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EDUCATION

1972 Ph.D. Stanford University, Asian Languages

1966 M.A. Stanford University, Asian Languages

1964 B.A. University of Michigan, Honors College, Far Eastern Languages and Literatures

EMPLOYMENT

2010- Professor of History, Emerita, University of California, Davis

1989-2010 Professor of History, University of California, Davis

1982-89 Assistant Professor (1982-86) and Associate Professor (1986-89) of History, University of California, Santa Cruz

1981 Lecturer, Freshman Seminar Program, Stanford University

1978-81 Assistant Professor of Far Eastern Languages and Civilizations, The College, University of Chicago

[resigned effective 7/80 to relocate in California: see Fellowships and Grants, below]

1976-78 International Harvester Teaching Fellow, The College, University of Chicago

1969-76 Various Lecturer and Acting Assistant Professor, Northwestern University, The Evening Divisions, Chicago, and Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois

HONORS, AWARDS, GRANTS

2009 John K. Fairbank Prize in East Asian History, American Historical Association, awarded for *The Talented Women of the Zhang Family* (University of California Press).

2008 Sixty-Sixth Annual Faculty Research Lecturer, University of California, Davis

2006 "Why Women Were Not a Problem in 19th-Century Chinese Thought."

The 13th Annual Stanley Spector Memorial Lecture on East Asian History and Civilization, Washington University in St. Louis, 16 April; also delivered in the Distinguished Lecture Series, Hong Kong Baptist University Golden Jubilee, September 13.

2002-3 National Endowment for the Humanities, Fellowship for University Teachers, for research on "A Family Life: The Zhang Daughters of Changzhou," 1 July – 30 June, including research in Nanjing and Shanghai, September-December.

2002-3 University of California President's Fellowship in the Humanities, sabbatical support for research on "A Family Life: The Zhang Daughters of Changzhou," 1 July – 30 June.

2002 Research Program of the National Program for Advanced Study and Research in China, American Council of Learned Societies and National Endowment for the Humanities, fellowship for research on "A Family Life: The Zhang Daughters of Changzhou," at the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, August-December (declined).

2001 "Nine Lives: Women in Late Imperial Confucian Discourses," Keynote address, International Conference of the Journal of the History of Ideas: Explorations of Chinese Intellectual History, The Johns Hopkins University Nanjing Center for Chinese and American Studies, 31 May – 2 June.

2000 Outstanding Mentor Award, Consortium for Women and Research, University of California, Davis.

1999 Joseph Levenson Prize for the best book on pre-modern China published in 1997, awarded for *Precious Records: Women in China's Long Eighteenth Century* (Stanford University Press)

1999 President, Association for Asian Studies (Past President, 2000-2002; Board delegate to the American Council of Learned Societies, 2000-2004)

1999 "Her Stories: Women's Lives in China's History." The 36th annual Arthur L. Throckmorton Memorial Lecture, Lewis and Clark College, 22

February; also presented as the 39th annual James Taylor Lecture, Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, 21 October.

1999 "Ink, Brush, Man, Woman: Men's Writings on Women in Qing Dynasty

China." The 39th annual Edward H. Hume Memorial Lecture, Yale University, 3 February.

1998/99 Funding for two-year pilot project for an intercampus graduate seminar on "Gender in Chinese Historical Studies," from the Intercampus Instructional Collaborations in History (IICH) of the Intercampus Academic Program Incentive Fund of the University of California, for collaborators at UC Davis and UC Santa Cruz.

1997 Faculty Development Grant, UC Davis, fall quarter

1994 Planning Grant for a Project "Confucian Culture and Gender Relations in China, Japan, and Korea: An Historical Inquiry," Joint Committee on Chinese Studies of the American Council of Learned Societies and the Social Science Research Council

1992-3 Co-Principal Investigator, University of California Pacific Rim Planning Grant, "Gender, Culture, and Society in China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong"

1992 Summer Fellowship, Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies, Taipei, Taiwan

1992 University of California President's Fellowship in the Humanities (declined)

1992 National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for University Teachers, 1 October 1992 - 30 September 1993, for preparation of a book *Women in Eighteenth-Century China: Gender and Culture in the Lower Yangzi Region (1683-1839)*.

1992 Phi Beta Kappa Northern California Association Excellence in Teaching Award

1991 Fellow, Humanities Institute, University of California, Davis, 1 October - 30 December.

1988 Committee on Scholarly Communication with the People's Republic of China, fellowship for research in Shanghai on "Women and Work in the Household Economy, 1900-1949." Affiliated with the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, 1 September-16 December [additional term 1 September-16 December 1989, declined].

1985 University of California, Santa Cruz, Faculty Development Grant for research and study in Tokyo, Japan, January-June; project title: "The Opinions of Hong Liangji: Views of Nature, Self, and Society in Eighteenth-Century China." Affiliated as a Visiting Scholar with Ochanomizu Women's University.

1984 National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend for research on "Women in the Local Histories of China: Sexuality and Social Change, 1279-1800."

1983 Social Science Research Council, summer fellowship for research on "Exemplary Women in Chinese Local Histories," University of California, Santa Cruz.

