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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

Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA

J.D., September 2013

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Political Science (expected graduation date: August 2015)

M.A., Political Science, 2005

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

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>)

WORKING PAPERS

"Incentives, Fear of Arrest, and HIV/AIDS: Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment Amongst
Lawbreakers" (Under Review)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

*The Whore, the Hostess, and the Honey: Policing, Health, Business and the Regulation of Prostitution in
China*

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

The Governance Project: Surveys of Government Officials in China (with Francis Fukuyama and Greg
Distelhorst)

GRANTS

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

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

"Human Trafficking Vulnerability: An Experimental Intervention Using Mass Media to Change Norms and Behaviors in Nepal," Slavery and International Law: Past and Present, Stanford Law School, May 2015

"Non-Governmental Organizations, Policing, and Prostitution in China," China Law Conference, University of Toronto Faculty of Law, February 2015

Perspectives on International Law, Tsinghua-University of Toronto Law Faculty Conference, University of Toronto, October 2014 (Panel Chair)

"What Prostitution Tells Us About the Rule of Law in China," 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 (Workshop Organizer)

“The Whore, the Hostess, and the Honey: Policing, Health, Business and the Regulation of Prostitution in China,” Triangle East Asia Colloquium, North Carolina State University, February 2014

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

Governance Indicators Workshop, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin, Germany, September 2013 (Workshop Participant)

“Incentives, Fear of Arrest, and HIV/AIDS: Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment Amongst Lawbreakers,” Research Seminar, 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 (Conference Discussant)

“Moral Reactions, Legal Solutions: How Sex Workers in China Interpret Rights Violations,” Workshop on Human Trafficking, International Crime and National Security: A Human Rights Perspective, Goettingen, Germany, February 2012

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Incentives, Fear of Arrest, and HIV/AIDS: Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment Amongst Lawbreakers,” Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Stanford Law School, November 2012

“Incentives, Fear of Arrest, and HIV/AIDS: Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment Amongst Lawbreakers,” American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Stanford Law School, May 2012

“An Unintended Consequence of the Rule of Law? When Chinese Sex Workers Name, Blame and (occasionally) Claim,” Berkeley-Stanford Contemporary China Network, University of California, Berkeley, January 2012

“Lump It or Change It? How Chinese Sex Workers Think About the Law,” Law and Society Association Meeting, San Francisco, June 2011

“The Political Economy of Chinese Prostitution,” International Studies Association Annual Convention, Montreal, Canada, March 2011

“Sex in the Post-Communist City: The Local Politics of Prostitution in China,” Yale University Workshop on Contemporary China, New Haven, CT, April 2010

“Sex in the Post-Communist City: The Local Politics of Prostitution in China,” Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, March 2010

“The Local Enforcement of Prostitution Regulations in China,” The Chinese University of Hong Kong Universities Service Center for China Studies Graduate Seminar on China, January 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

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.

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

Law and Social Inquiry
Comparative Political Studies

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)
Russia (2006, 2009)