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Appointments

American Co-Director, Hopkins-Nanjing Centre (Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies), January 2019–present; Resident Professor of Political Science, 2008–present

Lecturer on Social Studies, Harvard University, 2004–2008

Visiting Scholar, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2003–2004

Lecturer in Politics, Princeton University, 2002–2003

Education

Princeton University, PhD in Politics, 2002. Thesis: *Ethoses and the Global Culture War*. Advisers: Paul Sigmond, Richard Falk, George Kateb.

Princeton University, MA in Politics, 1998. General examination fields in political theory, comparative politics, China, and Latin America.

Harvard College, AB summa cum laude in Social Studies, 1996. Phi Beta Kappa. Courses on social theory, political science, history, economics, statistics, Latin America, Middle East, and Africa. Thesis: *Community, Peasants, and the Shining Path Guerrillas: A Field Study in Ayacucho, Peru*. Hoopes Prize for excellence in senior thesis work and Hammond Prize for best thesis on a Latin American topic. National Science Foundation Honourable Mention (1996).

Research and Teaching Interests

Globalisation, cosmopolitanism, ethics and public policy, world political thought, rural politics, and alternative development.

Books

Beyond the Global Culture War (Routledge, 2006) offers a new perspective on the rise of liberal modernity and the global culture war it has sparked. The book identifies four ethoses, or self-understandings, that have contended in all civilisations through history. In its first third, the book traces how the ethos underlying liberalism managed to break through to dominance in modernity. Then it turns to the global culture war today. On one side is the liberal vision of an “end of history.” On the other is the backlash from communitarians, populists, Islamists, the Christian Right, Chinese and Hindu nationalists, and the like. The book proposes a more multidimensional challenge to liberal modernity than traditionalists around the world are now able to offer.

A Path of Our Own: An Andean Village and Tomorrow's Economy of Values (ISI Books, 2009). This book examines a Quechua-speaking village in Peru, as inspiration for reflecting on how traditional communities encounter the modern world. It draws on field research conducted in 1995 and 2006, as well as over a century of alternative economic thought. The book's narrative element traces the experiences of the village through the social changes of the 1940s to 1970s, the disruption of traditional practices, the violence of a Maoist insurgency, and the neoliberal reforms of the 1990s and later. A broader normative argument follows, that neither liberalism nor Marxism have offered a vision of development that aligns with peasant values. The book brings the resources of a traditionalist critique of liberalism to bear on themes of global social justice. It also maps out space for an “economy of values” that can build on the strengths of these communities, rather than presupposing their disappearance with modernisation. Translated as *Nuestro propio sendero: Una comunidad andina y la economía de valores del mañana* (Instituto de Estudios Peruanos, 2011).

Deep Cosmopolis: Rethinking World Politics and Globalisation (Routledge, 2015). Too often, observers of globalisation take for granted that the common ground across cultures is a thin layer of consumerism and perhaps human rights. If so, then anything deeper and more traditional would be placebound, and probably destined for the dustbin of history. This book offers a radically different argument about how traditions and global citizenship can meet. Digging into some fascinating premodern currents of thought and practice, it reveals patterns of “deep cosmopolitanism” quite unlike that of liberal globalisation today. In their more cosmopolitan moments, everyone from clerics to pilgrims to empire-builders was inclined to look for deep ethical parallels—points of contact—among civilisations and traditions. In modernity, that promise was largely forgotten. We now have an impoverished view of what it means to embrace a tradition and even what kinds of conversations across traditions are possible. The book's second half draws out the lessons of deep cosmopolitanism for our own time. If revived, it has something to say about everything from the rise of new non-Western powers like China and India and what they offer the world, to religious tolerance, to global civil society, to cross-border migration.

Current book project (completed and under revision): *The World's Constitution: Traditions and Liberty in the Future Global Order*. What insights might the non-liberal (or pre-liberal) traditions of political thought have to offer as we think about the contours of future global political integration? This project crafts a uniquely traditionalist defence of pluralism and civil society, in the context of an ever more deterritorialised, post-Westphalian global community. It carves out a postliberal vision of global state formation.

Articles

“When Open Borders Must Stay Open: Expectations and Freedom of Movement.” Forthcoming in *Polity* (April 2019).

“Resonance of the Arab Spring: Solidarities and Youth Opinion in the Global South.” *International Political Science Review* 39:2 (2018).

“Swanning Back In? Foreign Fighters and the Long Arm of the State.” *Citizenship Studies* 21:3 (2017).

“Can the Global South Take Over the Baton? What Cosmopolitanism in ‘Unlikely’ Places Means for Future World Order.” *Third World Quarterly* 37:6 (February 2016).

