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Employment

2008- Joseph Needham Professor of Chinese History, Science and Civilization
2007-2010: Head, Department of East Asian Studies
2007- Chair of Chinese
2006- Official Fellow, Clare College
2006-2007: University Senior Lecturer in Chinese Studies
2002-2006: University Lecturer in Chinese Studies, University of Cambridge
2000-2003: Assistant Professor of East Asian Studies, University of Arizona (on leave, 2002-2003).
1997-2000: Research Fellow; Wolfson College, University of Oxford.

Education

BA, MA Sinology, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, 1987-1991
PGCE/Agrégation History 1989-1991, Leuven
Philosophy, National Taiwan University, 1991-1993
M.Phil., Ph.D Oriental Studies, University of Cambridge, 1993-1997

Professional Service & Academic Awards

2009- Conseil d'administration, École Française d'Extrême-Orient (EFEO)
2009 British Academy Visiting Fellowship, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.
2008- Council Member, British Association for Chinese Studies
2007 Arts and Humanities Research Council Award.
2007- Trustee, Needham Research Institute
2006 Fellow of the Royal Historical Society (2006-)
Fellow of the Royal Asiatic Society (2006-)
2006- Secretary-General, European Association for Chinese Studies.
2004 British Academy visiting fellow at the Institute of History; Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing; Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, Shanghai.
2002 Visiting Fellow; Institute of History, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing.
1998: British Academy Visiting Fellowship; Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing.
1997: Junior Research Fellowship in the Humanities (Oriental & African Studies; duration: 3 years), Wolfson College, University of Oxford.
1995-96: Spalding Scholar.
1993-96: British Academy, Major State Studentship
Allen and Amy Mary Preston Read Scholarship, Cambridge University
1994: Honda Foundation scholarship for study in Japan.
1992-93: Rotary International Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship.
1991-92: Junior Research Scholarship in the Humanities. Federal Government of the Flemish Community, Belgium.

Publications

Books

(in progress)

- * *The Moral and Material in Early China.*
- * *In the Fields of Shennong: A Cultural Ecology of Early China.*

(forthcoming)

- * *Het Kraken van de Schildpadschaal* (in Dutch)

2011

- * *Food, Sacrifice, and Sagehood in Early China.* New York: Cambridge University Press.

2007

- * *Des Esprits à l'esprit: Essais sur la notion de shen en Chine* (co-edited with Romain Graziani) *Extrême-orient, Extrême-occident* 29. Saint-Denis: Presses Universitaires de Vincennes.

2006

- * *A Bronze Menagerie: Mat Weights of Early China* (with Michelle C. Wang, Eugene Wang, and Guolong Lai) (Boston: Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum & University of Pittsburgh Press).

2005

- * *Of Tripod and Palate: Food, Politics and Religion in Ancient China* (edited volume). New York: Palgrave-MacMillan Press.

2002

- * *The Animal and the Daemon in Early China.* Albany: State University of New York Press.

Articles & book chapters

2011

Forthcoming and in progress:

- * "Mozi 31: Explaining Ghosts, again"
- * "Animal Sports and Entertainment in pre-modern China"
- * "Feasting for the Afterlife" (James Lin ed., *Tomb Treasures of Han China*, Fitzwilliam Museum).
- * "Jade as stone and metaphor in early Chinese texts" (*Arts of Asia*).

2010

- * "Zoomorphism and Sacrificial Religion in Early China," in Eugene Wang ed., *Zoomorphic Imagination in Chinese Visual Culture* (Periscope & Isabella Stuart Gardner Museum, forthcoming).

2009

- * "Religious Practice in Han," in Michael Loewe and Michael Nylan eds., *The Cambridge History of China: Qin, Han, and Six Dynasties* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2009), chapter 17.
- * "The Economics of Religion in Warring States and Early Imperial China," in John Lagerwey and Marc Kalinowski eds., *Early Chinese Religion. Part One: Shang through Han (1250 BC- 220 AD)*. Handbook of Oriental Studies (Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2009), pp.839-880.
- * "Alimentar a los antepasados: Comida, ritual y autoridad en la China antigua," in Alicia Relinque ed., *La Construcción del Poder en la China Antigua* (Granada University Press, 2009), pp.85-107.
- * "Ancêtres, offrandes et esprits : la culture du sacrifice dans la Chine ancienne," in Ilse Timperman ed., *Fils du Ciel* (Mercator, 2009)(ISBN 97890 6153 887 5), pp.47-55.

