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### **Higher Education**

- Ph.D in Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Michigan, 1997.  
Dissertation advisor: Dr. Donald J. Munro.
- Graduate Student in Special Standing (Contemporary German Philosophy), Department of Philosophy, Emory University, 1991-1992.
- Visiting Scholar of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS) (Philosophical Movement from Phenomenology to Hermeneutics), Department of Philosophy, Amsterdam University, The Netherlands, 1987-1988.
- M.A in Philosophy, Fudan University, Shanghai China, 1985.
- B.A in Philosophy, Fudan University, Shanghai China, 1982.

### **Professional Career**

- Visiting Professor, Xi'an International Studies University, Xi'an, China, July-August, 2019
- Visiting Fellow, International Consortium for Research in the Humanities, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany, September 2017-December 2017.
- Professor of Chinese and Philosophy, Clemson University since 2009---
- Associate Professor of Chinese and Philosophy, Clemson University, 2005-2009.
- Visiting Professor for contemporary Chinese culture and society, Capital Normal University, Beijing, fall 2006.
- Visiting chair Professor of Philosophy, Dalian University of Technology (DUT), Dalian China, 2004-2010.
- Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Center for Culture Studies, CASS, since 2004---
- Assistant Professor of Chinese and Philosophy, Clemson University, 2002-2005.
- Assistant Professor of Chinese, Clemson University, 1999-2002.
- Lecturer of Chinese, Dept. of East Asian Studies, Princeton University, 1998-1999.
- Lecturer of Chinese, Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Michigan, 1997-1998.
- Principal Instructor of Chinese, East Asian Languages Institute, Indiana University, summer 1996.
- Graduate Student Instructor, Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Michigan, 1992-1997.
- Research Assistant (contemporary Chinese philosophy), Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, summer, 1991.
- Assistant Research Professor, Institute of Philosophy, CASS, Beijing, 1988-1991.
- Research Professor Assistant, Institute of Philosophy, CASS, 1985-1988.

### **Administration**

- Interim Chair of the Department of Languages, Clemson University, 2011-2013.
- Head of Chinese Section at Language Department, Clemson University, since 1999---
- Initiator and Director/Co-director of China Summer Program, since 2001---
- Deputy Director for the Research Section of Historical Materialism, Institute of Philosophy, CASS, 1988-91.

### **Academic Organization**

- Initiator and co-organizer for the International Academic Seminar on “Patterns of Historical Understanding,” Beijing: Capital Normal University, May 11-30, 2013.
- Initiator and co-organizer for the “International Conference on Science/Technology Ethics and Business Ethics,” Dalian: DUT, July 16-18, 2007.
- President of the Association of Chinese Philosophers in North America (ACPA), 2005-2007.

### **Awards**

- Project Award from American University of Malta, 2018.
- John and Thelma Gentry Award for Excellence in Teaching Humanities, College of Architecture, Arts and Humanities, Clemson University, 2017.
- Award of National Scholarship Program, Honors’ College, Clemson University, 2016.
- All University Teaching Award of Graduate Instructor, University of Michigan, 1996.

### **Current Projects:**

- *The Idea of Cyclicity in the Qin-Han China*, a monograph.

### **Selected Publications**

#### **A: Book**

Monograph:

- *The Idea of Cheng (Sincerity/Reality) in the History of Chinese Philosophy*, New York: Global Scholarly Publications (ACPA series of Chinese and Comparative Philosophy) 2005, 2008.
- *The Historical Hermeneutics of Wilhelm Dilthey*, Taiwan: Yuan-liou Publish Company, Taiwan, 1999.
- *Jean-Paul Sartre: His Life and Thought*, co-authored with Huang Songjie and Wu Xiaoming, Shanghai: Fudan University Press, 1986.

Translation:

- *Friedrich Nietzsche*, by G. Brandes. A revised translation with a new preface for a bilingual version (English and Chinese). Yilin Press, Nanjing, China, April 2021.  
Its first edition appeared in Beijing: Worker’s Press with three prints in 1986 -1987. Later it was republished in Beijing: Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Press, 1991.

