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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Osgoode Hall Law School, York University

Assistant Professor (2015-)

Stanford University

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law (2013-2015)

Predocctoral Fellow, Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law (2012-2013)

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

Ph.D., Political Science, 2015

M.A., Political Science, 2005

Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA

J.D., 2013

Yale University, New Haven, CT

B.A., Humanities, 2001

Cum Laude, Distinction in Major

Lycée International, St. Germain-en-Laye, France

French Baccalauréat, with International Option (OIB), 1997

Highest honors (“Mention Très Bien”)

PUBLICATIONS

Using Incentives to Increase HIV/AIDS Testing by Sex Workers: Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment in China, 40 *Law & Pol’y* 4 (2018) (<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/pdf/10.1111/lapo.12114>)

New Perspectives from the Oldest Profession: Abuse and the Legal Consciousness of Sex Workers in China, 47 *Law & Soc’y Rev.* 245 (2013) (Lead Article) (<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/lasr.12016/pdf>)

BOOK MANUSCRIPT

The Sex Trade in China: Policing, Health, Business, and the Regulation of Prostitution (under contract, Cambridge University Press)

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Reassessing the Quality of Government in China (with Greg Distelhorst and Francis Fukuyama)

Can Natural Disasters Have a Rally ‘Round the Flag’ Effect? The Political Consequences of Nepal’s 2015 Earthquake (with Cecilia Hyunjung Mo and Stephen Utych)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

The Unintended Consequences of Mass-Media Anti-Trafficking Campaigns: Evidence from an Experimental Test in Nepal (with Cecilia Hyunjung Mo)

Rule of Law, Meritocracy, and Autonomy: Insights from Public Servants in China (with Greg Distelhorst and Francis Fukuyama)

Tolerance for Labor Exploitation: An Experimental Intervention Using Awareness Campaigns in Hong Kong (with Cecilia Hyunjung Mo)

Law Enforcement and Human Trafficking Vulnerability: The Case of Nepal (with Cecilia Hyunjung Mo)

Human Trafficking Vulnerability: An Experimental Intervention Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors in Nepal (with Cecilia Hyunjung Mo)

REPORTS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Archer, Dan, Margaret Boittin, Cecilia Hyunjung Mo, and Sarah Zendel. 2018. "Designing an Effective Human Trafficking Awareness Campaign: Lessons from Nepal." *Global Insights Series #002, LAPOP, Vanderbilt University*, June 19 (<https://www.vanderbilt.edu/lapop/insights/IGI002en.pdf>).

Boittin, Margaret, Claire Q. Evans, Cecilia Hyunjung Mo, and Frank T. Tota II. 2018. "An Issue of "Otherness": Beliefs that Human Trafficking Cannot Affect One's In-Group Present Obstacle to Combatting Human Trafficking." *Global Insights Series #001, LAPOP, Vanderbilt University*, June 6 (<https://www.vanderbilt.edu/lapop/insights/IGI001en.pdf>).

Vulnerability to Child Labor and Forced Labor: Experimental Interventions with Law Enforcement Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors, prepared for the US Department of Labor, March 2018 (with Cecilia Hyunjung Mo).

Reducing Vulnerability to Human Trafficking: An Experimental Intervention Using Anti-Trafficking Campaigns to Change Knowledge, Attitudes, Beliefs, and Practices in Nepal, prepared for USAID, Humanity United, the US Department of Labor, and Terre des Hommes, March 2016 (with Dan Archer and Cecilia Hyunjung Mo) (http://pdf.usaid.gov/pdf_docs/PA00MBT4.pdf).

Strengthening Protection, Prevention, and Prosecution Against Human Trafficking, prepared for Terre des Hommes, July 2015 (with Cecilia Hyunjung Mo).

"Swept Away": *Abuses Against Sex Workers in China*, prepared for Human Rights Watch, May 2013 (<https://www.hrw.org/report/2013/05/14/swept-away/abuses-against-sex-workers-china>)

Press: AFP, BBC, China Digital Times, China File, New Straight Times, Radio France International, Radio Free Asia, Reuters, South China Morning Post, The Associated Press, The Australian, The Guardian, The Hindu, The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, Voice of America

GRANTS

Humanity United Grant for "Human Trafficking Vulnerability: An Experimental Intervention Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors in Nepal," 2016-2017 (\$25,000)

U.S. Department of Labor Grant for "Human Trafficking Vulnerability: An Experimental Intervention Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors in Nepal and China," 2015-2019 (\$1,000,000)

Terre des Hommes Grant for "Human Trafficking Vulnerability: An Experimental Intervention Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors in Nepal," 2013-2015 (\$31,710)

USAID Counter-Trafficking in Persons Research Challenge Grant for "Human Trafficking Vulnerability: An Experimental Intervention Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors in Nepal," 2013-2015 (\$199,731)

Humanity United Grant for "Human Trafficking Vulnerability: An Experimental Intervention Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors in Nepal," 2013-2015 (\$210,072)

Stanford University Action Fund Grant for "Human Trafficking Vulnerability: An Experimental Intervention Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors in Nepal," 2013-2014 (\$39,925)

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, 2009-2010

UC Pacific Rim Research Program Mini-Grant, 2009-2010

UC Berkeley Liu Graduate Research Fellowship in Chinese Studies, 2009-2010

UC Berkeley Graduate Division Summer Grant, 2006

HONORS AND AWARDS

York University Research Leader, 2016

Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law Fellowship, Stanford University, 2012-2015

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, 2011-2012

UC Berkeley Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, 2009-2010

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, 2006-2009

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Academic Year Fellowship, 2005-2006 (declined)

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Academic Year Fellowship, 2004-2005

Henry Scott Russian Studies Award for senior essay on Russian Futurist Ilya Zdanevich, 2001

