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EDUCATION AND DEGREES

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| 1975 | B.A. | University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida
Department of History, <i>magna cum laude</i> |
| 1979 | M.A. | University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
Department of Asian Studies |
| 1988 | Ph.D. | University of California, Berkeley, California
Department of Oriental Languages |

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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| 1975-76 | Teaching Assistant, University of British Columbia |
| 1983-86, 87-88 | Teaching Associate in Japanese, University of California at Berkeley |
| 1988-95 | Assistant Professor of Chinese, University of Pennsylvania |
| 1995-1996 | Assistant Professor of Chinese, University of Minnesota |
| 1996-1998 | Assistant Professor of Religion, College of William and Mary |
| 1998-1999 | Assistant Professor of Chinese and Religious Studies, U. of Colorado |
| 1999- | Associate Professor of Chinese, U. of Colorado |
| 2015 | Visiting Associate Professor of Chinese, U. of California, Berkeley |

FOREIGN RESEARCH

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| 1976-77 | National Taiwan University, Auditor in History |
| 1979-81 | Taishō University, Research student in Oriental Philosophy |
| 1986-87 | École Pratique des Hautes Études, Sorbonne, Section des Sciences Religieuses |
| 1989 | Institute of Oriental Culture, University of Tokyo, Visiting Research Associate |
| 1996 | Institute of Literature and Philosophy, Academia Sinica, Visiting Researcher |
| 2005 | Institute of Literature and Philosophy, Academia Sinica, Visiting Researcher |
| 2006 | Dept. of Oriental Philosophy, Waseda University, Visiting Research Associate |
| 2009 | Needham Research Institute, University of Cambridge, Visiting Fellow |
| 2009 | Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Visiting Researcher |
| 2009-10 | Center for Daoist and Religious Studies, Sichuan University, Visiting Researcher |
| 2013 | International Consortium for Research in the Humanities, Erlangen U., Fellow |

GRANTS AND AWARDS

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| 1977-79 | University Fellowship, University of British Columbia |
| 1979-81 | Monbushō Japanese Ministry of Education Fellowship |

- 1981-85 NDEA Title VI Fellowships
 1986-87 American Council of Learned Societies Dissertation Fellowship
 1990-91 Lilly Fellow, University of Pennsylvania
 1992-93 Research Foundation Grant, University of Pennsylvania
 1995-96 American Council of Learned Societies Research Grant
 1997 Summer Research Grant, College of William and Mary
 2002 Graduate Committee of Arts and Humanities Conference Grant, U. of Colorado
 2004 Faculty Fellowship, University of Colorado
 2005-06 Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Research Grant
 2009 Mellon Fellowship, Needham Research Institute, Cambridge, UK
 2009 Center for Chinese Studies Grant, National Library, Taipei, Taiwan
 2009-10 American Council of Learned Societies Research in China Grant, Sichuan U.
 2011 NEH Summer Seminar for College and University Teachers Grant for
 “Introduction to Daoist Literature and History,” co-directed with S. Bokenkamp.
 2013 Fellow, International Consortium for Research in the Humanities, Friedrich
 Alexander University, Erlangen, Germany.
 2014 NEH Summer Seminar for College and University Teachers Grant for
 “Introduction to Daoist Literature and History,” co-directed with S. Bokenkamp.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of Pennsylvania

- 1989-91 Coordinator, East Asian Colloquium
 1990-92 Member, Committee on Individualized Study, School of Arts and Sciences
 1990-91 Freshman Advisor, School of Arts and Sciences
 1989-95 University rep., China, Council for International Educational Exchange
 1993-94 Freshman Advisor, School of Arts and Sciences
 1993-95 Member, Language Advisory Committee, School of Arts and Sciences
 1993-94 Member, Modern Chinese History Search Committee

University of Minnesota

- 1995-96 Director of Graduate Studies, East Asian Languages and Literatures

College of William and Mary

- 1996-98 Member, East Asian Studies Committee
 1997-98 Faculty Coordinator for East Asian Development Team, Keio Initiative

University of Colorado

- 1999-05 Member, Arts and Sciences Council
 2000-05 Member, Arts and Sciences Council Executive Committee
 2000-05 Chair, Planning Committee, Arts and Sciences Council
 2001-05 Commissioner, Boulder Campus Planning Commission
 2001-05 Member, Information Technology Council
 2002-05 Member, GPTI Teaching Excellence Committee
 2006-07 Member, Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committee
 2006-09 Member, Boulder Faculty Assembly Library Committee
 2007-09 Chair, Boulder Faculty Assembly Library Committee
 2007-09 Member, Boulder Faculty Assembly Executive Committee

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

University of Pennsylvania

- 1989-90 Member, Japanese Literature Search Committee
- 1990-91 Head of East Asia Section, Department of Oriental Studies
- 1991-92 Undergraduate Chair, China Section, Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
- 1991-92 Member, Chinese Literature Search Committee
- 1993-94 Director, Chinese Language Program
- 1993-95 Undergraduate Chair, China Section, Asian and Middle Eastern Studies

University of Colorado

- 1998-1999 Member, South Asian Religion Search Committee
- 1999-2002 Associate Chair, East Asian Languages and Civilizations
- 2001-2002 Chair, Chinese Linguist Search Committee
- 2002-2003 Member, East Asian Buddhism Search Committee
- 2006-07 Member, Buddhism Search Committee
- 2006-07 Member, Early China Search Committee
- 2007-09 Graduate Advisor for Chinese
- 2007-08 Faculty Advisor, Chinese Language Program
- 2007- Member, Departmental Curriculum Committee
- 2007 Member, Review Committee for R.K. Keller
- 2007-08 Member, Hindu Literature Search Committee
- 2009- Member, Departmental Curriculum Committee