- *Der Aufbau der Geschichtelichen Welt in den Geisteswissenschaften* (the Formation of the Historical World in the Human Sciences), by Wilhelm Dilthey, Beijing: China Renmin University Press, 2010.
- *The Cambridge History of the Republic of China* vol. I, by J. K. Fairbank et al. co-translation with Zhang Jianggang et al., Shanghai People's Press, 1992.
- *The Cambridge History of the Republic of China* II, by J. K. Fairbank et al. co-translation with Zhang Jianggang et al. Shanghai People's Press, 1993.
- *Jean-Paul Sartre*, by A. C. Danto, Beijing: Worker's Press, 1987; Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Press, 1991.

#### Editing:

- *New Life for Old Ideas: Chinese Philosophy in the Contemporary World* --- A Festschrift in Honor of Donald J. Munro, co-edited with Brian Bruya, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2019.
- *Engineering, Development and Philosophy: Encounters among Chinese, European and American Perspectives*, co-edited with Carl Mitchem et al. Springer, June 2012.
- *A New Perspective to the Applied Ethics*, co-edited with Wang Qian, Beijing: Renmin Press, 2009.

#### **B: Essays**

##### English

- "Liang: The Moral and Social Philosopher" in *Dao Companion to Liang Shuming's Philosophy* (181-198), January 2023, Springer/Nature, ISBN 978-3-031-18001-9.
- "Two Modes of Cyclicity in the Ancient World" in *Comparative Civilization Review*, a biannual official journal of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations, fall issue of 2022 (19-39). Vol. 87: No. 87, Article 6.
- "The Idea of Cyclicity in Chinese Thought," *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, (389-406), 2021: 20, Springer.
- "Family Love and Its Extension: A Comparative Evaluation," in *New Life for Old Ideas: Chinese Philosophy in the Contemporary World*, co-edited by Yanming An & Brian Bruya, Chinese University of Hong Kong (367-392), 2019.
- "Family Love in Confucius and Mencius," *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, 8: 2 (51-55), Springer, 2008
- "The Western 'Sincerity' and Confucian 'Cheng': a Comparative Study," *Asian Philosophy*, 14: 2 (155-169), Routledge Taylor & Francis. (Translated into Chinese, Beijing: *World Philosophy*, CASS, 2005: 3).
- "The Concept of *Cheng* (Sincerity/ Reality) and Its Western Translation," *Dao: a Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, 4: 1 (117-136), Global Scholarly Publications, 2004. (Translated into Chinese, in Xinyan Jiang ed. *Chinese Philosophy in the English-Speaking World*, Beijing: China Renmin University Press, 2009)
- "Liang Shuming: Eastern and Western Cultures and Confucianism," in the *Contemporary Chinese Philosophy* (147-164), Blackwell Publishers Inc. 2002.

- “Liang Shuming and Henri Bergson on Intuition: Cultural Context and the Evolution of Terms,” *Philosophy: East and West*, 47:3 (337-362), 1997.

