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HKU Global Professor
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Permanent positions:

University of Hong Kong, Department of Philosophy
Professor (HKU Global Professor), August 15, 2022 – present.
San Francisco State University, Department of Philosophy
Professor, August 2017 – August 2022.
Associate Professor, August 2012-17.
Assistant Professor, August 2006-12.

Visiting positions:

University of California Santa Cruz, Philosophy Department, Visiting Scholar, Spring and Summer 2026.
Santa Clara University, Philosophy Department, Austin J. Fagothey Visiting Professor, Winter 2026.
Princeton University, University Center for Human Values, Laurance S. Rockefeller Visiting Faculty Fellow, September 2019 – July 2020.
University of California Berkeley, Department of Philosophy, Visiting Professor, Summers 2010-13.
South China Normal University, Visiting Professor, Summer 2009.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Committee on Social Thought, University of Chicago, 1998-2006.
B.A., Political Philosophy, Carleton College, 1997.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

Publications

AUTHORED VOLUMES

Neo-Confucianism: A Philosophical Introduction, with Stephen C. Angle (Polity, 2017).

EDITED VOLUMES

Oxford Handbook of Chinese Philosophy (Oxford University Press, 2025).

Readings in Later Chinese Philosophy, with Bryan W. Van Norden (Hackett, 2014).

Ritual and Religion in the Xunzi*,* with T.C. Kline III (SUNY Press, 2014).

Confucian Philosophy: Innovations and Transformations, with Chung-ying CHENG, supplement to the *Journal of Chinese Philosophy* 38s, December 2011.

JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS ('†' indicates peer-reviewed)

"How Care Is the Central Notion for Virtue: Chenyang Li and Zhu Xi on the Relationship between Care and Comprehensive Virtue," *China Review* 26.1 (February 2026).†

"Dai Zhen on the Common Affirmability of Ethical Judgments," in *The Oxford Handbook of Chinese Philosophy,* Justin Tiwald, ed. (Oxford University Press, May 2025).†

"Reconciling Cosmopolitanism with the Ethics of Personal Relationships: Solutions from Historical Confucian Philosophy," *Journal of Confucian Philosophy and Culture* 43 (February 2025).†

"Meritocracy and the Tests of Virtue in Greek and Confucian Political Thought," *Journal of Confucian Philosophy and Culture* 41 (February 2024).†

"'Getting It Oneself' as an Alternative to Testimonial Knowledge and Deference to Tradition," *Oxford Studies in Epistemology* 7 (March 2023).†

"Coming to Terms with Wang Yangming's Strong Ethical Nativism: On Wang's Claim That 'Establishing Sincerity' (*Licheng* 立誠) Can Help Us Fully Grasp Everything that Matters Ethically," *Journal of Confucian Philosophy and Culture* 39 (February 2023).†

"Confucian Constitutionalism without Remedies," *Philosophy East and West* 7.22 (April 2022).†

"Philosophical Systematicity and Its Implications for Confucian and Comparative Philosophy," *Journal of Confucian Philosophy and Culture* 37 (February 2022).

"Shared Ends: Kant and Dai Zhen on the Ethical Value of Mutually Fulfilling Relationships," *Journal of Confucian Philosophy and Culture* 33 (February 2020).†

"Zhu Xi on Self-Focused vs. Other-Focused Empathy," *Dao Companion to the Philosophy of Zhu Xi*, Yong Huang and Kai-chiu Ng, eds. (Springer, 2020).†

"Moral Psychology: *Xin, Xing* and *Qing,*" with Stephen C. Angle, *Dao Companion to the Philosophy of Zhu Xi,* Yong HUANG and Kai Chiu NG, eds. (Springer, 2020).†

"On the View that People and Not Institutions Bear Primary Credit for Success in Governance," *Journal of Confucian Philosophy and Culture* 32 (August 2019).†

"Joy as a Moral Motive: A Response to Yong Huang's *Why Be Moral?*" in *Philosophy East and West*, 69.1 (January 2019).†

"Zhu Xi's Critique of Buddhism: Selfishness, Salvation, and Self-Cultivation," *The Buddhist Roots of Zhu Xi's Philosophical Thought,* John Makeham, ed. (Oxford University Press, 2018).

