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Education

- 1983 Ph.D., Yale University, Religious Studies. Topic: “The Northern School of Chinese Ch’an Buddhism” (passed with distinction).
1971 M.A., Yale University, Chinese Area Studies
1969 B.A., Stanford University, Anthropology

Professional Appointments

- Jan–June 2009: Shinnyo-en Visiting Professor, Buddhist Studies Program, Stanford University
Apr 2007–Mar 2008: Visiting Lecturer (part-time), Komazawa University (teaching in Japanese)
Aug 2006– : Chair, Publication Committee, Bukkyō Dendō Kyōkai, Numata Foundation
Aug–Sep 2006: Visiting Professor, Mahachulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand
Apr 2006– : Visiting Scholar, Department of Indian and Buddhist Studies, University of Tokyo
Jan–Dec 2006: Adjunct Professor of East Asian Buddhism, Indiana University
Jan–Dec 2004: Visiting Scholar, Department of Indian and Buddhist Studies, University of Tokyo, and International Research Institute for Advanced Buddhology, Soka University, Japan
2003–2005: Professor of East Asian Buddhism, Department of Religious Studies, Indiana-University
Fall 2003: Numata Distinguished Visiting Professor, University of Hawai‘i
Spring 2000: Numata Distinguished Visiting Professor, University of Hawai‘i
1996–2002: Associate Professor of East Asian Buddhism, Department of Religious Studies, Indiana University
1992–1996: Associate Professor of East Asian Religions, Department of Asian Studies, Cornell University
1989–1992: Assistant Professor of East Asian Religions, Department of Asian Studies, Cornell University
1988–1989: Assistant Professor, Department of Religion, Case Western Reserve University
1987–1988: Lecturer, Committee on the Study of Religion and Department of East Asian-Languages and Civilizations, Harvard University
1984–1985: Lecturer, Department of Religion, Princeton University
Spring 1982: Visiting Lecturer, Department of Religious Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara
Fall 1980: Visiting Lecturer, Department of Oriental Languages, University of California, Los Angeles
Jan–Jun 1979: Lecturer, Department of Religious Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara

Publications

Books:

- [『虚構の重要性：中国禅における問答、変容、と系譜』 (provisional title: *The Importance of Fabrication: Encounter, Transformation, and Genealogy in Chinese Zen Buddhism*, Japanese translation of *Seeing Through Zen*), translated by Okumura Shōhaku 奥村正博 and edited by Ogawa Takashi 小川隆, in progress, expected completion January 2010).]
- [*East Asian Buddhism: An Integrated Survey* (London: Routledge, in progress).]
- [*Zen Evangelist: Shenhui (684–758), Sudden Enlightenment, and the Southern School of Chinese Chan Buddhism* (Honolulu: University of Hawai‘i Press, in progress).]
- [*Soto Zen in America: Listening to Students* (provisional title; in progress).]
- [*Commentary on the Meaning of the Lotus Sūtra* (translation from Chinese, of the *Hokke gisho* 法華義疏 attributed to Shōtoku Taishi 聖徳太子 of Japan), BDK English Tripitaka (Berkeley: Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research, in progress), approx. 250 pages.]
- The Vimalakīrti Sūtra* (translation from Chinese), BDK English Tripitaka 26-I (Berkeley: Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research, 2004), 63–201.
- Seeing Through Zen: Encounter, Transformation, and Genealogy in Chinese Zen Buddhism* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2003).
- The Platform Sūtra of the Sixth Patriarch* (translation from Chinese), BDK English Tripitaka 73-II (Berkeley: Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research, 2000). xii + 169 pp.
- Buddhism Across Boundaries: Chinese Buddhism and the Central Regions*, co-edited with Jan Nattier (Taipei: Foguang Publishers, 1999).
- The Śūrangama Samādhi Sūtra* (translation from Chinese), BDK English Tripitaka 25-III (Berkeley: Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research, 1998), 1–94.
- The Northern School and the Formation of Early Ch’an Buddhism*, *Studies in East Asian Buddhism*, no. 3 (Honolulu: University of Hawai‘i Press, 1986).

