

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EMPLOYMENT:

- 2008 - Assistant Professor, University of Oregon, Department of Sociology.
- 2003 -2008 Assistant Professor, State University of New York, Stony Brook, Department of Sociology.
- 2003-2004 Harvard University Fairbank Center, An Wang Postdoctoral Fellow.

### EDUCATION:

- 2003 Ph.D. Sociology, University of California, Davis.
- 1999 M.A. East Asian Languages and Cultural Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 1996 M.A. Sociology, University of California, Davis.
- 1987 B.A. Political Science, University of California, Berkeley.

### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Globalization, Gender, Work, Economic Sociology, Inequality, Qualitative Methods, China.

### AWARDS:

- 2009 "Beyond the Industrial Paradigm: Market-Embedded Labor and the Gender Organization of Global Service Work in China." *American Sociological Review* 73:15-36.
- American Sociological Association, Sex and Gender Section, Best Article Award, Honorable Mention
- American Sociological Association, Asia and Asia America Section, Best Article Award, Honorable Mention
- 2003 American Sociological Association, Asia/Asian-American Section Graduate Student Paper Award for "Global Restructuring and the Production of Femininities in China's Emergent Service Industry."
- 2003 The Sally Hacker Award, American Sociological Association, Sex and Gender Section, for "Global Restructuring and the Production of Femininities in China's Emergent Service Industry."

- 2002 The Cheryl Allyn Miller Award for Research on Women and Work, Sociologists for Women in Society, for “A Gendered Space of Liminality: Working Women in China’s Floating Population.”

**BOOK MANUSCRIPT:**

*Serving People: Globalization and Women’s Work at the Threshold of China’s New Inequality*  
Under review by Stanford University Press.

**ARTICLES, CHAPTERS, AND ESSAYS:**

- 2009 “Cultures of Service: From Emotion Work to Culture Work.” Essay in *The Handbook of Cultural Sociology* edited by Laura Grindstaff, Ming-cheng Lo, and John Hall. New York: Routledge. Forthcoming.
- “The Two Faces of Luxury: Gender and Generational Inequality in a Beijing Luxury Service Workplace.” Pp. 54-68 in *Creating Wealth and Poverty in Post-Socialist China* edited by Deborah Davis and Wang Feng: *Stanford University Press*.
- 2008 “Beyond the Industrial Paradigm: Market-Embedded Labor and the Gender Organization of Global Service Work in China.” *American Sociological Review* 73:15-36.
- “Socialist Market Inequality.” *Contemporary Sociology*. 37:313-317.
- “The Dignity of Working Women: Virtuous Professionalism and the Labor Politics of Localization in China’s City of Eternal Spring.” *American Behavioral Scientist* 52:356-376. .
- 2006 “Virtual Personalism in Beijing: Learning Deference and Femininity in a Global Luxury Hotel.” Pp. 101-123 in *Working in China: Ethnographies of Labor and Workplace Transformation*. edited by Ching Kwan Lee. New York: Routledge.
- 2003 “Guanxi Civility: Processes, Potentials, Contingencies” (with Ming-cheng Lo), *Politics and Society* 31 (1): 131-162.
- “Reinstating the Family: Gender and the Family-formed Foundations of China’s Flexible Labor Market.” Pp. 196-216 in *Families of a New World: Gender, Politics, and State Development in a Global Context*, edited by Lynne Haney, Sonya Michel, and Lisa Pollard. New York: Routledge.
- 2001 “The Reach and Limits of Asian Panethnic Identity: The Dynamics of Gender, Race, and Class in a Community-Based Organization.” *Qualitative Sociology* 24 (3): 349-379.

**WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

*Serving the People: The Gender of Work in China’s Emergent Globalized Service Sector. Book Manuscript.*

**BOOK REVIEWS:**

- 2005      *The Curious Feminist: Searching for Women in the Age of Empire*. Cynthia Enloe. *Contexts* 4(3).
- 2004      *The Otherness of Self: A Genealogy of the Self in Contemporary China*. Xin Liu. *Contemporary Sociology*.33 (2): 183-85.
- 2001      *Giving Care, Writing Self: A “New” Ethnography*. Joseph Schneider and Wang Laihua. *Contemporary Sociology* 30 (5): 70-71.