1980-81 National Endowment for the Humanities, Postdoctoral Fellowship for preparation of a book, Local Merchants and the Chinese Bureaucracy, 1750-1950.

1975-76 American Association of University Women, Postdoctoral Fellowship for research on merchants and trade organizations in modern China.

1974-75 Social Science Research Council, Postdoctoral Fellowship for research on merchants and trade organizations and the rise of nationalism in modern China.

1973-74 American Council of Learned Societies, Postdoctoral Fellowship for research on scholasticism and politics in 18th-century China.

1969-70 American Association of University Women, Doctoral Fellowship for completion of a dissertation entitled "Hung Liang-chi (1746-1809): The Perception and Articulation of Political Problems in Late Eighteenth-Century China."

PUBLICATIONS [note: before 1982, under the name Susan Mann Jones]

BOOKS

2011 Gender and Sexuality in Modern Chinese History (New York: Cambridge University Press).

2007 The Talented Women of the Zhang Family (Berkeley: University of California Press). Presently being translated into Chinese, Peking University Press.

1997 Precious Records: Women in China's Long Eighteenth Century (Stanford: Stanford University Press).

Translated into Chinese: by Ding Yizhuang and Yan Yiwei, *Zhuizhen lu: Shiba shiji ji qi qianhou de Zhongguo funü* (Nanjing: Jiangsu renmin chubanshe, 2004); by Yang Yating, *Langui baolu: Wan Ming zhi sheng Qing shi de Zhongguo funü* (Taipei: Zuo'an chubanshe, 2005).

1987 *Local Merchants and the Chinese Bureaucracy, 1750-1950* (Stanford: Stanford University Press).

EDITED VOLUMES

2004 [Ed. and intro.], *Women and Gender Relations*, vol. I in the series *Perspectives on Asia: Sixty Years of The Journal of Asian Studies, 1942-2002* (Ann Arbor: The Association for Asian Studies, Sixtieth Anniversary Project).

2001 [Co-ed., with Yu-Yin Cheng], *Under Confucian Eyes: Writings on Gender in Chinese History* (University of California Press).

1999 [Co-ed., with Gail Hershatter, Emily Honig, and Lisa Rofel], *Guide to Women's Studies in China* (Berkeley: Center for Chinese Studies, University of California, Berkeley).

1979 [Ed.], *Select Papers from the Center for Far Eastern Studies no. 3 (1978-79). Proceedings of the NEH Modern China Project, 1977-78: Political Leadership and Social Change at the Local Level in China from 1850 to the Present*. Chicago: Center for Far Eastern Studies, University of Chicago.

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

2011 "Biographical Sources and Silences," in Joan Judge and Hu Ying, eds., *Beyond Exemplar Tales: Women's Biography in Chinese History* (University of California Press), pp. 17-35. Also published in Chinese, in You Jianming, Hu Ying, and Ji Jiazhen, eds., *Chongdu Zhongguo nüxing shengming gushi* (Taipei: Wunan tushu chubanshe, 2011), pp.33-56.

2010 "The Lady and the State: Women's Writing in Times of Trouble during the Nineteenth Century," in Grace S. Fong and Ellen B. Widmer, eds., *The Inner Quarters and Beyond: Women Writers from Ming through Qing* (Leiden: Brill), pp. 283-313.

2009 "Scene-setting: Writing Biography in Chinese History," AHR Roundtable: Historians and Biography, *American Historical Review* 114.3:631-639.

2008 "Dowry Wealth and Wifely Virtue in Mid-Qing Gentry Households," *Late Imperial China* 29.1 (Supplement):64-76.

2005 "The Virtue of Travel for Women in the Late Empire," in Bryna Goodman and Wendy Larson, eds., *Gender in Motion: Divisions of Labor and Cultural Change in Late Imperial and Modern China* (Lanham, Md.: Rowman and Littlefield), pp. 55-74.

2003 [with Du Fangqin], "Competing Claims on Womanly Virtue in Late Imperial China," in Dorothy Ko, JaHyun Kim Haboush, and Joan R. Piggott, eds., *Women and Confucian Cultures in Premodern China, Korea, and Japan* (Berkeley: University of California Press), pp. 219-247.

2003 "Womanly Sentiments and Political Crises: Zhang Qieying's Poetic Voice in the Mid-Nineteenth Century," in Lü Fangshang, ed., *Voices Amid Silence: Women and the Nation in Modern China (1600-1950)*, vol. I (Taipei: Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica), pp. 198-222.

2002 "Women's History, Men's Studies: New Directions in Research on Gender in Late Imperial China," in Ko-Wu Huang, ed., *Papers from the Third International Conference on Sinology, History Section: Gender and Medical History* (Taipei: Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica), pp. 73-103.

2002 "Women, Families, and Gender Relations," in Willard J. Peterson, ed., *The Cambridge History of China, Volume 9, Part One: The Ch'ing Empire to 1800* (Cambridge, U.K.: Cambridge University Press), pp. 428-472.

2002 "Jiuzhong zhuanji: Jindai diguo rujia huayuzhong de nuxing" (Nine Lives: Women in the Confucian discourses of late imperial China), translated by Liu Shuchu in *Zhongguo xueshu yu Zhongguo sixiangshi* (Chinese writings and the history of Chinese thought), ed. Xu Yan et al. (Nanjing: Jiangsu jiaoyu chubanshe, 2002), pp. 121-132.

