

Yao-Tai Li

Curriculum Vitae

Department of Sociology
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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2017– Assistant Professor of Sociology, Hong Kong Baptist University

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

Aug. 2015–Feb. 2016 Visiting Scholar, Department of Sociology and Social Policy, University of Sydney, Australia

Dec. 2014–May 2014 Visiting Scholar, Cosmopolitan Civil Societies Research Centre, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

EDUCATION

- 2017 Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, San Diego
Dissertation Title: “Making and Unmaking Pan-ethnicity: The Formation and Decline of Overseas Chinese Identity in Australia”
Dissertation Committee: David FitzGerald (Co-chair), Christena Turner (Co-chair), Jeffrey Haydu, Vanesa Ribas, Yen Le Espiritu (Ethnic Studies)
- 2013 M.A., Sociology, University of California, San Diego
Field Exams: Race and Ethnicity, Urban Sociology
- 2008 M.A., Political Science, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2006 B.A., Political Science, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Race and Ethnicity, International Migration, Culture and Identity, Urban Sociology, Social Network, Research Methods

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles (Peer-Reviewed)

- 2017 Li, Yao-Tai. “Constituting Co-Ethnic Exploitation: The Economic and Cultural Meanings of Cash-In-Hand Jobs for Ethnic Chinese Migrants in Australia.” *Critical Sociology* 43(6): 919–932.

- 2016 Li, Yao-Tai and Katherine Whitworth. "When the State Becomes Part of the Exploitation: Migrants' Agency within the Institutional Constraints in Australia." *International Migration* 54(6): 138–150.
- 2016 Li, Yao-Tai. "'Playing' at the Ethnic Boundary: The Boundary Making/Unmaking among Ethnic Chinese Groups in Australia." *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 39(4): 671–689.
- 2015 Li, Yao-Tai. "Regulating the Market Risks: The Coalitions between Occupational Unions and CSOs in Taiwan." *Development and Society* 44(2): 295–317.
- 2009 Li, Yao-Tai. "The Union Action under the Commercialized Image Labor: An Example of Documentary Media Worker Union." *Bulletin of Labour Research* 26: 1–48. (in Chinese)
- 2008 Li, Yao-Tai. "The Logic of Labor Market under the Disappearance of Developmental State: Taiwan's Case." *Bulletin of Labour Research* 23: 1–55. (in Chinese)

Book Reviews and Other Publications

- 2017 Li, Yao-Tai. Review of *Forget Chineseness: On the Geopolitics of Cultural Identification* by Allen Chun. *Cultural Sociology* (forthcoming)
- 2016 Li, Yao-Tai. Review of *The Chinese Face in Australia: Multi-generational Ethnicity among Australian-born Chinese* by Lucille Lok-Sun Ngan and Kwok-bun Chan. *International Sociology* 31: 599–601.
- 2015 Cheng, Kuo-Sheng, Tina Davis, Sohoon Lee and Yao-Tai Li. "Vulnerabilities of Working Holiday Makers and Policy Recommendations." Submission to Productivity Commission Inquiry on Migrant Intake into Australia.

Work in Progress (Draft Available upon Request)

"Unconscious Racial Micro-aggressions: Hiring Practice and Employment Relationship of Chinese Migrants in Australia." (Under review)

- Winner of 2016 Graduate Student Paper Award, Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)

“No Guaranteed Solidarity: The Rejection of Pan-ethnic Identity in the Face of Racial Discrimination in Australia.” (Under review)

“Segmented Participation of Overseas Chinese Migrant Networks in Australia.” (In preparation)

AWARDS

- 2017 Dissertation Writing Award, Department of Sociology, UCSD
- 2016 Graduate Student Paper Award, Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)
- 2016 American Sociological Association Student Forum Travel Award
- 2016 The Lee Student Travel Fund Award, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)
- 2015 Young Scholar Award, China Times Cultural Foundation, New York
- 2014 Summer Research Grant Awards, Department of Sociology, UCSD
- 2013–14 UC California Studies Consortium (UCCSC) Award, University of California Humanities Research Institute (UCHRI)
- 2013 The Dean of Social Science Research Travel Fund Award, UCSD
- 2008 National Competition for Academic Papers of Political Science Relevant Departments, 3rd prize, 2008

