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Academic Background

PhD in East Asian History, Columbia University, May 2015

Concentrations: Middle Period Chinese History, Chinese Medical History

Dissertation Title: “The *Treatise on Cold Damage* and the Formation of Literati
Medicine: Social, Epidemiological, and Medical Change in China 1000-1400”

Advisor: Dr. Robert Hymes

Fulbright Fellow, Beijing University of Chinese Medicine 9/2011-7/2012

MPhil in East Asian History, Columbia University, October 2011

MA in East Asian History, Columbia University, October 2011

MS in Traditional Oriental Medicine, Pacific College of Oriental Medicine (San Diego),
April 2008

MA in Religious Studies, University of Virginia, May 2004

Concentration: Chinese religions

Advisor: Dr. Paul Groner

BA in Anthropology, University of Florida, August 1995

Concentration: cultural and linguistic anthropology

Gotham Writers’ Workshop, New York, 2017-2019

Tibet University, Summer Tibetan Program, Lhasa, Tibet, P.R. China, Summer 2002

Fellow for the Study of Traditional Chinese Culture, Sichuan University, Department
of Religions, Chengdu, Sichuan, P.R. China, Fall 1999-Spring 2000

Professional Experience

Instructor, International Association of University Summer Sessions 7/19-8/19, 7/20-8/20
Chengdu, Sichuan, China

Taught the courses, “World Religions” and “Introduction to Philosophy.”

Instructor, Meishi International School, Chengdu, Sichuan, China 11/19-7/20

Taught world history to 9th and 10th graders at an international IB high school.

Founder and Instructor, Chinese Healing Education 8/13-12/16

Taught online courses on the Chinese medical classics for Chinese medical practitioners.

Instructor, Pacific College of Oriental Medicine, New York, NY 1/15-4/15

Designed and taught the course, “Philosophical and Historical Foundations of Chinese
Medicine.”

Instructor, Columbia University, New York, NY 9/13-12/13

Designed and taught the course, EAAS 3930, “Three Moments in Chinese Medical
History,” as part of the Teaching Scholars Program.

Teaching Assistant, Columbia University, New York NY 9/09-5/11, 9/12-5/13, 9/14-12/14

Ran discussion sessions, gave lectures, and graded student work for “Introduction to
Asian Civilizations: China” and the undergraduate seminar, “Nobility and Civility.”

Adjunct Professor, San Diego Mesa College, San Diego, CA 8/05-6/08

Taught “World Humanities up to 1400” and “World Religions.”

Teaching Assistant, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA	8/01-5/03
Ran discussion sections and graded student work for the course, "Introduction to Asian Religious Traditions."	
English Instructor, Beijing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Beijing, P.R. China	7/00-6/01
English Instructor, Beijing University Middle School, Beijing, P.R. China	2/99-6/99
English Instructor, SW Jiaotong University, Chengdu, P.R. China	4/96-6/97

Publications

- "The *Inner Classic* Corpus, Textual Authority, and Canonization," in Vivienne Lo and Michael Stanley-Baker eds., *The Routledge Handbook of Chinese Medicine* (forthcoming)
- [translation] Li Bai, *Quiet Night Thoughts*, and Hanshan, *Hanshan Poem #9*, in *Ancient Exchanges*, Spring 2021 (forthcoming)
- [translation] Duan Yishan, *Chinese Medicine Periodicals in Late Qing and Republican China*, trans. Stephen Boyanton, Brill (New York, 2019)
- "Zora Neale Hurston on Racial Identity, Ninety Years Later," *Columbia Review*, 2/19/2018
- "'A Thousand Changes and Ten Thousand Transformations': Individualising Illness in the Northern Song (960-1127)," *Journal of Chinese Medicine* no. 111 (June 2016)

