

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2000 Ph.D., University of Chicago, Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations.
Dissertation: "The Decline and Fall of the Western Zhou Dynasty: A Historical, Archaeological, and Geographical Study of China from the Tenth to the Eighth Centuries B.C."
- 1993-94 M.A. studies, Seton Hall University, Department of Asian Studies.
- 1991-92 Ph.D. studies, University of Tokyo, Division of the Humanities.
- 1990-91 Research graduate student, University of Tokyo, Division of the Humanities.
- 1986 M.A., Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Graduate School.
- 1983 B.A., Northwestern University (China), Department of History.

Academic Appointments

- 2015.10- **Faculty Director of the Tang Center for Early China.**
- 2013.7- Professor of Early Chinese History and Archaeology, EALAC, Columbia University.
- 2009.7 Tenured Associate Professor, EALAC, Columbia University.
- 2007 Associate Professor, EALAC, Columbia University.
- 2001 Assistant Professor, Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University.
- 2000 Assistant Professor, Department of History, Arkansas State University.
- 1986 Assistant Research Fellow (Assistant Professor), Institute of Archaeology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.

Additional Academic Appointments

- 2018.4-8 Stand-in Professor, Institute for Sinology, University of Heidelberg, Germany.
- 2017.5- Co-Editor of the "Tang Center Series in Early China," Columbia University Press.
- 2015.1- Changjiang-Scholar Lecturing Professor in Archaeology, Jilin University, China.
- 2014- Specially Invited Guest Research Fellow, Shaanxi Academy of Archaeology, China.
- 2013- Member of Editorial Board, *Asian Archaeology*, Jilin University.

- 2012-15 Kuang Yaming Specially Invited Professor, Research Center for Chinese Frontier Archaeology, Jilin University, China.
- 2010-11 Specially Invited Lecturing Professor, Boya Academy, Sun Yat-Sun University, China.

Language Skills

Chinese, English, Japanese; fluent in speaking, reading, and writing in all three languages; reading French.

Award

Lenfest Distinguished Faculty Award, Columbia University, 2014.

Scholarly Organizational Activities

- 2018.10 International Conference: “Early Cities and Economy: The Development of Urbanism, Regional Politics, and Economic Networks in the Shandong Peninsula before the Rise of Empire” October 25-27, Columbia University.
- 2016.10 Columbia Archaeology Delegation to China, presented as Columbia Week at Jilin University. October 12-25. Participated: Sharon Marcus (Dean of the Humanities), Terence A. D’Altroy, Zoe Crossland, Brian Boyd (Anthropology), Francesco de Angelis (Art History and Archaeology), and Severin Fowles (Barnard Anthropology). 13 lectures in Changchun, Xian, and Beijing, and tours to Shaanxi and Henan.
- 2013-14 Fundraising, planning, and negotiation to establish the Tang Center for Early China at Columbia University.
- 2012 Conference: “Before Empire: An International Conference on the Early History and Archaeology of Qin,” April 6-7, 2012, Columbia University.
- 2010 Symposium: “Guicheng and Bronze-Age Archaeology in Eastern China,” April 10, Columbia University.
- 2009 Conference: “Writing and Literacy in Early China,” February 7-8, Columbia University.
- 2006 Organized the Early China Seminar project: “Literacy and Social Uses of Writing in Early China.”
- 2006 Symposium: “Chinese Frontier archaeology,” December 4, 2006, Columbia University (Speakers from Jilin University).
- 2005 Negotiated and organized international archaeological collaboration between Columbia University, Institute of Archaeology of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Shandong Provincial Institute of Archaeology. Fieldwork began in Shandong in 2007 and continued to Summer 2010.
- 2005-6 Associate Director, Center for Archaeology, Columbia University.
- 2002- Organized the Early China Seminar at Columbia University, an inter-university forum for the study of early Chinese civilization. Served as the founding chair of the seminar in 2002-2003, and co-chair in 2004-2012.
- The seminar meets five times a year and it has become the center for Early China Studies in eastern America. More than 80 papers have been invited to the seminar over the past 9-years. The seminar is the most regularly maintained institution and the central driving force in the field of Early China Studies.