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2015–16 Dissertation Fellowship for ROC Students Abroad, Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange
- 2015 Australian Government Endeavour Research Fellowship
- 2014 Next Generation Sociologists Grant, ISA World Congress of Sociology
- 2014 International Graduate Student Travel Grant, East-West Center, Honolulu
- 2013 Travel Grant, The University Service Centre for China Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- 2012–13 IICAS Graduate Travel Grant Award, UCSD
- 2011–13 Fulbright Graduate Study Grants
- 2011–14 Government Scholarship for Studying Abroad, Ministry of Education, Taiwan (R.O.C.)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Invited

- 2017 “Data Mining and Coding with Nvivo.” Department of Sociology, University of California, San Diego, USA

- 2015 “How Does Temporary Migration Lead to (Co-Ethnic) Exploitation?”
Department of Sociology and Social Policy, University of Sydney.
Sydney, Australia
- 2010 “New Wine in Old Bottles? The Developmental Trajectories and
Movement Models of Craft Union in Taiwan.” Labor Studies Conference:
Asking Questions Towards the Future. Taipei, Taiwan.

Conference Presentations

- 2016 “Unconscious Racial Micro-aggressions: The Hiring Practice and
Employment Relationship of Pan-Chinese Migrants in Australia.” Regular
session on Racial and Ethnic Inequality at the Annual Meeting of ASA.
Seattle, WA.
- 2016 “When the State Becomes Part of the Exploitation: Policy Outcome for
Temporary Migrants in Australia.” Regular session on Labor Studies and
Policies at the Annual Meeting of SSSP. Seattle, WA.
- 2016 “Racial Micro-aggressions in the Labor Market and Workplace in
Australia.” Regular session on Race and Labor at the Annual Meeting of
SSSP. Seattle, WA.
- 2015 “Co-Ethnic Exploitation and Cash-In-Hand Jobs in Australia.” 2015 Annual
Conference of The Australian Sociological Association: Neoliberalism
and Contemporary Challenges for the Asia-Pacific. Cairns, Australia.
- 2014 “Diffuse or Enclosed? The Ethnic Communities of Taiwanese Migrant
Workers in China.” XVIII World Congress of Sociology—Facing an
Unequal World: Challenges for Global Sociology. Yokohama, Japan.
- 2013 “Being a Taiwanese Abroad: The Shaping of Ethnic Communities of
Taiwanese Migrant Workers in China.” Strangers in New Homelands
Conference—The 6th Annual Conference on the Social Reconstructing of
“Home” among Immigrants in the Diaspora. Winnipeg, MB, Canada.

TEACHING

Course Taught

Hong Kong Baptist University

- Fall 2017/Selected Topics in Contemporary Sociology I: Capitalism in Contemporary Societies

University of California, San Diego

- Spring 2017/Sociology of Immigration

Teaching Assistant at UC San Diego (by Quarter/Course/Professor):

- Spring 2016/American Society/Lane Kenworthy
- Spring 2014/Violence and Society/Cristin McVey
- Winter 2013/Socio-Cultural Foundations/Steven Parish
- Fall 2013/Debating Multiculturalism/Elise Kramer
- Fall 2013/Sociology of Law/Kwai Ng
- Winter 2012/Chinese Society/Richard Madsen
- Fall 2012/Contemporary Legal Issues/Gerald Doppelt
- Fall 2011/The Holocaust/Richard Biernacki

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Reviewer (Occasional):

American Journal of Sociology, Critical Sociology, Cosmopolitan Civil Societies: An Interdisciplinary Journal, Development and Society, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, The Sociological Quarterly

2014– Executive Council Member of Taiwan Working Holiday Youth (T-WHY)

2017 Graduate Student Paper Award Committee Member, Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)

LANGUAGES

Native Mandarin- and Taiwanese-speaker

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Sociological Association (ASA)
 International Sociological Association (ISA)
 Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)
 Taiwanese Sociological Association (TSA)
 The Australian Sociological Association (TASA)