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EMPLOYMENT

Full Professor, Philosophy Department, University of Vermont, since 2019.

Associate Professor, Philosophy Department, University of Vermont, since 2000.

Sin Yee Chan

Assistant Professor, Philosophy Department, University of Vermont, 1993-2000.

Research Fellow, Philosophy Department, University of Hong Kong, 1998.

EDUCATION

B.A. History/Philosophy University of Hong Kong 1981

M.A. Philosophy University of Michigan 1987

M.A. Chinese Studies University of Michigan 1990

Ph.D. Philosophy University of Michigan 1993

FELLOWSHIPS

University of Hong Kong, Philosophy Department, Research Fellowship 1998

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Chinese Philosophy, Confucian Ethics, Ethics, Feminism, Feminist Ethics, Emotions.

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

'Comment on "Anger, Compassion and the Distinction between First and Third Person" by Kwong-loi Shun' [invited] (6400 words)

Forthcoming, Australasian Philosophical Review

"Confucianism and Gender" Oxford Handbook of Confucianism, Oldstone-Moore, J. ed., Oxford Handbook in Confucianism (Oxford University Press) [Invited]

"Why Does Confucianism Prefer Compassion to Empathy?"

(2019) An, Y., & Bruya, B. eds. *New Life for Old Ideas*. The Chinese University Press, pp.71-104. [Invited]

"Confucianism and Care Ethics"

(2017) Garry, A., Khader, S., & Stone, A. eds. *Routledge Companion to Feminism* (New York: Routledge), pp. 556-567 [Invited]

"Would Confucianism allow two men to share a peach? Compatibility between Ancient Confucianism and homosexuality"

(2016) Pang-white, A., ed., *Bloomsbury Research Handbook to Chinese Philosophy and Gender*, (New York: Bloomsbury), pp.173-201 [Invited]

Reprint: Translated into Chinese, published on the website Progressive Confucianism (jinburuxue.com)

http://jinburuxue.com/wp-

content/uploads/2017/08/%E9%99%88%E5%80%A9%E4%BB%AA-%E4%BA%8C%E7%94%B7%E5%88%86%E6%A1%83-1.4test.pdf

"Evaluative *yu* in the *Mencius*"

(2016) Philosophy East and West, 66 (4): 1168-1195

"From sincerity in the heart to the peace "all under Heaven"

(2015) Omar, I., & Duffey, M. eds., *Peacemaking and Violence in the World Religions* (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell), pp. 112-134 [Invited]

"Confucian Conception of jing (respect)"

(2006) philosophy East and West, Vol. 56, No. 2, pp. 229-252

Reprint: "The Confucian Notion of jing" (Translated into Chinese), Philosophy of Ethics and the Confucian Tradition, ed., Fang, Xu-dong (Shanghai: East China Normal University Press), 2010.

"Filial Piety, Commiseration and the roots of Jen (benevolence)"

(2004) Chan, A., & Tang, S. *Filial Piety in Chinese Thought and History* (New York: Routledge Curzon), pp.176-188 [Invited]

"The Personal is political: Confucianism and Liberal Feminism"

(2004) Bell, D., & Chiahark, H. eds., *The Politics of Affective Relations*, (Lanham: Lexington), pp.97-118 [Invited]

"The Confucian Conception of Gender in the Twenty-first Century"

(2003) Bell, D., & Chaibong, H. eds., *Confucianism for the Modern World*, (New York: Cambridge University Press), pp.312-333 [Invited]

Reprint: Translated into Chinese, published on the website Progressive Confucianism (jinburuxue.com)

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"Tang Jun-yi: Moral Idealism and Chinese Culture"

(2002) Bunnin, N., & Cheng, C. eds., *Contemporary Chinese Philosophy*, (Malden, Mass: Blackwell Publishing Ltd.), 2002, pp.305-326 [Invited]

"Can Shu be the one word that serves as the guiding principle of caring actions?" (2000) Philosophy East and West, October 2000, pp.507-524.

Reprint: in *The Examined Life: Chinese Perspectives* (Binghamton: Institute of Global Cultural Studies), 2002.

"Gender and relationship roles in the Analects and the Mencius,"

(2000) Asian Philosophy, Vol. 10, Issue 2, pp.115-132.

Reprint (revised) in Confucian Political Ethics, Princeton University Press, 2008.

"Paternalistic Wife? Paternalistic Stranger?"

(2000) Social Theory And Practice, Vol. 26, No. 1, pp. 85-102.

"Disputes on the one thread of chung-shu"

(1999) Journal of Chinese Philosophy, 26, no. 2, pp. 165-186.

"Standing Emotions"

(1999) Southern Journal of Philosophy, 37, No. 4, pp. 493-513

"Confucian Role-ethics and China's Economic Modernization"

(1997) Lieberthal, K., Lin, S., & Young, E. eds. *Constructing China*, (Ann Arbor: Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan), 1997, pp.33-56

NON PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

"Comments on Daniel Bell's paper, 'Reconciling Confucianism and Nationalism" (translation into Chinese)

Beijing Cultural Review, November, 2011 [Invited]

陈倩仪:儒家与民族主义能否相容,《文化纵横》2011 年 12 月刊 译/徐志跃pp.114-117.

http://old.21bcr.com/a/shiye/wenhuapinglun/2011/1226/3251.html

"Comments on Daniel Bell's paper, "Employers and Domestic Workers: A Confucian Approach."

