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HONORS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

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1991-2	FLAS Scholarship, University of Michigan
1992	Discretionary award for summer internship at the Institute of Chinese Literature and Philosophy, Academia Sinica, Taiwan, Republic of China; University of Michigan
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1994	Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship (Declined)
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EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE:

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Summer, 1992:	Internship at Institute of Chinese Literature and Philosophy, Academia Sinica, Nan-kang, Taipei.
Sept-Dec., 1993:	Employment as Lecturer (in pre-Qin Chinese Philosophy and Introduction to Buddhism) by Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
Jan.-May, 1994:	Employment as Lecturer, teaching Seminar in "Attitudes Toward Evil in Chinese Philosophical Literature," Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
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PUBLICATIONS

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“Memory and Creative Recontextualization in the Tiantai Reading of the Lotus: A Clue from Zhanran on the Multiple Valence of the Past.” The 8th Symposium of Confucianism/Buddhism Communication and Philosophy of Culture: History and Memory, Huafan University, Taiwan, March 5-7, 2005.

“Sin as Repentance in Tiantai Buddhism,” presented at the Symposium on Evil: Theodicy Revisited, Boston University, April 23-25, 2005.

“Mind-nature, Mind’s nature, Mind/Nature, Mind and Nature, or the Nature as the Mind? Zhanran’s usage of the term *Xinxing*,” The Tenth Annual Lotus Sutra Conference: The

Lotus Sutra and Tiantai/Tendai Thought, Rissho-Kosei-Kai, held at Beijing Normal University, Beijing, People's Republic of China, May 21-26, 2005.

"Mind-contemplation and Inherence-Contemplation in Tiantai Buddhist Praxis," Conference on Chinese Buddhism, University of the West, Los Angeles, California, June 10-12, 2005.

"Coherence in the Dark: Li in Wang Bi and Guo Xiang," ICAS Conference on Medieval Chinese Thought, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, August 20-24, 2005.

"Sanctioned Transgression in Chinese Ethical Thought," Fulbright China Spring Conference, Hong Kong University, February 10, 2006.

"Erdi de zhufa pingdeng yu sandi de zhufa pingdeng," ("The Equality of all dharmas in the context of the Two Truths and in the context of the Three Truths") 二諦的諸法平等與三諦的諸法平等 talk given (in Chinese) at Symposium: the Concept of Equality in Buddhism, Huaan University, March 12, 2006.

"Tiantai Thought and Modern Philosophy" (in Chinese), lecture given at Huaan University, Taipei, Taiwan, May 8, 2006.

"Hitler, the Holocaust and the Tiantai Doctrine of Ineradicable Evil Inherent in Buddhahood," lecture given at University of Chicago Divinity School, October 15, 2006.

"Evil and Conventional Truth in Chinese Buddhist Thought," lecture delivered at Boston University Institute for Philosophy and Religion, in collaboration with Harvard Buddhist Studies Forum, Boston, October 25, 2006.

"Alternatives to Two-tiered Metaphysics: Zhuangzi, Xunzi, Tiantai," paper delivered at International Conference on the Interaction of Concepts between Eastern and Western Philosophy, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, November 21-24, 2006.

Respondent, “The Feminine Divine in Buddhism” panel, Feminine Divine Conference, Northwestern University, November 27-29, 2006.

“Perforation or Pendulum, Vertex or Vortex: Making Sense of Li (Principle, Coherence),” paper delivered at University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, February 2, 2007.

“From Wonder to Embarrassment: David Hall and the Irony of the Infinite,” paper delivered at Asian Studies Development Program Conference, Seattle, Washington, March 8, 2007.

“The Deluded Mind as Truth: Tiantai Buddhist Epistemology,” paper delivered at Department of Philosophy, National University of Singapore, September 4, 2007.

“Li in Chinese Philosophy,” paper delivered at Department of Philosophy, National University of Singapore, September 18, 2007.

“Five Interpretations of Buddha-Nature,” delivered at Rissho Kosei-kai, Tokyo, Japan, February 29, 2008.

“Zhuangzi’s Wild Card: Second-order Skepticism as Monism in Early Daoism,” delivered at the Department of Philosophy, National University of Singapore, April 7, 2008.