- 1997 Conference Panel: “Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions: New Discoveries, New Interpretations,” Association for Asian Studies, annual meeting, March 1997, Chicago.

Publications

Books

- 2018 *Studies of Bronzes and Inscriptional Calligraphy*. Shanghai: Shanghai Guji Press. December.
- 2018 *Guicheng: A Study of the Formation of States on the Jiaodong Peninsula in Late Bronze-Age China, 1000-500 BCE* (bilingual archaeological monograph). Chief Editor with Liang Zhonghe. Beijing: Science Press. October.
- 2017 *Early China: A Social and Cultural History*, translated by Chungkyu Lee. Seoul: Korean Edition.
- 2016 *Xi Zhou de miawang: Zhongguo zaoqi guojia de dili he zhengzhi weiji* (Supplemented edition). Shanghai: Shanghai Traditional Book Press.
- 2015 *Baoji Daijiawan yu Shigushan chutu Shang Zhou qingtingqi* (A Catalog of Bronze Vessels Originating from Daijiawan and Shigushan, Baoji, Shaanxi Province), co-authored with Chen Cho-jung et al. Taipei: Academia Sinica, December 2015.
- 2013 *Early China: A Social and Cultural History*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press; reprinted in February 2014.
- 2011 *Writing and Literacy in Early China: Studies from the Columbia Early China Seminar*, edited with David Prager Branner. Seattle: University of Washington Press.
- 2010 *Xi Zhou de Zhengti: Zhongguo zaoqi de guanliao zhidu he guojia*. Beijing: Sanlian Publisher.
- 2008 *Bureaucracy and the State in Early China: Governing the Western Zhou, 1045-771 BC*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.
- 2007 *Xi Zhou de miawang: Zhongguo zaoqi guojia de dili he zhengzhi weiji*. Shanghai: Shanghai Traditional Book Press.
- 2006 *Landscape and Power in Early China: The Crisis and Fall of the Western Zhou, 1045-771 BC*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.

Books in Press

- 1 *Early China: A Social and Cultural History*. Traditional Chinese version under contract at: National Taiwan University Press, Taiwan;
2. *Early China: A Social and Cultural History*. simplified Chinese version under contract at: Sanlian Publisher Beijing, China.

Book Honor

- 2010 Honorable Mention, Joseph Levenson Book Prize for Asian Studies (Pre-1900 Category), *Bureaucracy and the State in Early China: Governing the Western Zhou, 1045-771 BC*. Cambridge University Press, 2008.

Book Forum

- 2012 Forum devoted to Li Feng, *Landscape and Power in Early China: The Crisis and Fall of the Western Zhou, 1045-771 BC.*, Cambridge, 2006. Discussion by Maria Khayutina, Yuri Pines, Katheryn Linduff, Constance Cook, and Chen Zhi. Response by Li Feng. *Early China* 33-34 (2010-2011): 263-306.

