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## **Education**

**Ph.D.** in History, Yale University, 2008

Thesis Title: The Delineation of a Coastline: The Growth of Mutual Geographic Knowledge in China and the Islamic World from 750 to 1500

Committee members: Valerie Hansen (Professor of History), Beatrice Gruendler (Professor of Near Eastern Language and Culture), Jonathan Spence (Professor of History)

**M.A.** in East Asian Studies, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Israel, 2003

Thesis Title: Indignation, Curiosity, and Tolerance: The Views of Three Southern Chinese Intellectuals of Muslims in China after the Mongol Conquest (1279-1368)

**B.A.** (with honors) in History, Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea, 1997

## **Research Specializations**

- Cross-cultural contacts in East Asia and the Islamic world
- Sino-Islamic interactions
- Mongol Empire and Afro-Eurasian exchanges
- Global history and knowledge transfer
- Cartography, geography, and distillation technologies

## **Academic Positions and Professional Service**

Professor of History, CUNY John Jay College and the CUNY Graduate Center, 2022-Present

A member of the doctoral faculty, the History Department and the Medieval Studies Certificate Program, the CUNY Graduate Center, 2018-Present.

Associate Professor of History, CUNY John Jay College, 2014-2022.

Assistant Professor of History, CUNY John Jay College, 2008-2014.

Visiting Assistant Professor of History, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania, 2007-2008.

Visiting Professor at the Department of History at Rikkyo University, Japan, with a JSPS project grant, Fall 2023.

2023 MacLean Fellow at the MacLean Collection, Summer 2023.

Visiting Scholar at the Asiatic Research Institute of Korea University, Korea, with a CUNY Research Fellowship, Spring 2023.

Member of the AHA Committee on the Jerry Bentley Prize (2023-2025).

Member of the editorial advisory board of a series of multi-volume reference sets called *The Medieval World* (Bloomsbury Publishing, 2022-).

Member of the ESF College of Expert Reviewers (the European Science Foundation [ESF], 2020-)

Member of the Academic Advisory Board and Foreign Language Advisors of *Crossroads: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Asian Interactions* (Brill, 2020-).

Member of the editorial board of *Journal of the Korean History of Science Society*, Fall 2020-.

Visiting Scholar at the Central Eurasian Studies Institute of Seoul National University, Korea, with a Korea Foundation Field Research Fellowship, Fall 2017.

Member of the Medieval Studies Certificate Program faculty at the CUNY Graduate Center, 2017-.

Member of the editorial board of *The Korean Historical Review (The Yoksa Hakbo)* at The Korean Historical Association (KHA), 2017-2019.

Member of the editorial board of *Journal of the Korean Research Association of Old Maps (Han'guk Kojido Yŏn'gu)* at The Korean Research Association of Old Maps, 2017-2018.

Co-researcher in the joint research project "An International Comparative Research Lab for New Discovery-Research-Publication of Ancient Manuscript (Archive Document) & Modern Literary Materials on Korean Studies in the Middle East" (November 2016-October 2020)

Visiting Scholar at the Central Eurasian Studies Institute of Seoul National University, Korea, with a sabbatical leave fellowship, Fall 2015 to Spring 2016.

Co-organizer (with Ralph Kauz at University of Bonn) for the international conference, entitled "Asian Geographical and Cartographical Views on Central Asia and its Adjacent Regions," University of Bonn, Germany, on January, 10-11, 2014.

Visiting Scholar at Peking University, China, with Post-doc fellowship from the International Academy for China Studies (IACS) and the Confucius Institute (Hanban), Fall 2012.

Visiting Scholar at University of Bonn, Germany, with DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) research visit grant, Summer 2012.

Co-editor and member of the editorial board of *Crossroads - Studies on the History of Exchange Relations in the East Asian World* (Ostasien-Verlag, 2010-2020). Reviews of submitted papers and translations of the abstracts of accepted papers into Korean.

Manuscript referee for various journals, publishers, and institutes, including Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Routledge, Brill, Lexington Books, NUS Press, *American Historical Review*, *Journal of Asian Studies*, *Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies*, *Frontiers of History in China*, *The Journal of Song-Yuan Studies*, *the Journal of the American Oriental Society*, *Asiatische Studien*, *Chung'ang Asia Yŏn'gu* [Journal of Central Asian Studies], *Asian Review of World Histories*, the ESF College of Expert Reviewers, etc.

## Publications

### Books

Khatayi, 'Ali Akbar. *The Book of China: A Persian Merchant's Description of the Ming State for the Ottoman Court*. Translated by Kaveh Hemmat and John Curry. Edited and Translated by Kaveh Hemmat, John Curry, Hyunhee Park. New York: Columbia University Press, 2026. Forthcoming (in press).

Pak Hyönhüi (Park Hyunhee), trans. *Soju üi Segyesa (Soju: A Global History)*. Seoul: SNU Press, 2023. < A Korean translation of *Soju: A Global History* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021).>

Park, Hyunhee. *Soju: A Global History*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021.

- Interviews
  - KBS (the national public TV of South Korea) History Special Documentary • February 1, 2022, A History of Korean Alcoholic Drinks (<https://program.kbs.co.kr/1tv/culture/1uhdhistory/pc/index.html>): <https://screencast-o-matic.com/watch/c3hohhVrYnz>
  - Alcoholic History with Dr. Hyunhee Park: Soju, Araq and some Tequila @MilkLions: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U\\_QrAhd8dS4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_QrAhd8dS4)
  - 90secNARRATIVES: Little stories with BIG historical significance: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/925213/8847714>
  - The Korea Now Podcast: <https://korea-now-podcast.libsyn.com/the-korea-now-podcast-106-hyunhee-park-the-history-of-soju>
  - Spirits podcast: <https://spiritspodcast.com/episodes/soju-with-dr-hyunhee-park>
  - The Agave lessons and Mexican gastronomy: <https://anchor.fm/ana-g-valenzuela-zapata/episodes/AL-20217--Dr--Hyunhee-Park--Speaking-about-the-global-history-of-Soju-Book-2021-ea468q>

Park, Hyunhee. *Mapping the Chinese and Islamic Worlds: Cross-Cultural Exchange in Pre-Modern Asia*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2012. Paperback in 2015.

- A Korean language edition of the book was published by Kyungin Publishing in 2024 (<https://product.kyobobook.co.kr/detail/S000215103107>).
- A Russian language edition of the book was published by Academic Studies Press in 2023 (<https://www.academicstudiespress.com/9798887191805/mapping-the-chinese-and-islamic-worlds/>).
- Cambridge University Press made an agreement with Southwest Asia Institute of Yunnan University) for a Chinese language edition of the book. The manuscript is completed in the publishing house and is waiting for the final approval: 朴贤熙 (Piao Xianxi), 《地图中的中国与伊斯兰世界》 (Beijing: Shangwu Yinshuguan [Commercial Press] 商务印书馆).