2000 "Presidential Address: Myths of Asian Womanhood," *Journal of Asian Studies* 59.3 (November): 835-862.

2000 "The Male Bond in Chinese History and Culture," *Forum on Male-Male Bonds in China*, *American Historical Review* 105.5 (December): 1600-1614.

2000 "Work and Household in Chinese Culture: Historical Perspectives," in Barbara Entwisle and Gail Henderson, eds., *Re-drawing Boundaries: Work, Household, and Gender in China* (University of California Press), pp. 15-32.

1998 "Western Missionary Views of Educated Chinese Women at the Turn of the Twentieth Century," in Yen-p'ing Hao et al., eds., *Between Tradition and Change: Studies in Modern Chinese History in Honor of Professor Kwang-Ching Liu's Seventy-fifth Birthday* (Taipei, Taiwan: Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica), vol. II, pp.1039-1066.

1997 "Shinchō no aru ikkazoku no katei seikatsu ni okeru geijutsu, kanjō, omoide – Shōshū Chōke (1760-1860) no ba'ai" (Art, sentiment, and memory in the domestic life of a Qing dynasty family: The Zhangs of Changzhou, 1760-1860), translated in Hayashi Reiko and Yanagida Setsuko, eds., *Ajia joseishi: hikakushi no kokoromi* (The history of women in Asia: Explorations in comparative history; Tokyo: Akashi shoten), pp. 448-458.

1996 "Women in the Life and Thought of Zhang Xuecheng," in Philip J. Ivanhoe, ed., *Chinese Language, Thought and Culture: Nivison and His Critics* (Chicago: Open Court Press), pp. 94-120.

1995 "Talented Women in Local Gazetteers of the Lingnan Region during the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries." *Jindai Zhongguo funüshi yanjiu* (Research on Women in Modern Chinese History; an annual publication of the Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan), no. 3:123-141.

1994 "The Cult of Domesticity in Republican Shanghai's Middle Class." *Jindai Zhongguo funüshi yanjiu* (Research on Women in Modern Chinese History; an annual publication of the Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan), no. 2:179-202.

1994 "The Education of Daughters in the Mid-Ch'ing Period," in Benjamin A. Elman and Alexander Woodside, eds., *Education and Society in Late Imperial China, 1600-1900* (University of California Press), pp. 19-49.

1994 "Learned Women in the Eighteenth Century," in Gail Hershatter, Lisa Rofel, and Christina Gilmartin, eds., *Engendering China: Women, Culture, and the State* (Harvard University Press), pp.27-46. [Translated into Chinese by Ren Zhaojin under the title "Shiba shiji de Zhongguo zhishi nüxing," in Li Xiaojiang, Zhu Hong, and Dong Xiuyu, eds., *Xingbie yu Zhongguo* (Beijing: Sanlian shudian, 1994), pp. 187-212.]

1993 "What Can Feminist Theory Do for the Study of Chinese History?" *Jindai Zhongguo funüshi yanjiu* (Research on Women in Modern Chinese History; an annual publication of the Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan), no. 1:241-260. Reprinted in Catherine Farris, Anru Lee, and Murray Rubinstein, eds., *Women in the New Taiwan: Gender Roles and Gender Consciousness in a Changing Society* (Armonk, N.Y.: M. E. Sharpe, 2004), pp. 3-13.

1993 "Suicide and Survival: Exemplary Widows in the Late Empire," in *Chûgoku no dentô shakai to kazoku: Yanagida Setsuko sensei koki kinen ronshû* (Family and society in traditional China: essays in honor of Professor Yanagida Setsuko; Tokyo: Kyûko shoin), pp. 85-101.

1992 "Household Handicrafts and State Policy in Qing Times," in Jane Kate Leonard and John Watt, eds., *To Achieve Security and Wealth: The Qing Imperial State and the Economy, 1644-1911* (Cornell East Asia Series), pp.75-96.

1992 "Classical Revival and the Woman Question: China's First Querelle des Femmes," in *Family Process and Political Process in Modern Chinese History* (Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan), vol. I, pp. 377-411.

1992 " 'Fuxue' [Women's Learning] by Zhang Xuecheng (1738-1801): China's First History of Women's Culture," *Late Imperial China* 13.1:40-62.

1992 "Women's Work in the Ningbo Area, 1900-1936," in Thomas G. Rawski and Lillian M. Li, eds., *Chinese History in Economic Perspective* (University of California Press), pp. 243-270.

1991/98 "Grooming a Daughter for Marriage: Brides and Wives in the Mid-Ch'ing Period," in Rubie S. Watson and Patricia Buckley Ebrey, eds., *Marriage and Inequality in Chinese Society* (University of California Press), pp. 204-230.

Reprinted in Susan Brownell and Jeffrey N. Wasserstrom, eds., *Chinese Femininities/Chinese Masculinities: A Reader* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2002), pp. 93-119 .

1987 "Widows in the Kinship, Class, and Community Structures of Qing Dynasty China," *The Journal of Asian Studies* 46.1 (February):37-56.