Book Chapters

- 2018 “The Development of Literacy in Early China: With the Nature and Uses of Bronze Inscriptions in Context, and More,” in *Literacy in Ancient Everyday Life*, edited by Anne Kolb. Pp. 13-42. Berlin: De Gruyter, 2018.
- 2018 “The Western Zhou State,” in *Routledge Handbook of Early Chinese History*, edited by Paul Goldin. Projected publication in 2016.
- 2018 “A Divergent Bronze-Casting Tradition: Archaism among Western Zhou Bronzes,” Patrick Kwok volume on Chinese bronzes, Singapore.
- 2017 “A Study of the Bronze Vessels and Sacrificial Remains of the Early Qin State from Lixian, Gansu.” In Edward L. Shaughnessy ed., *The Imprints of Kinship*. 209-234. Hong Kong: The Chinese University Press, 2017.
- 2013 “A First Reading of the Qiye among the Qinghua Strips and the Related Issues about the Textual Transmission of the *Shijing* Poems,” in *Excavated Documents and New Visions of Ancient China*. Taipei: Academia Sinica, 2013.
- 2012 “Soju sidae toksa nungryok kwa sosa ui sahoejok maekrak.” In Jae-hoon Shim ed., *Hwa i pudong ui Tongasiahak: Minjoksa wa kodae Chungguk yon'gu charyo songch'al* (East Asian Studies Harmonized and yet Different: Reflections on the National History and the Sources of Studying Early China), pp. 167-204. Seoul: P'urun yoksa.
- 2012 “New Discoveries in Western Zhou Archaeology and Their Implications: Postscript to Professor Cho-yun Hsu’s *Western Chou Civilization*,” in *Xi Zhou shi*, pp. 359-388. Beijing: Sanlian Publisher.
- 2011 “Literacy and the Social Contexts of Writing in the Western Zhou.” In Li Feng and David Prager Branner ed., *Writing and Literacy in Early China: Studies from the Columbia Early China Seminar*, pp. 271-302. Seattle: University of Washington Press.
- 2010 “The Study of Early China and Its Archaeological Foundations: Perspectives in a New Age of Global Integration.” In Zhang Haihui ed., *Chinese Studies in North America — Research and Resources*, pp. 51-69. Beijing: Zhonghua Books.
- 2009 “Cities Plans and the Nature of the Ancient State.” In Chen Pingyuan, Wang Dewei et al ed., *Xi'an: City Image and Cultural Memory*, pp. 1-20. Beijing: Beijing University Press.
- 2008 “Transmitting Antiquity: The Origin and Paradigmization of the ‘Five Ranks’.” In Dieter Kuhn and Helga Stahl ed., *Perceptions of Antiquity in Chinese Civilization* (Würzburger Sinologische Schriften), pp. 103-134. Heidelberg: Edition Forum.
- 2006 “A Cultural Ecology of the Northwestern Frontier of the Western Zhou State.” In Cho-yun Hsu and Zhang Zhongpei ed., *Xinshiji de kaoguxue: Wenhua, quwei, shengtai de duoyuan hudong* (Archaeology in the New Century: Multi-Agent Interaction between Culture, Region, and Ecology), pp. 171-204. Beijing: Forbidden City Press.
- 2004 “Textual Criticism and Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions: The Example of the Mu Gui.” In Teng Chung and Chen Xingcan ed., *Essays in Honour of An Zhimin*, pp. 280-97. Hong Kong: Chinese University of Hong Kong Press.

- 1999 “Solving the Historical-Geographical Problems of the Inscription of the Duoyou *Ding*.” In *Writing and Culture in Ancient China*, pp. 179-206. Tokyo: Kyūko Shoin.

Book Reviews

- 2012 “Review: *Food, Sacrifice, and Sagehood in Early China*, by Roel Sterckx, New York: Cambridge University Press. 2011,” *American Historical Review*, 117 (2012): 1557-1558.
- 2009 “Review: *Excavating Asian History: Interdisciplinary Studies in Archaeology and History*, edited by Norman Yoffee and Bradley L. Crowell, Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 2006.” *Journal of World History*, 20.3: 442-51.
- 2007 “Review: *Archaeology of Asia*, edited. Miriam T. Stark, Malden, MA: Blackwell, 2006.” *Journal of Asian Studies*, 66.1: 210-13.

Interview

- 2012 “The End of ‘Western Zhou Feudalism’,” newspaper interview. *Shanghai Bookreview of the China Eastern Post*, Shanghai, Sept. 2, 2012.
- 2010 “The Teaching and Practice of Archaeology in China and in America.” In Zhang Haihui ed., *Comparative Experiences in Chinese and American Higher Education: Interviews with Prominent Chinese American Scholars*, pp. 90-103. Beijing: People’s University Press.