Shorter Translations:

- Essential Teaching of the Transmission of Mind* (translation from Chinese), BDK English Tripitaka 73-III (Berkeley: Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research, 2005), 1–42.
- [*Sūtra of Mañjuśrī’s Questions* (translation from Chinese), BDK English Tripitaka (Berkeley: Numata Center for Buddhist Translation and Research, forthcoming), approx. 55 pages. (Solicited and submitted.)]
- “The Development of the ‘Recorded Sayings’ Texts of the Chinese Ch’an School,” tr. of Yanagida Seizan 柳田聖山, “Zenshū goroku no keisei 禅宗語録の形成,” in Whalen Lai and Lewis R. Lancaster, eds., *Early Ch’an in China and Tibet*, *Berkeley Buddhist-Studies*, no. 5 (Berkeley: Lancaster-Miller Press, 1983), 185–205.

Articles:

- [“Il Buddhismo Cinese dai Sui ai Song” (Buddhism, Sui to Song), translated and edited by Stefano Zacchetti, to appear in Maurizio Scarpari, general editor, *The Chinese Civilization: From Its Origins to Contemporary Times*, *Grandi Opere Einaudi* (Turin: Einaudi), 35 pp., solicited and submitted.]
- “Comparing East Asian and Southeast Asian Buddhism: Looking at Traditional China from the Margins,” *Chung-Hwa Buddhist Journal* 中華佛學學報 22 (2009): 55–81.

- 「禪問答への八正道—初期禪に現れる機縁問答の兆し—」 [The Eightfold Path to Zen Dialogue: Antecedants of encounter dialogue in early Chán], 東アジア仏教研究 [Journal of East Asian Buddhist Studies] 6 (May 2008): 21–40.
- “State Formation, Indigenization, and Buddhism in East Asian History: The Theoretical Foundation,” *Studies in Indian Philosophy and Buddhism* 13 (March 2006): 45–72.
- “Introduction,” Heinrich Dumoulin, *Zen Buddhism: A History*, vol. 1: India and China, trans. by James W. Heisig and Paul Knitter (Bloomington, IN: World Wisdom 2005, new edition), xxvii–xlii.
- “Daoxuan’s Vision of Jetavana and the Ordination Platform Movement in Medieval Chinese Buddhism,” in William M. Bodiford, ed., *Going Forth: Visions of Buddhist Vinaya*, *Studies in East Asian Buddhism*, no. 18 (Honolulu: University of Hawai‘i Press, 2004), pp. 68–100.
- articles on Schools of Chinese Buddhism and Chinese Chan in Lindsay Jones, ed., *The Encyclopedia of Religion*, second ed. (New York: Macmillan Reference Books, 2005).
- articles on the Heart Sūtra, Huineng, Kumārajīva, Ordination, and the Platform Sūtra of the Sixth Patriarch (Liuzu tan jing) in Buswell, Robert E., Jr., ed., *Encyclopedia of Buddhism* (New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2004).
- “Shenhui as Evangelist: Re-envisioning the Identity of a Chinese Buddhist Monk,” in Tanaka Ryōshō hakase koki kinen ronbunshū: Zengaku no shosō 田中良昭博士古希記念論文集：禪学の諸相 [Essays in Commemoration of Professor Tanaka Ryōshō on His Seventieth Birthday: Aspects of Zen Studies] (Tōkyō, 2003): 1–26 (from the back); also (by joint agreement) *Journal of Chinese Religion* 30 (2002): 123–48.
- “Religion as Revolution in Chinese Historiography: Hu Shih (1891–1962) on Shen-hui (684–758),” *Cahiers d’Extrême-Asie* 12 (2001): 59–102.
- 「審視傳承—陳述禪宗的另一種方式」 “Shenshi chuancheng—chenshu Chanzong di ling yizhong fangshi” [Looking at lineage: A different way of presenting Chan Buddhism], *Chung-Hwa Buddhist Journal* 13 (2000): 281–98 [in Chinese, with English summary].
- “The Antecedents of Encounter Dialogue in Chinese Ch’an Buddhism,” in Steven Heine and Dale S. Wright, eds., *The Kōan: Texts and Contexts in Zen Buddhism* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2000), 46–74.
- “Shen-hui’s Vocation on the Ordination Platform and Our Visualization of Medieval Chinese Ch’an Buddhism,” *Annual Report, The Institute for Zen Studies* 24 (December 1998): 43–66.
- entries on Zhi Dun and the Platform Sūtra, in Edward Craig, ed., *Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (London and New York: Routledge, 1998).
- “Chinese Religions: the State of the Field (Part II) Living Religious Traditions: Taoism, Confucianism, Buddhism, Islam, and Popular Religion,” co-authored with Daniel Overmyer, et al., *Journal of Asian Studies* 54, no. 2. (May 1995): 354–71 (section on Chinese Buddhism).
- “Yanagida Seizan’s Landmark Works on Chinese Ch’an,” *Cahiers d’Extrême-Asie* 7 (1993–1994): 51–103.
- “Political Implications of a Zen portrait,” in B. Luk, ed., *Contacts Between Cultures*, vol. 4: Eastern Asia: History and Social Sciences (Lewiston, ME: The Edwin Mellen Press, 1992), 76–81.
- “Encounter dialogue and the transformation of the spiritual path in Chinese Ch’an,” in Robert E. Buswell, Jr., and Robert M. Gimello, eds., *Paths to Liberation: The Marga and its Transformations in Buddhist Thought* (Honolulu: University of Hawai‘i Press, 1992), 339–69.
- “Reconstituting Yōsai (1141–1215): The ‘combined practice’ as an authentic interpretation of the Buddhist tradition,” 1991 *Anthology of Buddhist Studies* (Kaohsiung, Taiwan: Foguang chubanshe, 1992), 332–424.
- “Demythologizing Ch’an Buddhism: American scholars in dialogue with our mentors,” 1990 *Anthology of Fo Kuang Shan International Buddhist Conference* (Kaohsiung, Taiwan:

Foguang chubanshe, 1992), 530–48.

- “Oriental verities on the American frontier: The 1893 World’s Parliament of Religions and the Thought of Masao Abe,” *Buddhist-Christian Studies* 11 (1991):7–36.
- 「論神會大師像：梵僧與政治在南詔大理國」 “Lun Shenhui daishi xiang: Fanseng yu zhengzhi zai Nanzhao Dali guo” [On the image of Great Master Shenhui: Hagiography and Politics in the Nanzhao/Dali kingdoms], *Yunnan shehui kexue* 雲南科學 (June 1991): 89–94 and 37.
- Entries on Shen-hsiu and Shen-hui, in John R. Hinnells, ed., *Who’s Who of Religions* (London and Basingstoke: Macmillan Press Ltd., 1991), 372–73.
- “The legend of Hui-neng and the mandate of heaven,” *Fo Kuang Shan Report of International Conference on Ch’an Buddhism* (Kaohsiung, Taiwan: Foguang chubanshe, 1990), 69–82.
- “The Historical Legacy of Religion in China: Report on a Workshop Held at Harvard University,” co-authored with Jackie Armijo-Hussein, et al., *Journal of Chinese Religions* 17 (Fall 1989): 61–116.
- “Report: The Platform Sūtra in religious and cultural perspective,” *The Eastern Buddhist*, n.s. 22, no. 2 (Autumn 1989): 130–35.
- “Ch’an Commentaries on the Heart Sūtra,” *Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies* 11, no. 2 (1988): 87–115.
- “The Story of Early Ch’an,” in Kenneth Kraft, ed., *Zen: Tradition and Transition* (New York: Grove Press, 1988), 125–39.
- “Shen-hui and the Teaching of Sudden Enlightenment in Early Ch’an Buddhism,” in Peter N. Gregory, ed., *Sudden and Gradual: Approaches to Enlightenment in Chinese Thought*, *Studies in East Asian Buddhism*, no. 5 (Honolulu: University of Hawai’i Press, 1987), 227–78.
- “The Ox-head School of Chinese Buddhism: From Early Ch’an to the Golden Age,” R. M. Gimello and P. N. Gregory, eds., *Studies in Ch’an and Hua-yen*, *Studies in East Asian Buddhism*, no. 1 (Honolulu: University of Hawai’i Press, 1983), 169–253.

