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EDUCATION:

- 1999 **Ph.D.** Department of History, University of Hawai'i, Manoa
(Advisor: Dru Gladney)
- 1994 **M.A.** Department of History, University of Hawai'i, Manoa
- 1989 Certificate in Chinese Language, Tunghai University (Taiwan)
- 1989 **B.A.** Department of History, Whitman College

ACADEMIC & RESEARCH POSITIONS:

- 2019 – present **Professor of History**, Department of History, Pennsylvania State University.
- 2009-19 **Associate Professor of History**, Department of History, Pennsylvania State University.
- 2010-17 **Director of Graduate Studies**, Department of History, Pennsylvania State University.
- 2015 **Visiting Research Scholar**, Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, New Delhi, India.
- 2010-11 **Visiting Research Scholar**, Department of History, Yunnan University.
- 2007-08 **Visiting Fellow**, Center for Studies of Chinese Southwest Borderland Ethnic Minorities, Yunnan University.
- 2002-09 **Assistant Professor of History & Asian Studies**, Department of History, Pennsylvania State University.
- 2001-02 **Assistant Professor**, Department of History, University of Colorado at Denver, Denver, Colorado.
- 2001 (Spring) **Visiting Fellow**, Center of Islamic and Central Asian Studies, Humboldt University, Berlin Germany.
- 1999-2001 **Assistant Professor**, Department of History, Juniata College, Pennsylvania.
- 1997-98 **Doctoral Research Scholar**, History Department, Yunnan University, China.
- 1996-97 **Doctoral Research Scholar**, Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan.
- 1989-90 **Instructor**, Foreign Languages and Literature Department, Yunnan University, China

BOOK LENGTH PUBLICATIONS:

- *Tibet in the 21st Century: What Everyone Needs to Know*. Oxford University Press. [under Contract]
- *Lin Zexu: Imperial China in a Globalizing World*. Oxford University Press. [Under Contract – 2020 anticipated]
- 2018 *Islamic Shangri-la: Inter-Asian Relations and Lhasa's Muslim Communities, 1600-1960*, University of California Press.
- 2010 *Sources in Chinese History (1644-present)*. Co-authored with Yurong Yang Atwill. Upper Saddle River: Prentice Hall.
- 2006 *The Chinese Sultanate: Islam, Violence, and the Panthay Rebellion, 1856-1873*. Stanford University Press.
(CHINESE Translation under contract with Prof. Yang Jide and Ningxia Chubanshe).

SELECTED ESSAYS, BOOK CHAPTERS and SCHOLARLY ARTICLES:

- "Muslims in a Buddhist Land: Tibet's Muslims and the Lhasa Uprisings of 1959 and 2008" in Eric Tagliacazzo and David Powers, eds. *Comparing Muslim Societies* (solicited contribution)
- 2018 "Lhasa's Departed Past," *#AsiaNow*, October 8: www.asian-studies.org/asia-now/entryid/178

- 2016 **"Boundaries of Belonging: Sino-Indian Relations and the 1960 Tibetan Muslim Incident,"** *Journal of Asian Studies* 75(3) August 2016: 595-620.
- 2014 **"A Tibetan By Any Other Name: The Case of Muslim Tibetans and Ambiguous Ethno-religious Identities"** *Cahiers d'Extrême Asie* 23: 31-61.
- 2010 **"Ruminations on the Interpretive Framework of 19th Century Tibet-Yunnan Relations,"** *Journal of Ethnology* 1-2 (2010) [In Chinese] (大卫·阿提威, "十九世纪滇藏关系解释范式的反思," 民族学刊, 2 (2010): 19-24.
- 2007 **"Holy Culture Wars: Patterns of Ethno-Religious Violence in 19th and 20th Century China,"** in *Belief and Bloodshed: Religion and Violence Across Time and Tradition*. Ed. James Wellman. (Rowman & Littlefield): 115-130.
- 2006 **"Islam and 19th century Yunnan: Local Visions and Global Connections,"** In Tu Weiming and Yao Jide (eds.), "The Global Significance of Local Knowledge (本土知识的全球意义), *Nanjing University-Harvard Yenching Forum for Dialogue between Chinese and Islamic Civilizations* (Conference Proceedings): 1-7.
- 2003 **"Blinkered Visions: Islamic Identity, Hui Ethnicity, and the Panthay Rebellion in Southwest China, 1856-1874,"** *Journal of Asian Studies*, vol. 62, no. 4 November 2003, 1079-1108. (CHINESE Translation in Lu Ren (ed.), *Xiandai Xifang Xueshu Sheyezhong de Zhongguo Xinan Bianjiang Shi*, 2007) (REPRINTED: Michael Dillon, ed. *Islam in China: Key Papers*, 2 vols, Global Oriental, 2009, pp 300-329).
- 2002 **"Trading Places: Resistance, Ethnicity and Governance in 19th Century Yunnan,"** in Robert J. Antony and Jane K. Leonard, eds., *Dragons, Tigers, and Dogs Qing Crisis Management and the Boundaries of State Power in Late Imperial China* (Ithaca: Cornell East Asia Series, 245-273).
- 1999 **"Larger Than Life: French Imperialism in Southwest China, 1886-1904"** in *Shixue Luncong* (Studies in History), no.7, Dec., 1999.
- 1997 **"Islam in the World of Yunnan: Muslim Yunnanese Identity in 19th Century Yunnan,"** *Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs*, 17(1) 1997, 9-30.