Journal Articles

- Forthcoming*: “Ancient Literacy: Parallels and Divergences between the Mediterranean World and China.” Co-author with William Harris.
- 2017 “Logic, Method, and the Debate about Western Zhou Government: A Reply to Lothar von Falkenhausen,” *Frontiers of History in China*, 12.3 (2017): 485–507.
- 2017 “Rethinking Rules of Name Differentiation in the Zhou Dynasty: A Reply to Wu Zhenfeng,” Wuhan University Manuscript Center Webpage. October 6, 2017.
- 2016 “On the Rule of Name Differentiations in Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions,” *Wenhui bao* (Shanghai), February 19, 2016, page 15.
- 2016 “The Evolution of the State in Ancient China and the Foundation for the Emergence of Codified Law,” *Huadong zhengfa daxue xuebao* 4 (2016): 20-32.
- 2015 “Solving Puzzles about the Method of Casting Inscriptions on Western Zhou Bronzes,” *Chinese Archaeology* 15 (2015): 1-13.
- 2015 “Solving Puzzles about the Method of Casting Inscriptions on Western Zhou Bronzes,” *Kaogu* 2015.9, pp. 78-91.
- 2014 “Intrasite Organization in the Late Bronze-Age: The Application of Full-Coverage Survey Methods at Guicheng, Shandong Province, China.” *Asian Archaeology*, Issue 2 (2014), 1-39.
- 2011 “The Study of Western Zhou History: A Response and a Methodological Explication.” *Early China* 33-34 (2010-2011): 287-306.
- 2011 “A Study of the Bronze Vessels and Sacrificial Remains of the Early Qin State from Lixian, Gansu.” *Wenwu* 5: 55-67.
- 2011 “A Preliminary Report on the Survey of the Western-Eastern Zhou Dynasty Guicheng City in Longkou, Shandong” (The Sino-American Joint Guicheng Archaeological Team, co-author). *Kaogu* 3: 30-39.

- 2006 “The City of Zheng, the Eastward Migration of the State of Zheng, and Related Historical Issues.” *Wenwu* 9: 70-78.
- 2006 “Rethinking European ‘Feudalism’ and Its Implications to the Periodization of Chinese History.” *Zhongguo xueshu* (China Scholarship; Beijing), 24: 8-29.
- 2006 “Columbia University Early China Seminar and Early China Studies 2002-2005.” *Newsletter of the Institute of Chinese Literature and Philosophy* (Taiwan), 16.1: 71-80.
- 2004 “Succession and Promotion: Elite Mobility during the Western Zhou.” *Monuments Serica* (Germany), 52: 1-35.
- 2003 “Feudalism and Western Zhou China: A Criticism.” *Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies*, 63.1: 115-44.
- 2002 “Literacy Crossing Cultural Borders: Evidence from the Bronze Inscriptions of the Western Zhou Period (1045-771 B.C.).” *Bulletin of the Museum of Far Eastern Antiquity* (Sweden), 74: 210-42.
- 2002 “‘Offices’ in Bronze Inscriptions and Western Zhou Government Administration.” *Early China*, 26-27: 1-74.
- 1997 “Ancient Reproductions and Calligraphic Variations: Studies of Western Zhou Bronzes with ‘Identical’ Inscriptions.” *Early China*, 22: 1-41.
- 1992 “Chronological Study of Late Shang Bronze Inscriptions with Year Notations.” Research paper published by the Kobayashi Setsutaro Foundation. Tokyo, Japan. 1-39.
- 1991 “On the Contents and the Origins of the Predynastic Zhou Culture.” *Kaogu xuebao* 3: 265-84.
- 1991 “Japanese Studies in Chinese Archaeology.” *The Yearbook of Chinese Archaeology 1991*, 140-50.
- 1990 “On the Inscription of the Silver Ingot of the 2nd Year of the Jianhe Era, Later Han” (co-authored with Matsumaru Michio). *Shanghai qianbi tongxun* 20: 2.
- 1989 “The Characteristics of Tomb No.1 at Qiangjia.” *Wenbo* 3: 46-48.
- 1988 “Periodization and Dates of the Ritual Bronze Vessels from Western Zhou Tombs in the Valley of the Yellow River.” *Kaogu xuebao* 4: 383-419.
- 1988 “Periodization of Bronzes from the Cemetery of the State of Guo and Related Historical Questions.” *Kaogu* 11: 1035-43.
- 1986 “Periodization and Regionalization of Shang-Dynasty Bronzes from Shaanxi Province.” *Kaogu yu wenwu* 3: 53-63.