"Two Notions of Empathy and Oneness," *The Oneness Hypothesis: Beyond the Boundary of Self,* Philip J. Ivanhoe, Owen Flanagan, Victoria Harrison, Eric Schwitzgebel, and Hagop Sarkissian, eds. (Columbia University Press, 2018).

"Confucianism and Neo-Confucianism," *Oxford Handbook of Virtue,* Nancy E. Snow, ed. (Oxford University Press, 2018).

"Punishment and Autonomous Shame in Confucian Thought," *Criminal Justice Ethics* 36.1, April 2017.

"Xunzi Among the Chinese Neo-Confucians," *Dao Companion to the Philosophy of Xunzi,* Eric Hutton, ed. (Springer, 2016).†

Republished with modifications as "唐以降儒家传统中的荀子," in 《荀子哲学导论》, edited by Eric L. Hutton; translated by Max Tao and LIU Mingjiao 刘旻娇 , (西北大学出版社, 2026).

"Well-Being and Daoism," *Routledge Handbook of Well-Being,* Guy Fletcher, ed., (Routledge, 2015)

"Confucian Rights as a 'Fallback Apparatus'" "作为'备用机制'的儒家权利, " LIANG Tao 梁涛 and KUANG Zhao 匡钊, trans., *Academic Monthly* 学术月刊, 45.11 (November 2013).

Republished in *Virtue and Rights* 美德与权利, LIANG Tao 梁涛, ed. (中国社会科学出版社, 2016).

"Does Zhu Xi Distinguish Prudence from Morality?" *Dao* 12.3, September 2013.†

"Xunzi on Moral Expertise" *Dao* 11.3, September 2012.†

"Dai Zhen's Defense of Self-Interest," *Confucian Philosophy*, supplement to the *Journal of Chinese Philosophy* 38s, December 2011.†

"Confucianism and Human Rights," *Routledge Handbook of Human Rights*, Thomas Cushman, ed. (Routledge, November 2011).

"Sympathy and Perspective-Taking in Confucian Ethics," *Philosophy Compass* 6.10, October 2011.†

"Confucianism and Virtue Ethics: Still a Fledgling in Chinese and Comparative Philosophy" (review article), *Comparative Philosophy* 1.2, Summer 2010.†

"Dai Zhen on Human Nature and Moral Cultivation," *Dao Companion to Neo-Confucian Philosophy*, John Makeham, ed. (Springer, 2010).†

Republished with modifications as "戴震论人性与道德修养," TANG Yanfei 汤雁斐 trans., in *Chinese Confucian Studies* 中国儒学 vol. 10, WANG Zhongjiang 王中江 and LI Cunshan 李存山, eds. (中国社会科学出版社, 2015).

"Is Sympathy Naïve? Dai Zhen on the Use of *Shu* to Track Well-Being," *Taking Confucian Ethics Seriously: Contemporary Theories and Applications,* Philip J. Ivanhoe, Julia TAO, and YU Kam Por, eds. (SUNY, 2010).

"Dai Zhen on Sympathetic Concern," *Journal of Chinese Philosophy* 37.1, March 2010.†

"A Right of Rebellion in the *Mengzi*?", *Dao* 7.3, Fall 2008, winner of Dao 2008 Best Essay Award.†

TRANSLATIONS

Zhu Xi, "Zhu's Writings on Politics and Governance," in *Zhu Xi: Selected Writings*, Philip J. Ivanhoe, ed. (Oxford, 2019).

Dai Zhen's *Evidential Study* (selections), in *Readings in Later Chinese Philosophy*, Justin Tiwald and Bryan Van Norden, eds. (Hackett, 2014)

Zhang Zai's "Western Inscription," with Bryan Van Norden, in *Readings in Later Chinese Philosophy*, Justin Tiwald and Bryan Van Norden, eds. (Hackett, 2014)

Zhou Dunyi's "Explanation of the Diagram of the Supreme Ultimate," with Bryan Van Norden in *Readings in Later Chinese Philosophy*, Justin Tiwald and Bryan Van Norden, eds. (Hackett, 2014)

Huiyuan's "On Why Buddhist Monks Do Not Bow Down Before Kings," in *Readings in Later Chinese Philosophy*, Justin Tiwald and Bryan Van Norden, eds. (Hackett, 2014)

