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Faculty members discussed the Academic Development Plan in 4 areas: Teaching and Learning, Research and Scholarly Activities, Student Development and Programme Development.



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THE FIRST SYMPOSIUM OF ECOLOGICAL HUMANITIES. 24 APRIL 2021



The symposium, organized by Dr. Chan Ka Ming of our department and Dr. Che Siaoyang from the University of Macau invited scholars, practitioners and volunteers in the field to share their research and action in relation to animals and ecology of Hong Kong.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DIGITAL REPRESENTATION AND RESEARCH IN ART, HUMANITIES AND CULTURE, 6-7 MAY 2021



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HORIZONTAL DYNAMICS IN

TRANSACTIONAL ACTIVISM:

ACTIVISM IN CHINA

DR. SETSUKO MATSUZAWA

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CASE OF NU RIVER ANTI-DAM

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Horizontal Dynamics in Transactional Activism: The Case of Nu River Anti-Dam Activism in China

Abstract

Since their emergence in the mid-1990s, Chinese environmental NGOs have played key roles in environmental activism. In the early 2000s, they advocated upon politically sensitive issues, such as dams. A case study of transnational activism against the Nu River hydropower dam plan in Yunnan, China describes a horizontal dynamic in globallocal relations, whereas the predominant literature in social movements assumes a vertical or hierarchical conception. The study examines the forms and operations of transnational activism in order to understand the connectivity of domestic environmental NGOs in China to alliances, venues, and discourses. It concludes that local activists today should not automatically be viewed as the bottom feeders in a vertical topography, dependent upon global patronage.



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Dr. Setsuko (Seiko) Matsuzawa

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Setsuko's research interests include: Development, Environment, Transnational Activism, and East Asian Societies (China and Japan). She has examined environmental activism, transnational activism, and the effects of donor projects in China. She is currently researching transnational activism surrounding the Thilawa Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in Myanmar, a joint project between the Myanmar and Japanese governments. Her publications include Activating China: Local Actors, Foreign Influence, and State Response and her articles have appeared in Mobilization, Sociology of Development, AsiaNetwork Exchange, the Journal of Asian Women's Studies (Japan), and the Journal of International Cooperation (Japan), among others.



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Migration Trajectories of Hong Kong Returnee Parents

Abstract

Abstract Circular migration is widely recognized in the transnational migration literature as a defining feature of Hong Kong emigrants of the 1980s-90s migration wave. Recently, there has been an emerging trend of returnees - who came back to Hong Kong after completing their tertiary degrees - migrating back to those Western countries in which they were previously settled. While a significant body of research has examined the migration processes of their parents' generation, very few researchers have paid attention to that of the younger generation. Drawing on in-depth interviews with returnee parents, the talk will examine the considerations and motivations that have shaped their plans to relocate their families back to the parents, the talk will examine the considerations and motivations that have shaped their plans to relocate their families back to the west



Dr Lucille Lok-Sun NGAN Associate Professor, Department of Social Science

The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong Lucille's research focuses on migration, families, gender related to multi-generational ethnicity among Australian- born Chinese, fatherhood among returnees

in Hong Kong, cross border students in Hong Kong and social inequalities in East Asia. She is currently researching the migration trajectories and strategies of transnational families and expatriates in Hong Kong. Her publications include The Chinese Face in Australia: Multi-generational Ethnicity Among Australian-born Chinese and her papers have appeared in Mobilities, Gender, Place and Culture and Children and Youth Services

28 January 2021 | 2 - 3pm (1ECA / 1iGI Online Seminar om meeting link will be sent to before the seminar

MIGRATION TRAJECTORIES OF HONG KONG RETURNEE PARENTS

DR. LUCILLE LOK-SUN NGAN

JANUARY 2021 28

Register



Setsuko (Seiko) Matsuzawa Departmental Chair, Associate Professor of Sociology

Sociology and Anthropology Department, and East Asian Studies Program The College of Wooster (Wooster, Ohio, USA)



It was my pleasure to serve as a Visiting Scholar in Asian Studies in the Department this past semester at the Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK). Looking back, I was very fortunate to be able to travel from Ohio to Hong Kong and spend a semester in the midst of the global pandemic. I thank the Department for allowing me to postpone my visiting scholarship one semester and for providing me with a fantastic working base during my sabbatical. HSUHK's Asian Studies is an interdisciplinary program, the first one for undergraduates in Hong Kong. It was my privilege to be part of the Department, which consists of impressive teacher-scholars in various areas of the social sciences and humanities. I was very impressed by the Departmental faculty's publication records, teaching awards, grant records, and various course offerings, including experiential opportunities as well as cultural exchange classes. I appreciated that the Department organized many virtual seminars and conferences over the course of the semester. Despite the limited in-person contact due to COVID-19 restrictions, I also enjoyed chatting and meeting with students who showed their sincere learning attitudes and who shared their future ambitions with me. Indeed, students in Asian Studies are cosmopolitans. They already speak English, Mandarin, and Cantonese, and they are often learning one more Asian language!