EXTERNAL SERVICE

- 1993-98 Member, Editorial Board, *Taoist Resources*
- 1995-99 Member, Editorial Board, *Early China*
- 1997- Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Chinese Religions*
- 1997-99, 2012- Member, Steering Committee, Chinese Religions Group, American Academy of Religion
- 1997-99 Member, Advisory Board, South East Early China Roundtable (SEECR)
- 1999-02 Co-Chair, Chinese Religions Group, American Academy of Religion
- 1999-03 Member, Advisory Board, Society for the Study of Chinese Religions
- 1999-00 Consultant, Art of Taoism exhibit, Art Institute of Chicago
- 2000-04 Managing Editor, *Studies in Central and East Asian Religions*
- 2002-05 President, Society for the Study of Chinese Religions
- 2005- Executive Board Member, Daoist Research Society of Japan
- 2008- Member, Advisory Board, *Daoism: Religion, History and Society*
- 2009- Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Daoist Studies*
- 2013- Member, Editorial Board, *Frontiers in Daoist Studies*, Sichuan University

PUBLICATIONS

Books

A God's Own Tale: The Book of Transformations of Wenchang

A study of the 12th century revealed autohagiography of Wenchang, the patron deity of Chinese literati. Albany: State University of New York Press, 1994.

Reviewed in *Asian Folklore Studies* 55.1 (1996): 165-166; *Bulletin de l'École-Française d'Extrême-Orient* 83 (1996): 438-358, esp. 449-454; *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 64 (1996): 430-432; *Journal of American Oriental Society* 115.4 (1995): 704-5; *Journal of Chinese Religions* 23 (Fall 1995): 187-192; *Tōhō Shūkyō* 89 (1997): 82-88; and *T'oung Pao* 82 (1996): 194-97.

Great Perfection: Religion and Ethnicity in a Chinese Millennial Kingdom

Study of a non-Chinese regional kingdom (A.D. 303-347), founded upon a Taoist theocratic model. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press, 1998.

Reviewed in *Asian Folklore Studies* 58, no. 1 (1999): 258-259; *Journal of Chinese Religions* 27 (1999): 159-161; *Journal of Religion* 80, no. 1 (Jan 2000): 166-167; *T'oung Pao* 86, no. 4-5 (2000): 414-417.

The Ancient Chinese World

Introduction to the history and civilization of pre-Tang China for grades 6-12, co-written with Tracy Barrett. The World in Ancient Times series. New York: Oxford University Press, 2005.

Celestial Masters: History and Ritual in Early Daoist Communities. A monograph-length analytical study of early Daoist history, drawing upon scriptural, epigraphical, and iconographic evidence and focusing upon the structure, composition and personal interaction within communities composed primarily of the Daoist faithful. In press at the East Asia Institute, Harvard University Press.

Edited volumes

Dōkyō to kyōsei shisō 道教と共生思想 [Daoism and the philosophy of co-existence]. Co-edited with B. Tanaka. Tokyo: Taiga shobō, 2009.

Changing Fate in Religious Daoism. Guest editor for Special Issue of *Daoism: Religion, History and Society*, vol. 6, 2014.

Articles (* = peer-reviewed)

“Wei, Jin, Nanbeichao zhi wenshi yu Daojiao zhi guanxi (*The Relationship of Literati of the Wei, Chin, Nan-pei Ch'ao Period and Religious Taoism*) by Li Fengmao.” A review article co-written with T. Yamada. *Tōhō Shūkyō* 56 (1980.10): 85-90.

*“Land Contracts and Related Documents.” In *Makio Ryōkai Hakase Shōju Kinen Ronshū: Chūgoku no Shūkyō, Shisō to Kagaku* (Tokyo: Kokusho Kankōkai, 1984), 1-34.

“Taoist Ethics.” In John Carman & Mark Juergensmayer, eds., *A Bibliographic Guide to the Comparative Study of Ethics* (Cambridge: Cambridge Univ. Press, 1991), 162-95.