2008

- * "The Limits of Illustration: Animalia and Pharmacoepia from Guo Pu to *Bencao gangmu*," *Asian Medicine: Tradition and Modernity* (Leiden: E.J. Brill), 4.2 (2008).
- * *In the Fields of Shennong* (Inaugural lecture). Cambridge: Needham Research Institute.

2007

* "Searching for Spirit. A note on *shen* and sacrifice in Warring States and Han philosophical and ritual texts". *Extrême-orient, Extrême-occident* 29 (2007), 23-54.

* "Cong Guo Pu dao Li Shizhen de dongwu chatu"从郭璞到李时珍的动物插图, in Wang Shumin 王澍民 ed., *Xingxiang zhongyi: zhongyi lishi tuxiang yanjiu* 形象中医——中医历史图像研究 (Beijing: Renmin weisheng chubanshe, 2007).

2006

* "The Bestiary of Han," in Michelle C. Wang, Eugene Wang, Guolong Lai and Roel Sterckx, *A Bronze Menagerie: Mat Weights of Early China* (Boston: Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum & University of Pittsburgh Press, 2006), pp.33-47.

* "Sages, Cooks, and Flavours in Warring States and Han China," *Monumenta Serica* 54 (2006), 1-46.

* "'Of a tawny bull we make offering.' Animals in Early Chinese Religion," in Paul J. Waldau and Kimberley Patton (eds.), *A Communion of Subjects: Animals in Religion, Science and Ethics* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2006), pp.259-272.

2005

* "Animal Classification in Ancient China," *East Asian Science, Technology and Medicine* 23 (2005), 26-53.

* "Food and Philosophy pre-Buddhist China," in Roel Sterckx ed., *Of Tripod and Palate: Food, Politics and Religion in Traditional China* (New York: Palgrave-MacMillan Press, 2005), pp.34-61.

* "Introduction" in Roel Sterckx ed., *Of Tripod and Palate: Food, Politics, and Religion in Traditional China* (Palgrave-MacMillan Press, 2005).

2004

* "Attitudes towards Wildlife and the Hunt in pre-Buddhist China," in J. Knight ed., *Wildlife in Asia: Cultural Perspectives* (Richmond: Curzon, 2004), 15-35.

* "Musique et Animaux dans la Chine ancienne," in N. De Bisscop ed., *L'Empire du Dragon. Chefs-d'œuvre du Musée du Henan en Chine*. Gent: Kunsthal Sint-Pietersabdij, 2004.

2003

* "Le Pouvoir des Sens: Sagesse et Perception Sensorielle en Chine Ancienne," in *Cahiers d'Institut Marcel Granet* 1 (2003) (Presses Universitaires de France), 71-92.

2000

* "Transforming the Beasts. Animals and Music in Early China," *T'oung Pao* 86, 1-3 (2000), 1-46.

1998

* "Debating the Strange: Records of Animal Anomalies in Early China." *Working Papers in Chinese Studies* 新加坡大學中文系漢學研究中心學術論文 (Center for Chinese Studies, National University of Singapore), 1 (1998).

1996

* "An Ancient Chinese Horse Ritual," *Early China* 21 (1996), 47-79.

* "Transcending Habitats: Authority, Territory, and the Animal Realm in Warring States and Early Imperial China," *Bulletin of the British Association for Chinese Studies* 1996, 9-19.

Reviews

2007

* Mark Cziksentsmihalyi, *Readings in Han Chinese Thought* (Indiana, Hackett 2006), in the Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society (forthcoming).

2006

* Mark Cziksentsmihalyi, *Material Virtue: Ethics and the Body in Early China* (Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2004) in *The Journal of Asian Studies* 3 (2006).

* Thomas Michael, *The Pristine Dao: Metaphysics in Early Daoist Discourse* (Albany: SUNY Press, 2005), in *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies* 69/2 (2006).

2004

* Richard Strassberg, *A Chinese Bestiary: Strange Creatures from the Guideways through Mountains and Seas* (Los Angeles: University of California Press, 2003) in *The Journal of Asian Studies* 63.1 (2004).

2003

* Nicola Di Cosmo, *Ancient China and its Enemies* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002), in *The Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies* 63.2 (2003), 517-24.

* Nienhauser, William H., Jr. (ed.), Cao Weiguo, Galer, Scott W., Nienhauser, William H., Jr., and Pankenier, David W. (translators), *The Grand Scribe's Records. Volume II: The Basic Annals of Han China by Ssu-ma Ch'ien*. Bloomington & Indianapolis, Indiana University Press, 2002 in *T'oung Pao* 89 (2003).

2002

* Paul Ratika Goldin, *The Culture of Sex in Ancient China* (Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 2002), in *The Journal of Asian Studies* 61.4 (2002), 1343-45.