Book reviews:

- The Mystique of Transmission: On an Early Chan History and its Contexts*, Wendi L. Adamek. (New York: Columbia University Press, 2007). In *History of Religions*, forthcoming.
- 「日本の禅研究と私：小川隆『神会』『語録のことば』の刊行にちなんで」 (“Chan Studies in Japan: On Ogawa Takashi’s Shenhui and The Language of Recorded Sayings”), *Tōhō 東方 [Eastern Book Review]* 320 (October, 2007): 2–6. Reprinted *Zen Bunka 禅文化 [Culture of Zen]* 207 (January 2008).
- The Hongzhou School of Chan Buddhism in Eighth- Through Tenth-century China*, Jinhua Jia. Albany: SUNY Press, 2006. H-NET H-Buddhism online forum.
- Review article: *Ordinary Mind as the Way: The Hongzhou School and the Growth of Chan Buddhism*, Mario Poceski. Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2007. In *China Review International* 15, no. 2 (2008): 170–84.
- Inventing Hui-neng, the Sixth Patriarch: Hagiography and Biography in Early Ch’an*, John Jorgensen. *Sinica Leidensia*, vol. 68. Leiden and Boston: E. J. Brill, 2005. In *China Review International* 14, no. 1 (Spring 2007): 132–46.
- The Eminent Monk: Buddhist Ideals in Medieval Chinese Hagiography*, John Kieschnick. *Kuroda Institute Studies in East Asian Buddhism*, no. 10. Honolulu: University of Hawai’i Press, 1997. vii, 218 pp. In *China Review International*, 11, no. 1 (Spring 2004): 121–29.
- Monks and Monarchs, Kinship and Kingship: Tanqian in Sui Buddhism and Politics*, Chen Jinhua. *Italian School of East Asian Studies Essays*, vol. 3; Kyoto: Scuola Italiana di Studi sull’Asia Orientale, 2002. In *Journal of Chinese Religions* 31 (2003): 223–26.

- Cultural Intersections in Later Chinese Buddhism, Marsha Weidner, ed. Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 2001. Online review in H-Asia, February 2003.
- The Bodhidharma Anthology: The Earliest Records of Zen, Jeffrey L. Broughton. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1999. xii + 186 pp. In *Journal of Chinese Religions* 28 (2000): 193–99.
- Buddhism in the Sung, Peter N. Gregory and Daniel A. Getz, Jr., eds. Kuroda Institute, Studies in East Asian Buddhism, no. 13. Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 1999. In *The Journal of Asian Studies* 60, no. 1 (February 2001): 163–64.
- Politics and Transcendent Wisdom: The Scripture for Humane Kings in the Creation of Chinese Buddhism, Charles D. Orzech. University Park: Penn State University Press, 1998. In *Journal of Chinese Religions* 27 (1999): 113–21.
- The Five Houses of Zen, Thomas Cleary. Boston: Shambala, 1997. In *Journal of Chinese Religions* 27 (1999): 140–41.
- Zenbase CD1, Urs App, International Research Institute for Zen Studies, Kyoto. In *Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies* 20, no. 1 (summer 1997): 165–74.
- Surrejoinder to comments to the editor by Peter Hershock (see following item). In *Journal of Asian Studies* 57, no. 1 (February 1998): 167–68.
- Liberating Intimacy: Enlightenment and Social Virtuosity in Ch'an Buddhism, Peter D. Hershock. Albany: State University of New York Press, 1996. In *Journal of Asian Studies* 56, no. 2 (May 1997): 474–76.
- Buddhist and Taoist Practice in Medieval Chinese Society, Buddhist and Taoist Studies II, edited by David W. Chappell. Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 1987. In *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 57, no. 4 (Winter 1989): 849–57.
- Dogen's Manuals of Zen Meditation, Carl Bielefeldt. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1988. In *The Journal of Asian Studies* 48, no. 4 (November 1989): 853–54.
- Death Was His Koan: The Samurai-Zen of Suzuki Shosan, by Winston L. King. Berkeley: Asian Humanities Press, 1986. In *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 57, no. 3 (Fall 1989): 647–52.
- Buddhist Hermeneutics, edited by Donald S. Lopez, Jr. Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 1988. In *The Journal of Asian Studies* 48, no. 1 (February 1989): 120–21.
- Zen Dawn: Early Zen Texts from Tun Huang, translated by J. C. Cleary. Boston: Shambala, 1986. In *The Eastern Buddhist* n.s. 19, no. 2 (Autumn 1986): 138–46.