“The Rise of the Cosmopolitan Traditionalists: From the Arab Spring to a Global Countermovement?” *International Political Science Review* 36:4 (September 2015).

“Not an Immigrant Country? Non-Western Racism and the Duties of Global Citizenship.” *Theoria: A Journal of Social and Political Theory* 62:142 (March 2015).

“After Empire: Tradition and the Politics of Resentment,” *Modern Age* 56:1 (Winter 2014).

“Interreligious Dialogue and Cosmopolitan Faith,” *Soundings: An Interdisciplinary Journal* 92:1/2 (Spring/Summer 2009). Expanded version in *Secular Faith* eds. Vincent W Lloyd and Elliot Ratzman (Eugene OR: Cascade Books).

“Taking Back the Cosmopolis,” *Modern Age* 50:2 (Spring 2008). Lead article in debate on cosmopolitanism and localism, with three responses.

“The Countermodern Moment: A World-Historical Perspective on the Thought of Rabindranath Tagore, Muhammad Iqbal, and Liang Shuming,” *Journal of World History* 19:2 (Spring 2008). [Also translated into Turkish for *Review of the Faculty of Divinity of Dokuz Eylül University* 41 (2015).]

“The Calm Before the Storm? Revolutionary Pressures and Global Governance,” *International Political Science Review* 27:1 (January 2006).

“Ecumenicism” and “Political Thought” in *Berkshire Encyclopædia of World History* (January 2005).

Lectures/Presentations/Commentaries

“From the Political Honeycomb to the Unbundling of Sovereignty: Cosmopolitanism, Tradition, and Liberty in the Future Global Constitutional Settlement.” Telos conference, Ragusa (Sicily), September 2018.

“Paths to Free Movement: Opening Borders as a Political Project for the 21st Century.” Hopkins-Nanjing Centre, June 2017.

“Brexit and the Constitution of Free Movement: When Globalisation Takes One Step Backward.” Hopkins-Nanjing Centre, December 2016.

“The Arab Spring and the Emergence of a Global Public: Perspectives from the Global South.” Hopkins-Nanjing Centre, December 2015.

“From the Great Game to Global Society: Political Culture, Soft Power, and the West Versus China in the Muslim World.” Conference on The New Silk Web, Hopkins-Nanjing Centre, November 2014.

“Obstacles to China’s Soft Power in the Global South.” Johns Hopkins University (SAIS) alumni event, Nairobi, May 2014.

“Reading Global Perspectives on the Ground: Issues in Multi-Country Survey Research.” Centre for Public Policy and Governance, Forman Christian College University, Lahore, February 2014.

“China’s Soft Power: From Geopolitics to the Rise of Global Society.” Centre for Public Policy and Governance, Forman Christian College University, Lahore, February 2014.

“China’s Soft Power in the Global South: Challenges on the Ground.” Hopkins China Forum and Young China Watchers, Shanghai, December 2013.

“Global Growth to 2050: Demographic Trends and World Order.” Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam (Kerala), September 2013.

“El ascenso del Sur Global y el orden cosmopolita del siglo XXI.” Mesa de Partes, Ayacucho (Peru), July 2013.

“Not An Immigrant Country? Non-Western Racism and the Duties of Global Citizenship.” Hopkins-Nanjing Centre, May 2013.

“Rural Communities, Modernity, and Space for an Economy of Values: A Global Perspective.” Sustainable Development Policy Institute, Islamabad, January 2013.

“Deep Cosmopolitanism: A Different Model of Globalisation.” Lahore School of Economics, Lahore, January 2013.

“The Arab Spring and the Cosmopolitan Imagination.” Department of English, Forman Christian College University, Lahore, January 2013.

“Global Growth to 2050: Demographic Trends and World Order.” Centre for Public Policy and Governance, Forman Christian College University, Lahore, January 2013.

“China’s Southward Push and the Limits of Soft Power.” China Watcher Third Annual María Weber Conference, Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale, Milan, December 2012.

“Southward 2050: Demographic Trends and World Order / 2050 年向南走：人口趋势与世界秩序.” Bilingual seminar on “Opportunities and Challenges of China’s Development,” sponsored by Jiangsu Academy of Social Sciences, Nanjing, October 2012.

“Why the 21st Century Won’t Belong to China, or India.” Landour, Himalayas, August 2012.

“Cosmopolitanism in Egypt’s Revolution: The Fourth Wave of Democratisation in Global Perspective.” Hopkins-Nanjing Centre, May 2012.

“Nuestro propio sendero: Una comunidad andina y la economía de valores del mañana.” Book presentation at the Feria Internacional del Libro, Lima, July 2011.

“Recent Events in the Middle East: What Kind of Global Turning Point?” Panel participant, Hopkins-Nanjing Centre, Nanjing, February 2011.