## Refereed Journal Articles

- Park, Hyunhee. "Comment by Hyunhee Park." *The American Historical Review* 130, no. 2 (June 2025): 697–700. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ahr/rhaf184>.
- Park, Hyunhee. "Defining Global Interconnectedness: The Central Role of the Medieval Middle East in Afro-Eurasian Networks." *Al-‘Uṣūr al-Wuṣṭā: The Journal of Middle East Medievalists* 32 (2024): 495-499. <https://doi.org/10.52214/uw.v32i.12903>.
- Park, Hyunhee. "The World Map Produced in Korea in 1402 and Its Possible Sources from the Islamic World." *The Journal of Asian History* 52, no.2 (2018): 209-234.
- Park, Hyunhee. "The Rise of Soju: The Transfer of Distillation Technology from ‘China’ to Korea during the Mongol Period (1206–1368)." *Crossroads – Studies on the History of Exchange Relations in the East Asian World* 14, Special Issue (2016): 173-204.  
< A Korean translation: Park, Hyunhee. "Soju ūi hŭnggi: Monggol shigi (1206-1368) "Chungguk"esŏ Hanbando ero chŭngnyu kisul ui chŏnp’a" [The Rise of Soju: The Transfer of Distillation Technology from ‘China’ to Korea during the Mongol Period (1206–1368)]. *Chung’ang Asia Yŏn’gu* [Journal of Central Asian Studies] 21, no.1 (2016): 69-93. >
- Park, Hyunhee. "Influences of Xuanzang’s New Space Production on Chinese Geographical Knowledge of the Western Regions from the Tang Dynasty Onwards." *Journal of Central Eurasian Studies* 4 (2016): 47-70.
- Park, Hyunhee. "Information Synthesis and Space Creation: The Earliest Chinese Maps of Central Asia and the Silk Road, 1265-1270." *The Journal of Asian History* 49 (2015): 119-140.
- Park, Hyunhee, with Ralph Kauz, Nurlan Kenzheakhmet, and Liu Yingsheng. "Introductory Notes." *The Journal of Asian History* 49 (2015): 1-3.
- Park, Hyunhee, with Ana G. Valenzuela-Zapata, Paul D. Buell, and María de la Paz Solano Pérez. "‘Huichol’ Stills: A Century of Anthropology: Technology Transfer and Innovation." *Crossroads – Studies on the History of Exchange Relations in the East Asian World* 8 (2013): 157-191.
- Park, Hyunhee. "The Position of the Maghreb in Traditional Chinese Geographic Knowledge about the Islamic Middle East." *The Maghreb Review* 38 (2013): 3-20.
- Park, Hyunhee. "China’s Long-Distance Maritime Connections to West Asia during the Mongol Period." *ORIENTIERUNGEN: Zeitschrift zur Kultur Asiens* [Journal of Asian Culture] 24, no. 2 (2012): 92-107.
- Park, Hyunhee. "A Buddhist Woodblock-Printed Map and Geographic Knowledge in 13th-Century China," *Crossroads – Studies on the History of Exchange Relations in the East Asian World* 1/2 (2010): 55-78. Available at: [https://www.ostasien-verlag.de/zeitschriften/crossroads/cr/pdf/CR\\_01-02\\_2010\\_055-078\\_Park.pdf](https://www.ostasien-verlag.de/zeitschriften/crossroads/cr/pdf/CR_01-02_2010_055-078_Park.pdf)

## Chapters in Peer-Reviewed Edited Volumes

- Park, Hyunhee. "Expanding Worldview: Wang Dayuan, His Contemporaries and the *Pax Mongolica*."

- In *The Crossroads of the Steppe and the Sea*, edited by Timothy May. Leiden: Brill, 2026. Forthcoming.
- Park, Hyunhee. “Knowledge Transfers in Premodern Maritime Space and Medieval Zomias: Some Conceptual Approaches.” In *Medieval Zomias: A Global History of State Evasion*, edited by Ian Forrest, Minoru Ozawa, and Amanda Power. Santa Barbara: Punctum Books, 2026. Forthcoming.
- Park, Hyunhee. “Kua wenhua jiaoliu yu shijie shi zhong ditu xue de fazhan: Qian xiandai Ouya dalu guanyu yindu de zhishi liu” 跨文化交流与世界史中地图学的发展：前现代欧亚大陆关于印度的知识流 [Cross-Cultural Exchange and the Development of Cartography in World History: Knowledge Flows about India in Premodern Eurasia]. In *Ditu xueshi yanjiu de xin shiye* 地图学史研究的新视野 (*A New Perspective on the History of Cartography*), Proceedings of the International Symposium on the Translation Project of *The History of Cartography*, edited by Bo Xianqun 卜宪群 and Cheng Yinong 成一农, 94–110. Beijing: Zhongguo Shehui Kexue Chubanshe 中国社会科学出版社 (Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Press), 2024.
- Park, Hyunhee. “Practical and ‘Precise’ World Geographical Knowledge Developed in Premodern Chinese and Islamic Worlds Through Multi-civilizational Connections and Contact.” In *Multicivilizational Exchanges in the Making of Modern Science*, edited by A. Bala, R.W.K. Lau, and J. Mei, 147–168. Palgrave Macmillan, 2024. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-3541-9\\_7](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-3541-9_7).
- Park, Hyunhee. “Open Space and Flexible Borders: Theorizing Maritime Space through Premodern Sino-Islamic Connections.” In *The Maritime Silk Road: Global Connectivity, Regional Nodes, Materiality*, edited by Franck Billé, Sanjyot Mehendale, and James Lankton, 45–69. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, 2022.
- Park, Hyunhee. “Mapping and Exploration.” In *The Mongol World*, edited by Timothy May and Michael Hope, 719–735. New York: Routledge Press, 2022.
- Park, Hyunhee. “Ghiyāth al-Dīn Naqqāsh.” In *Encyclopaedia of Islam*. 3rd ed. Brill, 2021.
- Park, Hyunhee. “Marco Polo in the Catalan Atlas (1375).” In *Marco Polo and the Silk Road (10th–14th Century)*, edited by Rong Xinjiang and Dang Baohai, 21–47. Beijing: Peking University Press, 2019.
- Park, Hyunhee. “The Peak of China’s Long-Distance Maritime Connections with Western Asia During the Mongol Period: Comparison with the Pre-Mongol and Post-Mongol Periods.” In *Early Global Interconnectivity Across the Indian Ocean World, Volume I: Commercial Structures and Exchanges*, edited by Angela Schottenhammer, 53–78. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2019.
- Park, Hyunhee. “The World Turned Upside Down: Changes in Representations of the World in Medieval Eurasian Maps.” In *The Humanities in a World Upside-Down*, edited by Ignacio Lopez-Calvo, 140–159. Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2017.
- Park, Hyunhee. “La conception de l’océan Indien dans la cartographie en Chine et en Asie du Sud-Est.” In *La fabrique de l’Océan Indien: cartes d’Orient et d’Occident (Antiquité–XVIe siècle)*, edited by Emmanuelle Vagnon and Éric Vallet, 93–105. Paris: Publications de la Sorbonne, 2016. [Paper translated by Emmanuelle Vagnon into French]
- Park, Hyunhee. “Marco Polo’s China in the Fra Mauro Map.” In *Make Boluo Yangzhou Sichou Zhilu* 马可波罗 扬州 丝绸之路 [Marco Polo, Yangzhou, and the Silk Road], edited by Xu Zhongwen 徐忠文 and Rong Xinjiang 荣新江, 215–234. Beijing: Peking University Press, 2016. [The paper’s Chinese translation by Chen Yexuan 陈烨轩 “Fula Maoluo ditu suojian zhi Make Boluo de

Zhongguo 弗拉·毛罗地图所见之马可·波罗的中国” is in pp. 235–251 of the same volume.]