Teaching and service related publications:

- “Soto Zen in America (7): “We’re Still Here, George!” *Dharma Eye* 13 (December 2004), pp..
- “Soto Zen in America (6): Quitters!,” *Dharma Eye* 11 (December 2002): pp..
- “Soto Zen in America (5): Zen at School,” *Dharma Eye* 10 (May 2002): 7–8.
- “Soto Zen in America (4): Doin’ the Dharma Two-step,” *Dharma Eye* 9 (October 2001): 18–21.
- “Soto Zen in America (3): Wimpy Missionaries at Work,” *Dharma Eye* 8 (April 2001): 10–13.
- “Soto Zen in America (2): San Francisco Body Work,” *Dharma Eye* 7 (October 2000): 9–10.
- “Soto Zen in America (1): The Incredible Variety of Sitting,” *Dharma Eye* 6 (May 2000): 6–7.
- “Introduction,” *Only a Great Rain: A Guide to Chinese Buddhist Meditation*, by Master Hsing Yun, trans. by Tom Graham (Boston: Wisdom Publications, 1999), 1–15.

Conference Papers, Workshops, and Special Lectures:

- “The Hagiography of Bodhidharma: What’s True? What’s Important?,” Oslo Buddhist Studies Forum, October 5, 2009
- “Historical Sequencing of Chinese Chan Texts and Topics: Future strategies for text markup,” Conference on “Early Chán Manuscripts among the Dūnhuáng Findings” and “Resources in the Mark-up and Digitization of Historical Texts,” University of Oslo, September 28 to October 2, 2009
- “东亚与东南亚佛教之比较——从周边看传统中国” [Comparing the Buddhisms of East and Southeast Asia: Looking at China from the margins], Conference: 佛教與東亞思想傳統 [Buddhism and East Asian Traditions of Thought], Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China, September 18–20, 2009
- “Critiquing the Critique of Buddhist ‘Enlightenment Experience,’” 2008–2009 Shinnyo-en Lecture in Buddhist Studies, Stanford University, April 22, 2009
- “Glimmerings of India (2): The Emergence of Chinese Chan Buddhism and the Western Regions,” Conference on “Indian Mythology and the Chinese Imagination,” Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel, March 25–26, 2009
- “Critiquing Robert Sharf’s Critique of Meditative Experience,” Department of Religious Studies, Stanford University, March 5, 2009, and Buddhist Studies Seminar, Columbia University, New York, April 2, 2009
- “Bodhidharma and the Origins of Chan Buddhism,” University of Virginia, January 30, 2009 and University of the West, February 26, 2009
- “Glimmerings of India (1): The role of Bodhidharma in the formation of Chinese Chan Buddhism,” Conference on Buddhism Across Asia: Networks of Material, Intellectual and Cultural Exchange, Institute Of Southeast Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, February 16–18, 2009
- “Early Chán Meditation: Between Tiāntái Samādhi Practice and Táng Encounter dialogue, part 1,” International Association of Buddhist Studies triannual meeting, Atlanta, June 2008
- “The Hagiography of Bodhidharma: The Evolution of a Mythic Image and its Religious Meaning,” Tel Aviv University, April 8, 2008
- “Web Distribution of BDK Translations,” Joint International Conference on Digital Buddhist Studies, Dharma Drum Buddhist College, February 15–17, 2008
- 「禅の出発点：菩提達摩と『二入四行論』の再発見」 (The Starting-point of Zen: Rediscovering Bodhidharma and the Treatise on the Two Entrances and Four Practices)、公開講演、駒澤大学大学院仏教学研究會, January 28, 2008
- 「禅問答への八正道：初期禅における機縁問答の兆し」 (The Eightfold Path to Zen Dialogue: Antecedents of Encounter Dialogue in Early Chan ; コメントーター：小川隆、駒澤大学; commentator: Ogawa Takashi, Komazawa University) , 東アジア仏教研究会次大会の発表 (日本語) , December 1, 2007
- 「禅の揺り籠：菩提達磨と原始禅のながれ」 (The Cradle of Chan: Bodhidharma and the Evolution of Proto-Chan), Autumn Public Lecture Series, four presentations 秋期公開講座 (日本語での社会人むき講演、四回), Komazawa University, October-November, 2007
- “On Chinese Buddhism and Chinese Buddhist Studies,” Fourth Torchinov Commemorative Conference, Department of Philosophy, St. Petersburg University, Russia, February 7, 2007
- “Chán Studies in Contemporary Japan: A Report on Developments of the Last Decade,” Zen Seminar, Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, November 2006
- “Comparing the Buddhisms of East and Southeast Asia: Applying a Macro-regional Perspective,” Princeton University, November 13; University of California, Berkeley, November 9, 2006; Stanford University, November 8, 2006