- *“Sinology in North America: Shang, Zhou, and Han.” *Journal of Intercultural Communications* 17-18 (1990-91): 86-94. In Japanese as Fukui Shigemasa, tr., “Kita America ni okeru Chūgokugaku no genjō—In, Shū, Kan o chūshin ni,” *Shakai bunka shigaku* [*Journal of Social and Cultural History*] 31: 103-114.
- *“The Expansion of the Wen-ch’ang Cult.” In Patricia Ebrey and Peter N. Gregory, eds. *Religion and Society in T’ang and Sung China* (Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press, 1993), 45-73.
- *“Senshu: Seitōteki na chihō shinkō” 川主：正統的な地方信仰 [The Lord(s) of Sichuan: An orthodox local cult]. *Tōhō shūkyō* 80 (1992): 33-50; 81 (1993): 43-50.
- “Shidō teikun shinkō kenkyū no genjō” 梓潼帝君信仰研究の現状 [The current state of researches into the cult of the Divine Lord of Zitong]. Maruyama Hiroshi, tr. In *Progress towards Taoist Culture: Collected Essays of the Society for Research into Taoist Culture* [*Dōkyō bunka e no tenbō*] (Tokyo: Hirakawa Publishing, 1994), 238-41.
- *“Mountain Deities in China: The Domestication of the Mountain God and the Subjugation of the Margins.” *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 114.2 (April-June 1994): 226-38.
- *“Licentious Cults and Bloody Victuals: Sacrifice, Reciprocity and Violence in Traditional China.” *Asia Major*, Third series, 7.1 (1994): 185-211. Reprinted in Vincent Goossaert, ed., *Critical Readings on Chinese Religion* (Leiden: Brill, 2013).
- “The Lives and Teachings of the Divine Lord of Zitong.” In Donald S. Lopez, Jr., ed., *Religions of China in Practice* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1996), 64-71.
- “You jisi kan Zhongguo zongjiao de fenlei” 由祭祀看中國宗教的分類 [A consideration of the typology of Chinese religion from the standpoint of sacrifice]. In Li Fengmao and Zhu Ronggui (Ron-guey Chu), eds., *Yishi, Miaohui yu shequ: Daojiao minjian xinyang yu minjian wenhua* [Ritual, temple festivals, and communities: Daoist and popular beliefs and popular culture] (Nangang: Academia Sinica, Institute of Literature and Philosophy, 1997), 547-555.
- *“Sources for Religious Practice in Zitong: The Local Aspect of a National Cult.” *Cahiers d’Extrême-Asie* 10 (1998): 341-355.
- *“Daoism and the Quest for Order.” *Taoism and Ecology* (Cambridge, Mass.: Center for the Study of World Religion, Harvard University, 2001), 61-70.
- *“Ethnic Identity and Daoist Identity in Traditional China.” In Livia Kohn and Harold D. Roth, eds., *Daoist Identity: History, Lineage, and Ritual* (Honolulu: University of Hawai’i Press, 2002), 23-38.
- *“Reconstructing China’s Religious Past: Textual Criticism and Intellectual History.” *Journal of Chinese Religions* 32 (2004): 29-45.
- *“Feasting without the Victuals: The Evolution of the Daoist Communal Kitchen.” In Roel Sterckx, ed., *Of Tripod and Palate: Food, Politics, and Religion in Traditional China* (New York and Hampshire, UK: Palgrave MacMillan, 2005), 140-162.
- *“The Evolution of Daoist Cosmology and the Construction of the Common Sacred Realm.” *Taiwan Journal of East Asian Studies* 2.1 (June 2005): 89-110.

- *“Daoism in the Third Century.” In Florian C. Reiter, ed., *Purposes, Means and Convictions in Daoism: A Berlin Symposium*, Asien- und Afrika-Studien der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Band 29 (Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag, 2007), 11-28.
- *“Shoki kyōkai shiryō to shite no Dōkyō no rinri kihan ni tsuite” 初期教会資料としての道教の倫理規範について [On Daoist ethical norms as a source for early church history]. Tr. Mori Yuria 森由利亞. *Tōyō no shisō to shūkyō* 東洋の思想と宗教 24 (2007): 1-26.
- “Daoism and Co-existence” 道教と共生. In Research Center for Kyōsei Philosophy, ed., *Annual Report of Kyosei Studies 2008* (Tokyo: Research Center for Kyosei Philosophy, 2008): 40-44.
- *“The Ritualized Treatment of Stroke in Early Medieval Daoism and the Secret Incantation of the Northern Thearch.” In Florian Reiter, ed., *Foundations of Daoist Ritual, A Berlin Symposium*, Asien- und Afrikastudien der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Vol. 33 (Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag, 2009), 227-238.
- “Michi no kyōkai wo sadameru: shoki Dōkyō kyōdan nin okeru shūkyōteki aidentiti” 「道」の境界を定める — 初期道教教団における宗教的アイデンティティ [Determining the border of the Dao: Religious identity in the early Daoist church]. In F. Tanaka and Terry Kleeman, eds., *Dōkyō to kyōsei shisō* 道教と共生思想 [Daoism and the philosophy of co-existence], tr. N. Kikuchi (Tokyo: Taiga shobō, 2009), 36-52.
- *“Community and Daily Life in the Early Daoist Church.” John Lagerway and Lü Pengzhi, eds., *Early Chinese Religion: Part 2, The Period of Division (220-589)* (Leiden: Brill, 2010), 395-436.
- *“Authority and Discipline in the Early Daoist Church.” *Daoism: Religion, History and Society* 2 (2010): 37-64.
- *“Exorcising the Six Heavens: The Role of Traditional State Deities in the *Demon Statutes of Lady Blue*.” Florian C. Reiter, ed., *Exorcism in Religious Daoism: A Berlin Symposium*, Asien- und Afrika-Studien der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Vol. Nr. 36, (Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag, 2011), 89-104.
- *“‘Take charge of Households and Convert the Citizenry’: The Parish Priest in Celestial Master Transmission.” Special Issue: Affiliation and Transmission in Daoism: A Berlin Symposium. *Abhandlungen für die Kunde des Morgenlandes* 78 (2012): 19-39.
- “Registers and transmission in Celestial Master and Later Daoism.” *Yaozoku bunka kenkyūjo tsūjin* 4 (2013): 40-49.
- *“The Performance and Significance of the Merging the Pneumas (Heqi) Rite in Early Daoism.” *Daoism: Religion, History, and Society*, Special Issue on Changing Fate in Daoism, 6 (2014): 85-112.