< The first Korean translation: Park, Hyunhee. “P’ūra Mauro chido(1450nön kyöng)e naonün Marük’o P’olloüi Chungguk chiri” [Marco Polo’s China in the Fra Mauro Map (c. 1450)]. *Han’guk Kojido Yön’gu* 韓國古地圖研究 [Journal of the Korean research association of old maps] 7, no. 2 (December, 2015): 59–74. >

< The second Korean translation: Park, Hyunhee. “P’ūra Mauro chido e naonün Marük’o P’olloüi Chungguk chiri” [Marco Polo’s China in the Fra Mauro Map]. In *Monggol p’yöngwa sidae tongsö munmyöng üi kyoryu: Abinyong esö Kaegyöng kkaji* [Cross-cultural exchanges through the Pax-Mongolica: From Avignon to Kaegyöng], 177–202. Seoul: Ewha Womans University Press, 2021. >

Park, Hyunhee. “Development of Geographic Knowledge of the Indian Ocean and Muslim Contributions, from Antiquity to ca.1500.” In *Zhenghe Forum: Connecting China with the Muslim World*, edited by Haiyun Ma, Chai Shaojin, and Ngeow Chow Bing, 3-22. Kuala Lumpur: University of Malaya Press, 2016.

< A Chinese translation: Park, Hyunhee. “Yinduyang dili zhishi de tazhan yu musilin de gongxian: cong yuangu shidai zhi gongyuan 1500 nian” 印度洋地理知识的拓展与穆斯林的贡献：从远古时代至公元1500年 [Development of Geographic Knowledge of the Indian Ocean and Muslim Contributions, from Antiquity to ca.1500]. Translated by Cheng Xiujin 程秀金 into Chinese. *Global History Review* 11 (2016), 91-108. >

Park, Hyunhee. “The Transfer of Geographic Knowledge of Afro-Eurasia in the “Bright” Middle Ages: Cases of Late Medieval European Maps of the World.” In *The Bright Dark Ages: Comparative and Connective Perspectives*, edited by Arun Bala and Prasenjit Duara, 143-158. Leiden: Brill, 2016.

Park, Hyunhee. “The Imagined among the Real: The Country of Women in Traditional and Early Modern Chinese Geographical Accounts and Maps.” In *Imagining Early Modern Histories*, edited by Allison Kavey and Elizabeth Ketner, 101-124. New York: Routledge, 2016.

Park, Hyunhee. “Cross-Cultural Exchange and Geographic Knowledge of the World in Yuan China.” In *Eurasian Influences on Yuan China*, edited by Morris Rossabi, 125–158. Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asia Studies, 2013.

Park, Hyunhee. “Port-City Networking in the Indian Ocean Commercial System Represented in Geographic and Cartographic Works in China and the Islamic World from 750 to 1500.” In *The Growth of Non-Western Cities: Primary and Secondary Urban Networking, c. 900–1900*, edited by Kenneth Hall, 21–53. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2011.

## Book Reviews

Park, Hyunhee. A review of Zayde Antrim, *Mapping the Middle East*. *The American Historical Review* 125, no. 2 (2020): 750-751.

Park, Hyunhee. A review of Hans Ulrich Vogel, *Marco Polo Was in China: New Evidence from Currencies, Salts and Revenues*. *The Journal of Song-Yuan Studies* 44 (2016): 510-519.

Park, Hyunhee. A review of John R. Short, *Korea: A Cartographic History*. *The Cartographic Journal* 53, no. 1 (2016): 92-93.

## Conference Proceedings

- Park, Hyunhee. "Mapping the Southern Seas: Yuan Legacies and Cross-Cultural Geographies in the Guangyutu, the Honkōji Kangnido, and the Khataynameh." *Proceedings of the conference "Territorial Management and its Mapping Process in East Asia"* (December 3-5, 2025, the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)).
- Park, Hyunhee. "Middle Period China Represented in Contemporaneous European Maps: Geographic Information Transfer through Medieval Eurasian Contacts." *Proceedings of the conference "International Interdisciplinary Conference on Middle Period China, 800-1400, Society for Song, Yuan, & Conquest Dynasty Studies"* (June 5-7, 2014, Harvard University, MA).
- Park, Hyunhee. "Persian Revival: The Influence of Mongol-Era Eurasian Contacts on the Islamic Geography of the World." *Proceedings of the conference on "Persian Historical Documents as Sources for the Study of Mongol Era"* (November 1-2, 2013, Peking University, China).

## Others

- Park, Hyunhee. "Kukche chitosahakūi palchōn tonghyangkwa tongpuka chitosahakūi palchōnpanghyang" [Trends in the international study of the history of cartography and some suggestions for the study of the history of Northeast East Asian cartography]. *Tongbuga yōksa munje* [Northeast Asian History Issue] 100 (2015 July), 26-37. [Paper in Korean]
- Park, Hyunhee. "Educational Hypothesis and Strategy with Evaluative Benchmark: Understanding and Appreciation of the Value of Primary Sources as an Integral Part of the Study of Global History" -- a paper of Faculty Course Portfolio Project, the history department at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, organized by Allison Kavey and Fritz Umbach, 2009.

## Works in Progress

- A chapter entitled "Korea and Global Medievalism: Korean Networks across the Silk Roads and the Mongol Empire," for an edited volume, *The Routledge Handbook of Global Medievalisms* (edited by Timothy May, Christian Raffensperger, and Eugene Smelyansky).
- A chapter entitled "Cross-cultural Approaches to Medieval Afro-Eurasian World Maps," for an edited volume, *Reading Medieval Sources: Maps* (edited by Marianne O'Doherty, Felicitas Schmieder, and Stefan Schröder).
- A book-length project: "The Circulation of Knowledge about India in Premodern Eurasia and the Development of Geography in World History (Another possible title: Mapping India via the Silk Roads)."
- A book-length project: "World Mapping and Cross-Cultural Contacts in Afro-Eurasia and the Atlantic World."

## Presentations

### Invited Talks

- “Mapping Southeast Asia in the Ming World: Yuan Legacies, the Honkōji Kangnido Map, and the *Khataynameh*” An invited talk at Korea University, May 22, 2026. [Talk in Korean]
- “Tracing Soju across Eurasia: Sources, Methods, and Teaching Global History through Distilled Liquor” An invited talk at St. John’s University (NY), March 20, 2026.
- “Mapping Southeast Asia in the Ming World: Yuan Legacies, the Honkōji Kangnido Map, and the *Khataynameh*” The International Conference “Territorial Management and its Mapping Process in East Asia,” the Institute of Chinese Studies at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK), on December 3-5, 2025.
- “The Journey of Soju: Distillation in Mongol Korea, Its Eurasian Roots, and Global Context” An invited talk at the Department of History at National Taiwan University, November 14, 2025.
- “Mapping the World: Geographic Knowledge and Cross-Cultural Exchange in the Mongol Era” An invited talk at the Department of History at National Chin-Yi University of Technology, November 12, 2025.
- “East Asia in a Wider World: Cross-Cultural Contacts in the Globalizing Middle Ages” An invited talk at the Department of History at National Tsing Hua University, November 10, 2025.
- “Marco Polo and the *Khataynameh*: Tracing Cross-Cultural Currents from the Mongol Empire to Ming China” An invited zoom talk at the Slavic-Eurasian Research Center at Hokkaido University, June 18, 2025.
- “Mapping Medieval Waters: China and the Islamic World on the High Seas” An invited talk at the Department of History at Pusan National University, May 27, 2025.
- “Soju in a Global Historical Context: Cross-Cultural Exchanges and the Trajectory of Korea’s Distilled Liquor” An invited talk: the 104th Societas Koreana Lecture Meeting, May 22, 2025.
- “*The Khataynameh* in the Context of Marco Polo’s Legacy: A Comparative Study” An invited paper at the International Conference on the 700-year celebration of Marco Polo's death this year, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, December 2024.
- “Mapping Medieval Waters: China and the Islamic World on the High Seas” An invited zoom talk at the “When East Meets West” Symposium Event: The Maritime Silk Road hosted by the East Asian Studies Center (EASC) at The Ohio State University in collaboration with Columbus State Community College (CSCC), November 19, 2024.
- “Global Spirits, Local Lens: Soju’s Origins and Insights into the Transmission of Distillation Technology and Liquors in Global History” A plenary lecture at the International Conference “Circulating Knowledge 20 Years On: Research – Translation – Pedagogy,” University of King’s College Kijipuktuk – Halifax, Mi’kma’ki – Nova Scotia, August 7-10, 2024.
- “Unveiling Global Middle Ages: the Global Middle Ages: Encounters and Understanding between the Islamic World and East Asian Societies in Premodern Exchanges” An invited talk at a colloquium of the Korean Association of Islamic Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, June 27, 2024. [Talk in Korean]
- “Crossroads of Cultures: India’s Role in Afro-Eurasian Exchange during the Mongol Era –Travelers’ and Cartography’s Perspectives” The International Conference “*Forgotten Voices from Mongol Eurasia*” at Ewha Womans University, June 25-26, 2024.