“Water and Wave Versus Clay and Pot: Implications of a Metaphor in Tiantai and Huayan Buddhism,” delivered at Buddhist Discussion Symposium, Koseikai Gakurin, Tokyo, Japan, June 4, 2008.

“Truth’s Past Re/membered: Interdoxic Regard in the *Lotus Sutra*,” delivered at 12th International Conference on the Lotus Sutra, “The Lotus Sutra and Interfaith Dialogue,” Kona, Hawaii, March 23-27, 2009.

“The Tiantai Doctrine of *Xinxing* (Mind/Nature),” one week seminar conducted at Department of Philosophy, Huaan University, Taiwan, Republic of China, May 11-15, 2009.

“How Centrality and Principle Met Substance and Function: Wang Bi (226-249) at the Font of Chinese Metaphysics 以王弼為出發點漫談中，理，體，用等範疇之形成” delivered at International Conference in Commemoration of the Centennial of the Birth of Tang Junyi, New Directions in Chinese Philosophy, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, May 17-22, 2009.

Lotus Sutra Translation Project Seminar, Hotoka, Japan, December 14-22, 2008; Suginami, Japan, April 3-9, 2009; December 15-21, 2009; March 29-April 3, 2010, December 17-23, 2010, March 11-18, 2011, June 2-9, 2011 and (forthcoming) December 8-15, 2011.

“Lotus Sutra Introductory,” “The Sravaka-Bodhisattva Relation,” “Retrospective Temporality,” “Ichinen Sanzen,” two day mini-course given at Rissho Kosei in North America (RKINA), Irvine, California, October 31-November 1, 2009.

“Mahayana Buddhism and the Lotus Sutra on Universal Buddhahood,” lecture given at University of California, Irvine, November 3, 2009.

“Spinoza, Zhuangzi and the Self-overcoming of Solipsism,” seminar given at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, March 18, 2010.

“Daoist Sources of the Ti/Yong Paradigm,” paper given at First International Daoist Salon, Zhengzhou, People’s Republic of China, March 23, 2010.

“Comparative Metaphysical and Epistemological Issues in Spinoza and Daoism,” Keynote Address, Midwest Conference on Chinese Thought, Depaul University, Chicago, Illinois, April 30, 2010.

“Shitou Xiqian’s ‘Concordance of the Same and the Different’ and the This-Worldly Turn in Chinese Buddhism,” paper delivered at Shengyan Foundation International Conference of Buddhist Studies, Taipei, Taiwan, May 30, 2010.

“If Six Was Nine: The Nine Consciousness in Zhili’s Redaction of Tiantai Meditation,” paper given Annual Conference of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, June 28, 2011.

“Space, Extension and Transcendental Unity of Apperception: Thoughts on Tiantai, Spinoza and Kant,” paper given at Annual Conference of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, June 26, 2011.

“Contradiction as the *Necessary* Condition of Truth in Tiantai Buddhism,” paper for symposium “Contradictions in Buddhism” held at University of Kyoto, Kyoto Japan, November 26-28, 2011; all papers contracted to be published as a group in *Philosophy East and West*.

Keynote Address, “The Importance of Being Godless: The Inadvertent Universe and China’s Spiritual Legacy,” First International Symposium on Chinese Culture and Religious Concord, Society for the Study of Religious Philosophy, Taiwan, ROC, December 17, 2011.

"The Other as My Future's Past: Strong Misreadings of Kumarajiva's Lotus Sutra Translation in Tiantai Buddhism and their Interaxiological Implications," paper delivered at University of Chicago, February 20, 2012.

“Living in the Buddha’s Past: The Lotus Sutra and Tiantai Buddhism on Interdoxic Regard Beyond Proselytizing Dogmatism, Nihilistic Skepticism, Agnostic Pragmatism and Tolerant Relativism,” paper delivered at Stanford University, February 22, 2012.

“Hearing the Absolute Hearing: Interpreting Guanyin’s Perfection of Hearing in the Lengyanjing,” paper delivered at Fourth International Shengyan Foundation Conference on Buddhist Studies, Taipei, Taiwan, June 3, 2012.

