italy April 17, 2023.
* Organizer of the public lecture on “Chinese Politics and US-China relations under Covid” by Dr. Zhengqing Zhang from Hamilton University, winter 2022
* Asian Studies Program Acting Director 2018-2024
* IACUC (the Institute of Animal Care and Use Committee) 2011-2017
* Asian Studies Major Curriculum Design and Community Building, 2016-2018
* Day of Common Learning Session leader, Autumn 2012, 2016
* Major’s Fair, April 2011, 2014, 2015.
* New Student Advising 2015, 2016.
* Urban Preview Advising, 2014, 2015.
* Panelist for a graduate student symposium at SPU sponsored by the Lilly Fellows Program, August 2011.
* Organizer of the public lecture on Christianity in China given by Joyce Chan, a historian of church history and multi-cultural studies from Carey Theological College in Vancouver in the spring 2015;
* Organizer of the Asian Studies cultural talk given by Ge Jian, an anthologist at UW Bothell in the spring 2017.
* Gave a talk at CAS Arts and Humanities Colloquium Series “Cities Under Siege: The Great Flood of 1931 and the Downsides of Urban Modernization in China” on February 23, 2016
* Organizer of “Asian Movie Event” with Mikyung Kim, 2012-2014
* Organizer of Tea Time with Xu Bian, a weekly Chinese conversation gathering among students and faculty.
* Faculty Sponsor of History Club at UMM (Morris), 2009-2010 academic year
* Student volunteer in The Confucius Institute at UMN, summer 2009
* The Council of Graduate Students (COGS), Policy and Review (P&R) Representative for Social Sciences, University of Minnesota, Fall 2008.
* History Department, Graduate Student Representative, University of Minnesota, 2007-08 academic year.
* Organizer of Chinese History & Literature Dissertation Writing Workshop, University of Minnesota, 2007-08 academic year.
* History Department, Graduate Mentor, counseling new graduate students of Chinese history on graduate programs and useful resources for study, Fall 2006.
* International speaker for International Connection Classroom Program of Minnesota International Center (MIC), sharing Chinese culture and history with students, 2004-05 academic year.
* Board Member, the Friendship Association of Chinese Students and Scholars (FACSS), University of Minnesota, 2003-2004.