- “East Asia in a Larger World: Cross-Cultural Contacts in the Globalizing Middle Ages” A keynote lecture at the 2024 annual Peter L. Lee Endowed Lectureship in East Asian Culture and Civilization, Seattle University, May 1-4, 2024.
- “Soju: A Global History” An invited talk at the Library Author Series, John Jay College of the City University of New York, February 27, 2024.
- “Soju: A Global History” An invited zoom talk at the AAARI Lecture Series, the City University of New York, December 8, 2023.
- “Muslim Narratives & East Asia: Interconnectedness in the Medieval Era” An international Workshop, “The perception of the Others,” Tuscia University in Viterbo, Italy, November 28-29, 2023.
- “Uncovering Overlooked Links: East Asia in the Literature of the Islamic World (10th-16th Centuries) and Changing Intercultural Perspectives” An international Workshop, “The Worlds of Islam and East Asia: Exploring a Thousand-year History of Exchanges,” the King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies (KFCRIS), Saudi Arabia, November 21-22, 2023.
- “Waves of Wisdom: The Role of Seas in Premodern Afro-Eurasian Knowledge Dissemination” An invited lecture at the Central Eurasian Studies institute, Seoul National University, November 15, 2023.
- “Port Cities: A Global Journey of Cross-Cultural Connections” A keynote lecture at the International Symposium, organized by the Asia Culture Center (ACC), and held at Seoul Museum of History, Korea, November 14, 2023.
- “Connections Between Local and Global: The Role of Canton in the Pax Mongolica” An international Symposium “Water Networks, Islands, and Political Powers in the Global Middle Ages,” Rikkyo University, Tokyo, October 6-7, 2023.
- “Unveiling Global Middle Ages: Muslim Encounters and Perspectives on East Asia in Pre-Modern Interactions” An invited talk at the program “Comparative Muslim Societies,” Cornell University, August 31, 2023.
- “Soju, Korea, and Cross-cultural Exchange in the Mongol Period” An invited zoom talk at the Mongol Zoominar, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June 23, 2023.
- “Unveiling the Fascinating History of Soju: Where Tradition Meets Science and Technology” A book at the Asiatic Research Institute of Korea University, Korea, May 26, 2023. [Talk in Korean]
- “Mapping India in Medieval Eurasia via the Silk Roads” Tang Center for Silk Road Studies Workshop “Nexus of Knowledge Science, Medicine, and Technology on the Silk Roads,” University of California, Berkeley, April 27-29, 2023.
- “Practical and “Precise” Geographic Knowledge of the World Developed in the Premodern Chinese and Islamic Worlds Through Multi-Civilizational Connections and Contacts” The International Symposium, “Needham’s Dialogical Vision: Understanding Science as a Multi-Civilizational Outcome,” Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, March 23–24, 2023.
- “Some Approaches to the Annotations Comparing the *Khataynameh* (“Book of China,” 1516) to Information in Relevant Chinese and Central/Western Asian sources” The Symposium, “Reading Historical Maps on Kazakh Khanate and its Adjacent Regions 16-19 centuries,” Central Asia Student Association at Harvard (CASA), Harvard University, March 14-15, 2023.
- “In Search of Distilled Spirits’ Origins: Shaojiu (Soju) and Arak from the Song-Yuan-Ming Periods” A special lecture at Hanyang University, September 26, 2022. [Talk in Korean]

- “*Soju: A Liquor’s Global Journey*” An online book at the UIC special lecture of the Asian Studies, Yonsei University, September 20, 2022.
- “Soju: A Global History” A book talk on the Korean translation of *Soju: A Global History* at the Seoul National University Library presented by the Seoul National University Press, September 15, 2022: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9mNL8zmb67o&list=PLG0edaIccqJglw7Ppd6oE-hZflgVY\\_yo2&index=16](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9mNL8zmb67o&list=PLG0edaIccqJglw7Ppd6oE-hZflgVY_yo2&index=16) [Talk in Korean]
- “Open Space and Flexible Borders: Knowledge Transfers through Premodern Afro-Eurasian Maritime Connections” A keynote lecture at the International Medieval Congress (IMC) 2022, the University of Leeds, UK, July 4-7, 2022.
- “Soju: A Global History” A book talk at the New Books in Korean Studies event presented by the Center for Critical Korean Studies, The University of California, Irvine, June 3, 2022.
- “Soju: A Global History” An online book talk at the Allsen Mongol Seminar, May 27, 2022.
- “Soju Recipes in the First East Asian Cookbook (1670) Written by a Female Author” A zoom talk at the seminar “Beyond Cooking: Global Histories of Food-Making and Gender across the Early Modern World Seminars” University of Cambridge by zoom, April 29, 2022: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xRn2IUqRUU0>
- “Soju and a Global History of Spirits” A zoom talk to the Culinary Historians of New York, April 25, 2022: <https://www.culinaryhistoriansny.org/chny-programs/soju-a-global-history-with-hyunhee-park>
- “Soju: A Global History” An online book talk at the history department, CUNY John Jay College, March 23, 2022.
- Invited participant in the Retelling Medieval Tales Workshop, “Children’s Literature, Race, and the Middle Ages,” Parliament Hall, University of St Andrews, February 19, 2022.
- “Soju and Korea in Global Cross-cultural Exchanges” An invited talk at the “Korean Studies Colloquium,” University of Pennsylvania, February 10, 2022.
- “The Story of *Soju*: Distillation in Mongol Korea, its Eurasian Roots, and Global Context” An invited zoom lecture at the Cambridge Central Asia Forum & GCRF COMPASS, Centre of Development Studies, University of Cambridge in collaboration with Jeonbuk University, November 5, 2021.
- “East Asian imperialism and colonialism” A zoom talk at the Round Table Discussion “Before 1492: Comparative Premodern Colonialisms,” CUNY Brooklyn College, October 28, 2021: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZgaqsIseD1k>
- “Soju: A Global History” An invited zoom talk at Global Asia Institute, Pace University, October 13, 2021.
- “Soju: A Global History” An invited zoom talk at the Research Society on North Asian History, sponsored by Korea University, September 25, 2021. [Talk in Korean]
- “Soju and Global Cross-cultural Contacts” An invited zoom lecture at the Center for History and Culture, Chonnam National University, June 12, 2021. [Talk in Korean]
- “Soju: Archeological, Documentary, and Anthropological Explorations, with a Consideration of its Global Spread” An invited zoom lecture at the Institute of Korea Archeology and Ancient History and BK Team for History of Glocal Civilization Network, Kyung Hee University, April 2, 2021. [Talk in Korean: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ajZjpu3kHNQ>]
- “Knowledge Transfers in Premodern Maritime Space and Medieval Zomias: Some Conceptual Approaches” The International Workshop “Medieval Zomias: Alternative Global Histories,”