Huang Zongxi's "On Law," in *Readings in Later Chinese Philosophy*, Justin Tiwald and Bryan Van Norden, eds. (Hackett, 2014)

Li Dazhao's "Women's Liberation and Democracy," in *Readings in Later Chinese Philosophy*, Justin Tiwald and Bryan Van Norden, eds. (Hackett, 2014)

ARTICLE-LENGTH ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES (peer reviewed)

"Song-Ming Confucianism," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, March 2020

"Dai Zhen," *The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, June 2006, revised 2009

BOOK REVIEWS (*invited*)

Review of Stephen C. Angle, *Sagehood: The Contemporary Significance of Neo-Confucian*

Philosophy (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009) in *Dao,* 10.1 (Spring 2011)

"Response to Stephen Angle" in *Dao,* 10.1 (Spring 2011)

Review of BAI Tongdong 白彤東, *A New Mission for an Old State: Classical Confucian Political Philosophy in a Contemporary and Comparative Context* 舊邦新命:古今中西參照下的古典儒家政治哲學 (Beijing University Press, 2009) in *Philosophy East and West*, 61.3 (July 2011)

Review of Philip J. Ivanhoe, *Readings from the Lu-Wang School of Neo-Confucianism* (Hackett, 2009), in *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (September 2009)

Review of Daniel Bell, *Beyond Liberal Democracy: Political Thinking for an East Asian Context* (Princeton University Press, 2006), in *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (January 2007)

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES (*invited*)

"A Case for Chinese Philosophy," *APA Newsletter on Asian and Asian-American Philosophers and Philosophies,* 8.1 (Fall 2008)

ARTICLES FOR GENERAL AUDIENCES

"The Radical Independent Thinking in Chinese Philosophy," *The Institute for Arts and Humanities, IAI News*, October 9, 2025.

"In Defence of Hierarchy," with Stephen C. Angle, Kwame Anthony Appiah, Julian Baggini, Daniel Bell, Nicolas Berggruen, Mark Bevir, Joseph Chan, Carlos Fraenkel, Stephen Macedo, Michael Puett, Jiang Qian, Mathias, Risse, Carlin Romano, and Robin Wang, *Aeon*, March 22, 2017.

WORKS IN PROGRESS – UNDER CONTRACT OR UNDER REVIEW

The Philosophy of Dai Zhen (under contract with Oxford University Press).

Mencius and Later Confucianism (under contract with Routledge).

Books Commissioned and Reviewed as Series Editor (Oxford Chinese Thought, Oxford University Press)

The Wenzi, translated by Paul van Els (forthcoming)
The Inner Chapters of the Zhuangzi: A Translation with Lin Xiyi's Song Dynasty Commentary, translated by Peipei Qiu (four volumes, forthcoming)
Explaining & Illustrating the Laozi*: A Translation and Analysis of the Earliest Commentaries on the* Laozi, translated by Eirik Lang Harris and Eric L. Hutton (to be published in 2026)
The Extant Works of the Two Cheng Brothers of Henan, translated by Philip J. Ivanhoe (three volumes, to be published in 2026)
Xiong Shili's Treatise on Reality and Function, translated by John Makeham (November 2023)

The Daodejing *Commentary of Cheng Xuanying: A Buddhist Reading of the* Laozi, translated by Friederike Assandri (October 2021)

Treatise on Awakening Mahāyāna Faith, translated by John Jorgensen, Dan Lusthaus, John Makeham, and Mark Strange (September 2019)

Zhu Xi: Selected Writings, edited by Philip J. Ivanhoe (July 2019)

Presentations for the General Public

This is the Way: A Podcast on Chinese Philosophy, co-host with Richard Kim.