**FELLOWSHIPS AND FUNDING:**

- 2006      Faculty Research and Interdisciplinary Initiatives Fund, Individual Research Grant  
Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Award
- 2000-01    U.C. Davis Humanities Dissertation Year Fellowship.
- 2000      U.C. Regents’ Graduate Fellowship.
- 1999-00    Pacific Rim Research Program Dissertation Research Fellowship.
- 1999-00    Women’s Consortium Research Grant.
- 1998-99    Pacific Rim Research Program Minigrant.
- 1998      U.C. Regents’ Graduate Fellowship.
- 1998      U.C. Davis, Department of East Asian Studies, language training grant.
- 1997      Pro Femina Travel Grant, U.C. Davis.
- 1994      U.C. Regents’ Graduate Fellowship.
- 1994      Stanford Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies, tuition scholarship (declined).
- 1993      Princeton in Beijing, Summer Intensive Language Program, full scholarship.
- 1992      Middlebury College, Summer Intensive Language Program, full scholarship.
- 1989-90    Beijing Language Institute, scholarship.

**PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES:**

- 2009      Innovations in Qualitative Research, Discussant. Pacific Sociological Association Meetings, San Diego.
- “Consumption and Labor in China Informal Service Sector.” Association of Asian Studies, Chicago.
- 2008      Race, Gender, Class and Masculinities, Discussant. American Sociological Association, Boston.

- Stony Brook Forth Annual Graduate Student Ethnography Conference. Panel Discussant. Manhattan.
- 2007 Consuming Dignity: Internalized Discipline in China's Unregulated Consumer Service Sector. Asia Research Institute, Singapore.
- “Working in Walmart, China: Localization, Technology, and Labor Outsourcing,” Yunnan Ethnic Studies Institute, Beijing University, Jilin University (In Chinese).
- 2006 “The Two Faces of Luxury: Gender and Generational Inequality in a Beijing Luxury Service Workplace.” Presented at, Creating Wealth and Poverty in China. Yale University, Center for East Asian Studies.
- “Bringing Beauty to China's Countryside: Gendered Labor Value and Postsocialist Development. Association of Asian Studies, San Francisco.
- 2005 Market-Embodied Labor: The Gendered Politics of Service in China's Globalized Service Workplaces. Invited Lecture. Center for East Asian Studies. University of Illinois, Urbana Champagne.
- “Bringing Beauty to China's Countryside: Gendered Labor Value and Postsocialist Development. Meetings of the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia.
- 2005 “Market-Embodied Labor: The Gendered Politics of Service in China's Globalized Service Workplaces. Invited Lecture, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Inequality and Public Policy Speaker Series Center for Public Policy and Administration.
- 2004 “Gender and the Global Labor Politics of Consumability.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco.
- “Doing Deference: An Examination of Frontline Service Work and Femininity in China.” Presented at the Fourth Carework Conference: Bridging Research, Policy, and Advocacy, San Francisco.
- “Beautifying Rural Women: Postsocialist Rural Development and the Construction of Gendered Labor” Presented at Worlds of Chinese Labor: Ethnographies of Class, Gender and Spatial Inequalities in Postsocialist China, A conference at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor.
- Panel Organizer: “The Culture Politics of Class in Reform-Era China.” Association of Asian Studies, Annual Meetings, San Diego.
- “Serving the People: Gender, Class, and Ethnicity in China's Emergent Service Sector.” Harvard University Fairbank Center.
- Co-organized conference: Femininities, Masculinities, and Globalization in China and Taiwan.” Harvard University Fairbank Center.
- 2003 “Global Restructuring and the Production of Femininities in China's Emergent Service Industry.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta.