- University of Oxford, July, 2020. (The workshop organizers changed the workshop's format to zoom conferences because of the COVID-19.)
- “Open Space and Flexible Borders: Theorizing Maritime Space through Premodern Sino-Islamic Connections” A keynote lecture at the International Medieval Congress (IMC) 2020, the University of Leeds, UK, July 6-9, 2020. (It was presented as a virtual lecture because of the COVID-19, and the conference organizers made pre-recorded Keynote lectures publicly available: Part 1: <https://mymedia.leeds.ac.uk/Mediasite/Showcase/default/Presentation/e8431a139be04b3487131cccdc52e9141d/>; Part 2: <https://mymedia.leeds.ac.uk/Mediasite/Showcase/default/Presentation/299bbeed30e141a79b87739c78705f2f1d/>)
- “Mapping and Imagining the “Silk Roads” in Traditional China” The International Conference “Silk Road Imaginaries: Conceptualizing Transregional Exchange across the Premodern World,” University of Chicago Center in Paris, Paris, on March 26-27, 2020. (It was postponed to March 2021 because of the COVID19.)
- “Koryo Intellectuals on “Middle Eastern” Liquor” The International Workshop “Multilateral Dynamics between the Middle East and Asia in the Mongol Era,” The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, on December 15, 2019.
- “The Mongols and the Rise of Soju in Koryŏ Korea” The International Conference “Mongol Diaspora in Northeast Asia: Status of Jeju International Free City as Hub for Worlds Cross-Cultural Exchange,” Jeju National University, Jeju, Korea, on November 1-3, 2019.
- “Cross-cultural Exchange and the Development of Cartography in World History: Knowledge Flows about India in Premodern Eurasia” The International Academic Conference on “Dialogue of Ancient Cartography,” Yunnan University, Kunming, China, on August 24-26, 2019.
- “Local and Global: Canton during the Pax Mongolica” The conference “The Silk Roads: From Local Realities to Global Narratives,” Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on March 27-30, 2019.
- “Methods for Global Medieval History” A Roundtable “Medievalist Methods: An Interdisciplinary Workshop” at the Pearl Kibre Medieval Study, CUNY Graduate Center, October 10, 2018.
- “Decentralizing Europe in Medieval Studies” The Korean Society for Western Medieval History, June 16, 2018. [Talk in Korean]
- “Mapping and Exploration during the Mongol Period” An invited lecture at National Taiwan University, Taiwan, June 4, 2018.
- “Delineating the World: Premodern Eurasian Exchange of World Geographical Knowledge” An invited lecture at Guangzhou University, China, May 31, 2018. [Talk in Chinese]
- “Delineating the World: Premodern Eurasian Exchange of World Geographical Knowledge” An invited lecture at Guangdong Academy of Social Sciences, Guangzhou, China, May 28, 2018. [Talk in Chinese]
- “Theorizing Maritime Space through Premodern Sino-Islamic Connections” Tang Center for Silk Road Studies Workshop “Across the High Seas: Cross-Cultural Encounters in the Indian Ocean Littoral,” University of California, Berkeley, May 4-5, 2018: <https://ieas.berkeley.edu/news/across-high-seas-cross-cultural-encounters-indian-ocean-littoral>
- “The Localization of shaojiu/soju in Northeast Asia” An invited lecture at Chinese Corner Special Lecture Series at the Confucius Institute at Pace University, April 6, 2018.
- “Alcohol Globalism: Distillation Technology in Eurasia and Other Areas of the World” An invited lecture at Atlantic history workshop at New York University, April 3, 2018.
- “Decentralizing Europe in Medieval Studies” A Roundtable at the Pearl Kibre Medieval Study,

- CUNY Graduate Center, March 16, 2018.
- “Illuminating the World before 1492: China, the Islamic World, and the Cross-Cultural Mapping of Asia” The Geballe Research Workshop Program at the Stanford Humanities Center, Stanford University, February 12, 2018.
- “The Story of *Soju*: Distillation in Mongol Korea and its Eurasian Roots and Global Context” An invited lecture at ITOHF(Institute for textual and oral histories of food, December 16, 2017.
- “The Story of *Soju*: Distillation in Mongol Korea and its Eurasian Roots and Global Context” An invited lecture at the Central Eurasian Studies institute, Seoul National University, November 13, 2017.
- “Context for the Rise of Soju: Political Relations and Cultural Transfers between Yuan China and Koryŏ Korea under the Mongols” The 2017 International Conference of the Institute of Global History on “Cross-cultural contacts during the period of *Pax Mongolica*” at Ewha Womans University, South Korea, October 23-24, 2017.
- “*Soju, Arkhi, and Arak*: a Comparative Analysis of Distilled Alcohols Popularized in Korea and Other Societies in Asia since the Mongol Period” 2017 International Conference on Korean Studies in the Middle East, Hanyang University, Ansan, South Korea, May 20-21, 2017.
- “Mapping the World in Medieval China” An invited lecture at Chinese Corner Special Lecture Series at the Confucius Institute at Pace University, March 3, 2017.
- “The Story of *Soju*: Distillation in Mongol Korea and its Eurasian Roots and Global Context” The Global Food History Symposium, Leiden University, November 28, 2016.
- “Marco Polo in the Catalan Atlas (1375)” The International Conference on “Marco Polo and the Silk Road (10th-14th Centuries)” The International Academy of Chinese Studies, Peking University, Beijing, China, November 19-20, 2016. [Talk in Chinese]
- “The Rise of Soju: The Transfer of Distillation Technology from ‘China’ to Korea during the Mongol Period (1206–1368)” An invited lecture at Chonbuk National University, June 28, 2016. [Talk in Korean]
- “Mapping the Chinese and Islamic Worlds: Cross-Cultural Exchange in Pre-Modern Asia” Asan Roundtable at the Asan Institute for Policy Studies, June 20, 2016. [Talk in Korean]
- “Muslim Understanding of East Asia reflected in the Islamic World Maps” An invited lecture at Hanyang University, June 17, 2016. [Talk in Korean]
- “History of Cross-cultural Contacts and Global Intellectual History” An invited lecture at the Central Eurasian Studies institute, Seoul National University, May 27, 2016. [Talk in Korean]
- “Mapping the Chinese and Islamic Worlds: Cross-Cultural Exchange in Pre-Modern Asia” An invited lecture at Ewha Womans University, May 13, 2016. [Talk in Korean]
- “World Maps for the Study of Premodern Cross-cultural Contacts” An invited lecture at Kyung Hee University, May 2, 2016. [Talk in Korean]
- “Mapping the Chinese and Islamic Worlds: Cross-Cultural Exchange in Pre-Modern Asia” Guest lecture at the course “History of Science & Medicine: Prehistory – 1650” (taught by Yeon Woonkyung) at Seoul National University, April 25, 2016. [Talk in Korean]
- “Importance of Geographic and Cartographic Materials for the Study of Global History” The international workshop on “Cartography and Spatial Thinking from Humanism to the Humanities,” the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University, March 23-25, 2016.
- “Sea Routes to China: Geographic Knowledge of the Indian Ocean in the Medieval Islamic World”