Translation

Forthcoming. “Chen Mengjia” (original article in Japanese, by Matsumaru Michio).

- 1986 “New Trends in European and American Archaeology: Rethinking Theory and Methodology” (original article in Japanese by Goto Akira). *Prehistory* (Xi’an), 1-2: 172-200.

Archaeological Fieldworks

- 2007-10 Director of Columbia University-Institute of Archaeology (CASS) collaborative archaeological survey and excavation in Longkou, Shandong, China.
- 1990-92 Excavation of Paleolithic through Heian period residential sites at Yotsukaido, Chiba Prefecture, Japan.

- 1986-90 Director of excavation of multiple residential and production sites and cemeteries in the Zhou capital area in Chang'an, Shaanxi.
- 1983-84 Excavation of the Zhangjiapo cemetery, in the capital Feng of the Western Zhou dynasty, Chang'an, Shaanxi.
- 1982 Excavation of Neolithic site Zijing in southern Shaanxi, Han River valley.

Invited Lectures and Oral Presentations

- 2018.5 University of Heidelberg, Germany. Institute for East Asian Art History, invited lecture: "The Phenomenon of Archaism among Western Zhou Bronzes" Heidelberg: May 28.
- 2017.8 Yale-NUS, Singapore, conference on "Philosophy and Technology in Early China."
Paper: "On the Production System of Bronzes during the Western Zhou: Evidence of Non-Royal Bronze Manufacturing."
- 2017.7 Jilin University, Shangchun, Changjiang Scholar special lecture series:
 1. "Rules of Name Differentiation in Bronze Inscriptions and the Lineage Institutions of Western Zhou Society."
 2. "The Social Background of Bronzes and the Nature of Bronze Inscriptions."
 3. "Literacy and Early China: Comparative Approaches to Ancient Civilizations."
 4. "On the Production System of Western Zhou Bronzes."
 5. Comparative Study of Civilizations and the Foundation of the Rise of Codified Law in China."
- 2017.6 Shaanxi History Museum, Xi'an, specially invited lecture: "Calligraphy and Its Significance to the Study of Western Zhou Bronzes."
- 2017.5 Wuhan University, invited lectures:
 1. "Megasite Survey: Methods and Practices in Guicheng Archaeology 2007-2010."
 2. "Rethinking Rules of Name Differentiation: With Focus on Bronze Inscriptions from the Chu Region."
- 2017.5 PSL, Paris, PSL-Columbia conference: "Who Actually Read Inscriptions in Bronze-Age China?"
- 2017.2 Wesleyan University, invited lecture: "Megasite Survey: Methods and Practices in Guicheng Archaeology 2007-2010."
- 2016.12 Conference: "International Conference on Zhouyuan and Zhou Culture." Presentation: "Name Rules in the Bronze Inscriptions and the Lineage System of the Western Zhou."
- 2016.11 University of Heidelberg, Germany: "Megasite Survey: Methods and Practices in Guicheng Archaeology 2007-2010."
- 2016.11 University of Zurich, Switzerland, conference: "Literacy in Ancient Everyday Life."
Presentation: "Literacy in Early China: With the Nature and Uses of Bronze Inscriptions in Context, and More."
- 2016.10 Shandong University, Jinan. Invited lecture: "Megasite Survey: Methods and Practices in Guicheng Archaeology 2007-2010."
- 2016.10 Shaanxi Academy of Archaeology, Xi'an. Invited lecture: "Megasite Survey: Methods and Practices in Guicheng Archaeology 2007-2010."
- 2016.9 Ningxia University, Yinchuan. "Rethinking Early Chinese History: The Origins of Social Transformation from the Western Zhou to the Spring and Autumn Period."
- 2016.9 Ningxia Institute of Archaeology, Yinchuan. "A New Interpretation about Early Qin