“儒教—伊斯兰教对话与深刻世界主义” Conference on Dialogue Between Chinese and Islamic Civilisations, Nanjing University, Nanjing, June 2010.

“China’s Cosmopolitanisms: Past and Present.” Council on International Educational Exchange, Nanjing University, November 2008.

“A Future for the Andean Peasantry: Building an Economy of Values.” Conference on Rethinking Development in the Age of Globalisation, Southern New Hampshire University, April 2008.

“Revolution and Global State Formation: A Deep Traditionalist Account.” Conference of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 2008.

“A Path of Their Own: An Andean Peasant Village and the ‘Economy of Values.’” University of Navarra economics and law programme at Princeton, July 2007.

Speaker for panels on “World Poverty: Is Globalisation the Answer?” and “Counter Movements.” Conference on Rethinking Development in the Age of Globalisation, Southern New Hampshire University, April 2007.

“Four Orders of Universalism.” Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Hong Kong, March 2007.

“The Small Transformation: Reflexions on Countermodernity in the Andes.” Social Studies faculty research colloquium, Harvard University, November 2006.

“Alternative Perspectives on Globalisation.” Harvard College Globalisation Project, October 2006.

“Una comunidad campesina, el desarrollo, y los valores andinos.” Universidad Nacional San Cristóbal de Huamanga, Ayacucho (Peru), August 2006.

“Globalisation and the Global Culture War.” Harvard Summit for Young Leaders, Shanghai, August 2006.

Talks at Harvard Coop and Princeton U-Store on *Beyond the Global Culture War*, May/June 2006.

“Ten Questions for Adam K. Webb.” Online interview with Razib Khan, www.gnyp.com, June 2006.

Organiser of special forum, “Can Social Theory Handle Truth with a Capital T?” Social Studies, Harvard University, May 2006.

“Globalised Revolution.” Opinion piece for *Socialist Worker* magazine, London, January 2006 (invited as follow-up to article in *IPSR*).

“Against the ‘Federation of Steamboilers’: Countermodernity in the Thought of Rabindranath Tagore, Muhammad Iqbal, and Liang Shuming.” Conference of the American Political Science Association, September 2005.

“From Worlds Under Heaven to One-Worldism: Universalisms Ancient and Modern.” Conference of the American Political Science Association, September 2005.

“Cosmopolitan Character and the Classics of World Social Thought: Reclaiming the Widest Horizons.” Conference of the American Political Science Association, September 2004.

“Global Economic Justice in the Twenty-First Century.” New Jersey Spring Regional meeting of the Junior State of America, Princeton University, March 2004.

“World Political Thought: The Purposes and Potential of a Nascent Field.” Conference of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 2003.

“Antiliberalism and the World-State Project.” Conference of the American Political Science Association, August 2003.

“Premodern Ecumenism and Élite Political Culture: A Theoretical Exploration.” Conference of the World History Association, June 2003.

“A World, Not a Globe: Towards a Nonliberal Vision of Transnational Political Integration.” Conference of the New England Political Science Association, May 2003.

“The Cosmopolitans of 1600: Intercivilisational Dialogue and Social-Political Thought in Eurasia.” Conference of the New York State Political Science Association, April 2003.

“Antiliberal Resistance and the Insularity Problem: A Comparative Study.” Conference of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 2002.

“Worlds Become a Globe: Cultural Merging, Modernity, and the Liberal Manœuvres.” Conference of the Mid-Atlantic World History Association, October 2002.

“A Cosmopolitan Antiliberalism?” Conference at New School Graduate Faculty of Social and Political Sciences (New York) on “Crisis and Opportunity: Rethinking the Political,” May 2002.

“Timeless Clashes: A Value-Bloc Analysis of Hegemony and Systemic Evolution.” Conference at Northwestern University on Political Economy of the World System, March 1998.

“Community, Peasants, and the Shining Path Guerrillas: A Field Study in Ayacucho, Peru.” Centre for International Affairs, Harvard University, March 1996.

Teaching Experience

Hopkins-Nanjing Centre:

Courses on “Ethics and Public Policy in Global Perspective,” “Modernity and World Social Thought,” “Comparative Politics,” “Perspectives on Globalisation,” and “Politics of Rural Development.”

First-year MA tutorial (usually co-taught with Chinese colleague in bilingual English/Chinese format; during his sabbatical absence in 2015 taught approximately half of each session’s lecture/discussion in Chinese to maintain bilingual character of the course). Student papers written in English and Chinese.

Second-year colloquium for MA thesis writers (extensive reading of prospectuses and thesis drafts in both English and Chinese).