#### Chinese

- “Two Patterns of Cyclical View of History,” *Philosophy Research* 《哲学研究》, 2015: 8 (96-103).
- “On Schleiermacher’s Universal Hermeneutics,” *Social Sciences in China* 《中国社会科学》, 1993: 1 (143-154).
- “The differences between the Aesthetics of Kant and Schiller,” *Yunnan University Journal* 《云南大学学报》, 1990: 6 (21-26).
- “The Concept of ‘Erlebnis’ in Wilhelm Dilthey,” *Fudan University Journal* 《复旦学报》, 1990: 5 (47-55).
- “An Investigation on the Classical German Philosophy of History (II),” *Philosophy Current* 《哲学动态》, 1990: 10 (27-31).
- “An Investigation on the Classical German Philosophy of History (I)” *Philosophy Current*, 1990: 9 (23-27).
- “The Historical Road towards Schleiermacher’s Universal Hermeneutics,” *Philosophy Research*, 1990: 4 (79-85).
- “On Nietzsche’s Critique of Culture,” a book chapter in *Traditional Culture and Its Modernization*, Shanghai People’s Press, Shanghai, 1987.
- “Nietzsche: a Tragic Philosopher,” *Reading* 《读书》, Beijing, China, 1986: 5.
- “A Historical Introspection into the Foundation of Marxist Philosophy,” *Fudan University Journal*, 1985: 3 (87-97).
- “Some Remarks on the Epistemological Thought of Plehanov,” (co-authored with Wu, Xiaoming), *Marxism Studies* 《马克思主义研究》, 1985: 3 (178-192).
- “A Discussion on Plekhanov’s Theory of Social Psychology,” (co-authored with Wu, Xiaoming) *Fudan University Journal*, 1984: 3 (92-99).
- Marx’ View of Practice and His Idea concerning the Relationship between Thought and Being,” (co-authored with Wu, Xiaoming), *Scholarship Monthly* 《学术月刊》, 1983: 5 (30-36).
- On the Methodological Significance of Marx’ Theory of Practice,” (co-authored with Wu, Xiaoming), *Fudan University Journal*, 1983: 2 (42-47).
- “Some Remarks on the Genetic Epistemology of Jean Piaget,” (co-author with Wu, Xiaoming) *Philosophy Research*, 1983: 1 (17-24).
- A Brief Discussion on the View of History in Existentialism, (co-authored with Wu, Xiaoming), *Fudan University Journal*, 1982: 4 (86-91).
- “Alienation and Practice,” (co-authored with Wu, Xiaoming), *The Front of Social Sciences* 《社会科学战线》, 1982: 4 (19-24).
- On the Philosophical Methodology regarding the Research of the Geographical Environment,” (co-authored with Wu, Xiaoming), *Fudan University Journal*, 1981: 2 (8-14).
- “A Discussion on Plekhanov’s Theory of Geographical Environment,” (co-authored Wu, Xiaoming) *Philosophy Research*, Beijing, 1980: 8 (23-28).

- “The History Is Created by Entire Human Being,” *Wen Hui Bao* 文汇报, April 25, 1980.

#### Translation

- “My ‘Investigation of Things,’” by Donald J. Munro, *World Philosophy* 《世界哲学》 2016: 2, (5-16).
- “Workable Ethical Guidelines and their Evolutionary Basis,” by Donald J. Munro, *World Philosophy*, 2009: 1, (4-28).
- “Introduction to the Volume III of the *Selected Works of Wilhelm Dilthey*,” by Rudolf Makkreel and Frithjof Rodi, *World Philosophy*, 2008: 3, (45-56).
- “Introduction to the Volume I of the *Selected Works of Wilhelm Dilthey*,” by Rudolf Makkreel and Frithjof Rodi, *World Philosophy*, 2007: 2, (41-63).
- “Harmony, Fragment, and Democratic Ritual,” by David Wong, in *Confucianism and Liberalism* in SDX and Harvard-Yenching Academic Series, Beijing: SDX press 三联书店, 2001, (256-284).
- “A Modern Way to Justify the Ethical Rules: John S. Mill, Mencius and Modern Biology,” by Donald J. Munro, as above, (201-211).
- “Probing the Practical Implication of Confucianism” (an interview), by Donald J. Munro & Yanming An, as above, (213-226).
- “From Transcendental Phenomenology to Existential Phenomenology,” by Theo de Boer, *World Philosophy*, 1991: 3 (17-21).
- “Some Remarks on Gadamer’s Hermeneutics,” by Theo. de Boer, *World Philosophy*, 1991: 3 (63-67).
- “The Fusion of Fact and Value,” by Donald J. Munro, *Philosophy Research*, 1991: 3 (77-79).
- “The Concept of Critique in Social Theories,” by M. Markovich, *World Philosophy*, 1986: 5 (21-27).
- “The Preface to the *History and Class Consciousness* (II),” by George Lukacs, *World Philosophy*, 1985: 2 (56-62).
- “The Preface to the *History and Class Consciousness* (I),” by George Lukacs, *World Philosophy*, 1985: 1 (74-80)

#### C. Encyclopedia Entries (in English)

- “*Da Xue*” (the Great Learning), *Encyclopedia of Chinese Philosophy* (232-4): Routledge Taylor & Francis Group, 2002.
- “*Zhong Yong*” (the Doctrine of the Mean) as above (888-891).