- Sites and the ‘Qinzi’ Bronzes.”
- 2016.5 University of Chicago, Chicago, conference: “Inscribed Bronze: New Discoveries in the Study of Ancient Chinese Bronze Vessels and Their Inscriptions.” Presentation: “This Qinzi Is Not That Qinzi: Rethinking Recently Discovered Early Qin Bronzes.”
- 2016.2 Yale University, New Haven. “A Divergent Bronze Casting Tradition: The Zhousheng Bronzes and the Question about the Production System of Western Zhou Bronzes.” Archaeology Brown Bag.
- 2015.12 East China University of Politics and Law, Shanghai. “The Rise of Legal Codes in Early China: New Comparative Perspectives.” Keynote lecture at conference: “Legal History of China.”
- 2015.12 East China Normal University, Shanghai. “Models of Early States and the Social Transition from the Western Zhou to the Spring and Autumn Period, China.” Specially invited lecture.
- 2015.12 East China University of Politics and Law, Shanghai. “Discussions of Political System of the Western Zhou.” Special seminar.
- 2015.12 Baoji Normal University. “Social Development in Early China and the Transition to Eastern Zhou.” Specially invited lecture.
- 2015.12 University of Chicago, Beijing Center. “A Divergent Bronze Casting Tradition: The Zhousheng Bronzes and the Question about the Production System of Western Zhou Bronzes.” Conference paper.
- 2015.10 Columbia University, New York. “The Importance of Early China and the Indispensable Role of Western Institutions in Its Studies.” Keynote lecture at the Inauguration Ceremony of the Tang Center for Early China.
- 2014.12 National Taiwan University: Invited lecture 1: “Early States and the Origins of Social Transformation from the Western Zhou to the Spring and Autumn Period”. Invited Lecture 2: “On the Method of Casting Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions.”
- 2014.6 Shaanxi Academy of Archaeology, Xi’an. Invited lecture: “Solving Puzzles about the Method of Casting Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions.”
- 2013.10 Early China Seminar, Columbia University. Presentation: “A New Hypothesis on the Techniques of Casting Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions.”
- 2013.5-6 Research Center for Chinese Frontier Archaeology, Jilin University, a series of 6 lectures:
 1. “Rethinking the Co-Working of Archaeology and History.”
 2. “The Typology of Ancient States and the Roots of Social Transition from the Western Zhou to the Spring and Autumn Period, China.”
 3. The Archaeological Discovery of Early Qin and the Issues of Qingong and Qinzi.”
 4. “Method and Practice in Late Bronze-Age Archaeology at Guicheng.”
 5. “Constructing a Frontier Culture: Ceramic Analysis in the Guicheng Project, China.”
 6. “On the Origin of the ‘Five Ranks’.”
- 2013.6 Center for the Study of Ancient Texts, Jilin University. Lecture: “Authentication of Ancient Chinese Bronzes and the Methods of Casting Bronze Inscriptions: A New Theory.”
- 2013.4 Society for American Archaeology, Hawaii. Presentation: “Reconstructing a Frontier Culture: Ceramic Analysis in the Guicheng Project.”
2013. 2 Early China Seminar, Columbia University. Presentation: “A First Reading of the Qiye among the Qinghua Strips and the Related Issues about the Textual Transmission of the Shijing Poems.”
- 2012.11 Hong Kong Baptist University, conference: “Bronze Inscriptions and Western Zhou History.” Presentation: “A New Interpretation of the *Mieli* Ritual in Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions.”