- An invited lecture at the Department of History, Fudan University, Shanghai, China, December 3, 2015.
- “Influences of Xuanzang’s New Space Production on Chinese Geographical Knowledge of the Western Regions from the Tang Dynasty Onwards” An invited lecture at the Center of Russia-Central Asia Studies, The Shanghai International Studies University (SISU), Shanghai, China, December 2, 2015.
- “Trans-cultural Connections and New World Mappings in the Entangled Eurasian World during the Mongol Period” An invited lecture at the Department of History, Nanjing University, Nanjing, China, September 21, 2015.
- “Marco Polo’s China in the Fra Mauro Map” The International Conference on “Marco Polo and the Silk Road,” the International Academy of Chinese Studies, Peking University, Yangzhou, China, September 17-19, 2015. [Talk in Chinese]
- “Development of the Geographic Knowledge of the Indian Ocean and Muslim Contributions, from Antiquity to *ca.*1500” Inaugural “Sino-Muslim Forum” Annual Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, August 10-12, 2015.
- “Traditions and Change: Distillation Technology and Mongol Korea” The International Conference on “Recovery of Traditional Technologies I: A Comparative Study of Past and Present Fermentation and Associated Distillation Technologies in Eurasia and Their Roots,” Salzburg University, Austria, May 11-13, 2015.
- “The World Turned Upside Down: Changes in Representations of the World in Medieval Eurasian Maps” The UC Merced Seminar in the Humanities on “The World Upside Down: Topsy-Turvy,” UC Merced, April 15, 2015.
- “Transfers of Geographical Knowledge in Eurasia during the Global Middle Ages” At the panel entitled “The Global Middle Ages” at the Medieval Club of New York, December 5, 2014.
- “Possible Islamic Maps of the World as Sources for the Western Part of the Kangnido” The International Colloquium on “the Korean World Map of 1402,” Seoul National University, Korea, November 21, 2014. [Talk in Korean]
- “Translations and Transliterations as Important Tools for the Transfer of Geographical Information between Medieval Chinese and Islamic Worlds” The International Conference on “Asia and Europa in Translation: Interdisciplinary Perspectives,” University of Zurich, Switzerland, November 6-8, 2014.
- “Recent Trends in the Study of the Historical Geography and Cartography in the Western scholarship and Suggestions for Future Research and Development” Academic Seminar, Northeast Asian History Foundation, Korea, July 16 and 23, 2014.
- “World Maps for the Study of Premodern Cross-cultural Contacts” Wednesday Forum, Northeast Asian History Foundation, Korea, July 16 and 23, 2014.
- “Cross-Cultural exchange of mapping techniques and geographic knowledge in late medieval Asia and Europe” The International Symposium on “Itineraries of Materials, Recipes, Techniques, and Knowledge in the Early Modern World,” the Max-Planck-Institute for the History of Science in Berlin, Germany, March 13-15, 2014.
- “World Maps Produced by Specific Planning in the Medieval World” The International Colloquia on “Histories of Planning,” the Max-Planck-Institute for the History of Science in Berlin, Germany, March 11, 2014.

- “The Earliest Chinese Map of Central Asia and the Silk Road, 1265-1270” Chinese and Asian Geographical and Cartographical Views on Central Asia and its Adjacent Regions, University of Bonn in Germany, January 10-11, 2014.
- “Eurasian Exchange of World Geographical Knowledge during the Mongol Period (1206-1368)” Guest lecture at the course “Issues in Tang, Song, and Yuan history” (taught by Valerie Hansen) at Yale University, December 5, 2013.
- “Persian Revival: The Influence of Mongol-Era Eurasian Contacts on the Islamic Geography of the World” The International Symposium on “Persian Historical Documents as Sources for the Study of Mongol Era,” Institute of Iranian Cultural Studies, Peking University, Beijing, China, November 1-2, 2013.
- “Eurasian Exchange of World Geographical Knowledge during the Mongol Period (1206-1368)” Guest lecture at the course “Mongols in History” (taught by Morris Rossabi, distinguished professor of history at CUNY Queens College) at Rubin Museum of Art, April 4, 2013.
- “Delineating the World: Eurasian Exchange of World Geographical Knowledge in the Premodern Era” The Asian Studies Lecture Series, Southern Methodist University, March 6, 2013.
- “The Transfer of Geographic Knowledge of Afro-Eurasia in the Bright Middle Ages: Cases of Late Medieval European Maps of the World” The Bright Dark Ages: Comparative and Connective Perspectives, National University of Singapore, Singapore, February 27-28, 2013.
- “Delineating the World: Premodern Eurasian Exchange of World Geographical Knowledge” The International China Scholars Research Center of Peking University, China, November 6, 2012.
- “Long-Distance Maritime Connections between West Asia and China during the Mongol Period: Some Primary Examples of China’s Maritime Ventures in West Asia” Crossroads between Empires and Peripheries: Knowledge Transfer, Product Exchange and Human Movement in the Indian Ocean World, Ghent (international conference), Belgium, June 21-23, 2012.
- “Illuminating the World before 1492: World Mapping and Cross-Cultural Contacts in the Premodern Afro-Eurasia” Guest lecture at the course “History of Science & Medicine: Prehistory – 1650” (taught by Allison Kavey) at CUNY John Jay College, May 2, 2012.
- “Mapping the Chinese and Islamic Worlds: Cross-Cultural Exchange in Pre-Modern Asia” The McGill History and Philosophy of Science speaker series, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, October 6, 2011.
- “Combining Tradition and Innovation: a “Global” Map of Seventeenth-Century China and Southeast Asia” The Selden Map of China: Colloquium at the Bodleian Library, Oxford University, United Kingdom, September 15, 2011.
- “Scientific Relations between Iran and China in Time of Naṣīr al-Dīn: Jamāl al-Dīn’s Contributions” Scientific and Philosophical Heritage of Nasir al-Din al-Tusi, The Written Heritage Research Centre, Tehran, Iran, February 23-24, 2011.
- “On Geographic Knowledge of the World in Yuan-dynasty China” Eurasian Influences on Yuan China: Cross-Cultural Transmissions in the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Centuries, Binghamton University, November 19-22, 2009.
- “Port-City Networking in the Indian Ocean Commercial System Represented in Geographic and Cartographic Works in China and the Islamic World from 750 to 1500” “Small Cities” closed conference, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana April 16-18, 2009.