1986 "Amerika ni okeru Chûgoku josei kenkyû" [American scholarship on Chinese women], trans. Akiyoshi Yuko, *Chûgoku kenkyû geppô* [China Studies Monthly] 40.4 (April):11-18.

1986 "Shindai no shakai ni okeru kafu no ichi" [The position of widows in Qing society], trans. Kishimoto Mio, *Ochanomizu shigaku* [Journal of historical studies, Ochanomizu University] 29 (April):99-110.

1985 "Historical Change in Female Biography from Song to Qing Times: The Case of Early Qing Jiangnan," *Transactions of the International Conference of Orientalists in Japan* no. 30:65-77.

1984 "Brokers As Entrepreneurs in Presocialist China," *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 26.4:614-636. Reprinted in Geoffrey G. Jones, Hoseph C. Wilson, and R. Daniel Wadhvani, eds., *Entrepreneurship and Global Capitalism* (Cambridge University Press).

1984 "Urbanization and Historical Change in China," *Modern China* 10.1:79-113.

1981 "Trade, Transport, and Taxes: The Decline of a National Medicine Fair in Republican China," in Tang Tsou, ed., *Political Leadership and Social Change on the Local Level in China from 1850 to the Present*, no. 2 (Center for Far Eastern Studies, University of Chicago), pp. 112-142.

1979 "The Organization of Trade at the County Level: Brokerage and Tax Farming in the Republican Period," in Susan Mann Jones, ed., *Political Leadership and Social Change on the Local Level in China from 1850 to the Present*, no. 1 (Center for Far Eastern Studies, University of Chicago), pp. 70-99.

1978 (with Philip A. Kuhn) "Dynastic Decline and the Roots of Rebellion," in John K. Fairbank, ed., *The Cambridge History of China: Volume 10, Part I* (Cambridge University Press), pp. 107-162.

1976 "Merchant Investment, Commercialization, and Social Change in the Ningpo Area," in Paul A. Cohen and John E. Schrecker, eds., *Reform in Nineteenth-Century China* (Center for East Asian Studies, Harvard University), pp. 41-48.

1974 "The Ningpo Pang (Clique) and Financial Power at Shanghai," in Mark Elvin and G. William Skinner, eds., *The Chinese City Between Two Worlds* (Stanford University Press), pp. 73-96. [Translated into Chinese as "Ningbo bang he Shanghai de jinrong shili," *Jingji xueshu ziliao* (Bulletin of the Institute for Economic Research, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences) 10 (1983):90-97.]

1972 "Finance in Ningpo: The Ch'ien-chuang (Native Banks), 1750-1880," in William E. Willmott, ed., *Economic Organization in Chinese Society* (Stanford University Press), pp. 47-78.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

2005 "Women in East Asia: China, Japan, and Korea," in Bonnie G. Smith, ed., *Women's History in Global Perspective*, vol. 2 (Urbana, Ill.: University of Illinois Press), pp. 47-100. [Revised version of *Women's and Gender History in Global Perspective: East Asia* (China, Japan, Korea), American Historical Association, 2000. See below.]

2005 (Translator) "Biographies of Exemplary Women [Selected by Wanyan Yun Zhu]," in Victor Mair, ed., *Reader of Traditional Chinese Culture* (Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press), pp. 607-613.

2004 "Introduction: Gender and Genre in the Late Qing Period," in Grace S. Fong, Nanxiu Qian, and Harriet T. Zurndorfer, eds., *Beyond Tradition and Modernity: Gender, Genre, and Cosmopolitanism in Late Qing China* (Leiden: Brill), pp. 3-11. [Reprinted in *Nan Nü: Men, Women and Gender in Early and Imperial China* 6.1: 3-11.]

2001 Preface, new edition of Nancy Lee Swann, *Pan Chao: Foremost Woman Scholar of China* (Ann Arbor: Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan), pp. ix-xv.

2001 (Trans. and intro.) "Two Biographies by Zhang Xuecheng (1738-1801)," in Susan Mann and Yu-Yin Cheng, eds., *Under Confucian Eyes: Writings on Gender in Chinese History* (University of California Press), pp. 217-230.

2000 Women's and Gender History in Global Perspective: East Asia (China, Japan, Korea), for the series "Women's and Gender History in Global Perspective," edited by Bonnie G. Smith (American Historical Association).

1999 (Translator) "Women's Learning," by Zhang Xuecheng; "Preface to 'Correct Beginnings: Women's Poetry of Our August Dynasty,'" by Wanyan Yun Zhu; in Kang-i Sun Chang and Haun Saussy, eds., *Chinese Women Poets: An Anthology of Poetry and Criticism from Ancient Times to 1911* (Stanford University Press), pp. 711-713, 783-799. [Revised excerpt of the former appears in William Theodore deBary et al., eds., *Sources of Chinese Tradition*, revised edition, Columbia University Press (2000), vol. 2, pp. 57-60; and in William Theodore deBary, ed., *Sources of East Asian Tradition*, Columbia University Press (2008), vol. 2, pp. 35-38.]