Translations, Abstracts & Dictionary Entries

“*Shigaku Zasshi* Summary of Japanese Scholarship: Zhanguo, Qin and Han.” Translation of articles from Japanese, with K. Takashima. *Early China* 5 (1979-80): 64-71; *Early China* 6 (1980-81): 109-15; *Early China* 7 (1981-82): 85-91.

Various entries in *Chinese Archaeological Abstracts*. Edited by Al Dien, Nancy Price and Jeffrey Riegel. Los Angeles: The Institute of Archaeology, 1986. Volume 2, pp. 820-34, 875-88, 910-13, 954-58, 995-1001, 1015, 1110, 1122-23, 1166-68, 1173-75, 1195-97, 1279-82, 1315-21, 1359-61, 1369-74, 2025-26.

“Bunshō kesho” [*The Book of Transformations of Wenchang*]. In *Dōkyō jiten* [A Dictionary of Daoism] (Tokyo: Hirakawa shuppansha, 1994), 525.

“*Shigaku Zasshi* Survey of Research 1989: China: Warring States, Qin, and Han Periods” by Yamada Katsuyoshi. In Lothar von Falkenhausen, ed., *Japanese Scholarship on Early China, 1987-1991: Summaries from Shigaku Zasshi* (Berkeley: East Asia Institute, 2002).

“Chinese Religion: History of Study.” Re-writing and update of 1987 original written by Norman Girardot. *Encyclopedia of Religion*, 2nd edition (Chicago: Macmillan Reference, 2005), 1629-40.

Seventeen entries in the *Encyclopedia of Taoism*. Ed. by Fabrizio Pregadio. Routledge, 2007, pp. 272-3, 294, 402-3, 550-51, 622-24, 644-45, 833-34, 839-40, 981-86, 1033-34, 1035-36, 1055-56, 1176-77, 1222-23, 1227-28, 1232-33, 1274-76.

Reviews

Teiser, Stephen. *The Ghost Festival in Medieval China*. (*Journal of Asian Studies* 49.2 [May 1990], pp. 141-42).

Köhn, Livia. *Seven Steps to the Tao: Sima Chengzhen's Zuowanglun*. (*Asian Folklore Studies* 49.1 [Spring 1990]: 161-64).

Mollier, Christine. *Une Apocalypse Taoïste du Ve Siècle: Le Livre des Incantations Divines des Grottes Abyssales*. (*Études chinoises* 11.2 [Automne 1992]: 182-86).

Robinet, Isabelle. *Taoism: Growth of a Religion*. (*Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, 66.3 [Fall 1998]: 707-710).

Bokenkamp, Stephen R. *Early Daoist Scriptures*. (*Journal of Asian Studies* 59.1 [February 2000]: 143-145).

Hymes, Robert. *Way and Byway: Taoism, Local Religion, and Models of Divinity in Sung and Modern China*. (*Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 73.4 [Winter 2005]: 1225-1228).

Alberts, Eli. *A History of Daoism and the Yao People of South China*. (*T'oung Pao* 96.1-3 [2010]: 246-249).

Works in Progress

“Sources of Daoist Social History.” A monograph-length translation and discussion of primary sources drawn from the Daoist canon that provide useful information concerning the first centuries of the Celestial Master Daoist church.

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Papers

- “Local Religion in Imperial China: The Cult to Wen-ch’ang in Szechwan.” Western Branch of the American Oriental Society, University of California at Berkeley, November 13, 1987.
- “The Book of Transformations: A Window on Sung Society.” Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Francisco, March 19, 1988.
- Discussant, “Chinese Hells: Visions of Torment, Savior from Pain.” Mid-Atlantic Region of the Association for Asian Studies, Nineteenth Annual Meeting, October 20, 1990.
- “Divine Revelation in Traditional China: The Sung Transformation.” Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Berkeley, California, March 3-6, 1991.
- “Religion in China: Historical Origins and Living Traditions.” Project for International Living, University of Pennsylvania, March 18, 1991.
- “Changing Perceptions of the Supreme Deity in Traditional China” Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Boston, Massachusetts, March 28, 1992.
- “Sources for Religious Practice in Zitong: The Local Side of a National Cult.” Annual Meeting of the Society for Chinese Religions, held in conjunction with the Association for Asian Studies, Washington, D.C., April 4, 1992.
- “The Domestication of the Mountain God and the Subjugation of the Margins.” Paper presented at the Conference on Mountains and the Cultures of Landscape in China, University of California at Santa Barbara, January 14-16, 1993.
- “Institutionalized and Diffuse Religion in Traditional China.” Mid-Atlantic Region of the Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, October 22, 1994.
- “Blood Sacrifice in China: Morality, Violence, and Requit.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Chicago, November 19, 1994.
- “Sacrifice and the Classification of Chinese Religions.” Presented in Chinese at the Conference on Taoism and Popular Religion, Academia Sinica, April 29, 1995.
- “Sources for Religious Practice in Zitong: The Local Side of a National Cult.” Conference on Culte des Sites et Culte des Saints: Sources d’Hagiographie et d’Histoire locale dans le Monde chinois, École Française d’Extrême-Orient, Paris, May 29, 1995.
- “Perfection Manifest: Taoist Millenarianism One Hundred Years On.” Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Western Branch, Los Angeles, November 3-4, 1995.
- “Taoist Kitchens and the Chinese Sacrificial Tradition.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religions, Philadelphia, November 27, 1995.
- “Great Perfection: A Fourth-century Millennial Kingdom.” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Atlanta, January 5-7, 1996.