- “Which Department Stores Zen: Bargains and Sales in Recent Studies on Chinese Chan Buddhism,” Siam Society, Bangkok, Thailand, August 17, 2006
- “Sinification and Indianization: State Formation, Cultural Influence, and Indigenization in the History of Buddhism in East and Southeast Asia,” Buddhist Studies Conference, “Aspects of Buddhist Studies,” sponsored by International Buddhist College, Thailand, and held at Than Hsiang Temple, Penang, Malaysia, August 11–13, 2006
- Summer Seminar on the Sūtras, Jemez Springs Bodhi Manda, New Mexico, June 2006
- 「ある赤鬚故人の禅宗史研究」 (“A Red-bearded Barbarian’s Experience in Zen Studies”; one-hour multimedia presentation in Japanese), Komazawa University Institute for Zen Studies, December 16, 2004
- 「東アジアにおけるシニシゼーション、シニフィケーションと、仏教の普及」 (“Sinicization, Sinification, and the Dissemination of Buddhism in East Asia”; one-hour presentation, with discussion, in Japanese), University of Tokyo, December 13, 2004
- 「『アメリカにおける曹洞禅』のプロジェクトを紹介する」 (“An Introduction to the ‘Soto Zen in America’ Project”; two-hour presentation, with discussion, in Japanese), Tōyō University, December 4, 2004
- 「『曹洞禅在美國』：初歩研究計畫之概要」 (“Sōtō Zen in America: Initial Project Summary”; 45-minute presentation, in Chinese), Conference in Honor of Ven. Yinshun, Tzu Chi University, Hualian, Taiwan, Dec. 12, 2004
- “Two megaprocesses of East Asian history and their interaction: The dissemination of Buddhism and active sinification,” The International Research Institute for Advanced Buddhist Studies, Soka University, December 1, 2004
- “Iconography of a Mythic Hero: Prince Shōtoku and the Beginnings of Japanese Buddhism,” Department of Religion, University of Hawai‘i, Honolulu, September 29, 2004
- 「『アメリカにおける曹洞禅』：プロジェクトの初期の要約」 (“Sōtō Zen in America: Initial Project Summary”; 20-minute presentation, in Japanese), Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Indian and Buddhist Philosophy, July 24, 2004
- 「聖徳太子、六祖慧能、並びに在日外人である楽しみ」 (“Prince Shōtoku, the Sixth Patriarch Huineng, and the Joy of Being a Foreigner in Japan”; 60-minute presentation, in Japanese), Institute of Oriental Culture, University of Tokyo (東京大学東洋文化研究所), March 13, 2004
- “Collaborative Learning and the ECAI TimeMap Interface: A wish list,” paper, Electronic Cultural Atlas Initiative meeting, Bangkok, Thailand, December 12, 2003
- participation in workshop, “Contemporary American Buddhism: Its Prospects and Impact,” with Drs. George Tanabe, Roy Perrett, Poranee Natadecha-Sponsel, and Leslie Sponsel, Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin, Honolulu, November 15, 2003
- “Contemporary American Buddhism: Its Prospects and Impact,” invited lecture, Futaba Kenkō Memorial Lecture Series, Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin, Honolulu, November 14, 2003
- “The rules of Zen Studies: Conceptual guardrails for conceptualizing the Zen tradition,” Zen Buddhism Seminar (on “Zen and the Politics of Difference”), American Academy of Religion annual meeting, Toronto, November 25, 2002
- “Shenhui as Evangelist,” University of California, Berkeley; March 19, 2002
- “Rethinking Buddhism in Chinese History: Bai 白族 cultural strategies and the processes of sinification,” East Asian Studies Colloquium, University of California, Los Angeles; February 25, 2002
- participant, Korean Religions Group panel discussion, American Academy of Religion annual meeting, November 2001, subject: “Korean Transformation of Buddhism or Buddhist Transformation of Korea?”
- “Dogen Zen in Japan and America,” public lecture at celebration of preparatory celebration of 750th anniversary of Dogen’s death, Zenshūji Mission Temple, Los Angeles, May 12, 2001