Dissent, Winter 2008, pp.100-103 [Invited]

Reprint: Translated into Chinese and published online http://www.aisixiang.com/data/20137-3.html

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Cry For Her, Don't Just Cry With Her—The Value Of Compassion" (under revision after submission to journal and rejected)

"Relationships Without Roles—Bearable, But Still Too Light? Role-relationships in Confucianism and Care-ethics"

"Confucian Motherhood"

"Confucian Filial Piety And Caring Of The Elderly"

"The Insignificance of Desire in Mencius"

"Confucianism and Gender," Oldstone-Moore, J. ed., *The Oxford Handbook on Confucianism* (New York: Oxford) [Invited]

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

"Empathy and Confucianism" American Philosophical Association (APA) Pacific Division Meeting, April 2019.

"Relationships Without Roles—Bearable, But Still Too Light? Role-relationships in Confucianism and Care-ethics" American Philosophical Association (APA) Pacific Division Meeting, April, 2017.

"The Confucian Motherhood" The Australasian Society for Asian and comparative Philosophy, Sydney, July 2012.

"Xunzi, Mozi and Laozi on Emotions and Desires" APA Pacific Division Meeting, April, 2009.

- "The cultivation of moral emotions in early Confucianism" APA Pacific Division Meeting, April 2007.
- "The cultivation of moral emotions in early Confucianism" Symposium on Confucian Ethics, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, June 2004.
- "Filial Piety, Commiseration and the roots of *Jen* (benevolence)" International Society for Chinese Philosophy, Sweden, August 2003 (refereed). (Paper read on my behalf).
- "Jing (respect) and Jen (benevolence) in Confucianism" The American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting, March 2003.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

"Self-Realization in Confucianism and Daoism" for The Humanities Institute at Scripps College, November 2011.

Discussant of the Plenary Lecture by Robert Neville titled "Confucianism and the Feminist Revolution: Ritual Definition and the Social Construction of Gender Roles" International Society for Chinese Philosophy Conference 2015, Hong Kong, July 2015.

"Filial Piety and the treatment of the Elderly" Conference titled "What We Owe Older People," Queens University, Belfast, England, June 2015.

Discussant of Paul Menzel's paper "Interests, Consent, and the Provision of Food in Dementia" Bioethics Symposium, Centre for Bioethics, Chinese University of Hong Kong, March 2015.

- "Agreeing to disagree" Khazanah Megatrends Forum, Kuala Lumpur, September, 2013.
- "From sincerity in the heart to the peace "all under Heaven" Center of Religious Studies, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, October 2013.
- "From sincerity in the heart to the peace "all under Heaven" Milwaukee Public Library, WI, October 2013.
- "From sincerity in the heart to the peace "all under Heaven" Symposium on Peacemaking and Nonviolence in World Religions, Marquette University, October 2013.
- "Confucian Motherhood and Filial Piety" Conference on filial piety, Center for Ethical Studies of Renmin University of China, Beijing, China, July, 2013.

- "Gender in Ancient Chinese Philosophy" Conference on Confucianism and African philosophy, Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa, August 2010.
- "Gender and Relationship Roles in Ancient Confucianism" Confucian Institute at the Cape Town University, South Africa, August 2010.
- "Music and moral cultivation" Conference on New Directions in Chinese Philosophy, Philosophy Department, Chinese University of Hong Kong, May 2009.
- "Confucian motherhood, Gender Equality and Democracy" Conference on Varieties of Democracy, Wesleyan University, May 2009.
- Commentator on David Wong's paper "Moral Conversion" Conference on In Search of Goodness, Duke University, February 2009.
- "The Influence of Mozi and Laozi on Xunzi's Views on Psychology" Conference on Chad Hansen's philosophy, University of Hong Kong, May 2008.
- "The Ethical Implications of *Jing* (Respect)" Conference on Chinese Philosophy and Moral Psychology, Hong Kong Science and Technology University, December, 2007.
- "The Confucian Notion of *jing*" Chinese Center Brown Bag Lecture, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, November, 2002.
- The personal is the political: Confucianism and Liberal Feminism" Conference on Personal Networks in Confucianism, Hong Kong, March 2002 (invited).
- "Filial Piety, Commiseration and the roots of *Jen* (benevolence)" Conference on Filial Piety, National University of Singapore, Singapore, January, 2002.
- "Jing (respect) and Jen (benevolence) in Confucianism" Australasian Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy Conference, Hong Kong July 2001.
- "The Confucian Notion of *Jing* (respect)" Philosophy Department, University of Hong Kong, June 2001.
- "The Confucian Notion of *Jing* (respect)" Philosophy Department, Chinese University of Hong Kong, April 2001.
- "The Confucian Notion of *Jing* (respect)" The American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, April 2000 (invited).
- "Paternalistic Wife? Paternalistic Stranger?" Departmental Seminar, Philosophy Department, University of Hong Kong, February, 1998.
- "Can *Shu* be the one word that serves as the guiding principle of caring actions?" New England Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, October 1997.

"Hierarchy, Reciprocity and Gender in the *Analects* and the *Mencius*" New England Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, October 1996.

[&]quot;Standing Emotions" UVM-Darmouth Conference, summer 1994.

[&]quot;Confucian Role-ethics and China's Economic Modernization" Symposium on "Constructing China", Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, Spring 1994.

[&]quot;The Connected but Independent Agent in Caring: the Confucian Perspective" Philosophy Department, Wesleyan University, Fall 1994.