- 2012.7 Institute of History, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Presentation: “Qiyue and the Study of Warring States Manuscripts.”
- 2012.6 Fourth International Conference on Sinology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan. Presentation: “A First Reading of the *Qiyue* from the Qinghua University Manuscripts and Related Issues.”
- 2012.4 Columbia University, conference: “Before Empire: An International Conference on the Early History and Archaeology of Qin.” Presentation: “This Qinzi Is Not That Qinzi: Rethinking Recently Discovered Early Qin Bronzes.”
- 2011.11 Rutgers University, conference: “International Conference on Shang and Early Chinese Civilization.” Presentation: “The Guicheng Archaeological Survey, Its Preliminary Results, and Answers to Historical Questions.”
- 2011.3 Academia Sinica, Taiwan, conference: “The Third International Conference on Chinese Paleography and Ancient History.” Presentation: “On the Origin of the Five-Ranks.”
- 2011.3 The China Institute, New York: “Early Qin Bronzes and the Archaeological Discovery of Early Qin.”
- 2010.11 University of Chicago, conference: “Ancient Chinese Bronzes from the Shouyang Studio and Elsewhere: An International Conference Commemorating Twenty Years of Discoveries.” Presentation: “A Discussion of the Early Qin Bronzes and Sacrificial Sites Unearthed in Lixian.”
- 2010.9 The Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto: “Before the Empire: New Light from Early Qin Archaeology.”
- 2010.7 Institute of Archaeology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing: “The Practice of Systematic Surface Sampling in Guicheng Archaeology.”
- 2010.4. Society for American Archaeology, Annual Meeting, St. Louis: “The Guicheng Project and Its Preliminary Results 2007-2009.”
- 2009.1 American Institute of Archaeology: “When the Bronze-Age State Acts: Archaeological Discovery of Documentary-Administrative Inscriptions in the Wei River Valley.”
- 2008.11 Princeton University: “Bureaucracy and the State: What Do the Contemporaneous Inscriptions Say about the Western Zhou?”
- 2008.7 Myungji University, Seoul, Korea: “Calligraphical Approach to Western Zhou Bronzes and Inscriptions.”
- 2008.7 Dankook University, Seoul, Korea: “Writing and Bureaucracy: The Inscribed and Uninscribed Commitments of Western Zhou Government Administration.”
- 2008.6 The Fourth Worldwide Conference of the Society for East Asian Archaeology, Beijing, P.R. China. Presentation: “Explaining Guicheng: Socioeconomic Changes in a Bronze-Age Society in the Multicultural Environment on the South Shore of the Bohai Sea.”
- 2008.4 Society for American Archaeology, annual meeting, Vancouver: “Explaining Guicheng: Socioeconomic Changes in a Bronze-Age Society in the Multicultural Environment on the South Shore of the Bohai Sea.”
- 2008.3 Columbia University Early China Seminar: “Managing the World through Writing: The Inscribed and Uninscribed Commitment of Western Zhou Administration.”
- 2007.10 Columbia University Center for Archaeology: “Columbia University Archaeological Survey in Guicheng, Shandong, China.”
- 2007.12 Jilin University, China: “Calligraphy and the Study of Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions.”
- 2007.6 Institute of Archaeology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences: “Calligraphy and the Study of Western Zhou Bronze Inscriptions” and “Bronze Inscriptions and the Study of Social History.”