- “The Sacrificial Banquet and the Taoist Kitchen: Reformation and Accommodation in Medieval China.” Presented at the conference on “Sacrifice Breaking Off: Declines and Transformations,” Heidelberg University, Germany, November 8-10, 1996.
- “Barbarians and the Dao: Ethnic and Religious Identity in Traditional China.” Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Chicago, March 13-16, 1997. Panel organizer and chair.
- “Daoism and Ethnic Minorities Ancient Southwest China.” International Congress of Asian and North African Studies, Budapest, Hungary, July 7-12, 1997. Panel organizer.
- “Ethnic Identity and Daoist Identity in Traditional China.” Second American-Japanese Conference on Taoism, York, Maine, May 28- June 1, 1998.
- Respondent for paper on “Daoist Notions of Wilderness.” Taoism and Ecology Conference, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University, June 5-6, 1998.
- “The Sacred Geography of Sichuan Regional Gods and Regional Consciousness.” International Conference of Asia Scholars, Noordwijkerhout, Netherlands, June 25-28, 1998.
- “How Should We Reconstruct Religious History? Intellectual History, Textual Criticism, and the Early Daoist Church.” International Conference on Religion and Chinese Society, Chinese University of Hong Kong, May 29 – June 2, 2000.
- “Multivocality and Historical Development in Chinese God Cults.” Conference on “Representing Chinese Religion,” Boulder, CO, November 16-17, 2002. Conference organizer.
- “The Structuring of Morality in Daoist Moral Codes.” Conference on Religious Thought and Lived Religion in China,” September 14-15, 2002, Vancouver, B.C.
- “The Great Tradition of Banquets and Feast in Chinese Society.” University of Colorado Asia Day Celebration, Boulder, Colorado, February 29, 2004.
- “Feasting without the Victuals: The Evolution of the Daoist Communal Kitchen.” International Conference “Of Tripod and Palate,” Trinity College, Cambridge, April 1-2, 2004.
- “The Evolution of Daoist Cosmology and the Construction of the Common Sacred Realm.” Conference on “The Formation of Ideas about Cosmic Order in Early Modern East Asia,” Center for the Study of East Asian Civilizations, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, August 20-21, 2004.
- “Ghosts as Evidence: The Role of the Supernatural in Traditional Chinese Jurisprudence.” Center for the Humanities and the Arts Annual Colloquium, University of Colorado, Boulder, March 3-5, 2005.
- “Early Daoist Precepts and the Daoist Community.” Annual Meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, Chicago, Illinois, April 2, 2005.
- “Daoism in the Third Century.” Symposium on Purposes, Means and Convictions in Religious Taoism, Humboldt-Universität, Berlin, Germany, June 10-15, 2005.

- “Traditional Chinese Jurisprudence and the Supernatural: Can Ghosts give Evidence?”
International Conference on the Development of Worldviews In Early Modern East Asia,
Center for the Study of East Asian Civilizations, National Taiwan University, Taipei,
Taiwan, August 5-6, 2005.
- “Daoist Ethical Codes as a Source for Early Church History.” International Conference on
Daoism, Taipei, Taiwan, May 6-7, 2006.
- “Dōkyō shiryō yori mita Dōkyōteki kyōdōtai no tokushoku ni tsuite” 道藏資料より見た道教的
共同体の特色について [On the characteristics of the Daoist community as reflected in
materials from the Daoist canon]. Keynote speech presented at the Society for Oriental
Philosophy Annual Meeting, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan, June 10, 2006.
- “The Origins and Development of the Daoist Ordination Ritual” [Zaoqi Daojiao de shoulu
yishi ji qi yanbian 早期道教的授籙儀式及其演變]. First International Symposium on
Daoism and Immortal Culture, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, November 10-11, 2006.
- “The Visual Canon of the Li Family of Jilong, Taiwan.” Annual Meeting of the American
Academy of Religion, Washington, D.C., November 18-21, 2006.
- “Community and Daily Life in the Early Daoist Church.” Conference on “Rituals, Pantheons
and Techniques: A History of Chinese Religion before the Tang,” Ecole Pratique des
Hautes Etudes, Paris, December 14-21, 2006.
- Discussant, Panel on “Quanzhen Identities,” International Symposium on Quanzhen Daoism
in Modern Chinese Society and Culture, Center for Chinese Studies, University of
California, Berkeley, Ca, November 2-3, 2007.
- Panelist, Panel on Electronic Resources for the Study of Chinese Religions: Reflections on
Current and Future Impact and Directions, Annual Meeting of the American Academy of
Religion, San Diego, CA, November 17-20, 2007.
- “The Ritualized Treatment of Stroke in Early Daoism.” Symposium on Foundation of
Chinese Ritual, Seminar on Sinology, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, December
9-1, 2007.
- “Daoism and Community.” Paper presented at the International Conference on Daoism in
Chinese History, University of Colorado, Boulder, March 8-9, 2008.
- “Dao and the Profane: Views of Non-Daoists in the Early Daoist Church.” UBC Conference
on Daoist Studies, Vancouver, B.C., October 24-26, 2008.
- Panelist, “Chronicling the Dao: A Critical Appraisal of Kristofer Schipper and Franciscus
Verellen’s *The Taoist Canon: A Historical Companion to the Daozang*,” Annual Meeting
of the American Academy of Religion, November 1-3, 2008, Chicago, Illinois.
- “Delimiting the Dao: Religious Identity in the Early Daoist Church.” Third Japan-America
Conference on Daoism, Tōyō University, Tokyo, Japan, December 16-20, 2008.
- “Daoism and Co-existence.” Conference on Asian Culture and the Forms of Co-existence,
Tōyō University, Tokyo, Japan, December 20, 2008.