Advising of MA theses on Sino-African relations, Asian values discourse, comparative responses to the Sichuan earthquake and Hurricane Katrina, Iranian internet politics, the foreign policy dimension of Iraqi coalition politics, comparative poverty relief in China and India, tourism development in Yunnan and Laos, theoretical aspects of nationalism and modernity, educational mobility and legitimacy in China, democratic transitions in Mexico and Taiwan, noncitizen local voting rights in Europe, youth and postmaterialist values in Singapore and China, historical apologies in Australia/Canada/Taiwan, identity of long-term foreign residents in China, image

strategies of Olympic host cities, migration and disempowerment among rural Chinese women, Chinese sister city relationships, and soft power impact of Fulbright and Peace Corps exchanges; reading of MA theses and running of final thesis defences in English and Chinese).

Harvard University:

Courses on “Introduction to Social Theory,” “Globalisation: Critical Perspectives,” and “The Global Culture Clash.”

Senior thesis writers’ workshop, reading of theses, general examinations, and curriculum advising.

Advising of senior theses on a Rousseauvian account of the Pinochet régime, Arab-American transnational citizenship, Tanzanian educational policy, Islamist thought and strategy in Morocco, images of the modern individual in 1980s Chile, the 1990s Canadian *shari’ah* court proposal, Druze diaspora identity, Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood, the ethics of contract enforceability in a liberal state, and Maoist movements in India and Peru.

Supervised independent studies on theories of tourism, agrarianism, and alternative development.

Awarded Certificates of Distinction in Teaching for high teaching evaluations (2005–2008).

Nominee for Levenson Teaching Prize, 2007.

Princeton University:

“World Political Thought”/“Political Thought in the Non-Western Traditions” (half-semester workshops on political thought in the Islamic, Indian, and Chinese traditions; run in conjunction with advising Junior Paper research projects).

Advised senior thesis on contemporary Indian political thought and secularism.

Precepted courses on “Politics and Religion,” “Political Theory,” “Latin American Politics,” “Conservative Political Thought,” “The Just Society,” and “Political Systems of the Middle East.”

Ran sessions for undergraduates on writing and research techniques.

Junior Statesmen Summer School at Princeton. Four-week courses on American politics (2001–2004) and political philosophy (2005–2008) for selective secondary-level programme.

Other Experience

Co-organiser for Philosophy Interest Group extracurricular club, Hopkins-Nanjing Centre.

Co-organiser of international conference on “The Silk Web in the 21st Century: Global Landscapes Among the West, China, and Southwest Asia,” Hopkins-Nanjing Centre, November 2014.

Interview-based fieldwork in Peru (1995 and 2006) and Egypt (2012); principal investigator and team manager for survey research in Peru (2013), Pakistan (2014), and Kenya (2014).

Reviewer for Routledge.

Editorial board member and reviewer for *Anamnesis*.

Reviewer for *International Political Science Review*.

Reviewer for National Centre of Science and Technology Evaluation, Kazakhstan.

Periodic contributor on Front Porch Republic website, www.frontporchrepublic.com.

Took Harvard postgraduate-level classes on nonprofit management and social entrepreneurship (autumn 2006 and spring 2008). Prepared detailed business plan for global network to certify rural cooperative enterprises and build an alternative values-driven capital market.

Organised microdevelopment project to demonstrate solar oven technology in a Peruvian village, in conjunction with local interviews for book project (July–August 2006).

Nonresident tutor, Dunster House, Harvard University (2005–2008).

Faculty adviser, Harvard College Globalisation Project (2006–2008).

Member of travel fellowship selection committee, Harvard University (2005–2008).

Part-time consultant, Educational Testing Service, Princeton NJ (2002–2003). Design of examinations, curricula, and teacher training materials for a variety of social-science fields, especially political science and history, in the Advanced Placement and Praxis divisions.

Graduate Committee member, Department of Politics, Princeton University (1996–2002).

Volunteer instructor of African refugees in Sana'a, Yemen (September–December 1999). Part-time English language teaching at centre administered by Partners for Development and the United Nations High Commission on Refugees.

Harvard Organisation for the Promotion of Education member (1993–1996). Collaborated on development projects aimed at Bolivia, India, Philippines, etc.

Assisted disabled political artist with preparation of memoirs (summer 1994).

Volunteer with Amigos de las Américas (summer 1992). Rural development and community health programme in Azuay, Ecuador.

Miscellaneous

Date of Birth: 19 July 1975

Citizenships: UK and USA

References: Richard Falk (Politics, Princeton/UCSB)
George Kateb (Politics, Princeton)
Anya Bernstein (Social Studies, Harvard)
Cornelius Kubler (Asian Studies, Williams)
Carolyn Townsley (former HNC Washington Office, Johns Hopkins)