Episode 1, "Daoist Detachment" (January 2024)
Episode 2, "Confucianism and Shame," with Jing HU (January 2024)
Episode 3, "Oneness," with Philip J. Ivanhoe (February 2024)
Episode 4, "Daoist Persuasion" (March 2024)
Episode 5, "Cultivation and the Autobiography of Confucius" (June 2024)
Episode 6, "Partiality and Justice," with Tao JIANG (July 2024)
Episode 7, "The Butcher," with Karyn Lai (July 2024)
Episode 8, "The Golden Rule" (August 2024)
Episode 9, "Moral Sprouts" (August 2024)
Episode 10, "Moral Cultivation," with Bryan Van Norden (September 2024)
Episode 11, "Nonaction in the *Daodejing*" (October 2024)
Episode 12, "Zhuangzi on Play," with Pauline Lee (October 2024)
Episode 13, "Family Before State" (November 2024)
Episode 14, "Women in the *Analects*," with Erin Cline (December 2024)
Episode 15, "Ritual in the Analects" (January 2025)
Episode 16, "The *Zhuangzi* on Uselessness," with Chris Fraser (January 2025)
Episode 17, "The Mohist State of Nature Argument" (February 2025)
Episode 18, "Neo-Confucian Metaphysics" (March 2025)
Episode 19, "Zhu Xi on the Unity of the Virtues" (April 2025)
Episode 20, "Confucianism vs. Buddhism," recorded before a live audience at the Pacific Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association (June 2025)
Episode 21, "Xunzi's Way—Discovered or Invented?" (June 2025)
Episode 22, "The Good Life in the Analects" (July 2025)
Episode 23, "Confucianism on the Assessment of Character" (August 2025)
Episode 24, "Robber Zhi—Honor Among Thieves?" (August 2025)
Episode 25, "Daoist Utopia" (September 2025)
Episode 26, "The White Horse Dialogue: Language, Logic, and Categories in Early China" (October 2025)
Episode 27, "Mohism—Two Arguments for Impartial Caring" (November 2025)
Episode 28, "Mencius Against Mohist Impartialism" (November 2025)
Episode 29, "Shen Dao on Law" (December 2025)
Episode 30, "Confucianism and Reverential Reading" (January 2026)
Episode 31, "The Great Music Debate—Mohists vs. Classical Confucians" (February 2026)
Episode 32, "Music Has in It Neither Grief nor Joy," recorded before a live audience at Santa Clara University (March 2026)
Episode 33, "Carrots, Sticks, and Rituals" (April 2026)
Episode 34, "Deference and Autonomy in Confucian Ethics" (May 2026)
Episode 35, "Confucius on Moral Examples" (June 2026)

Interview with Richard Marshall, 3:16 Magazine, Summer 2022.

Interview with Julian Baggini of Philosophy Magazine, Summer 2016

http://www.microphilosophy.net/the-confucian-uses-of-hierarchy/

Academic Presentations

UNPUBLISHED, PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Dai Zhen on the Common Affirmability of Ethical Judgments," Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Portland, March 2024.

"Meritocracy and Tests of Virtue in Greek and Confucian Political Thought" (with Jeremy Reid), Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, April 2023.

"Moral Deference in Confucian Philosophy," Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, April 2022.

"The Confucian Challenge to Scanlon's Contractualism," with Brad Cokelet, Rutgers Workshop on Chinese Philosophy, Rutgers University, April 2018.

"The Importance (or Lack Thereof) of Local Ties in Neo-Confucian Character-Centered Theories of Governance," East-West Philosophers' Conference, University of Hawai'i, May 2016.

"Institutional vs. Character-Centered Theories of Governance," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division meeting, San Francisco, March-April 2016.

"Varieties of Knowing in Neo-Confucianism," with Stephen C. Angle, Northeast Conference on Chinese Thought (NECCT), Central Connecticut State University, November 2014.

"A Euthyphro Problem in Neo-Confucian Welfare Theory," Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Baltimore, December 2007.

"Rights and Remedies in Confucian Political Thought," Conference of the Association for Political Theory, University of Western Ontario, London, October 2007.

"Confucian 'Rights' without Confucian Remedies," Annual Conference of the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, Pacific Grove (CA), June 2007.

"*Shu* 恕 as a Way of Valuing Others: Dai Zhen on Sympathetic Motives," Conference on Neo-Confucianism at the Mansfield Freeman Center for East Asian Studies, Wesleyan University, February 2006.

"Dai Zhen on the Informed Desire Theory of Well-being: The Neo-Confucian Turn," International Society for Chinese Philosophy Conference, University of New South Wales, July 2005.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

"'Getting It Oneself' (*Zide* 自得) as an Alternative to Testimonial Knowledge and Deference to Tradition," Philosophy Department, University of California Santa Cruz, May 2026.

