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CURRENT POSITION:

**Assistant Professor Grade Teaching Staff,
Department of Religious Studies, Fu-Jen Catholic University, New Taipei City,
Taiwan (since February 2022)**

EXPERIENCES

- **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**, Asia-Africa Institute, University of Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany July 2019 - June 2020
- **Adjunct Assistant Professor**, Department of Religious Studies, Fu-Jen Catholic University, New Taipei City, Taiwan Spring 2017
- *Courses: State, Modernity and Chinese Ethnic Minorities; Theories of Religious Studies; Theories of Religious Studies*
- **PhD Researcher**, Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan September 2014 – August 2015
- **Lecturer**, Leiden Institute for Area Studies (Asian Studies), Leiden University, Leiden, The Netherlands Spring 2013
- *Courses: Introduction to Chinese Ethnic Minorities*
- **Freelance Translator (English, Chinese)**, Heliopolis Culture Group; Taipei, Taiwan 2012–Present (see a separate list of works at www.meiwen.nl)

EDUCATION

- Leiden Institute for Area Studies (Asian Studies), Leiden University, Leiden, the Netherlands— PhD, June 2016
- Institute of Anthropology, National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan — Master Degree, June 2002
- Department of Religious Studies, Fu-Jen Catholic University, New Taipei City, Taiwan — Bachelor Degree, June 1998

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- **(Accepted)** Gendered Ritual and Performative Literacy: Yao Women, Goddesses of Fertility, and the Chinese Imperial State. PhD thesis (Leiden University, 2016). To be published by **Peter Lang Publishing**.
- **2018** Conceptualizations of Personhood and the Origins of Life as seen in Naming Traditions among the Pan Yao of Tianlin, Guangxi 从命名谈广西田林盘瑶的人观建构与生命来源. Beijing: Minzu Publishing. (simplified Chinese)
- **2003** Conceptualizations of Personhood and the Origins of Life as seen in Naming Traditions among the Pangu Yao of Tianlin, Guangxi 從命名談廣西田林盤古瑤人的構成與生命的來源. Taipei: Tangshan Publishing. (traditional Chinese)

ARTICLES

- **(Accepted)** ‘The Collections of Yao Manuscripts Outside of China: Categorising, Writing, and Characters’. **BOOK CHAPTER**. To be published by **De Gruyter**.
- **(Accepted)** ‘The Peach Spring Grotto in Yao Daoism: The Ritual of “Repaying a Debt to the Supreme Parents of Flowers” in Mien Society of Guangxi, China’. *Studies in Chinese Religions*.
- **2021** Religion and Gender: Yao Female Singers and Their Relation with Panhu 宗教與性別：瑤族歌娘及其與盤王的關係. Newsletter of Institute for the Study of Yao Culture 8: 42-52.
- **2018** ‘A Gendered View of Others: A Preliminary Study of Conceptualizations of Chinese Empire/State as seen in the “Big Song of King Pan”’ 性别化的他者观：试论勉瑶支系盘王大歌中的帝国/国家观. In *Conceptualizations of Personhood and the Origins of Life as seen in Naming Traditions among the Pan Yao of Tianlin, Guangxi*. Pp. 193-218. Beijing: Minzhi Publishing.
- **2015** The concept of “self” and “others” in Pan Yao’s “Big Song of Pan Wang”: Gender, Ritual and Ethnicity 盤瑤《盤王大歌》中的「己」與「異己」觀：性別、儀式與族群. Proceeding of the 4th Symposium on Ethnic Groups, History and Territorial Society, Section 2, [3]: 1-21.
- **2015** Religion as a Civilizing Process? Rethinking Yao Religious Culture and Ritual Manuscripts’. *Journal of Chinese Ritual, Theatre and Folklore* 187: 155-209. (TSSCI).
- **2011** Constructed History: Ethnic Yao in Modern China. *Leidschrift* 26.1: 93-108.

AWARDS

- **2019-2020 Postdoctoral Research Fellowship**. Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange, Taipei, Taiwan.
- **2014-2015** Fellowships for Doctoral Candidates in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan.
- **2014-2015** Publication Subsidies. The Center for Yao Studies, Guangxi University for Nationalities, Nanning, China.
- **2012-2014** Government Scholarships to Study Abroad. Ministry of Education, Taiwan.

- **2012-2013** Dissertation Fellowships for ROC Students Abroad. Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange, Taipei, Taiwan.
- **2009-2011** Long-term Scholarships for Gifted Students. Hsing Tian Kong Cultural and Educational Foundation. Taipei, Taiwan.
- **2008** Graduate Student Study Abroad Program. National Science Council [Now Ministry of Science and Technology], The Executive Yuan of the Republic of China (Taiwan).
- **2007-2008** Ph.D Scholarship. Chung Hwa Rotary Educational Foundation. Taipei, Taiwan.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Chinese – native speaker
- Southern Min (Hokkien) – native speaker
- English – excellent (IELTS: 7.5)
- Iu-Mien (Yao) language – listening and speaking competence
- Dutch – between A2 and B1