- “The Importance of Fieldwork,” Keynote remarks at plenary session, “Daoism: Its Past, Present and Future” The Fifth International Daoist Studies Conference, Wudangshan, China, June 18-22, 2009.
- “*Nüqing guilü de chengshu niandai ji qi lishi yiyi*” 『女青鬼律』的成書年代及其歷史意義 [The dating and significance of the *Demon Statutes of Lady Blue*]. “Daoism: Its Past, Present and Future” The Fifth International Daoist Studies Conference, Wudangshan, China, June 18-22, 2009.
- “On the Formation and Significance of the Sacrifice Chapters of the *Record of Rites*” 『礼记』有关“牺牲”章节的构成及其意义 (presented in Chinese). First Committee Meeting on the Translation of the Five Chinese Classics, Beijing, China, July 27-29, 2009.
- “The Joining of Pneumas Rite and its Role in Early Daoist Religious Practice.” Conference on Sex and Texts: Representations of Sexuality in Asian Religious Traditions, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, October 15-16, 2009.
- “Authority and Discipline in the Early Daoist Church.” Conference on New Approaches to the Study of Daoism in Chinese Culture and Society, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, November 26-28, 2009.
- “Exorcising the State: The Role of Traditional State Deities in the *Demon Statutes of Lady Blue*. Symposium on Exorcism in Daoist Religion, Seminar on Sinology, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, December 8-10, 2009.
- “Changing Conceptions of the Realm of the Dead in Early Medieval China.” Princeton Conference on Buddhism and Daoism, Princeton University, October 8-10, 2010.
- “State and Religion in Early Celestial Master Daoism.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, October 30-November 2, 2010.
- “Wenchang’s *Precious Register* and the Integration of Popular Deities into Daoism during the Southern Song.” Conference on Daoist Ritual and Popular Religion, Asian Research Institute, National University of Singapore, Singapore, December 2-3, 2010.
- “‘Take charge of households and convert the citizenry’: The Parish Priest in Celestial Master Transmission.” Symposium on Lineage and Transmission in Daoism, Seminar on Sinology, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, June 26-30, 2011.
- Organizer, presider, and participant in panel “On the National Endowment for the Humanities Seminar: “An Introduction to Daoist Literature and History,” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, San Francisco, November 27, 2011.
- “Registers and Transmission in Celestial Master and Later Daoism.” Second International Conference on Yao Daoist Culture, Changsha, Hunan, China, August 27-28, 2012.
- “By Talisman, Image and Name: Daoist Approaches to Demons in Medieval China.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Chicago, IL, November 17-20, 2012.

- ““The Joining the Pneumas Rite and the Avoidance of Disaster in Celestial Master Daoism.” Presented at the workshop “Changing Fate in Religious Daoism,” International Consortium for Research in the Humanities, Friedrich Alexander University, Erlangen, Germany, June 13-14, 2013.
- “The Dead and Mount Tai in Early Medieval China.” Conference on “Modes of Interreligious Engagement: Buddhism and other Religious Traditions in Medieval China,” Hamburg University, Germany, November 7-9, 2013.
- “Salvation and Calamity in a Medieval Daoist Sex Rite: The Merging the Pneumas Rite Reconsidered.” Also panel organizer for this paper, presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, Philadelphia, PA, March 28, 2014.
- “Ordination Ritual in Early Daoism: What the S.203 Manuscript Can Tell Us about Daoist Communities.” Ninth International Conference on Daoism: “Daoism: Tradition and Transition.” Boston University, Boston, May 29-June 1, 2014.
- Participant, China panel, Conference on “Prosociality in History and Historiography: Can Big Gods Tip the Balance in World History?”, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., October 17-18, 2014.
- "Daoism and Ecology." Paper presented at the Symposium on Sustainability, Values and Religion, Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Stockholm, June 10-11, 2015.
- “Cultivating Conduct and Establishing Merit 修行立功: Pursuing the Good in Early Daoism.” Conference ““Vies taoïstes – Daoist Lives Colloque international d’études taoïstes,” Aussois, France, September 10-12, 2015.
- “Daoist Ethics: Difiining the Good in Early Modern Daoism.” American Oriental Society – Western Branch Annual Meeting, Boulder, CO, October 9-11, 2015.
- “Divination and Demonology in Daoist Treatments of the Dead.” Conference on “Divination and the Strange in Pre- and Early Modern East Asia and Europe,” Consortium for Research in the Humanities, Erlangen, Germany, October 27-28, 2015.
- “Individual and Community in Early Daoism: Diffuse and Organized Religion in Chinese History.” Conference on “Community as a Challenge to Life,” Universidad Nacional de San Martín, Buenos Aires, Argentina, November 10-12, 2015.
- “Daoism and the State under the Northern Dynasties.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, November 21-24, 2015.

Invited Talks

- “The Sins of the Fathers: Mutual Responsibility and Ancestor Worship in China.” Oriental Studies Faculty Seminar, Univ. of Pennsylvania. November 29, 1990.