#### D. Book Review (in English)

- On *Taking Confucian Ethics Seriously*, in *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*, 40:2, (259-364), 2013.
- On *Expanding Process: Exploring Philosophical and Theological Transformations in China and in the West*, in *Sophia*, 49: (321-323), 2010
- On *A Hermeneutics of the Ren-Learning: A Structural Analysis of Confucian Ethics in Dao*” a *Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, 8: 3 (341-344), 2009.

### **Selected Presentations**

- Invited to present “Family Love and Its Extension in Confucianism” and “The Cyclical View in the Ancient World” at Colorado School of Mines, October 15-17, 2019.
- Invited to present “Confucian Heritage and the Moral Community in the World” In the “Taihu Forum of World Cultures,” June 7-9, 2016, Macau, China.
- Invited to Present “The Concept of Nature in Ancient China” in the International Workshop on “Philosophy and Engineering in Developing Context: American, Chinese, and European Perspectives,” Colorado School of Mines, Golden, May 4-8, 2010.
- Invited to present “Family Love in Classic Confucianism” in the “World Public Forum: Dialogue of Civilizations,” Rhodes, Greece, October 9-13, 2008.

### **Course Taught**

- *The Views of History in the Ancient World* (Clemson)
- *Marxist Tradition* (Clemson)
- *Pre-modern Chinese Literature* (Clemson)
- *Philosophy in Ancient China* (Clemson, CET Academic Program)
- *Philosophy in Medieval China* (Clemson)
- *Philosophy in Modern China* (Clemson)
- *Buddhism in China* (Clemson)
- *Comparative Issues in the Eastern and Western Philosophies* (Clemson)
- *Introduction to China* (Clemson, Capital Normal University)
- *China Study Abroad* (a course offered in China, Clemson)
- *Plato’s “Republic”* (DUT)
- *The History of Western Ethics* (DUT)
- *Readings of Isaiah Berlin* (DUT)
- *Chinese language* at all levels, modern and classic (Michigan, Indiana, Princeton, and Clemson)

### **Area of Specialization**

- Comparative Ethics
- Chinese Philosophy, especially the Pre-Qin Philosophical Schools and the Buddhist Influence on the Formation of Neo-Confucianism.
- German philosophy, especially Hegel-Marx tradition, and the Philosophical Movement from Phenomenology to Hermeneutics.

### **Areas of Competence**

- History of Chinese Literature: verse, prose, fiction, and criticism.
- Chinese Linguistics

### **Language Proficiency**

- Full command of Classical and Modern Chinese (Mandarin).
- English: near-native fluency
- German: reading ability

- Japanese: two years of formal study.

### **Service for Academic Community**

Member of the editorial boards of Journal:

- *Dilthey: International Yearbook of Human Studies*, a platform for international Dilthey research, published by Fromman-Holzboog Press in English, French, Spanish, German, Portuguese, and Italian, 2006-2014.
- *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, Global Publications, and Springer, since 2001
- *World Philosophy*: The Institute of Philosophy, CASS, 2002---

Member of the editorial boards of book series:

- *The World Master Thinkers* (67 works published), Beijing: Worker's Press and CASS Press, 1986-1994
- *International Cultures* (20 works published), Beijing: Huaxia Press, 1987-1994
- *Sinology Abroad* (5 works published), Shenyang: Liaoning People's Press, 1987-1989

Essay and book reviewer:

- *Philosophy: East and West*, University of Hawaii Press, 2000---
- *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, 2001---
- *Sophia: A Journal of Ethics*, 2006---
- *Problemos*, Lithuanian Philosophical Journal, Vilnius University, since 2015
- Routledge Press, 2011---
- Bloomburg Press, 2016---
- *Religions*, 2019---
- SUNY Press, 2021---
- *Philosophy Compass*, 2021---

Reviewer for Tenure-Promotion

- Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2015, 2019
- University of Alabama, 2011