“Five Ways of Being Something, Nothing, and Everything: The Hewn and the Unhewn in the Daodejing,” paper delivered at 溝通與創造：中西哲學對話”國際學術討會 Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, People’s Republic of China, June 9, 2012.

“Rafting the Rafts,” paper delivered at “Thought and Practice in Tiantai Buddhism Conference,” Huaan University, Taiwan, June 16, 2012.

“On Immaculate Perception, Drunken Songs, and Omnidesire as the Ending of Desire: Zarathustra, Vimalakirti, Tiantai,” paper delivered at the 19th International Conference of the Friedrich Nietzsche Society, "*Thus Spoke Zarathustra*: Gateway to the Oeuvre (and Opening to the East)" University College Cork, Ireland, September 20-22, 2013.

“Ethical and Metaphysical Dimensions of Filial Piety: Reading the Xiaojing (Classic of Filial Piety) and Its Antecedents,” Conference on Ethics of Judaism and Confucianism, Shandong University, Jinan, People’s Republic of China, December 9, 2013.

“Why Does Zhu Xi Prevaricate So Consistently About the Li/Qi Relation?” paper presented at workshop on “Buddhist Sources of Neo-Confucianism,” Kauai, Hawaii, December 15, 2013.

“Materiality and Meaning in the Zhili/Zunshi Letters on *The Profound Meaning of the Sutra of Golden Light*,” paper presented (in Chinese) at Conference on Song Dynasty Epistolary Literature, Ching-hwa University, Hsin-chu, Taiwan, ROC, December 20, 2013.

“On the Epistemological Implications of the Daoist ‘Unhewn’,” talk presented at the Philosophy Department, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, California, March 24, 2014.

“Neo-Confucian Epistemology,” chapter analysis and critique at workshop on *An Introduction to Neo-Confucian Philosophy* by Stephen Angle and Justin Tiwald (in

progress), San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California, March 27, 2014.

“Dao as Source, Course, Stuff, Nothing, Center,” lecture given at State University of New York, Buffalo, New York, April 10, 2014.

“Against ‘Monistic’ Dualism: Shengyan’s Critique of Jesus,” delivered at Fifth International Conference on the Philosophy of Shengyan, Taipei, Taiwan, June 27, 2014.

“Seng Zhao’s *Prajna Has No Knowledge*: Toward the Collapse of the Two Truths,” paper delivered at Huafan International Conference on Madhyamaka and Language, Shiding, Taiwan, June 29, 2014.

“Mind-Only as Matter-Only in Tiantai Thought, presentation given at Workshop on Contradiction and Paradox in Chinese Buddhism, hosted and invited by Jay Garfield, Head of Philosophy Department, Yale-NUS, Singapore, August 25-27, 2014.

“Differentiated and Undifferentiated as Comparative Index: A Proposal for a Method,” paper given at the Ultimate Truth in East Asian Philosophy conference, at Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, ROC, September 3-4, 2014.

"Towards a More Radical Atheism: Proposed Chinese Responses to Jean-Luc Nancy" paper delivered at Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy Annual Conference, New Orleans, October 23-25, 2014

“What is Pre-Empirical Entailment of Norms and Determinations in Neo-Confucianism and Chinese Buddhism?” paper given at Buddhist Influences on Neo-Confucianism conference hosted by John Makeham, National University of Australia, Canberra, Australia, December 12-17, 2014.

The Self-Cancellation of Monism: Transformation, Forgetting, and Zhuangzi's Rhetorical Two-Step." Keynote Address given at Singapore-Hong Kong Symposium on Chinese Philosophy, Nanyang University, Singapore, March 13-15, 2015.

“Immanence and Transcendence in Zhiyi's Treatment of Guanyin: Compassion as an Epistemological Category,” paper given at Poh Ming Tse International Seminar on Guanyin in East Asian Buddhism, Singapore Poh Ming Tse Temple, April 3-5.

“China’s Spiritual Heritage and the Importance of God-lessness,” public lecture given at University of Chicago Center in Beijing, April 29, 2015.