- “Soto Zen in America: Preliminary Reflections,” afternoon workshop for American Soto Zen-teachers, Zenshujī Mission Temple, Los Angeles, May 11, 2001
- “Reading Chinese Buddhist texts,” two-week intensive class at Hsi Lai University, Rosemead, California, July 14–28, 2001
- Workshop (with Jan Nattier), “The Vimalakīrti Sūtra,” Zen Center of San Francisco, Saturday - Sunday, July 15–16, 2000
- 「美國諸大學院佛學之現狀」 (“Graduate Studies in Buddhism in the United States”), Hengping Institute of Buddhist Studies 亨平佛學院, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, June 4, 2000
- “Religion as Revolution in Chinese Historiography: Hu Shih (1891–1962) on Shen-hui (684–758),” Conference on “Religion and Chinese Society: The Transformation of a Field and Its Implications for the Study of Chinese Culture,” Chinese University of Hong Kong, May 31, 2000
- 「審視傳承—陳述禪宗的另一種方式」 (“Looking at lineage: A different way of presenting Chan Buddhism”; presented in Chinese), Department of Religious Studies, Nanking-University 南京大學, Nanjing, China, May 29, 2000
- Workshop (with Jan Nattier), “The Heart Sūtra,” Zen Mountain Monastery, Saturday-Sunday, November 13–14, 1999
- “Zen and the Art of Fundraising,” Yale University Council on Area Studies presentation, September 23, 1999
- “Buddhism, Bai Ethnic Identity, and the ‘Franchise Culture’ Hypothesis: Mimetic Sinicization by the Nanzhao/Dali Kingdom and the Han Takeover,” at the conference “Shaping Identity: Buddhism, Ethnicity and Nation in Asia,” University of Hawai‘i, June 25–27, 1999
- Workshop, “Looking at Lineage,” Luz Serena Zen Community (Comunidad Budista Soto Zen), Valencia, Spain, June 16–20, 1999
- “Bai Ethnic Identity, Dali Religion, and the ‘Franchise Culture’ Hypothesis,” Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, May 31, 1999
- “Buddhism and Buddhist Studies in the United States” (given in Chinese),” Dharma Drum-University, Anhe City Campus, Taipei, Taiwan, May 20, 1999
- “Shenhui: Persona and History” (given in Chinese), National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan, May 14, 1999
- “Looking at lineage: A different way of presenting Chan Buddhism” (given in Chinese), Chung-Hwa Institute of Buddhist Studies, Peitou, Taiwan, April 28, 1999
- Workshop, “From Bodhidharma to the Platform Sūtra,” Zen Mountain Monastery, Saturday-Sunday, November 14–15, 1998
- Workshop, “The Origins of Chinese Zen: Lineage, Practice, and Encounter,” Zen Center of San Francisco, Saturday-Sunday, April 25–26, 1998
- “Arguing from Silence: The Absence of Pure Land Buddhism in Dali Religion,” Third Chung-Hwa International Conference on Buddhism, Taipei, Taiwan; July 17, 1997
- “What is it about the Bai?” Buddhist Studies Program, Michigan University; April 18, 1997
- “What is it about the Bai?” East Asian Colloquium, East Asian Studies Center, Indiana University; January 31, 1997
- “Buddhism in Yunnan: Notes from the field,” at Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana; October 12, 1996
- “Introduction to the Cooperative Research Project on Buddhism and Popular Religion of the Bai People” (in Chinese), Dali Prefecture Museum, Yunnan, China; February 1, 1996
- “Buddhism and Popular Religion in Yunnan Province,” at “Religion in Contemporary China,” The Wilson Center Library, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC; May 9, 1995