"How Orthodox (Neo-Confucian) Morality Trivializes Human Desires: Dai Zhen's Main Argument," Philosophy Department, Sun Yat-sen University, Zhuhai, May 2026.

"The Dynamism of Harmony in Confucian Virtue Theory," Workshop on Variety of Harmony in Greek and Chinese Philosophy, Duke University, April 2026.

"Cognitive Reach Problems for Moral Deference," The American Philosophical Association, Annual Meeting of the Pacific Division, April 2026.

"How Virtues of Care Are More Fundamental Than Other Virtues," Philosophy, Department, San Francisco State University, March 2026.

"The Confucian Debate on Virtue Politics," Philosophy Department, Santa Clara University, February 2026.

"Moral Deference and Moral Expertise in Confucian Philosophy," Philosophy Department, Santa Clara University, January 2026.

"Confucian Disagreements about Epistemic Autonomy in Ethics," co-sponsored by the departments of Philosophy and Comparative Literature, The University of California Riverside, October 2025.

"How Orthodox (Neo-Confucian) Morality Trivializes Human Desires: Dai Zhen's Main Argument," Neo-Confucianism Seminar, Columbia University, October 2025.

"Cognitive Reach: A Problem for Confucian and Other Accounts of Moral Testimony," 2nd Conference on Knowledge and Truth in Chinese Philosophy, National University of Singapore, September 2025.

"The Confucian Debate on Virtue Politics," School of Philosophy, Wuhan University, May 2025.

"The Confucian Debate on Virtue Politics," Philosophy Department, Simon Fraser University, April 2025.

"Moral Deference and Moral Expertise," Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Online Meeting, March 2025.

"Confucian Grounds for Cosmopolitanism?" The U.S.-China Research Group on Cosmopolitanism, Georgetown University, April 2024.

Workshop on Philip J. Ivanhoe's translation of *The Extant Works of the Two Cheng Brothers of Henan* (河南程氏遺書), University of Utah, April 2024.

"Dai Zhen on the Common Affirmability of Ethical Judgments," Centre for East Asian and Comparative Philosophy, City University of Hong Kong, September 2024.

"The Confucian View That a Sense of Shame Is Preferable to Coercive Regulation," Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Portland, March 2024.

"Dai Zhen's Normative Ethics," International Workshop on Dai Zhen's Philosophy, Chinese University of Hong Kong, March 2024.

"Confucian Cosmopolitanism," The U.S.-China Research Group on Cosmopolitanism, University of Hong Kong, May 2023.

"Confucianism and the Power to Claim One's Rights," The Aristotle-Confucius Symposium on Ethics for the 21st Century, Sponsored by the UN Fund for Sustainable Development, Athens and Thessaloniki, July 2023.

"Epistemic Autonomy in Confucian Philosophy," Conference on Knowledge and Truth in Chinese Philosophy, National University of Singapore, September 2023.

"Virtue Politics: The Confucian Debate," Comparative Philosophy Workshop, Sun Yat-sen University 中山大學 Zhuhai Campus 珠海校區, online talk, March 2023.

"Moral Deference and Moral Expertise in Confucian Philosophy," Philosophy Department, Lingnan University, February 2023.

"Meritocracy and Tests of Virtue in Greek and Confucian Political Thought" (with Jeremy Reid), International Conference on Confucianism and Meritocracy, The Center for the Contemporary Study of East Asian Classics and Critical Confucianism (CCECC), Sungkyunkwan University, February 2023.

"'Getting It Oneself' (*Zide* 自得) as an Alternative to Testimonial Knowledge and Deference to Tradition," Philosophy Department, The Chinese University of Hong Kong 香港中文大學, December 2022.

"On Wang Yangming's Claim that 'Establishing Sincerity' (*Licheng* 立誠) Can Help Us Fully Grasp Everything that Matters Ethically," Conference on Wang Yangming and Ming Thought, Princeton University, March 2022.

"Confucian Cosmopolitanism," The U.S.-China Research Group on Cosmopolitanism, Georgetown University (online conference), December 2021.

"Confucian Constitutionalism without Remedies," Center for East Asian and Comparative Philosophy, City University of Hong Kong, December 2020.