“The Unintended Universe and China’s Spiritual Legacy,” International Center for Chinese Philosophy, Lecture Series, XVI, Soo-chow University, Taipei, Taiwan, October 14, 2015

天地無心的精神含義, ”Spiritual Meanings of the Intentionless Cosmos,” (in Chinese), Yanshan University, Qinhuangdao, People’s Republic of China, November 21, 2015

“Zhu Xi on the Consciousness and Unconsciousness of Heaven and Earth,” Columbia Neo-Confucianism Seminar, Heyman Center for the Humanities, Columbia University, New York, USA, April 22, 2016.

“Consciousness and Teleology in Neo-Confucianism,” at Chinese Philosophy in Global Context: Retrospect and Prospect Conference, Center for Cultural China Studies, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, People’s Republic of China, June 27, 2016.

“Immanence and Transcendence in Zhiyi's Treatment of Guanyin: Compassion as an Epistemological Category,”Sixth International Conference on Chinese Buddhism, Dharma Drum Foundation, Taipei, Taiwan,, Republic of China, July 2, 2016

“Zhu Xi and the Mind and Mindlessness of Heaven and Earth in Comparative Context,” Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, September 5, 2016.

“Losing the Self in the Philosophy of Zhuangzi,” Contextualizing the Self: Creating and Recreating the First Person, an Interdisciplinary Workshop, Tel Aviv University, Israel, November 29, 2016.

“Space, Futurity, Emptiness, Buddha-Nature” lecture delivered at Collegium Phaenomenologicum, 42nd Annual Session, “Nature of Space, Spaces of Nature,” Week Three, “Between Earth and Our Nature: Place-Time, Time-Being,” at Città di Castello, Italy, July 24, 2017.

“Alternate Fragments of the Inner Chapters in ‘Gengsang Chu’,” paper given at “Zhuangzi: Beyond the Inner Chapters” conference, University of Hawai’I at Manoa, Hawaii, November 9, 2017.

Roundtable on “*Clear Serenity, Quiet Insight*: Reflecting on Zhiyi’s Masterwork and Paul Swanson’s English Translation,” Annual Meeting of the American Association of Religion, Boston, Massachusetts, November 19, 2017.

“Six Lines of Mountain for the Flower Garland Scripture: The Cheng Brothers Deployment of the *Gen* Hexagram in the War Against Buddhism,” Third International Conference on Confucianism and Judaism, Shandong University, Qingdao, PRC December 17, 2017.

“Making Space, Letting Be: Translation Issues in the *Zhuangzi*,” University of Macao, Macao, January 16, 2018.

“Nihilism, Relativism, Mysticism: Questions and Defenses of Brook Ziporyn’s ‘Wild Card’ Interpretation of Zhuangzi with Professor Lai Hsi-San and Dr. Fabian Heubel,” Sun Yat-sen University, Kao-hsiung, Taiwan, Republic of China, March 2, 2018.

“Zhuangzi and Tiantai Buddhism: Perspectivism and Omnicentrism,” presentation given at Sun Yat-sen University, Kao-hsiung, Taiwan, Republic of China, March 2, 2018.

“Zhuangzi’s Tumultuous Tranquility,” presentation at World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing, People’s Republic of China, August 15, 2018.

“《莊子》 批判之批判的若干模式” (“Several Models of Critique of Critique in the

Zhuangzi,” presentation at Conference on Zhuangzi and Critique, Lugang, Taiwan, R.O.C., November 29, 2018.

“Coherence, Li, Wild Card,” presentation at Academia Sinica, Nangang, Taiwan, R.O.C., December 3, 2018.

“Diverse Models of Harmony in the *Zhuangzi*,” keynote address at International Conference on the Concept of Harmony in Chinese Philosophy, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, December 13, 2018.

“On Genuine Pretending,” presentation at Eastern Division Annual Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, New York, January 9, 2019.

“Slaughterhouse-Five as Accidental Buddhist Masterpiece,” screening and discussion, Facets Multimedia, Chicago, February 26, 2019.

“Parsing Away a Definition of Qi: Guo Xiang on Mind-Fasting,” paper presented at conference on “Global Reception of the Classic *Zhuangzi*: Han to Tang,” University of California at Berkeley, March 8, 2019.