1998 Biographies of Wang Yun, Zhang Lunying, Zhang Wanying, in Clara Wing-chung Ho et al., eds., *Biographical Dictionary of Chinese Women: The Qing Period, 1644-1911* (Armonk, N.Y.: M.E. Sharpe), pp. 225-227, 295-297, 299-301. (Published in Chinese as *Zhongguo funü zhuanji cidian: Qingdai juan*; University of Sydney).

1997 "The History of Chinese Women Before the Age of Orientalism" (review article), *Journal of Women's History* 8.4:163-176.

1989 "Introduction" (with Joshua A. Fogel) and translator, "Chapter V: Casting Off the Shackles of the Family," in Joshua A. Fogel, ed., *Chinese Women in a Century of Revolution, 1850-1950*, by Ono Kazuko (Stanford University Press).

1986 "New Perspectives on Chinese Urbanization: The Last Two Hundred Years" (review essay), *Journal of Urban History* 13.1 (November):72-81.

1981 "Misunderstanding the Chinese Economy: A Review Article," *The Journal of Asian Studies* 40.3 (May):539-557.

1976 "A Note on Stone Rubbings," *Ch'ing-shih wen-t'i* (Bulletin of the Society for Ch'ing Dynasty Studies) 3.6 (December):76-83.

1973- Book reviews and review articles in *Agricultural History*, *American Historical Review*, *China Quarterly*, *China Review International*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies*, *The Journal of Asian Studies*, *The Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History* [e-journal], *The Journal of Early Modern History*, *The Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, *The Journal of Women's History*, *Pacific Affairs*, *Social History*.

LECTURES AND PAPERS (since 1990)

2010 "The Cloistered Lady and the Bare Stick: Sexuality As a Useful Category of Historical Analysis," China Gender Studies Workshop, China Humanities Seminar, Harvard University, 5 February.

2009 "The Cloistered Lady and the Bare Stick: Mapping Sex and Gender Systems in Modern Chinese History," presented at the Chinese history colloquium, University of California, San Diego, 6 November.

2009 "The Sex Education of a Sinologist," presented at University of Pennsylvania, Distinguished Lecture in East Asian Studies, 4 February. (Originally delivered as the Faculty Research Lecture, University of California, Davis, 6 May 2008.)

2008 "Gender and Sexuality in Modern Chinese History," presented at the Center for Chinese Studies, Indiana University, 14 April.

2008 "From Bound Feet to Iron Girls: Rethinking Women's Place in Nineteenth-Century China," presented at the Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, 18 March.

2006 "The Lady and the State: Women's Writings in Times of Trouble during the Nineteenth Century," presented at the conference "Traditional Women through a Modern Lens," Harvard University, 15-18 June.

2006 "Why Women Were Not a Problem in Nineteenth-century Chinese Thought,"

Phi Alpha Theta [Undergraduate History Honorary Society] Initiation, Santa Clara University, 3 May.

2006 "Biographical Sources and Silences," presented at the Conference on Women's Biography and Gender Politics in Chinese History, University of California, Irvine, 3-6 March.

2004 Position paper for the Workshop on "Rethinking the Legacies of the Nineteenth Century: China and the World in Transition," University of Michigan, 9-10 April.

2004 "Practically Perfect, Treacherously Transparent: Problems in Writing the History of Chinese Women," workshop presentation, University of Michigan, Center for Research on Women and Gender, 8 April.

2003 "The Lady and the State: Cloistered Women's Views of China's Nineteenth-Century Crises," presented at the symposium "Daring to Imagine: Women's Voice in Drama and State Politics of Imperial China," Center for Chinese Studies, UCLA, 18 October.

2003 "Women's Poetic Inscriptions on the Body Politic," presented at the International Conference on Poetic Thought and Hermeneutics in Traditional China: A Cross-Cultural Perspective," Yale University, 1-3 May.

2003 "The History of a Changzhou Family: Zhang Qi and his talented progeny, 1790-1890," East Asian Studies Lecture, Princeton University, 15 April.

2002 "Funü zhushu zai Zhongguo jiazushi zhong de jiazhi he zuoyong: yi shiba shijiu shiji de Jiangnan wei li" (The value and usefulness of women's writings for the study of the history of the family in China: the case of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Jiangnan) [in Chinese]; History Department Graduate Seminar, Nanjing University, 30 October; Humanities Undergraduate Lecture, Nanjing University Pukou Campus, 12 November.

2002 "Changzhou Zhang shi xiao zhuan" (A short history of the Zhang family of Changzhou) [in Chinese], presented at the Conference Commemorating the Two-Hundredth Anniversary of the Death of Zhang Huiyan, sponsored by the Changzhou Nanfeng Lyric Poetry Society, Nanzhai, Wujin District, Jiangsu Province, 25 October.

2002 "Qing Dynasty Origins of 'The Woman Question'," presented for the History Department colloquium series on Gender Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 11 October.

2002 "Engendering the Histories of 'Asian Civilization'," presented at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 9 October.

2001 "Women's Biographies As Family Romance," presented at the symposium on Paths to the Study of Chinese Women's History, Center for Chinese Studies, UCLA, 10-11 November; also at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 15 October, 2002.

2001 "Family Travel in the Nineteenth Century," presented at the conference on Gender in Motion, University of Oregon, October 4-6.