Conference Presentations

- "Styles of Practice and Medical Diversity in the History of Healing in China," Roundtable Discussion, Association for Asian Studies, Seattle, March 2016
- "The Medical Classics and Clinical Argument in the Northern Song," Peking University-UC London International Conference on Chinese Medical Humanities, Beijing, October 2015
- "The Problem with Common Physicians and its Solutions in Song China," International Interdisciplinary Conference on Middle Period China 800-1400, Harvard University, June 2014
- "The Ambiguity of Epidemics: Epidemic Febrile Illness and the Creation of Internal Damage as a Medical Specialty," Association for Asian Studies, Philadelphia, March 2014
- "A Narrowing of Vision, a Broadening of Discourse: Cold Damage Studies before and after 1065," 8th International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicine, South Korea, September 2013
- "The Problem with Common Physicians and its Solutions in Song China" [Earlier Version] History of Science Society, San Diego, November 2012
- "'How Would *You* Know?': Xu Shuwei's Use of the *Shanghanlun* to Create a Literati Medicine," Association for Asian Studies, Philadelphia, April 2010
- "Putting the Yellow Emperor in his Place: Reading the Yellow Emperor's Inner Classic as a Han Dynasty Religious Text," American Academy of Religion, San Diego, November 2007
- "The Medical and the Religious in the Works of Sun Simiao," 6th International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicine, University of Texas at Austin, April 2006

Current Projects and Forthcoming Publications

- **Re-Forming the Translation of Chinese Poetry:** I am developing a new approach to the translation of classical Chinese poetry that recognizes the inseparability of form and content.
- **Chinese Medical Poetics:** The fundamentally literary nature of our sources for the history of Chinese medicine is underappreciated. I am working on a new approach by seeing the literary practices of premodern Chinese physicians as a part of their medical practices.

- **Styles of Practice in East Asian Medicine:** A workshop leading to publication of an anthology of translations that presents new ways of understanding East Asian medical history, directed by Dr. Volker Scheid.
- ***Routledge Handbook of Chinese Medicine:*** I wrote the chapter “The Inner Classic Corpus, Textual Authority, and Canonization,” for the forthcoming volume edited by Dr. Vivienne Lo and Dr. Michael Stanley-Baker.

Academic Blog Posts

- “The Doctor, the Scholar (and the Meditator?) in Middle Period China,” AsianMedicineZone.com, 6/2016
- “From Text to Case and back Again: The Codification of Ye Gui’s Clinical Experience in *Systematic Differentiation Of Warm Disease*,” AsianMedicineZone.com, 2/2016
- “The Hermeneutics of a Song Dynasty Case Record,” AsianMedicineZone.com, 11/2015

Membership in Professional Associations

- Association for Asian Studies, Modern Language Association, Authors’ Guild, Society for Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators

Service Activities

- Associate Editor, *Asian Medicine*, 10/2018-Present
- Chinese and East Asian Medicine Moderator, AsianMedicineZone.com, 9/2015-6/2019
- China Book Review Editor, *Asian Medicine*, 9/2015-1/2017
- Founder and Coordinator for the Chinese Medical Classics Study Group, Pacific College of Oriental Medicine (New York), 10/2010-July 2011, 1/2013-December 2014

Fellowships and Grants

- **Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship, Social Science Research Council**, Columbia University 2013-2014
- **IIE Fulbright Fellowship**, Beijing University of Chinese Medicine, 2011-2012
- **FLAS Academic Year Fellowship**, Columbia Univ. 2009-2010, Univ. of Virginia 2003-2004
- **FLAS Summer Fellowship**, Tibet University, summer 2002
- **Fellowship for the Study of Traditional Chinese Culture**, at Sichuan University, 1999-2000

Language Skills

- **Chinese:** fluent, spoken and written; modern and classical; literary medical, religious material
- **Japanese:** advanced reading, intermediate spoken
- **Tibetan:** intermediate spoken and reading, classical and modern
- **Spanish:** intermediate spoken and reading

Honors and Awards

- Charles Leslie Junior Scholar Award for Best Presentation, honorable mention, 8th International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicine, September 2013