- “The Present State of Studies into the Cult to the Divine Lord of Tzu-t’ung.” Society for the Study of Taoist Culture, Waseda University, Tokyo, June 10, 1989.
- “Concerning the *Book of Transformations* of Wen-ch’ang.” Tōyō University, Tokyo, Japan, July 8, 1989.
- “Licentious Cults and Bloody Victuals: Standards of Religious Orthodoxy in Traditional China.” Paper presented at Stanford University, February 18, 1991.
- “Orthodoxy and Orthopraxy in Chinese Religion.” Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Faculty Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, April 21, 1992.
- “The Origins of Chinese Characters and Their Use in Japan.” Japan Center for Michigan Universities, Hikone, Japan, June 23, 1992.
- “Early Japanese Religion.” Japan Center for Michigan Universities, Hikone, Japan, July 11, 1992.
- “The Historical Development of Chinese Gods and their Cults.” Department of Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania, March 3, 1993.
- “Licentious Cults and Bloody Victuals: Blood Sacrifice as a Determinant of Religious Orthodoxy in Traditional China.” Columbia Traditional China Seminar, October 12, 1993.
- “Marchmounts and Margins: The Construction of Chinese Sacred Space.” Division of Humanities, City College (CUNY), New York, November 30, 1994.
- “The Writings of the Phoenix: Divine Authorship in China.” Institute of Linguistics, Asian and Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of Minnesota, December 2, 1994.
- “They Respond with Great Blessings: Sacrifice, Reciprocity, and Morality in Chinese Religion.” East Asian Languages and Cultures, University of California at Los Angeles, February 24, 1995.
- “Sacrifice and Morality in Chinese Religious History.” China Institute, Oxford University, June 6, 1995.
- “Reciprocity vs. Morality: Sacrifice in the Development of the Chinese Religious World.” Research Workshop on Depicting and Describing China, University of Chicago, October 27, 1995
- “The Establishment of the Cheng Kingdom and Chinese Millenarian Beliefs.” National Central University, Chungli, Taiwan, May 9, 1996.
- “Early Celestial Master Taoism and Chinese Millenarian Thought.” Institute of Chinese Literature and Philosophy, Academia Sinica, Taiwan, May 10, 1996.
- “The Current State of Western Research into Chinese Religion and Philosophy.” Department of Chinese Literature, Tōyō University, Tokyo, Japan, May 20, 1996.
- “Both Citizens and Barbarians Found Security Therein: Taoism and Ethnic Identity in Early Medieval Sichuan.” University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, March 28, 1997.

- “Clan, State, Culture, or Ethnicity: The Meanings of Ba in Ancient Southwestern China.” Stanford University, May 5, 1999.
- “Ethnonyms and Ethnic Groups in Ancient Sichuan.” Cambridge University, July 21, 1999.
- “Chinese Religion or Religions: Daoism, Buddhism and the Shared Chinese Religious Experience.” Teaching East Asia Summer Institute, Boulder, CO, July 31, 2002.
- “Tianshi daofa: Cong shijie zongjiaoshi kan Zhongguo guyou zongjiao” 天師道法：從世界宗教史看中國固有宗教 [The Celestial Master Church: China’s Indigenous Religion from the Standpoint of the History of World Religions]. History Department, National Taiwan University, December 15, 2005.
- “Zhongguo shehuishi bei yiwang de yiye: Daojiao gongtongti de zaijiangou” 中國社會史被遺忘的一頁：道教共同體的再建構 [A forgotten page of China’s social history: The reconstruction of the Daoist community]. Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, January 24, 2006.
- “Japanese Cultural Identity in the Global World.” Presentation with F. Kleeman at the Department of International Communication, Aichi University, Toyohashi, Japan, March 31, 2006.
- “Shiki Dōkyō no juroku girei: *Shōyitsu hōben taijō gairokugi* to sono shūhen” 初期道教の授籙儀禮：『正一法文太上外祿儀』とその周辺 [The early Daoist ordination ritual: *The External Protocols of the Most High* and related texts]. Society for the Study of Daoist Culture, Tokyo, Japan, April 22, 2006.
- “Celestial Master Communities and the Early Daoist Church.” Indiana University, January 11, 2007.
- “The concept of wind (*feng* 風) in Early Chinese Medical and Religious Texts.” Needham Research Institute, Cambridge, England, May 8, 2009.
- “Ritual, merit and apotheosis among the Red-head Daoist priests of N. Taiwan.” Anthropology Research Group on Eastern Medicines and Religions, University of Oxford, Oxford, England, May 13, 2009.
- “How Many Spirit Soldiers Can Dance on a Pin? Taking a Stab at Daoist Theology.” Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England, May 18, 2009.
- “Zaoqi Daojiao de shehui zhixu yu quanwei” 早期道教的社會秩序與權威 [The social order and authority in early Daoism]. Center for Chinese Studies, Taipei, Taiwan, October 24, 2009.
- “Haiwai Daojiao yanjiu jianjie” 海外道教研究簡介 [An introduction to Daoist studies abroad]. Department of Religion, Sichuan University, Chengdu, Sichuan, China, April 16, 2010.
- “An Exploration of Daoism through Art.” Department of Foreign Languages, Sichuan University, Chengdu, Sichuan, China, April 22, 2010.