SELECT FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS:

- [2020-21] **Institut d'études avancées de Paris/Institute of Advanced Studies, Paris**, Resident Fellow
- 2019 – Fall **Center of Chinese Studies (National Library, Taiwan)**, Research Grant for Foreign Scholars
- 2019 – Spring **Sydney China Fellowship (China Studies Center, University of Sydney)**, Visiting Scholar
- 2016 **Association of Nepal and Himalayan Studies**, Senior Fellowship
- 2014-2016 **Public Intellectuals Program Fellow**, National Committee of China-United States Relations.
- 2014-2015 **NEH FPIRI Fellow (administered by American Institute of Indian Studies)** Senior Scholar Fellowship
- 2014 **Graduate School Alumni Society Graduate Program Chair Leadership Award**
- 2012-2015 **European Research Council**, Center for Himalayan Studies (CNRS). (Participating scholar)
- 2011-2013 **Mellon Foundation – Supplemental New Directions Fellowship**
- 2011 **Confucius Institute Workshop Grant – "China in Motion: Urban-Rural Migration in Modern China"**
- 2007-2010 **Mellon Foundation – New Directions Fellowship**
- 2007/2008 **Fulbright Scholar Research Award – People's Republic of China**
- 2007 (Spring) **Institute for the Arts and Humanities – Resident Scholar** (Penn State)
- 2001 **Junior Fellow of the Working Group Modernity and Islam** (Berlin, Germany)
- 1996/97 **J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship** (Taiwan-Year)

SELECTED REVIEWS, FIELD REPORTS & SHORT ESSAYS

- 2020 Review of **A History of Modern Tibet, Volume 4 In the Eye of the Storm, 1957-1959**. By Melvyn Goldstein, *Journal of Asian Studies* 80.1 (February 2020): [Forthcoming]
- 2020 Review of **The Muslim Merchants of Premodern China: The History of a Maritime Asian Trade Diaspora, 750–1400** by John W. Chaffee, *American Historical Review* 125.1 (February 2020). [Forthcoming]
- 2018 Featured Review: **The New Inter-Asian History: Moving Beyond China’s Borders**, *Twentieth-Century China*, 43.1 (January 2018): 89-98.
- 2016 **Islamic Shangri-La: Tibetan Muslim Hybridity, Assimilation and Diaspora** (ANHS Senior Fellowship Report). *HIMALAYA, the Journal of the Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies*: Vol. 36 (2): 129-130.
- 2014 Featured Review of **What Remains: Coming to Terms with Civil War in 19th century China**, by Tobie Meyer-Fong. *American Historical Review* 119.3 (June 2014) 831-32.

SERVICE (PROFESSIONAL):

SELECTED SERVICE TO THE FIELD:

National Committee US-China Relations Congressional Staff Delegation (Scholar Escort), 2016.
Dissertation Review (Chinese History) – Advisory Board Member, 2012-present
Association of Asian Studies, Program Committee – Board Member, 2011-2013.