## Professional Meetings and Conventions

- A Discussant for the papers of the symposium “Societies that Embraced the Horse: Comparative Perspectives on the Horse Impact (Uma o ukeireta shakai no shosō — hōsu inpakuto no hikaku shi 馬を受け入れた社会の諸相 — ホース・インパクトの比較史)” The Department of History at Rikkyo University, June 21, 2025.
- “Unveiling Ming China Through Inter-Cultural Lenses: A Study of the Khataynameh’s Annotations in Comparison to Chinese and Arabic Sources” The American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, New York, NY, January 3-6, 2025.
- “*Khataynameh*: A Conduit of Eurasian Interconnectivity in the Early Modern Period” The Sixteenth Century Society conference, Toronto, October 30-November 1, 2024.
- “Detecting Early Impacts of European Expansion on East Asia through Maps of India” The 16th International Conference on the History of Science in East Asia, at Goethe University Frankfurt, Frankfurt am Main, Germany, August 21-25, 2023.
- Chair for the papers of the panel “*Thinking with Animals through Asian History and Culture*” The Association for Asian Studies (AAS) Annual Meeting, Boston, March 16-19, 2023.
- A Round Table Discussion “Some remarks on shifts in Ottoman representation of Chinese governance, based on their translations of the sixth chapter of the Khataynameh” The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) Annual Meeting, Denver, December 1-4, 2022.
- Discussant for the papers of the panel “*Things on the Move: The Circulation of Material Knowledge across Premodern Asia*” The Association for Asian Studies (AAS) Annual Meeting, Honolulu, Hawai'i, March 24-27, 2022.
- A Round Table Discussion “Early Encounters with the Medieval: Diversity, Children's Publishing, and Creative Collaborations - A Round Table Discussion” Virtual International Medieval Congress (vIMC) 2021, the University of Leeds, UK, 5-9 July 2021.
- “Mapping India in West Asia during the 7th through 14th Centuries” The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 14-17, 2019.
- “The Mongols’ Influence on the Development of Soju in Korea during the Chosŏn Dynasty (1392–1897)” The 15th International Conference on the History of Science in East Asia, Chonbuk National University, Jeonju, Korea, August 19-23, 2019.
- “14th-Century Canton Observed by Western Travelers” The 53rd International Congress on Medieval Studies (ICMS), The Medieval Institute at Western Michigan University, May 10-13, 2018.
- Chair for the papers of the panel “History: Relic & Modern times” 2017 KF Field Research Fellow Seminar on “Past and Present in Korea: History, Society, Diplomacy,” the Korea Foundation, Seoul, August 16-19, 2017.
- “Marco Polo in the Catalan Atlas (1375)” International Medieval Congress (IMC) 2017, the University of Leeds, UK, July 3-6, 2017.
- Discussant for the papers of the panel “Religious Cartography and the Spatial Imagination: Mapping Space and Time in Asian Religions” The Association for Asian Studies (AAS) Annual Meeting, Toronto, March 16-19, 2017.
- “Familiarized Worlds in Geographic Learning Process: Geographic and Cartographic Knowledge of India from the 7th to 13th Centuries from Comparative Perspectives” The American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, January 5-8, 2017.

- “The Rise of Soju: The Transfer of Distillation Technology from China to Korea during the Mongol Period (1206-1368)” The Korean Association for Central Asian Studies Annual Conference, Korea, April 23, 2016. [Talk in Korean]
- “Geography of China in the Fra Mauro Map” The Korean Research Association of Old Maps (KRAOM) Annual Conference, Korea, November 7, 2015. [Talk in Korean]
- “Possible Source Maps from the Islamic World for the Western Part of the 1402 World Map Produced in Korea” The International Conference on the History of Cartography (IHC) 2015, Antwerp, Belgium, July 12-17, 2015.
- “The creation of Soju: Transfer of Distillation Technology from the Yuan China to Koryo Korea” the 14th International Conference on the History of Science in East Asia, the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris, France, July 6-10, 2015.
- “Influences of Xuanzang’s New Space Production on Chinese Geographical Knowledge of the Western Regions from the Tang Dynasty Onwards” The Association for Asian Studies (AAS) Annual Meeting, Chicago, March 26-29, 2015.
- Discussant for the papers of the panel “China and Japan in Middle East Studies: State of the Fields” The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) Annual Meeting, Washington DC, November 22-24, 2014.
- “Middle Period China Represented in Contemporaneous European Maps: Geographic Information Transfer through Medieval Eurasian Contacts” International Interdisciplinary Conference on Middle Period China, 800-1400, Society for Song, Yuan, & Conquest Dynasty Studies, Harvard University, MA. June 5-7, 2014.
- “Flourishing Maritime Contacts and Expanded Chinese Knowledge about the Islamic World in Yuan-Dynasty China” The Association for Asian Studies (AAS) Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, March 15-18, 2012.
- “China in the World Geography of the Medieval Islamic World” The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) Annual Meeting, Washington DC, December 1-4, 2011.
- “On Geographic Knowledge of China and the World in the Medieval Islamic World” World History Association (WHA) Annual Meeting, Beijing, China, July 7-10, 2011.
- “About a Song-Dynasty (960–1276) Map Showing All of China” The American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, January 6-9, 2011.
- “Traces in Ancient Maps: Exchange of Geographical Knowledge between China and the Islamic World during the Mongol Period” The Association for Asian Studies (AAS) Annual Meeting, the Philadelphia Marriott, March 25-28, 2010.
- “Before 1492: Earliest Chinese Knowledge about the Maritime Route from Canton to Baghdad” The New York Conference on Asian Studies, Cornell University, October 9-10, 2009
- “Before 1492: Contact and Exchange between China and the Islamic World from 750 to 1500 as seen in Maps and Geographic Accounts” International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS) Annual Meeting, in Daejeon, South Korea, August 6-9, 2009.
- “Into the Archives! Primary Sources and Conflicting Interpretations in History Surveys” World History Association (WHA) Annual Meeting, Salem, MA, June 25-28, 2009.
- “Before 1492: Earliest Chinese Contact and Knowledge of the Islamic World” The New York Conference on Asian Studies, Hamilton College, September 26-27, 2008.
- “Before 1492: Chinese Knowledge of the Islamic World during the Mongol Rule – Maps and

Geographic Accounts” The New York Conference on Asian Studies, SUNY Binghamton, October 27, 2007.

“What the Quanzhou and Sinan Shipwrecks Reveal about Chinese Trade in the 13th – 14th Centuries” The 4<sup>th</sup> Israeli Conference for Asian Studies, May 30, 2005.

“Ibn Battuta: A Muslim Traveler in the Mongol-Yuan Period” The International Symposium on the Culture and History of the Mongol Empire and Yuan Dynasty, August 26, 2004.

“Wang Dayuan’s Journey to Islamic Lands: The Maritime Traffic between China and the Islamic World in the Fourteenth Century” New England Regional Meeting, Association for Asian Studies (AAS), October 24, 2003.

## Grants and Honors

- 2025 Spring PSC-CUNY 56 research award for a research trip to Amsterdam, Leiden, and The Hague
- 2024 Spring PSC-CUNY 55 research award for a research trip to Japan and Korea
- 2023 Spring *Soju ūi Segyesa* (SNU Press, 2023), the Korean translation of *Soju: A Global History* (Cambridge University Press, 2021) was selected as one of the Sejong Excellent Academic Books in Korea in 2023.
- 2022 Fall 2022 CUNY Black, Race and Ethnic Studies Initiative (BRESI) Award to create an interdisciplinary “Global Asian Studies” minor at John Jay College.
- 2022 Spring 2022 Faculty Scholarly Excellence Award at John Jay College.
- 2021 Fall An NEH Scholarly Editions and Scholarly Translations subaward as a co-researcher and co-author in the joint research and translation project “*The Khataynameh (The Book of China)*” (September 2021-August 2023)
- 2021 Fall A University Provost Fellowship that will cover the \$1500 registration fee to participate in the inaugural program of the CUNY Leadership Institute (TCLI)
- 2020 Spring PSC-CUNY 51 research award for preparing for a book-length project
- 2020 Spring A book publication grant from the Office for the Advancement of Research at CUNY John Jay College
- 2019 Spring Senior Scholar funding award from the CUNY John Jay College
- 2017 Spring CUNY Scholar Incentive Award
- 2016 Fall Field Research Fellowship from the Korea Foundation to write a book draft entitled “The Story of *Soju*: Distillation in Mongol Korea and its Eurasian Roots and Global Context”
- 2016 Fall Research Grant from the National Research Foundation of Korea (NRF) as a co-researcher in the joint research project “Cross-cultural Contacts and Changes in Worldviews during the ‘Pax Mongolica’” (November 2016-October 2019)
- 2016 Fall Research Grant from the Korean Studies Promotion Service (KSPS) as a co-researcher in the joint research project “An International Comparative Research Lab for New Discovery-Research-Publication of Ancient Manuscript (Archive Document) & Modern Literary Materials on Korean Studies in the Middle East” (November 2016-October 2020)
- 2015 Spring PSC-CUNY 46 research award for preparing for a book-length project
- 2014 Spring Fellowship award for the NEH Summer Institute on “The Mongols and the Eurasian