2001 "Womanly Sentiments and Political Crises: Chang Ch'ieh-ying's Poetic Views of the Mid-Nineteenth Century," presented at the International Symposium on Women, Nation and Society in Modern China (1600-1950), Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, August 23-25.

2001 "Nine Lives: Women in Late Imperial Confucian Discourses," Keynote Address, International Conference of the Journal of the History of Ideas: Explorations of Chinese Intellectual History, The Johns Hopkins University Nanjing Center for Chinese and American Studies, 31 May – 2 June.

2001 "Women's Biographies As Family Romance," Keynote Address, Workshop on Telling Lives: Gendered Approaches to Autobiography and Biography in Late Imperial, Republican and PRC China, Harvard University, 19-20 May.

2001 "Her Stories: Women's Lives in China's History," University of Tulsa, 2 April.

2000 "Myths of Asian Womanhood," presented at the History Department colloquium, Peking University, 4 July.

2000 "Engendering the History of Prenatal China," presented at the colloquium on Ming-Qing Studies, Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, 27 June.

2000 "Women's History, Men's Studies: New Directions in Research on Gender in Late Imperial China," presented at the Third International Conference on Sinology, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, 30 June.

2000 "Women, Families, and Gender Relations in Early Qing China." Presented at the Research Group on the History of Chinese Women, Sophia University, Ichigaya campus, Tokyo, 23 June; and at the History Department colloquium, Peking University, 3 July.

2000 "Myths of Asian Womanhood." Presidential address, Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, San Diego, 10 March.

1999 "Women, Families, and Gender Relations in Early Qing China." Presented for the Reading Interest Group on Gender in Historical and Transnational China, University of Oregon, 14 May.

1998-2000 "Engendering the Histories of 'Asian Civilizations'." Presented as President of the Association for Asian Studies at AAS Regional Conferences as follows: University of Texas, El Paso, 17 October 1998 (delivered as Vice President); San Diego State University, 18 June 1999; Michigan State University, 25 September 1999; Yale University, 9 October 1999; Hobart and William Smith College, 15 October, 1999; Gettysburg College, 30 October 1999; Duke University, 15 January 2000; Sophia University, Ichigaya campus, Tokyo, 23 June 2000.

1998 "Gender Relations in China, 1600-1800." Presented at the workshop "From Late Imperial to Modern: Views from the Eighteenth Century," Center for Chinese Studies, UCLA, 14 November.

1998 "The Women's Work Ethic in Chinese Society before the Modern Era." Presented at Peking University, One Hundredth Anniversary International Academic Conference on Woman's Studies and Development in the 21st Century, 21-22 June.

1998 "Gender Relations in China after the Manchu Conquest, 1644-1800." Presented at the UCLA Center for Chinese Studies, 14 November; Gender Studies Workshop, Fairbank Center for East Asian Studies, Harvard University, 15 May; at the Colloquium in Women's Studies and Comparative History, The Johns Hopkins University, 30 March; and at the Department of History Colloquium, Stanford University, 10 February.

1998 "Her Stories, or, How to Read a Chinese Biography." Presented at the annual dinner of the History Departments of University of California Berkeley and Davis, 26 April.

1997 "Gender Relations in China, 1600-1800." For the series "New Directions in Scholarship on Women," Center for East Asian Studies, Stanford University, 23 October; Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, 11 November.

1997 "Reintroducing Women into Chinese Historical Narratives." Lecture sponsored by History, East Asian Languages and Cultural Studies, and the Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, UC Santa Barbara, 22 May; Santa Clara University, 6 November; Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, 11 November.

1996 "Work in China: Historical Perspectives." Paper presented at the conference on Gender, Households, and the Boundaries of Work in China, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, 25-27 October.

1996 "Filial Girls: The Parent-Daughter Bond in Mid-Qing China." Paper presented at the conference on Women in Confucian Cultures in Pre-Modern China, Korea, and Japan, University of California, San Diego, 28 June - 1 July.

1996 "Art, Sentiment, and Memory in the Domestic Life of an Eighteenth-Century Family: The Zhangs of Changzhou." Paper presented at the panel "In and Out of the Domestic Sphere: Women of Ming-Qing China," Asian Women's History International Symposium, Chûô University, Tokyo, 16-17 March.

1995 "The Female Intellectual in Eighteenth-Century Italy and China." Joint presentation with Paula Findlen, Cross-Cultural Women's History Program, UC Davis, 1 March; Center for Chinese Studies, University of California, Berkeley, 21 March.

1995 "Placing Women in Chinese History." Lecture presented at the Institute for Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, 11 January.

1993 "Placing Women in Chinese History." Paper presented in the series "Problems and Paradigms." UC Davis Humanities Institute, 19 November.

1993 "The Feminist Turn in Confucian History." Paper presented at the colloquium "Rethinking Chinese Women's History." UCLA, 13 November.

1993 "Women's Voice and the Classical Revival of the Eighteenth Century." Paper presented at the conference on Women and Literature in Ming-Qing China, Yale University, 22-27 June.

1993 "Seeing Through a Man's Gaze: Four Eighteenth-Century Texts on Chinese Women." Paper presented at the workshop "Feminist Critique of Tradition: Gender and Cultural China," East-West Center, Honolulu, 16-19 May.