2000

* Lisa Raphals, *Sharing the Light. Representations of Women and Virtue in Early China* (Albany: State University of New York Press, 1998), in *Nan Nü* 2.2 (2000), 305-308.

1999

* Edward L. Shaughnessy, *Before Confucius. Studies in the Creation of the Chinese Classics* (Albany: SUNY press, 1997), in the *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies* 62.1 (1999).

Invited lectures and conference presentations (*sample*)

2010

* “Ecology and philosophy in Early China”, Biennial Conference of the European Association for Chinese Studies, Riga (Latvia), 14-17 July 2010.

2009

* “Retranslating and Re-canonizing the Canon in China Today,” “Translation and Conflict: Confucianism, the Classics and Chinese/Asian Modernities”, Center for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Cambridge, 2 July 2009.

* “Mozi 31: Explaining ghosts, again”. Paper at the Conference “The Many Faces of Mozi: a Synchronic and Diachronic Study of Mohist Thought”, K.U. Leuven, Belgium (25-28 June 2009).

* “Language and Philology: non-negotiable core competences in Asian Studies.” Humanities Spring Forum, European Science Foundation and Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation; Charles University Prague (27-30 May 2009).

* “Animalia and Pharmacopeia in Ancient Chinese Medicine.” Wellcome Unit for the History of Medicine, University College, London (18.3.2009).

* “Religion in Practice in Early China: Themes, issues, sources.” AHRC Research Training Conference “Old Chinese”. University of Edinburgh (29 January 2009).

2008

* “The Economics of Religion in Early China.” Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (17 December 2008).

* “Naturalist Illustration in Traditional China,” Seventh Joseph Needham Memorial Lecture. The East Asian History of Science Foundation (HK) jointly with The Chinese University of HK, HK University of Science and Technology, and The University of Hong Kong (18 December 2008).

* “In the Fields of Shennong,” Inaugural Lecture for the Needham Chair. University of Cambridge (30 September 2008).

* “Taozhu Gong and the Historiography of Wealth in Early China,” Conference of the European Association for Chinese Studies, Lund, Sweden (6-10 August 2008).

* “Perceptions of Wealth and Poverty in Traditional China,” Horizon-China Now Research Seminar (5-6 June 2008), University of Cambridge.

* “Zoomorphism and Sacrificial Religion in Early China,” Barker Center for the Humanities, Harvard University (23.5.08).

* “Animals, Games and Sports in Traditional China,” *Sports, Medicine and Immortality: From Ancient China to the World Wide Web*, British Museum (28.3.2008).

2007

* “The Empire of Sense: Ritual and Authority in Ancient China”, University of Granada (27.4.2007)

* “Commerce and Ritual Obligation in Early China”, Early China Seminar, SOAS, University of London (16.1.2007)

2006

* “Food, Memory and the Ancestral Cult in Early China.” Senior Religious Studies Seminar, Faculty of Divinity, Cambridge University (3.11.2006).

* “‘Fencing off a mountain to observe the spirits’: Guanzi and the economics of sacrifice in early China.” East Asian Languages and Civilisations, Harvard University (30.10.2006)

* “Zoomorphism: text and décor.” Isabella Stuart Gardner Museum, Boston, 28 October 2006.

* “Religious food taxonomies in early China”. Rijksuniversiteit Ghent (Belgium) (5/10/2006).

* “The Economics of Religion in Warring States and Han China.” Conference of the European Association for Chinese Studies, Ljubljana, Slovenia (August 2006).

* “Comments on the ‘spirit’ of sacrifice in early China: canon and practice.” Conference on Comparative Philosophy: Greek and Chinese. Faculty of Philosophy and Institute for Chinese Studies, University of Oxford (22-24/6/2006)

* “Medicine and religion in Qin China: new evidence.” University College London, Wellcome Unit for the History of Medicine (30.5.06).

* “Markets in China: a historical perspective.” Cambridge University Hong Kong and China Affairs Society (21/1/2006).

2005

- * "Early Chinese Religions: Methods and Sources". Royal Historical Society, University College, London (26/11/2005).
- * "Recipe Literature from Qin tomb no.30 at Zhoujiaitai." Needham Research Institute (14/10/05)
- * "The Limits of Illustrations: From Guo Pu to the *Bencao* tradition". International Conference on Chinese Medical Illustrations. Xiang Shan, Beijing, 14-17 September 2005.
- * "Common Religion in Qin and Han China". Conference for the Cambridge History of China (Qin and Han supplemental volume). Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge (26 June-2 July 2005).
- * "The Outlaw in Traditional China". University of Notre Dame, USA (5/4/2005).