Robert C. Bates Summer Traveling Fellowship to Russia and France, 2000

Richter Fellowship for research in Russia and France, 2000

William S. Charnley Scholarship for academic achievement and extracurricular activities, 2000

INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCES

UC Irvine School of Law, April 2020

Center for the Study of Contemporary China, University of Pennsylvania, March 2020

Comparative Law Workshop, University of Pennsylvania Law School, March 2020

QuantLaw, University of Arizona Law, February 2020

Out of Place: Power, Person and Difference in Socio-Legal Research, National University of Singapore, December 2019

China's Legal Construction Program at 30 Years, University of Michigan, October 2019

Measuring Governance Cross-Nationally, Stanford University, May 2019

Michigan Law School Junior Scholars Conference, University of Michigan Law School, April 2019

USC Gould School of Law, Center for Law and Social Science, March 2018

Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, March 2018

Law Faculty Workshop, The Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy, University at Buffalo School of Law, March 2017

Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, December 2016

Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, October 2016

The Past and Future of Law & Development, University of Toronto Faculty of Law, May 2016

Slavery and International Law: Past and Present, Stanford Law School, May 2015

China Law Conference, University of Toronto Faculty of Law, February 2015

Tsinghua-University of Toronto Law Faculty Conference, University of Toronto, October 2014

Rule of Law New Scholars Workshop, Rule of Law Collaborative, University of South Carolina, April 2014

Measuring State Quality in China and Beyond Workshop, The Governance Project at Stanford University, March 2014

Triangle East Asia Colloquium, North Carolina State University, February 2014

Effective States and Inclusive Development Workshop, Johns Hopkins SAIS, November 2013

Governance Indicators Workshop, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin, Germany, September 2013

Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, May 2013

Workshop on Human Trafficking, Program on Human Rights at the Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, April 2012

Workshop on Human Trafficking, International Crime and National Security: A Human Rights Perspective, Goettingen, Germany, February 2012

Yale University Workshop on Contemporary China, New Haven, CT, April 2010

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Canadian Law and Economics Association, 2019

Law and Society Association Meeting, 2011, 2018, 2020

Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, 2010, 2017, 2018

Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, 2016

Interdisciplinary Conference on Human Trafficking, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2015

American Political Science Association, 2015

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2015
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, 2012, 2019
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, 2012
Berkeley-Stanford Contemporary China Network, 2012
International Studies Association Annual Convention, 2011
The Chinese University of Hong Kong Universities Service Center, 2009

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Urban Justice Center, The Sex Workers Project, New York, NY, *Legal Intern*, Summer 2010
Conducted client intake, legal research and writing on cases pertaining to sex work and trafficking in New York City. Caseload included visa applications for trafficking survivors, employment discrimination of exotic dancers, and applications to vacate prostitution convictions.

Center for Women's Law and Legal Services of Peking University, China, *Intern*, Summer 2005
Researched marriage law in the United States for proposal to reform Chinese marriage law. Translated materials from Chinese to English.

Congressional-Executive Commission on China, Washington, DC, *Research Associate*, 2003-2004
Researched Chinese human rights and rule of law topics for the Commission's Annual Report, focusing on legal aid, non-governmental organizations, and administrative law.

Ningbo Legal Aid Center, Ningbo, China, *Intern*, 2001-2003
Researched governmental and non-governmental provision of legal aid in China. Translated legal aid materials from English to Chinese.

Public Defender Service, Washington, DC, *Intern-Investigator*, Summer 1999
Located and interviewed witnesses, interviewed clients, took detailed witness statements, performed extensive criminal background checks, served subpoenas, prepared memoranda regarding investigative activities, and assisted with case development for felony and misdemeanor cases.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Osgoode Hall Law School
Property Law, Spring 2018, Spring 2020
Law and Legal Institutions in China, Fall 2015, Fall 2017
Advanced Legal Research Methodologies (PhD Course) Spring 2016, Spring 2018, Spring 2020

Graduate Student Instructor, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA
Extreme Encounters with Power, Professor Kevin O'Brien, Undergraduate Course, Spring 2006
Introduction to American Politics, Professor Taeku Lee, Undergraduate Course, Fall 2005

French Teacher, Alliance Française, Washington, DC, 2003-2004
Taught introductory and advanced French courses to professionals.

Yale-China Teaching Fellow, Ningbo, China, 2001-2003
Taught English to first, fourth and fifth graders in a Chinese primary school.

Russian Language and Culture Teacher, East Rock Global Magnet School, New Haven, CT, 1999-2000
Taught fifth grade Russian language and culture.

SERVICE

Academic Standing Committee, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2019-2020
President's Sustainability Council, York University, 2019-2020
Digital Innovation Committee Meeting, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2018
Research and Seminars Committee, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2015-2016; 2017-2018
Grades Review Committee, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2017-2018

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Institute on Qualitative Research Methods (IQRM), Tempe, AZ
Coursework in qualitative research methods, January 2007

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Ann Arbor, MI
Coursework in statistical methods, Summer 2006

Princeton in Beijing, Intensive Language Program, Beijing, China
Advanced Chinese at Beijing Normal University, Summer 2002, Summer 2003, Summer 2008

Duke in St. Petersburg, Russia
Advanced Russian, Summer 2000

REVIEWER

Cambridge University Press
Comparative Political Studies
European Journal of Cultural Studies
Global Public Health
Law & Policy
Law & Society Review
Law and Social Inquiry

LANGUAGES

French and English, bilingual native speaker
Mandarin Chinese, fluent (speaking, reading, writing)
Russian, proficient
Spanish, proficient

FIELDWORK

China (2005, 2008-2010, 2011, 2014)
Nepal (2013, 2014, 2017)
Russia (2006, 2009)