1993 "Placing Women in Eighteenth-Century China." Paper presented at the East Asian Studies Colloquium, Stanford University, 29 April.

1993 "State Policy on Marriage and the Family: The Yongzheng-Qianlong Transition." Paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, Los Angeles, 26 March.

1992 "Classical Revival and the Gender Question: China's First Querelle des Femmes." Paper presented at a panel on Gender and Political Crisis in China, for the Spring Regional Seminar, Center for Chinese Studies, UC Berkeley, 11 April.

1992 "Women's Work Ethic: Family Strategy, Canonical Authority, and Folk Belief." Paper presented at the conference on Culture, Religion, and Chinese Economic Development, University of California, Berkeley, 27-29 February.

1992 "Women's Learning in Eighteenth-Century China." Paper presented at the conference on Engendering China, Harvard University and Wellesley College, 7-9 February.

1992 "China's First Querelle des Femmes." Paper presented at the International Conference on Family Process and Political Process in Chinese Society, Academia Sinica, Taipei, 3-5 January.

1991 "Classical Revival and the Gender Question: China's First Querelle des Femmes." Paper prepared for the Workshop on Family Process and Political Process in Chinese Society, sponsored by the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation, UC Davis, 4-7 April..

1991 "Ch'ing State Policy Toward Women's Home Handicrafts." Paper presented at the symposium "To Achieve Wealth and Security: The Qing State and the Economy in Late Imperial China, 1644-1911," University of Akron, 22-23 February. [Presented in abridged form at the Center for Chinese Studies, University of California, Berkeley, 13 March.]

1990 "Women As Readers and Writers in Late Imperial China." Paper presented in the symposium "The History and Future of the Book," Humanities Institute, University of California, Davis, 22 November.

1990 "The Cult of Domesticity in Shanghai's Middle Class." Paper presented at the Regional China Seminar, University of California, Berkeley, 3 November. [Delivered in absentia at a panel on "Class and Gender in Twentieth-Century Shanghai" for the American Historical Association annual meeting, San Francisco, 27-30 December 1989.]

1990 "Fuxue by Zhang Xuecheng: China's First History of Women's Culture." Paper presented at the Colloquium on Women's Poetry and Women's Culture, University of California, Los Angeles, 20 October.

1990 "An Eighteenth-Century Genealogy of Women's Learning: Zhang Xuecheng's Fuxue." Paper presented at the Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast (ASPAC) annual meeting, Stanford University, 30 June.

1990 "Women's Work and the Household Economy." Paper presented at a panel on "Women's Culture in Late Imperial China" for the Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, Rutgers University, 7-10 June [panel organizer].

1990 "State Policy Toward Home Handicrafts in Qing China." Paper presented at a panel on "The Private Economy and the State in Qing Times" for the Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, Chicago, 5-8 April.

1990 "Ningbo Guild Hall Marriages." Paper presented at the China Colloquium, Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, 25 January.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (current and recent)

2010 Discussant for the panel "Hidden Treasure: Literature as a Historical Source" (Chinese Historians in the United States, Session 2), Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, San Diego, 8 January.

2008 Co-leader [with Judith Bennett], Seminar on "Singlewomen," Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Minneapolis, 15 June.

2008 "Should We Rescue Gender from the Nation?" Roundtable on Women's and Gender History in Global Perspective, Annual Meeting of the American Historical Society, Washington, D.C., 2 January.

2008 "Women, Men, and Gender Relations in American Scholarship on Chinese History before the Twentieth Century," Roundtable on Transnational Perspectives on Women and Gender in Chinese History, Annual Meeting of the American Historical Society, Washington, D.C., 3 January.

2007 "Chinese Women and Gender Studies from Multidisciplinary and Global Perspectives: Where Are We Going?" Roundtable at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Atlanta, 4 April.

2007 Chair, Roundtable on "Sources for the Study of Women's History: Reading the Text and Beyond," Conference on Sources for the Study of Women's History in China, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong, 21-23 June.

2006 Chair and Discussant, Panel on "The Politics of Female Virtue in China: Eighth to Mid-Twentieth Centuries," Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Francisco, 8 April.

2005 Chair and Discussant, Panel on "Private Lives and Public Spheres: Women, Family, and Revolutionary Culture in Anglo-America, Chile, and Spanish Naples," The 13th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Scripps College, Claremont, California, 2 June.

2005 Planning meeting for a conference on "Ming-Qing Women's Writings: Exploring New Technologies and New Research Potentials," McGill University, Montreal, 14 May.

2005 Chair and Discussant, Panel on "Constructing Hierarchies of Place: Three Studies of Late Imperial Chinese Travel Writing," Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Chicago, 3 April.

2005 Chair and Discussant, Panel on "Competing Visions of Womanhood," Conference on Beyond Tradition and Modernity: Gender, Genre, and the Negotiation of Knowledge in Late Qing China, Rice University, 4-6 March.

2004 Chair, Panel on "Manchu Acculturation: New Sources for Studying Change in the Qing," Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Diego, 4 March.

2003- Member, John K. Fairbank Book Prize Committee of the American Historical Association (Chair, 2004-5).

2003 Discussant, Symposium on Chinese Tradition and the Challenge of Modernity: Politics, Poetics and Gender in the Late Qing Period, 1840-1911, Rice University, 7-9 March.