“Nonself as Omnipresent Interpersonalities: Tiantai’s Four Steps for Rereading Impermanence as the Eternity of All Subjective States,” lecture delivered at Boston University Institute for Philosophy of Religion, March 29, 2019.

“Identity or Indivisibility? Ideological Premises and Philosophical Consequences in Paul Swanson’s Rendering of the *Mohezhiguan*,” Harvard University Buddhist Studies Forum, April 29, 2019.

“Prob’ly Take it to the Pawn Shop: Bob Dylan and the Soteriology of Self-Hatred,” paper delivered at World of Bob Dylan Conference, University of Tulsa, Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 1, 2019.

“Beyond Emptiness: Zhuangzi, Tiantai, Mou Zongsan” (Dialogue with Lai Xisan after

his translation of my “Beyond Emptiness” piece in *Dharma World*), Sun Yat-sen University, Gaoxiong, Taiwan, Republic of China, August 15, 2019

“Five Contested Points in *Zhuangzi* Hermeneutics: A Translation Workshop,” National Taiwan University, August 21, 2019

“Coherence and Context in Chinese Philosophy,” Presentation at the “...And its Name Is ‘Paradox’” Conference, Institute of Literature and Philosophy, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, August 23, 2019

化聲之相待若其不相待：以“是非之相待即其不相待”概念為中心的齊物論整解

(“The mutual interdependence of the transforming sounds is tantamount to their mutual independence”: a complete commentary on Zhuangzi’s “Qiwulun” centered on the idea of “the mutual interdependence of right and wrong is tantamount to their mutual independence”), paper given (in Mandarin) at Conference on the “Qiwulun,” Second Cross-straits Zhuangzi Workshop, Huadong Normal University, Shanghai, People’s Republic of China, August 31, 2019

“Space, Futurity and Buddha-nature in the Mahaparinirvana Sutra,” Presentation given at University of Hong Kong, October 14, 2019

“Radically Impermanent, Exceptionlessly Eternal: Temporality in Tiantai Buddhist Thought,” Keynote Address at the Inaugural International Forum of Tiantai Studies, Hong Kong, October 18, 2019

“Godlessness in Chinese Thought,” Keynote address at God(lessness), Life and Universe: Science and Ethocs at the Crossroads conference, National Cheng-chih University, Taipei, Taiwan, December 21, 2019

Workshop on Zhuangzi Commentary: Xiaoyao You (Chapter One) (with Lai Xisan and Lin Mingzhao), National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, December 23, 2019

Workshop on Zhuangzi Commentary: Qiwlun and Renjianshi (Chapters 2 and 4) (with Lai Xisan and Lin Mingzhao), Sun Yat-sen University, Gaoxiong, Taiwan, December 27, 2019

“Temporality and Buddha-nature in Tiantai Buddhist Thought,” public lecture given at University of California at Berkeley, February 13, 2020.

“Reading Huxi Huaize on Omnipresent Inherent Evil as Buddha-nature,” 15 hour mini-course, University of California at Berkeley, February 11-February 20, 2020.

“Life Bound by its Banks,” keynote address at conference on *Zhuangzi*, Chapter 3 (“The Primacy of Nourishing Life”), Philosophy Department, National Taiwan University, November 6, 2020.

“Against Following Heaven?: Contested Readings of a Verse in *Zhuangzi* 29,” paper delivered at “Reading Zhuangzi” Conference, Department of Philosophy, Chinese University of Hong Kong, May 7-8, 2021.

“The Substance/Function Model and its Discontents: Zhu Xi, Huayan, Tiantai,” keynote address at Conference on Buddhist Philosophy and Chinese Thought, Department of Philosophy, National Taiwan University, May 21, 2021.