"On the View That People and Not Institutions Bear Primary Credit for Success in Governance," Bowdoin College, February 2020.

"Concerns about the 'Fallback Apparatus' Framework for Confucian Rights," Workshop on Confucian Rights and Comparative Political Theory, Wesleyan University, February 2020.

"Moral Deference and 'Getting It Oneself' in Confucian Thought," Laurance S. Rockefeller Seminar, Center for Human Values, Princeton University, February 2020.

"Confucian Arguments for and against Pervasive Moral Deference," Princeton Workshop in Normative Philosophy, Princeton University, November 2019.

"Moral Expertise: Confucian Philosophers on Deference and Deliberative Autonomy," The Richard Holstein Lecture in Ethics, Washington College, October 2019.

"On the View that People and Not Institutions Bear Primary Credit for Success in Governance," Faculty Colloquium, Washington College, October 2019.

"Autonomy, Deference, and 'Getting it Oneself' (*Zìdé* 自得)," Columbia Comparative Philosophy Seminar, Columbia University, September 2019.

"Dai Zhen on Morality, Relationships, and Shared Ends," International Conference on Confucianism, Buddhism, and Kantian Moral Theory, Sungkyun Institute for Confucian Studies and East Asian Philosophy, Seoul, South Korea, September 2019.

"On the Neo-Confucian Claim that People and Not Laws Bear Credit for Success in Governance," Special Lecture for the Fifth Annual North American Korean Philosophy Association Meeting, Stanford University, October 2018.

"A Confucian Response to Welfarism," Happiness and Well-Being Project, Endpoint Conference, St. Louis University, May 2018.

"Character-Centered Theories of Governance in Confucian Political Thought," Workshop on the Legacy of Liu Xiaobo, The Erik Castrén Institute of International Law and Human Rights, Helsinki University, January 2018.

"Dai Zhen on Relationships of Mutual Fulfillment," "Confucianism — Joy along the Way" Workshop, Rutgers University, November 2017.

"Zhu Xi's Writings on Politics and Governance," translation workshop for *Zhu Xi*: *Selected Writings,* University of Utah, October 2017.

"Dai Zhen's More Metaethical Objections to Neo-Confucianism," Bay Area Conference on Chinese Thought, University of California, Davis, October 2017.

"Well-Being as an Object of Moral Concern: A Confucian Approach," Happiness and Well-Being Project, Midpoint Workshop, St. Louis University, June 2017.

"Oneness and Other-Focused Empathy in Neo-Confucian Ethics," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division meeting, Seattle, April 2017.

"Moral Virtue and the Promotion of Human Welfare: A Confucian Approach," Duke University Center for Comparative Philosophy, April 2017.

"Comments on Owen Flanagan's *The Geography of Morals,*" Third Annual North American Korean Philosophy Association Meeting, University of San Francisco, November 2016.

"Punishment and Autonomous Shame in Confucian Thought," The Theory and Practice of Punishment: East and West, City University of Hong Kong, August 2016.

"Dai Zhen on Benevolence and Shared Interests: an Alternative Conception of Oneness in Ethics," International Conference on Oneness in Philosophy and Psychology, City University of Hong Kong, May 2016.

Response to Yong HUANG's *Why Be Moral?* American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division meeting, March-April 2016.

"Xunzi on Moral Expertise," Berggruen Center for the Study of Philosophy and Culture, Stanford University, March 2016.

"The Cheng-Zhu School's Criticisms of Chinese Buddhism," Workshop on the Buddhist Roots of Neo-Confucianism, Hawai'i, December 2015.

"Neo-Confucian Politics: Loyalty, Law and Institutionalism," Political Theory and Theorizing East and West, City University of Hong Kong, February 2015.

"Neo-Confucian Criticisms of Chinese Buddhism," Workshop on the Buddhist Roots of Neo-Confucianism, Australian National University, December 2014.

"Neo-Confucians on Emotions and the Heartmind," Workshop on *Neo-Confucianism: A Philosophical Introduction,* San Francisco, March 2014.

"The Relationship between Imperatives and Natural Tendencies in Neo-Confucianism," The Inaugural Rutgers Workshop on Chinese Philosophy, Rutgers University, April 2013.