2002 Discussant and Chair, Panel on "Re/constructing Women's Discourse Communities in Eighteenth- and Nineteenth-Century China," Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Washington D.C., 7 April.

2001 Chair and Discussant, Conference on Chinese Women's History, CCK Center, Columbia University, 16-17 February.

2000 Workshop leader, "Women's and Gender History in Global Perspective," National Endowment for the Humanities summer institute for high school teachers, session on East Asia, Rutgers University, 19-20 July.

2000 Presidential address [delivered as Past President] to the Japan Regional Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Sophia University, Ichigaya campus, Tokyo, June 26.

2000 Discussant, Seminar on "Gender, Fashion, and Chinese Modernity: 18th-20th Centuries," Center for Chinese Studies, University of California, Berkeley, 8 April.

1999 Presidential address ("Engendering the Histories of Asian Civilizations") at the regional conferences of the Association for Asian Studies (as President): Michigan State University, East Lansing (25 September); Yale University (9 October); Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY (16 October); Gettysburg College (30 October). Ex officio participant in all conferences, including local Board meetings.

1999 Discussant, Panel on "The Centered Marginality: Women of Power in 16th and 17th Century Asia," Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Rochester, New York, 5 June.

1999 Invited participant, planning meeting for a conference on "Gender in Motion" convened at the University of Oregon by the Reading Interest Group on Gender in Historical and Transnational China, University of Oregon, 14-16 May.

1998 Discussant, Workshop on "Gender, Medicine, and Confucianism: Can Confucianism Colonize the Body?" Center for Chinese Studies, UCLA, 25 April.

1997 Discussant and Chair, Panel on "Precepts and Practices in Women's Lives in Late Imperial China," presented at the Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, Chicago, 13-17 March.

1996 Discussant, Colloquium "On a New Footing: Foot Binding and the Coming of Modernity," presented by Hill Gates, Center for Chinese Studies, University of California, Berkeley, 18 October.

1996 Discussant, Panel on "The Male-Male Bond in Late Imperial and Republican China," American Historical Association annual meeting, Atlanta, January 5.

1992-95 Associate, Project on Women in Modern Chinese History, sponsored by the Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan (one of three U.S. faculty participants).

1992-94 Member, Pre-Twentieth-Century Joseph Levenson Prize Committee (for nonfiction scholarly books on China) of the China and Inner Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies (Chair 93/94)

1994 Discussant, Panel on "Affines and Agnates: Aspects of Kinship in Song China," Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, Boston, 26 March.

1994 Chair, panel on "The Mindful-Body in China: Body-Discipline in Imperial China," Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, Boston, 26 March.

1991 Co-organizer, Workshop on Family Process and Political Process in Chinese Society, UC Davis, 4-6 April..

1990-93 Member, Joint Committee on Chinese Studies of the American Council of Learned Societies and the Social Science Research Council.

1990 Chair and organizer, Panel on "New Detours in the Feminist History of China," Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast annual meeting, Stanford University, 29 June - 1 July.

1990 Chair and organizer, Panel on "Feminism and Orientalism," presented at the Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, Chicago, 6-8 April.

1990 Organizer, Panel on "Women's Culture in Late Imperial China," presented at the Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, Rutgers University, 7-10 June.

1989-90 Member, Program Committee, American Historical Association annual meeting, December 1990, New York City.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (selected)

Manuscript reviews for The University of Chicago Press, Stanford University Press, University of California Press, Harvard University Press, University of Hawaii Press; Late Imperial China, The Journal of Asian Studies, Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies, Journal of Women's History, Modern China, positions, Signs, Asian Survey, Journal of Historical Sociology.

Referée for research proposals to University of California President's Fellowships in the Humanities; American Council of Learned Societies; Committee on Scholarly Communication with China (formerly of the National Academy of Sciences); The Woodrow Wilson Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C.; University Grants Committee, Research Grants Council, government of Hong Kong; .

Delegate of the Association for Asian Studies to the American Council of Learned Societies (2001-2004)

Development Committee, American Council of Learned Societies (2001- 2005)

Editorial Board, NAN NÜ: Men, Women, and Gender in China (Leiden) (to 2009).

Editorial Board, Jindai Zhongguo funü shi yanjiu (Research on the History of Women in Modern China) (Taipei) (founding member) (to 2009).

Advisory Board, Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan (2004-2007).

Editorial Board, University of California International and Area Studies GAIA (Global Area and International Archive) Digital Publication Series (2005-8) (chair 2007-8).

UNIVERSITY SERVICE (UC Davis, selected)

2004-7 Chair, Department of History

2001-3 Member, Advisory Board, Center for History, Society and Culture

2000-01 Chair, Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures

1998-99 Chair, Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures

1994-97 Member, Committee on Academic Personnel of the Academic Senate (Chair, 1996-97)

1994-95 Member, Board of Directors, Humanities Institute

1992-95 Lecturer on Asian History, Area 3 Cultures Project, History Project in California, Davis Summer

Institute (one workshop and lecture each year)

1989-2003 Member, Program Committee, East Asian Studies (Program Director, 1989-92, 1994-95, 1998-99)