- 2006.11 Shaanxi Normal University, conference: “Xi’an: Historical Memory and Urban Culture,” sponsored by the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation. Presentation: “Ancient City and the Institution of the State.”
- 2006.8 Shandong University, Jinan-Weihai, China, conference: “International Conference on Shang Civilization.” Panel chair and Presentation: “New Thoughts about the Changzi Kou Tomb.”
- 2005.11 UCLA, Center for Chinese Studies, “New Approaches to Chinese Studies” lecture series: “Casting the Treasured Calligraphy: A New Approach to the Bronze Inscriptions of the Western Zhou Period, 1045-771 B.C.”
- 2005.8 Baoji Museum, Xi’an-Baoji, China, conference: “International Conference on Zhouyuan and Western Zhou Civilization.” Presentation: “The City of Zheng, the Eastward Migration of the State of Zheng, and Related Historical Issues.”
- 2005.5 The University of Chicago, “International Conference on Chinese Paleography: Theories and Practice.” Presentation: “Literacy on the Zhou Periphery.”
- 2005.4 Harvard University, Department of Anthropology: “Mapping Out the Zhou State: The Archaeology of Geopolitics.”
- 2004.5 University of Würzburg, Würzburg, Germany, conference: “Perceptions of Antiquity in China’s Civilization.” Presentation: “Transmitting Antiquity: The Re-Creation of Political Institutions during the Eastern Zhou.”
- 2004.4 Columbia University, New York, conference: “The Persistence of Traditions: Monuments and Preservation in Late Imperial and Modern China.” Chair and Discussant of panel: “A Diversity of Heritage: Conservation in Contemporary China.”
- 2004.1 Shanghai University, Shanghai, conference: “International Conference on the Theory and Methodology in Writing Early Chinese History.” Presentation: “Rethinking European ‘Feudalism’ and Its Implications to the Periodization of Chinese History.”
- 2003.10 Tainan National College of Arts, Taiwan, conference: “International Conference on the Methodological Integration of Art History and Archaeology.” Presentation: “On the relationship between Archaeology and Art History.”
- 2003.10 Academia Sinica, Taipei, conference: “Chinese Archaeology in the New Century.” Presentation: “A Cultural Ecology of the Northwestern Frontier of the Western Zhou State.”
- 2003.3 Society for the Study of Early China, New York, Roundtable: “Early China Studies: Present and Future.” Key speaker.
- 2003.3 Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, panel # 118, New York: “‘Barbarian’ and Literacy: Evidence of Cultural Exchange from the Bronze Inscriptions.”
- 2003.2 Dartmouth College, workshop on the newly discovered Western Zhou bronze *Bingong xu*. Commentator.
- 2002.11 Yale University, East Asian Colloquium: “Succession and Promotion: Elite Mobility during the Western Zhou.”
- 2002.10 Early China Roundtable, Lehigh University, Pennsylvania: “Succession and Promotion: Elite Mobility during the Western Zhou.”
- 2002.3 Harvard University, East Asian Archaeology Seminar: “Song Antiquarianism and the Study of Bronze Inscriptions.”
- 2001.3 Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, panel # 146, Chicago: “Some New Thoughts about Western Zhou Feudalism.”
- 2001.3 Workshop on Western Zhou bronze inscriptions, University of Chicago. Presentation: “The *Mu Gui*.”
- 1997.3 Association for Asian Studies, annual meeting, panel # 154, Chicago: “‘Offices’ in Bronze Inscriptions and Western Zhou Government Administration.”

1995.5 UCLA, conference: "Conference on the Internationalization of Chinese Archaeology."
Discussant.

Selected Courses

University of Heidelberg, graduate,

"Critical Works in Chinese Archaeology"

"Late Imperial and Early Republican Epigraphy and Philology of Ancient Sources"

Columbia University, graduate,

"Qinghua Manuscripts"

"Issues in Early Chinese Civilization: Theories and Approaches"

"Bronzes and Bronze Inscriptions of Ancient China: Eastern Zhou"

"Seminar on Zhou Dynasty Archaeology"

"Bronzes and Bronze Inscriptions of Ancient China"

"Chinese Bibliography"

"Seminar on Western Zhou Archaeology"

"Seminar on Western Zhou History"

"Introduction to Chinese Archaeology"

"History of Ancient China to the End of Han"

"Selective Readings in Early Chinese Texts"

"Introduction to Classical Chinese II"

"Early Chinese Cultural History" (independent study)

"Problems in Chinese Archaeology" (independent study)

Columbia University, undergraduate,

"Approaches to East Asian Studies"

"Introduction to East Asian Civilizations: China"

"History of Ancient China to the End of Han"

"Introduction to Classical Chinese II"

Arkansas State University, graduate,

"History of Ancient China"

"History of Modern China"

Arkansas State University, undergraduate,

"World Civilization I: Beginning to Reformation"