"Rights in Confucian Societies: The Liberal Model vs. the Family Model of Social Coordination," Fudan University, Shanghai, November 2012.

"Xunzi and His Critics on the Priority of Moral Character over Institutions," City University of Hong Kong, November 2012.

"Reading Dai Zhen," City University of Hong Kong, November 2012.

"Chinese Philosophy and Contemporary Analytic Philosophy," Conference on Philosophy in a Multicultural Context, University of California Santa Cruz, October 2012.

"Does Zhu Xi Distinguish Prudence from Morality?" Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Minneapolis, April 2011.

"On Treating Political Authorities as Moral Experts: Deliberative Autonomy from a Confucian Point of View," Confucian and Liberal Perspectives on Family, State, and Civil Society, City University of Hong Kong, December 2010.

"Dai Zhen on Sympathy, Moral Judgment, and Moral 'Patterns' (*li* 理)," International Conference on Confucianism and Virtue Ethics, Peking University, Beijing, May 2010.

"The Confucian Stance on the Practice of Rights Claiming," UC-Santa Cruz Philosophy Colloquia Series, Santa Cruz, April 2010.

"A Right of Rebellion in the *Mengzi*?" and "Responses to Critics," Author-meets-critics panel in honor of the 2008 Dao Best Essay Award, with comments from BAI Tongdong, Chad Flanders, and A.P. Martinich. Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, New York, December 2009.

"New Directions in Confucian Philosophy," Bay Area Comparative Philosophy Conference at the Center for Comparative Philosophy, San Jose, April 2009.

"Self-Love, Sympathy, and Virtue: Dai Zhen's Defense of Self-Interest," APA Mini-Conference on Neo-Confucian Moral Psychology, Vancouver, April 2009.

"Neo-Confucian Life Fulfillment and the Moral Considerability of Animals," Confucian Virtues at Work: A Conference on Chinese Philosophy and Virtue Ethics, University of Oregon, March 2008.

"Entitlements, Duties, and 'Rights' in the *Mengzi*," Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, University of Utah, September 2007.

"Virtue Ethics, Neo-Confucianism, and the Problem of Moralizing the Human Good," Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Chicago, April 2007.

"Dai Zhen's Defense of Self-Interest," Committee on Social Thought, University of Chicago, April 2007.

"The Neo-Confucian Appeal to Heaven," West Coast Chinese Philosophy Workshop, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, November 2006.

"Moral Deliberation and the Sympathetic Point of View in the Ethics of Dai Zhen," Martin Marty Center for the Advanced Study of Religion, University of Chicago, May 2006.

"How the Confucian Moral Order is 'Bound Together': Dai Zhen's Reading of *Analects* 4.15 and 15.3," Rethinking Traditional China Workshop, University of Chicago, March 2006.

"Dai Zhen on the Need for a Theory of Moral Deliberation," Early Modern East Asia Workshop, University of Chicago, January 2005.

"Dai Zhen's Theory of Moral Reasoning" (戴震的道德推理論), Departmental Lecture for the International Chinese Language Program at National Taiwan University, March 2003.

Awards Funding

FELLOWSHIPS

Laurance S. Rockefeller Visiting Faculty Fellowship, University Center for Human Values, Princeton University, Fall 2019 – Spring 2020.
Sabbatical Leave, Fall 2012.
San Francisco State University Presidential Award, Fall 2010.

GRANTS

Public Engagement and Impact Grant, funded by The Global Philosophy of Religion Project of the University of Birmingham and the John Templeton Foundation (co-PI with Richard Kim), 2026-27.
Happiness and Well-Being Grant, Templeton Foundation sub-grant (principal investigator), 2016-18.
American Philosophical Association Mini-Conference Grant (principal investigator, US$5000), 2008.

Prizes and Awards for Research, Scholarly, or Creative Work

Excellence in Research and Scholarship Award, College of Liberal & Creative Arts, Fall 2020.
Vice President's Assigned Time Award, Spring 2007, 2009.
Dao Annual Best Essay Award, 2008.

Prizes for Service

Assigned Time Award for Exceptional Service, Spring 2019.

Some notable graduate student awards and fellowships

Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, 2005-06.
Martin Marty Center Dissertation Fellowship, 2005-06.
Blakemore Fellowship for study in Taiwan, 2002-03.