就「體、用」、「中、邊」範疇論朱熹、華嚴、天台思想中「曖昧的優先性」(“Ti/Yong, Center/Periphery, and Ambiguous Priority in Huayan, Tiantai and Zhu Xi”). Paper presented (over Webex) at the “Workshop on Buddhism and Chinese Philosophy” **佛教哲學與中國哲學工作坊** at the Institute of Philosophy, History and Literature at Academia Sinica, Taiwan, May 21, 2021

“Coexistence in the *Daodejing* and *Zhuangzi*. Three presentations given at “The Intercultural Sinological Platform on Theories of Coexistence,” hosted by Sun Yat-sen University, Taiwan. July 13, 2021, July 20, 2021, July 27, 2021 (all on Zoom).

“Five Ways of Being Something, Nothing, and Everything: The Hewn and the Unhewn in

the *Daodejing*.” Spring Forum Public Lecture, Philosophy Department of Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana, February 4, 2022.

“Zhong Shisheng yu Ouyi Zhixu de gongsheng zhi dao: paichi yu gongsheng tongjuyinian zhi shili,” 鐘始聲與藕益智旭的共生之道：排斥與共生同居一念之實例」 (“The Way of Coexistence between Zhong Shisheng and Ouyi Zhixu, Who Are The Same Person: A Concrete Example of the Codwelling of Exclusion and Coexistence in a Single Instant of Thought,” paper given (in Chinese) at International Intercultural Conference at Sun Yat-sen University, Philosophies of Coexistence and the Sinological Island, 共生哲學與漢學之島：跨文化國際研討會議程, Sun-Yatsen University, Kao-hsiung Taiwan, Republic of China, July 8, 2022 (on Zoom).

“Will to Control, Will to Power, Will to Strength, Will to *biantong* 變通 ,” paper presented at Tianxia III Conference 2022: Formulating a Minimalist Morality for a Planetary Geopolitical Order: Alternative Cultural Perspectives, Peking University, Beijing, People’s Republic of China, August 19, 2022 (on Zoom)

“What No One Laughs At Cannot Be Dao: On What Kind of Garbage is the Dao,” Graduate Forum, Saint Louis University, September 21, 2022 (on Zoom)

“Divergent Interpretations of the Fasting of the Heartmind,” International Conference on Zhuangzi, Chapter Four, “In the Human World,” Peking University, People’s Republic of China, December 4, 2022 (on Zoom).

“Zhuangzi de youmogan laizi hechu?” 莊子的幽默感來自何處? (“What is the source of Zhuangzi’s sense of humor?”), lecture delivered (in Chinese) at Sun Yatsen University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, Republic of China, December 12, 2022.

“Zhuangzi de hudiemeng yu Tiantai yiniansanqian” 莊子的蝴蝶夢與天台一念三千 (“Zhuangzi’s Butterfly Dream and Tiantai’s Three Thousand Worlds as A Single Instant of Experience”), lecture delivered (in Chinese) at Sun Yatsen University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, Republic of China, December 13, 2022.

“Ruhe liaojie Zhuangzi de gongfulun” 如何了解莊子的功夫論 (“How to understand Zhuangzi’s theory of self-cultivation”), lecture delivered (in Chinese) at Sun Yatsen University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, Republic of China, December 20, 2022.

“Zhuangzi yu e de wenti” 莊子與惡的問題 (“Zhuangzi and the Problem of Evil”), lecture delivered (in Chinese) at National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China, December 26, 2022.

“*Zhuangzi’s* Satirical Critique of Zhuangzi: The ‘Turn’ in Chapter 12,” paper presented at “Zhuangzi: Beyond the Inner Chapters” conference, Sungkyunkwan University, South Korea, March 14, 2023.

“The Mind and the Mindlessness of Heaven and Earth: Teleology and Consciousness in Zhu Xi’s Neo-Confucianism,” Mircea Eliade Professorship Inaugural Lecture, University of Chicago Divinity School, April 3, 2023.

“The Future of Global Laozegetics,” address given (on Zoom) at the Global Laozegetics Research Center Opening Ceremony, Nankai University, Beijing, PRC, April 20, 2023.

“Rationalized Mythology Versus Rationalized Divination,” paper given (on Zoom) at “Philosophy of the Book of Changes” conference, Peking University, Beijing, PRC, April 21, 2023.

“On Mythic Worlds: Form and Formlessness in the *Daodejing*,” public lecture given at The Drawing Center, New York City, May 11, 2023.

