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### Academic Background:

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- **Ph.D., History**, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2014 to present, obtained doctoral candidacy in May 2017
- **Master of Arts, History**, University of Ottawa, 2010-2012
- **Honours Bachelor of Arts, Specialization in History**, University of Ottawa, 2005-2010

### Publications:

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Article:

Ren, Zhijun. “Rethinking Yŏnhaengnok as Paralleling Narrative: From a Withered Tree to the Qing Imperial Narrative.” *Acta Koreana*. Vol. 23, No. 2, December 2020: 49–78

Book Reviews:

1. *In the Service of His Korean Majesty: William Nelson Lovatt, the Pusan Customs, and Sino-Korean Relations, 1876-1888* by Wayne Patterson. *Journal of American-East Asian Relations*. Vol.23(1), pp.89-91
2. *After Empire: The Conceptual Transformation of the Chinese State, 1885-1924* by Peter Zarrow. *Histoire Sociale/Social history*, Volume 47, Number 93, Mai/May 2014, pp. 279-281
3. *Catholic Women of Congo-Brazzaville: Mothers and Sisters in Troubled Times* by Phyllis Martin. *Histoire Sociale /Social History*, Volume 44, Number 87, Mai-May 2011, pp. 170-172

Translations:

- English to Chinese:

1. 《章太炎的政治哲学：意识之抵抗》，华东师范大学出版社，June 2018. (Chinese translation of Viren Murthy, *The Political Philosophy of Zhang Taiyan*, Brill, 2011)
2. “重新思考章太炎與現代性”， *The Bulletin of the Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica*. Vol. 78, 2012, p. 179-185. (Chinese translation of Viren Murthy, “Rethinking Zhang Taiyan and Modernity”)

3. “一切以历史的名义”，《重审现代主义:东亚视角或汉字圈的提问》，王中忱、林少阳 主编，清华大学出版社，2013 年，41-67 页。(Chinese translation of Harry Harootunian, "All the Names of History." Preface of Harry Harootunian. *Overcome by Modernity: History, Culture, and Community in Interwar Japan*. Princeton, Princeton University Press, 2002)
  4. “马克思与现代性”，《区域：亚洲研究论丛（第二辑）：重新思考二十世纪》，汪晖、王中忱 主编，清华大学出版社，2012，45-59 页 (Chinese translation of Moishe Postone, “Marxism and Modernity.”)
  5. “主体与社会理论”，《杭州师范大学学报》，2012 年第五期，44-52 页。(Chinese translation of Moishe Postone, “The Subject and Social Theory: Marx and Lukács on Hegel.”)
  6. 《天朝之乱》，广西师范大学出版社，forthcoming. (Chinese translation of James Tong, *Disorder Under Heaven: Collective Violence in the Ming Dynasty*. Stanford, Stanford University Press, 1992)
- Chinese to English:
1. Qiao, Zhihang. “Imagining a Different Future—Anarchist Equality and the Form of Labour in the Journal of Natural Justice.” *Frontiers of History in China*, Volume 7, Issue 3, pp. 376 – 403. (English translation of 乔志航, 《想象不同的未来：从“天义”看无政府主义平等与劳动的模式》)

## Presentations:

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## Conferences:

1. “Reading Yonhaengrok as Trans-Local Gazetteers: The production of Geographical Knowledge and Paralleling Narrative”, Dankuk University, *2018 International Conference of IJS HK+ Center—Transition of Knowledge in East Asia Humanities-Concept of Knowledge Power and Research Method*. October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
2. 《在天下秩序中寻找朝鲜王朝》，Peking University/Berggruen Institute, “*What is Tianxia: The East Asian Context*” conference, June 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
3. “Rethinking ‘Model Tribute State’: Chosŏn’s Centrality in the Qing Tributary Order”, The Academy of Korean Studies, *Next Generation Scholars Conference*, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018.
4. “What Time is it in East Asia? Conceptualizing Temporal Simultaneity in Sino-Korean Relations” *26<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Student Conference on East Asia Columbia University*, New York, United States. February 24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
5. “Reimagining the Tribute System and the Meaning of Asia in Global Capitalism” *The Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference*. Philadelphia, United States. March 27-30, 2014.
6. “The Tributary System, Kingly Way and Pan-Asian Utopia in Late Qing and Republican China”. *East Asia and Utopia: International Conference*. Shanghai University, China. October 26-27, 2013.

7. “From Tribute to Commodity: The Transformation of Qing-Chosen Tribute Relation in Global Capitalism”. *The 13th Annual East Asian Studies Graduate Student Conference*. University of Toronto, Canada. March 2, 2013.

### **Invited Talks:**

1. “Tributary System: History and Historiography”, Zhejiang University, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017.
2. “Envisioning Early Modern in East Asia: Locality, Region and Empire in the Writings of Korean Tributary Missions.” Center for East Asian Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

### **Academic Rewards:**

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1. Seoul National University, Kyujanggak Institute, International Center for Korean Studies, Junior Fellow, September 2019-January 2020.
2. Hunan University, Visiting Graduate Student Scholarship, March 2019-May-2019.
3. The Academy of Korean Studies, AKS Fellowship, February 2018—December 2018.
4. Fudan University, Fudan Fellow visiting scholar Fellowship, September 2017—January 2018.
5. UW-Madison Mellon Foundation Area and International Studies Research Fellowship, May 2017.
6. UW-Madison Mellon Foundation Area and International Studies Research Fellowship, 2014.
7. University of Wisconsin-Madison, Chancellor’s Fellowship, September 2014-May 2020.
8. University of Ottawa, Gaston Héon Graduate Scholarships in History, 2012.
9. University of Ottawa, The Dean's Scholarship and Doctorate Admission Scholarship, 2012.
10. University of Ottawa, Gaston Héon Memorial Fund in Arts, 2011.
11. D. M. Hogarth Bursary in History for outstanding history student, 2009.

### **Teaching Experiences:**

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- Teaching Assistance at University of Ottawa:
  1. HIS1110—The Twentieth-Century World to 1945 (winter term, 2012)
  2. HIS1111— The Twentieth-Century World From 1945 (Winter term, 2013)
  3. HIS2176—South Asian and Southeast Asian Civilizations from the XIXth Century to the Present (Fall term, 2012)
- Lecturer at University of Ottawa:

HIS2178—History of East Asia 1600-Present (Winter term, 2014)
- Teaching Assistance at the University of Wisconsin-Madison
  1. History 104: Introduction to East Asian History: Japan (Spring term, 2015)
  2. History 201: Life and Crime in Shanghai (Fall term, 2015)

3. History/East Asian Studies 336: Chinese Economic and Business History: From Silk to iPhones (Fall term, 2016)
  4. History/East Asian Studies 363: China and World War II in Asia (Spring term, 2017)
  5. History 130: History 130: An Introduction to World History (Spring term, 2020)
- Lecturer at Zhejiang University  
Special lecture Series on Ming-Qing China, November 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

### **Languages:**

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1. Native proficiency in Chinese
2. Full professional proficiency in English and Classic Chinese
3. Reading proficiency in Korean and French

### **References:**

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