“Global Restructuring and the Production of Femininities in China's Emergent Service Industry.” Presented at “The Labor of Reform: Employment, Workers’ Rights, and Labor Law in China.” A conference at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Panel Discussant, “Managing Gender Transnationally.” Meetings of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta.

2002 “Training to Serve: The Making of a Gendered Global Service Worker.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, Chicago.

“Embedding Service: Gender, Class, and the Moral Economy of the Socialist Work Unit in China.” Presented at “The Next Great Transformation? Karl Polanyi and the Critique of Globalization,” a conference at University of California, Davis.

2001 “Gender Commodification in China's Emerging Service Industry.” Invited lecture, University of California, San Diego, Department of Sociology.

“Serving the People: The Manufacture of Gender in China's Commodified Public Sphere.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, Anaheim.

“An Emergent Chinese Civil Society?: From a *Guanxi* Market to Networks of Collective Action.”(with Ming-Cheng M. Lo). Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association Meetings, Anaheim.

“Managing Globalization: Syncretic Institutional Practice in China’s Joint Venture Service Corporations.” Presented at the Social Science Research Council Conference on The Corporation as Social Institution. University of California, Berkeley.

The Commodification of Women in China’s Public Sphere.” Presented at the Meetings of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities. University of Auckland, New Zealand.

2000 “Serving the People: The Institutionalization of Ethnic, Gender, and Regional Difference in China’s Emerging Service Cultures.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco.

“Caught between the Family and the State: China’s Migrant Women in the Era of Economic Reform.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association Meetings, Washington D.C.

1999 “Toward an Ideal Type of ‘Guanxi’ Civil Society.” (with Ming- cheng Lo). Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association Meetings, Chicago.

1997 “The Institutionalization of Asian Pan-Ethnic Organization.” Presented at “Nationalism, Transnationalism, and the Crisis of Citizenship,” a conference at U.C. Davis.

“The Reach and Limits of Asian Pan-Ethnic Organization: A Case Study of a Community Based Organization.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association Meetings, Toronto.

“The Gender Politics of Chinese Nationalism: The New Culture Movement’s Response to the Woman’s Question.” Presented at “Modernity's Histories in a Global Context,” U.C. Riverside.

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

- 2001-07 Manuscript Reviews: *American Sociological Review*, *Sociological Perspectives*, *Theory and Society*, *Positions*, *International Journal of Sociology*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Annals of Tourism Research*, *Gender, Place and Culture: A Journal of Feminist Geography*, *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *New York University Press*, *Journal of Contemporary Family Studies*
- 2006 Editorial Board, *Qualitative Sociology*; Research Grants Council, Hong Kong; grant proposal referee
- 1997-03 Editorial Associate, *Theory and Society*.
- 2001-02 Program Committee, Organizations, Occupations, and Work Section of the American Sociological Association, 2001-2002.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Graduate Seminar Instructor: Labor in the Global Economy, The Sociology of Consumption, Ethnographic Methods

Undergraduate Instructor: Sociology of Gender, Global Issues and the United Nations

Teaching Assistant: Research Methods, Immigration, Social Psychology, Family, Mandarin.

Course Reader: Family, Perspectives on East Asia, Political Sociology, Sociology of Law.

**DEPARTMENT AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

- 2008-09 Executive Committee, Member
- 2006-07 Graduate Program Committee  
UUP Representative
- 2005-06 Graduate Program Committee  
Colloquium Committee  
Representative to Academic Senate  
Co-organizer of Graduate Ethnography Workshop
- 2004-05 Co-organizer of Graduate Ethnography Workshop  
Program Committee for “Interdependence Day”  
Selection Committee Shiming Hu / Eli Seifman Chinese Studies Scholarship  
and the Shiming Hu Memorial Leadership Award.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

American Sociological Association (Section Memberships: Asia and Asian America, Economic Sociology, Organizations, Occupations, and Work, Political Economy and World Systems, Sex and Gender).

Association of Asian Studies.

Sociologists for Women in Society.