My teaching and research center on environmental activism, transnational activism, and the effects of donor projects in Asian contexts. At my home institution, I teach various courses in Sociology, a few of which are cross-listed with our interdisciplinary Asian Studies and Environmental Studies programs. My time at HSUHK helped me to develop class materials for my upper division courses, such as Environmental Sociology and Contemporary Chinese Society, and to explore future research options. I learned a lot from my conversations with students about environmental issues and environmental awareness in Hong Kong. I also had a chance to learn of activities by environmental groups in Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Government's waste reduction efforts by chatting with staff members from the Department of Environmental Protection. These will be good lines of research for me to consider pursuing.

Beyond my immediate scholarly interests, I was very keen on how HSUHK was incorporating issues of diversity, sustainability, leadership, experiential and global learning into its liberal arts college curricula. The university strives to offer a sustainable campus with a rooftop garden and environmentally certified buildings. Asian Studies faculty offer their students very exciting experiential opportunities, involving local communities, as well as global learning opportunities with overseas universities. I would love to emulate this at my home institution. Perhaps, we can find a way to collaborate in the future by connecting our students in global engagement seminars.

As for my scholarship, I was able to make good progress in my writings by finishing two Revise and Resubmit articles and by finishing a draft of a new article. I am grateful that I was given an opportunity to present my research at the SSC Research Seminar/SHSS Transnational Studies Research Seminar, and to get to know faculty members whose research center on transnationalism. I also benefitted from the reviewers' assessments of my pedagogy and from my conversations with departmental colleagues on teaching, scholarship, and departmental management.

Many thanks to everyone who has helped to make my fellowship possible, and to the Department and University administration for their support. I gained new friends while I reconnected with my old friends in Hong Kong. Thank you again for your hospitality.



AS SEMINARS

Hosted by Dr. Chan Ka Ming, various faculty members were invited to share on a theme and to exchange ideas with our students.



THE 4TH AS SEMINAR AY2020-21



Dialogue with Teachers II What is the mission of Social Science?

Guests

Host









Michael Chan Gary Tang

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4 FEB 2021 | 13:30 - 14:30





Career Talk and Dialogue with Teachers III Career or Careener?

Guest

Jason Lee (Senior Careers Officer, Student Affairs Office) Andy Wong (Lecturer, Department of Social Science) Chan Chau (Lecturer, Department of Social Science)

Host

Ka Ming (Lecturer, Deparment of Social Science)

MARCH 4, 2021 | 1:30 - 2:30 PM SEE YOU ONLINE! What can Social Science do in the foreseeable postpandemic Hong Kong?

> Date: 8 APR 2021 Time: 13:30 - 14:30



Guest: Cheung Pui-sze, Victor Chan and Rami Chan Host: Ka Ming

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Two alumni were invited to share their career experiences in Arts administration and social media marketing.















COOKING COMPETITION

AS students won prizes in the English Cooking Videos by demonstrating Asian cuisine cooking.





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AS students are sporty too. They enjoyed the game with the ethnic minority students from other universities and one player Chick Yue Hong played so well that he hit a FOUR, though it was the first time he played the sports.





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COMMUNIT:

CULTURAL LANDSCAPES

THE EXHIBITION - CULTURAL LANDSCAPE OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN ASIA

An exhibition was organised to showcase the Cultural Landscapes of Local Communities in Asia. Amid the Covid-19 epidemic, two groups of Asian Studies students found ways to get exposed to diverse communities and cultures of Asia. One group surveyed the ethnic foodscape of To Kwa Wan while the other group worked with international students of Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University to explore the rural communities and traditional knowledge of Japan.

Ethnic foodscape @ To Kwa Wan





Students went on field trip in To Kwa Wan and visited grocery stores selling ethnic foods.





They published IG posts and held poster exhibition in the а University Library to exhibit their findings.



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IBITION AREA, OF THE LIBRARY



Background of Futagoji Temple

Futago-ji temple is one of the Rokugo-Manzan temples, and is located on the Mount Futago (attitude 721 m) in the center of the kunisaki peninsula, it is said to founded in 718 AD. The enshrined Nio statues that guard the approach to the te recently gained popularity both in Japan and abroad as scenery representat kunisaki peninsula. You can feet the deep faith that has persisted for around and the richness of the regions nature from the stone stairs between the Nio st stretch to the inner sanctum deep in the mountains. the presence of a Torili g inside the temple, which indicates the unique Shimbutsu Shugo history of the region. region.



Poster exhibit of Rural Japan

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