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Assistant Professor of International Studies and Women, Gender and Sexuality
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Education

- 2016 Ph.D. Emory University, Atlanta, GA, US
Department of Anthropology
Certificate Program in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
Dissertation: "Unmaking Identity: Male-to-Female Transgenderism in Southwest China"
- 2008 M.A. Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
Gender Studies Program
- 2002 M.A. Shanghai International Studies University, Shanghai, China
English Linguistics
- 1999 B.A. Shanghai International Studies University, Shanghai, China
Department of English Language & Literature

Professional Employment Record

- 2019- Assistant Professor, International Studies and Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies, Trinity College, Hartford, CT, USA
- 2018-2019 Visiting Assistant Professor, International Studies and Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies, Trinity College, Hartford, CT, USA
- 2017-2018 Visiting Assistant Professor
Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, USA
- 2016-2017 Researcher
Shunde Zhongdao Reform Research Institute, P. R. China
- 2002-2007 Copy Editor
Shanghai Foreign Language Education Press, P. R. China

Publications

- Work in Progress Book manuscript: *Detaching Identity: Transgenderism and Queer Politics in Southwest China*
Invited book review on *Queer Chinese Culture and Mobilities: Kinship, Migration, and Middle Classes* by John Wei, to be submitted to *China Review International*
- Under Review "Debris and Desire: Negotiating Erotic Spaces in Southwest China."
Transgender Studies Quarterly
- Published/ "Evolutionary Fantasy: The Sciences of Society and the Production of
In Press the Prostitute." (A book review on Durba Mitra's *Indian Sex Life*). *GLQ: A Journal of Lesbian and Gay Studies*, 2021, Vol. 27, Issue 2.

“A Butlerian Performative Approach to Three Representations of Transgenderism in Mainland China” (in Chinese). In Fang Gang (ed.). *Sexualities and Gender Study No. 5*. 2012. Taiwan: Wan You Publishing House, pp. 477-485.

Professional Presentations

- 2019 “Impossible Solidarity: Activism, Intersubjectivity, and Queer Politics in Contemporary China.” Presented at 118th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Vancouver, Canada, November 20-24
- 2018 “Re-Weaving the Community Fabric—Retired Embroideresses and Innovative Community Building in Shunde, China.” Presented at 117th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Jose, California, November 14-18
- 2018 “Queering Transgenderism in Southwest China.” Presented at the NWSA Annual Conference, November 8-11
- 2018 Invited panel discussion, “Women Bodies in the Global Community” at Underground Coffee, Mather Hall, Trinity College, organized by Promoting Health Awareness of the Body (PHAB), under the Women and Gender Resource Action Center (WGRAC)
- 2015 “Joining the Workforce: Labor and Desire amidst Urban Flux.” Presented at the 114th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Denver, Colorado, November 18-22
- 2015 “Debris and Desire: Negotiating Erotic Spaces in Kunming, China.” Paper presented at Berkeley-Stanford Graduate Student Conference in Modern Chinese Humanities, April 17-18
- 2015 “China Salon: Searching for Transgendered Subjects in China.” Campus invited talk presented at Global Salon, co-organized by Center for Women and Office of International Student Life, Emory University, GA
- 2014 “Debris and Desire: Negotiating Erotic Spaces in Kunming, China.” Paper presented at the American Anthropological Association 113th Annual Meeting in Washington DC in December 3-7
- 2014 “Searching for Transgendered Subjects in Southwest China: Rethinking Identity Categories in Ethnographic Encounters.” Paper presented at the 10th Biennial ACS Gender Studies/Women’s Studies Conference at Furman University, April 4-5
- 2014 Roundtable discussion on Queer Activism in China. The 2014 Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Philadelphia, March 29
- 2013 “Perceptions of Risk and Safety: Barriers to Consistent Condom Use among MSM in Southwest China.” First author, accepted for E-Poster at the 11th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific (ICAAP 11), Bangkok, Thailand
- 2012 “Progress Report on Transgender Field Research.” Invited talk presented at Quarterly Meeting of the Yunnan MSM (men who have sex with men) Network, Kunming, Yunnan Province, P. R. China
- 2011 “A Performative Approach to Three Representations of Transgenderism in Mainland China.” Paper presented at South East Women's Studies Association Conference, Georgia State University, Atlanta

- 2011 “Shifting Conceptualizations of Gender in Feminist Anthropology.” Invited talk presented at Gender and Development meeting at the Yunnan Social Science Academy, Kunming, Yunnan Province, P. R. China
- 2010 “Erasure of Homoeroticism in the Nationalization of Beijing Opera.” Paper presented at Session on Gender Crossings, American Anthropological Association, 109th Annual Meeting, New Orleans

Service (Trinity)

- 2020 Serve as mentor for a new faculty member under the Mentoring, Advocacy, and Support at Trinity Program
- 2018 “Meet and greet” with joint appointment job candidates in Political Science and International Studies
Co-organized Trinity’s film screening event *Call Her Ganda*
- 2019-Present Serve as Faculty advisor for Asian American Students Association
- 2019 Co-organized junior faculty writing group
Served on Search committee for the McGill VAP position
Trinity alumni class 63’ class visit
“Meet and greet” with joint appointment job candidates in Economics and International Studies
- 2019-2020 Served on INTS Honors Thesis Committee

Professional Memberships

American Anthropological Association
Society for East Asian Anthropology
Association for Feminist Anthropology
Association for Queer Anthropology
National Women’s Studies Association

Honors, Awards, Grants

- 2015-2016 Woodruff Library and Emory Writing Center Graduate Fellowship, Emory University
- 2015 Kenneth W. Payne Student Paper Prize, Association for Queer Anthropology
Paper title: “Debris and Desire: Negotiating Erotic Spaces in Kunming, China”
- 2014-2015 Emory University Women’s Club Memorial Fellowship
- 2014 Center for Women at Emory Student Writing Award, First Place (Graduate)
Paper title: “Is Feminist Theory to Queer Theory as Gender is to Sexuality”
- 2001 Second Prize Winner in Graduate Thesis Competition, Shanghai International Studies University, P. R. China
- 2000 Lee Kong Chian Postgraduate Prize in English Language & Literature, awarded by Shanghai International Studies University, P. R. China
- 1999 The title of “Outstanding Graduate”, awarded by the Municipality of Shanghai, P. R. China
- 1998 Third Prize Winner at the “21st Century Cup” National English Speaking

Competition, awarded by *China Daily*, Beijing, P. R. China

Languages

Mandarin Chinese	Native
Cantonese	Native
English	Proficient