- “Qianzai zhi hui: Zaoqi Tianshidao er san xinde” 千載之會：早期天師道二三心得 [A confluence of a thousand years: Some observations on early Celestial Master Daoism]. Department of Religion, Sichuan University, Chengdu, Sichuan, China, April 23, 2010.
- “Shenshi yu jielü: Tianshidao de zhengjiao heyi guannian xiaokao” 神示與戒律 - 天師道的政教合一觀念小考 [Revelation and precept: A study of Celestial Master ideas of theocracy]. Department of History, Fudan University, Shanghai, China, November 5, 2010.
- “The Early Celestial Master Church: Our Current Understanding.” Dept. of Asian Languages, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, April 10, 2012.
- “The Structure of Society in the Early Celestial Master Daoist Church.” Dept. of East Asian Studies, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, September 27, 2012.
- “Tianshidao shoulu zhidu de lishi yanbian” 天師道授籙制度的歷史演變 [The historical development of the Celestial Master ordination system]. National Chengchih University, Taipei, Taiwan, March 13, 2013.
- “Guoji Daojiao yanjiu de guoqu yu xianzai” 國際道教研究的過去與現在 [The past and present states of international Daoist studies]. National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan, March 16, 2013.
- “Yige shiji de Daojiao yanjiu” 一個世紀的道教研究 [A century of Daoist studies]. Capitol Normal University, Beijing, China, March 19, 2013.
- “Tianshidao de shehui zuzhi yu shoulu zhidu” 天師道的社會組織與授籙制度 [The social structure and ordination system of Celestial Master Daoism]. Capitol Normal University, Beijing, China, March 20, 2013.
- “Readings in Daoist Sexology: The Joining of Pneumas Rite.” Text reading at the Needham Research Institute, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK, May 3, 2013.
- “The Role of the Register in Celestial Master Social Organization.” Heidelberg University, Germany, July 3, 2013.
- “The Structure and Nature of Early Daoist Communities.” University of Zurich, Switzerland, September 19, 2013.
- “Of Parishes and Registers: An Exploration of Early Daoist Society.” Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Paris, September 26, 2013.
- “Celestial Master Daoist Communities in Early Medieval China.” Confucius Institute, University of Leipzig, Leipzig, Germany, November 4, 2013.
- “The Origins of Daoism.” Institute of East Asian Studies, University of Leipzig, Leipzig, Germany, November 5, 2013.
- “Morality and Freedom in Early Daoist Communities.” International Consortium for Research in the Humanities, Friedrich Alexander University, Erlangen, Germany, November 12, 2013.
- “Merging Pneumas and Training Novices: The Priest as Pastor in Early Daoism.” Program in Asian Studies, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, September 26, 2014.

Outreach Activities

Seminar for high school teachers on book *The Ancient Chinese World*, University of Colorado campus, February 24, 2007.

“Taiwan’s Linguistic World: Tradition and Diversity.” Keynote speech at the Republic of China Double Tenth Celebration Banquet, Denver, CO, October 14, 2007.

Lecture “Historical and Religious Background to *Monkey*,” as part of Teaching East Asia outreach activity, University of Colorado campus, February 23, 2008.

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

Conference on “Re-presenting Chinese Religion,” University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, November 16-17, 2002.

“International Conference on Daoism in Chinese History,” University of Colorado, Boulder, March 8-9, 2008.

Third Japan-America Conference on Daoism, American organizer, Tōyō University, Tokyo, Japan, December 16-20, 2008.

“Introduction to Daoist Literature and History,” NEH Summer Seminar for College and University Teachers, University of Colorado, Boulder, July-August, 2011, and July-August, 2014.

Conference on “Changing Fate in Religious Daoism,” International Consortium for Research in the Humanities, Friedrich Alexander University, Erlangen, Germany, June 13-14, 2013.

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Chinese Civilization (Pennsylvania)
Introduction to Chinese Literature (Minnesota)
Masterpieces of Chinese Literature (Colorado)
Religions of China (Colorado)
Introduction to the Traditional Civilizations of East Asia (Colorado)
History of Religion in East Asia (William & Mary)
Classical Chinese Philosophy (Pennsylvania)
Taoism (Pennsylvania, Colorado)
Topics in Daoism (Berkeley)
The Tao and the World (Colorado)
Sacred Myths of the Chinese (William & Mary)
Modern Religions of East Asia (Colorado)
East Asian Shamanism (Colorado)
Daoist Priests and Folk Shamans of Traditional China (Colorado)
Colloquium in Chinese Thought (Pennsylvania)
Colloquium in Buddhism and Chinese Civilization (Pennsylvania)
Readings in Pre-Modern Chinese Literature (Minnesota)
Early Chinese Thought (Berkeley)

Medieval Thought and Religion: Early Daoism (Colorado)
 Bibliography and Research Methods (Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Colorado)
 Classical Chinese (Pennsylvania, Colorado)
 Advanced Classical Chinese (Pennsylvania)
 Topics in Classical Chinese Texts: Laozi (William & Mary)
 Second-year Chinese (Minnesota)
 Third-year Chinese (Pennsylvania)
 First-year Japanese (Berkeley)
 Japanese for Sinologists (Pennsylvania, Colorado)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Academy of Religions, Association for Asian Studies, American Oriental Society,
 Early Medieval China Group, Nihon Dōkyō Gakkai (Society for Taoistic Research of Japan),
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David Jon Felt (Stanford)	2008	EALC
Aaron Profitt (Michigan)	2008	Dual
Chen Li (Stanford)	2009	RLST
Britt Marlowe (UCLA)	2009	RLST
Robert Oney	2009	RLST
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