- Nexus of Global History” held at the East-West Center of the University of Hawaii (May 26—June 27, 2014)
- 2014 Spring PSC-CUNY 45 research award for preparing for a book-length project
- 2013 Fall Funding from the Confucius Institute (Hanban, China) and the Thyssen Foundation (Germany) to host an international conference “Chinese and Asian Geographical and Cartographical Views on Central Asia and its Adjacent Regions” held at University of Bonn, Germany (January 10-11, 2014)
- 2012 Fall Fellowship from the International Academy for China Studies (IACS) and the Confucius Institute (Hanban) to participate in the *Research for Marco Polo* project at the IACS at Peking University, China (September 1 – December 28, 2012)
- 2012 Spring PSC-CUNY 43 research award for organizing an international conference about historical maps and geographic accounts in Germany (June, 2013)
- 2012 Spring DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) research visit grant for working in Germany to launch the second book project (June 1 – July 30)
- 2011 Spring PSC-CUNY 42 research award for writing a scholarly article in a peer-reviewed journal
- 2010 Spring PSC-CUNY 41 research award for revising a book manuscript
- 2009 Fall CUNY Faculty Fellowship Publications Program (FFPP) for the spring semester of 2010
- 2009 Spring PSC-CUNY 40 research award for research trips to South Korea (July 21 – July 25) and China (July 26 – August 3)
- 2006 Fall University Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate School, Yale University
- 2006 Spring Fellowship from the Yale-Beida exchange program at Peking University, Beijing, China
- 2005 Fall Charles Kao Fund Summer Research Grant and 2004-2005 CEAS Dissertation Grant from the Council of East Asian Studies, Yale University for research for a semester at Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan
- 2005 Summer Scholarship from Middlebury College Summer Language School for Arabic language study at Middlebury Summer Arabic School
- 2004 Summer YCIAS Pre-dissertation Research Grant and Charles Kao Fund Grant from the Council of East Asian Studies at Yale University for research trips to Japan (July 4 – 28), Korea (July 28 – August 8) and China (August 8 – September 3)
- 2003 Summer Light Fellowship at Yale University for Chinese language study at the Princeton-at-Beijing Chinese language program
- 2001-2005 Scholarship from Yale University to study at the Ph.D. program in History, Graduate School, Yale University
- 1999-2001 Louis Frieberg Scholarships (Academic excellence scholarships from East Asian Studies Department, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- 1997-1998 Scholarship from the government of Israel for one-year graduate studies program at Rothberg School (International school of overseas students) at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- 1993-1997 Academic excellence scholarships from Seoul National University (Only top 10 percent of the students received this scholarship)

## **Teaching Experience**

### **CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice (Fall 2008 – Present)**

Senior Seminar in HJS: undergraduate required course for the humanities and justice major

Senior Seminar in History: undergraduate required course for the global history major

History Research Methods: undergraduate required course for the global history major

Historiography: undergraduate required course for the global history major

China to 1650: undergraduate elective course for the global history major

China: 1650 to Present: undergraduate elective course for the global history major

Justice in the Non-Western Tradition: undergraduate required course for the humanities and justice major

Global History: 500 – 1650 CE: undergraduate required course for the general education and the global history major

Directed Individual/Independent Study: Japan's Relations with European Countries in the Early Modern Era

### **Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Visiting Assistant Professor, 2007 Fall – 2008 Spring)**

World History to 1500: undergraduate required course for the general education

World History: 1500 to Present: undergraduate required course for the general education

Concepts in Islam: undergraduate elective course for the history major

Islamic World: graduate elective course for the history major

### **Yale University (Teaching Fellow, 2003 Fall – 2005 Spring)**

History of China, 1600-2005: undergraduate elective course taught by Jonathan Spence.

History of Japan to 1868: undergraduate elective course taught by Michael Auslin.

History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict: undergraduate elective course taught by Laila Parsons.

History of Traditional China to 1600: undergraduate elective course taught by Valerie Hansen.

## **Professional Associations**

The American Historical Association (AHA). The Korean Historical Association (KHA). The Association for Asian Studies (AAS). The World History Association (WHA). The Middle East Studies Association (MESA). Society for Song, Yuan, & Conquest Dynasty Studies. The Korean Research Association of Old Maps.

## Service

### Department

Department P&B (Personnel and Budget) Committee, Committee Member (September 1, 2019–July, 2024, September 1, 2025–Present).

The Grade Appeals Committee, Committee Member (September, 2009–May 2010, September, 2024-).  
Serving as a staff for Major/Minor Fair -- for the Global History major and the Humanities and Justice (HJS) major (2009–Present).

Outcomes assessment committee for History and HJS majors, Committee Member (September 1, 2011–2015).

Faculty Development Seminars Committee, Committee Member (February 1, 2009–May 20, 2009).

Editor of the department's newsletter *Global History* (January 1, 2012–2015).

### College

College Council, Committee Member (February 1, 2013 – May 30, 2014; May 23, 2019–May 30, 2022).

Faculty Senate, Committee Member (February 1, 2013 – May 30, 2014; May 23, 2019–May 30, 2022).

The coordinator of the Humanities and Justice (HJS) major and minor program (Fall 2016–Spring 2019).

Serving as a departmental representative (for two majors -- the Global History major and the Humanities and Justice (HJS) major) at the College Open House (2010–Present).

Faculty Elections Committee, Committee Member (September 1, 2013–May 30, 2022).

### University

PhD Dissertation Committee for a graduate student at Korea University, Committee Member (2026).

A Faculty Resource Person for the China at CUNY Initiative, funded by the Luce Foundation grant (2024-).

A faculty representative of the advisory committee, Medieval Studies Certificate Program, The Graduate Center, CUNY

Member of the inaugural cohort in the inaugural program of the CUNY Leadership Institute (TCLI) for Urban-Serving Institutions to strengthen the higher education leadership pipeline by developing diverse higher education leaders, particularly in Arts & Humanities (September 2021 to April 2022).

Reviewer for Applications in the PSC-CUNY Research Award Program in the discipline of History (2015, 2021, 2022).

The History department admissions committee at the Graduate Center, Committee Member (January to March, 2018)

Orals Exam Committee for a graduate student at the Graduate Center, Committee Member (January 28, 2010 - May 20, 2010).

## **Languages**

Native Korean. Fluent English, Japanese, and Mandarin Chinese. Strong command of Hebrew. Reading knowledge of classical Chinese, classical Arabic, Modern Standard Arabic, and French, as well as with the help of colleagues German, Persian, and Latin.