2004

- * "On the Archaeology of Texts in Early China." Workshop on British Archaeology in China; SOAS (16/10/2004)
- * "英国汉学：回顾与发展." Institutes for History, Philology and Philosophy, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing (31/8/04).
- * "試論戰國秦漢代飲食與祭祀文化." Institute for History, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing (24/8/04).
- * "Food, politics and religion in traditional China". National Art Museum of Catalonia, Barcelona (6/7/2004)
- * "Food and Philosophy in Early China." Conference on Food & Religion in China, Trinity College, Cambridge, 1/4/04.
- * "Food and ancestral health in Early China." Wellcome Unit for the History of Medicine, University College London (3 March 2004).
- * "Monthly Ordinances recovered at Xuanquan (Dunhuang)." (Needham Research Institute, Cambridge, 30.1.04)

2003

- * "Why dragons change. Animal identities in Ancient China." Department of Social Anthropology, Queen Elisabeth House, University of Oxford (5.12.2003).
- * "Theories on the Emotions in Ancient China." Lecture series presented at the School for Comparative Philosophy, University of Antwerp (8 November 2003).
- * "Sacrifice and Self-Cultivation in Early China". Institute for Chinese Studies, University of Oxford (22.5.03)
- * "Poison, Vipers and Southerners in Han China". Needham Research Institute, Cambridge (7 March 2003)

2002

- * "Shouldering a tripod and a chopping block: an analysis of the Yi Yin narrative." Presented at the Department of Chinese Studies, National University of Singapore, 17.7.2002.
- * "Sages and Flavors in Warring States China." Paper presented on the panel entitled "The Cuisine of Sacrifice in Ancient China" at the AAS Annual Meeting 2002, 4-7 April, Washington D.C.; panel convener.
- * "China's First and Last Emperor." Lecture presented at the exhibition "Treasures from the Forbidden City", Phoenix Museum of Art, Phoenix AZ, 27/3/02.
- * "Public and Private Lives in Ancient China." Lecture presented at the exhibition "Treasures from the Forbidden City", Phoenix Museum of Art, Phoenix AZ, 9/2/02.

2001

- * Early China workshop; University of Chicago (9-11 November 2001).
- * "The Origins of Writing in Ancient China." Lecture presented at the exhibition "The Power of the Word", Arizona State Museum, Tucson AZ (9.9.2001).
- * "Animal Classification in Ancient China" Paper for the panel "Typological Parallels in Pre-Modern Sciences" at the 21st International Congress of the History of Science, Mexico City, 8-14 July 2001.

2000

- * With Liu Lexian 劉樂賢, "The Art of Charming in Dunhuang Medical Manuscripts." Conference "Dunhuang 2000: The Medical Manuscripts" School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, 9-10/9/2000.
- * "Sages and beasts: human-animal relationships in ancient China." Department of East Asian Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson AZ (3.3.00).

1999

- * "Classifying the Natural World in Early China." School for Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Oxford (26.11.1999).
- * "Créatures Mouvantes ou Etres Emouvants? Le Cas de l'Animal dans la Chine Ancienne." Institut National des Langues Orientales INALCO, Université de Paris. (28.5.1999)
- * "Debating the Strange: Records of Anomalies in Early China." Department of Asian Studies, Cornell University, Ithaca NY (26.1.1999).

1998

- * "Transforming the Beasts: Perceptions of the Animal World in Early China." Departments of Philosophy & Chinese Studies, National University of Singapore (4.11.1998).

1997

- * "Attitudes towards Wildlife and the Hunt in pre-Buddhist China." Conference on Animals in Asia. International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS), Leiden University (15-16 September 1997).
- * "The Rhapsody on the Spirit Crows: a reading of a recently recovered Western Han bamboo manuscript." Needham Research Institute, Cambridge (17.1.1997).

1996

- * "Transcending Habitats: Authority and the Animal Realm in Warring States and Early Imperial China." Conference of the British Association of Chinese Studies. Newnham College, Cambridge (20-22/9/1996).
- * "Jottings on the Horse in Early China." Needham Research Institute (March 1996).

1995

- * "Perceptions of the Soul and the Afterlife in Early China." [in Dutch] School for Comparative Philosophy, University of Antwerp, Belgium (December 1995).
- * "Metamorphosis in Early China." Paper presented on the panel, "Change and Authority in Han China." Annual Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, Washington D.C. (6-9 April 1995).
- * "Portents and Freaks in Han Texts," Needham Research Institute (May 1995).

1994

- * "Popular Religion in Han China: The Shuihudi Demonography." Needham Research Institute (March 1994).