SELECTED EXTERNAL MANUSCRIPT, ARTICLE AND FELLOWSHIP REFEREE:

Book Manuscript referee:

University of North Carolina
Weatherhead East Asian Institute
Oxford University Press
Cornell University Press
Cengage Learning
Pearson Publishing
Houghton Mifflin
Prentice Hall

Article Manuscript referee:

Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies
Verge: Studies in Global Asias
Twentieth Century China
The Historian
China Review International
Al-Quantara

SELECTED SERVICE (UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL)

SELECTED UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

- 2018 – 2019 Graduate School – Committee on Fellowships and Awards – Chair
2016 – Present Graduate Council (University level) – Council Member
2017 – 2018 College of Liberal Arts - Associate Dean Search Committee – Member
2017 – 2018 Humanities Institute (College of Liberal Arts) – Advisory Board Member
2014 – 2018 Graduate School - Graduate Student Travel Grants Review Committee – Member
2016 – 2017 Institute of Arts and Humanities (University) – Advisory Board Member
2016 – 2017 NEH Next Generation Humanities PhD Planning Grant – Working Group Chair
2012 – 2014 University CSCS/PSCS (Curricular Reform) Committee

SELECTED COLLEGE SERVICE:

2016 – present	Liberal Arts Research and Graduate Studies Office (RGSO) Committee – Member
2015 – 2016	College of Liberal Arts Leadership Program – Member/Mentor
2014 – present	Future Funded Faculty Program (College of Liberal Arts) – Member/Mentor
2010 – 2014	Innovators (Technology Advisory Committee), College of Liberal Arts
2004 – 2008	East Asian Studies Committee

SELECTED DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE:

2019 – 2020	Search Committee Chair – Global South History
2018 – 2019	Policy Committee Member
2018 – 2019	Search Committee Member – Civil War Era Endowed Chair History
2016 – 2017	Search Committee Chair – South Asian History
2016 – 2017	Search Committee Member – Chinese Literature – Comparative Literature
2016 – 2019	Tenure and Promotion Committee Member
2013 – 2014	Search Committee Chair – Latin American History
2011 – 2012	Search Committee Chair – Chinese History
2005 – 2009	Policy Committee
2005 – 2009	Graduate Student Orientation & Placement Advisor
2003 – 2004	Search Committee Member – Early Modern History
2003 – 2006	Advisor Phi Alpha Theta
2003 – 2007	Graduate Admissions and Awards Committee (Member)

RECENT PROFESSIONAL & INVITED PAPERS

Notre Dame University (South Bend, IN)

- **March 23, 2020**— Invited Speaker " Muslims in a Buddhist Land: Tibet’s Muslims and the Lhasa Uprisings”

Dali University — Institute of Ethnic Studies (Dali, Yunnan PRC)

- **December 6, 2019**— Inaugural Speaker Endowed Speaker Series: “From Panthay to Lin Zexu: Chosing a Path in Chinese Studies” (in Chinese)

George Mason University — Islam in China Forum (Fairfax, VA)

- **April 4, 2019**— Invited Speaker "Islam in China: New Studies and Perspectives”

Association for Asian Studies (AAS) — National Conference (Seattle, WA)

- **March 2019**— "Islam in Asian Studies” Invited Roundtable

University of Sydney (Sydney, Australia)

- **March 5, 2019** — Invited speaker, “Cold War Asia and Tibet’s Himalayan Past: Tibetan Muslims, Nepalese Rebels and the Bandung Dilemma, 1951-1961”

University of Sydney (Sydney, Australia)

- **February 20, 2019** — Sydney Ideas (Public Forum): "The Xinjiang Crackdown: Islam and Nationalities Policy in China Today"

American Historical Association (AHA) — National Conference (Washington, D.C.)

- **January 2018**—Panelist and Commentator, “Half-Breeds, Mongrels and Mules: Half-Tibetans at the Intersection of Race, Ethnicity and Nationalism, 1900-1960”

University of Rochester (Rochester, NY)

- **October 27, 2016** — Invited speaker, "Islamic Shangri-la: Tibetan Muslims and the Emergence of Modern Tibet"

COURSES TAUGHT:

Intro Level History Courses:

- World History to 1500
- World History since 1500
- History of Modern East Asian History
- Tibet: Sacred People, Places and Spaces (HIST/RLST)
- Introduction to Asian Literature (CMLIT)

Upper Level History Courses:

- 20th Century China

Qing China

Senior Seminar: Tibet

Graduate Level History Seminars:

Theory, Method and the Practice of History

Rebellion, Revolution and Nation in Modern China

Late Imperial and Modern China

Ethnicity and Borderlands in 19th and 20th century China

Islam's Orient: Islam, Nationalism and Ethnic Violence in China

First Year Seminar for Graduate Teaching Assistants

Teaching Seminar for Advanced History Graduate Students

Languages

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| Chinese | – | Classical and Modern Mandarin |
| French | – | Conversant Reading/Speaking/Advanced Reading |
| Italian | – | Intermediate Reading/Basic Speaking |
| Tibetan | – | Intermediate Reading/Basic Speaking |