“Textual and Hermeneutic Problems of the *Daodejing*” (on Zoom), Chinese Philosophy Group, University of Washington, May 25, 2023.

““God Did Not Create This Earth”: Grappling with Critiques of Orthodoxy in *Masked and Anonymous*,” paper presented at World of Bob Dylan conference, University of Tulsa, Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 2, 2023.

LANGUAGES:

English	(Native)
Mandarin Chinese	(Fluent)
Classical Chinese	(Advanced reading ability)
Japanese	(Conversational and reading ability)
German	(Fair reading ability)
Latin	(Fumbling reading ability)

TEACHING:

“History of Classical Chinese Thought,” “Taoism in the Western World,” “Medieval Chinese Thought,” “Evil in Chinese Thought,” University of Michigan (1996-1997)
 “History of Classical Chinese Thought,” “Readings in Song Buddhist Texts,” “Junior Seminar: Comparative Topics on Chinese Thought,” “Taoist Philosophy and Religion,” Harvard University (1997-1998)
 “Buddhism in Comparative Philosophical Perspective,” “Western Receptions of Buddhism,” taught (in Chinese) at Chung-hwa Institute for Buddhist Studies, Taipei, Taiwan, ROC, Summer 1998, 1999
 “Western Academic Study of Chinese Buddhism,” taught (in Chinese) as visiting professor at Chung-hwa Institute of Buddhist Studies, Taiwan, September 2001 to January 2002.

Courses Taught At Northwestern (1997-2011):

“Classical Confucianism and Taoism”
 “Zen Buddhism”
 “Readings in Mahayana Texts”

“Seminar: the Problem of Evil”

“Zen in the Western Imagination”

“Comparative Idealisms”

“Comparative Trinitarianisms”

“Contemporary Buddhist Philosophy”

“Introduction to Buddhism”

“Zen, Tao and the Western Imagination”

“Reading the Tao”

“Classical Confucianism”

Junior Research Seminar (co-taught with Professor Sarah Fraser, Art History), “Text and Image in East Asian Buddhism”

“Responses to ‘Buddhistic Nihilism’: Nietzsche and the Mahayana”

“Atheist Spirituality in Western Philosophy: Spinoza’s Ethics”

Courses taught at National University of Singapore (2011-2012):

Chinese Philosophical Traditions I: Han Through Tang

Philosophies and Anti-Philosophies of Chan (Zen) Buddhism

Senior Seminar: Zhuangzi and his Legacies

Chinese Philosophical Traditions II: Song through Qing

Seminar: Contemporary Buddhist Fusion Philosophy: Kyoto School and Neo-Tiantai

Seminar: Comparative Philosophy: Alternatives to Moral Dualism

Seminar: Comparative Philosophy: Monism in Spinoza and Daoism

Courses Taught at the University of Chicago, 2013-2022:

The Pantheism Controversy: Spinoza, Schelling, Hegel

Tiantai Meditation Texts

The Shanwai/Shanjia Schism and The Ineradicability of Evil in Tiantai Philosophy

Schopenhauer plus Emerson equals Nietzsche?

Godless Epiphanies: Atheist Mysticism in Global Perspective

Reading Daodejing and its Commentaries

Reading Zhuangzi and its Commentaries

Madhyamaka Philosophy in India and China (co-taught with Dan Arnold)
 Polemic, Betrayal, and Dung Beetles in the Pure Land: Zhili and Renyue
 Chinese Responses to Christianity in the Ming Dynasty
 Pure Land Buddhism in China and Japan
 Zhanran's Diamond Scalpel: The Buddha-nature of Insentient Beings
 Classical Confucianism
 Neo-Confucianism
 Buddhist Sutras Read in Traditional Tiantai Sequence
 Chinese Buddhist Omnicentrism: Huayan and Tiantai
 Introduction to Chan and Zen Buddhism
 Religion Core Sequence: Cosmos, Conscience and Community
 Comparative Trinitarianisms
 Coherence in Chinese Thought
 Comparative Experiments with Buddhist Thought
 Death, Time, Perception
 Schelling's Relation to Spinoza
 The Philosophy of the Yijing (Book of Changes)

Signed,



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