Principal Recent Grants and Awards

- Jan-Dec 2004: Japan Foundation grant for research in Japan; topic: “A Conceptual Map of East Asian Buddhism: The ‘Prince Shōtoku’ Lotus Sūtra commentary in transcultural perspective”
- Summer 2003: Summer Faculty Fellowship, Indiana University; topic: “A Conceptual Map of East Asian Buddhism: The ‘Prince Shōtoku’ Lotus Sūtra commentary in transcultural perspective”
- Spring 2000: Teaching Excellence Recognition Award, Department of Religious Studies, Indiana University
- Dec 1998 to Aug 1999: Fulbright Foundation Grant for Research in Taiwan, replacement salary and travel expenses; topic: “Religious Significance of the Zhang Shengwen Scroll”
- 1998: Fellow, Freshman Learning Project, \$5,000 for participation in program aimed at improving undergraduate education
- Summer 1998: Summer Faculty Fellowship, Indiana University; topic: “Sanskrit Texts from Southwest China”
- 1996: Academic Equipment Grant, Sun Microsystems, \$50,000 (Ultra-SPARC II workstation and peripherals)
- 1994–1997: U.S.–China Cooperative Research Grant, Henry Luce Foundation, \$160,000 for three-year collaborative project on “Buddhism and Popular Religion of the Bai People of Yunnan”
- 1992: Academic Equipment Grant, Sun Microsystems, \$50,000 (Unix workstation and peripherals)

Organizational activities

- Nov 2003: organized panel for annual meeting, American Academy of Religion; title: “The Response to Modernity: Interactions between Japanese and European-Scholarship on Buddhism”; in Cultural History of the Study of Religion Consultation; participants: Mark Blum (SUNY Albany), Richard Jaffe (Duke University), Masahiro Shimoda, University of Tokyo, and Shizuka Suzuki (Hanazono University, Kyoto); with Constance Furey (Indiana) as discussant
- Aug 1999: organizer of three-week workshop on “Translation of Japanese Zen Buddhist Texts,” held at Indiana University
- Jun 23–24, 1995: co-organizer for conference on “The Buddhist Vinaya in East Asia,” at Foguang shan Taipei Daochang, Taipei, Taiwan
- Jan 3–6, 1993: co-organizer for conference on “Buddhism Across Boundaries: The Sources of Chinese Buddhism” at Hsi Lai University, Hacienda Heights, California
- Jul 13–18, 1992: U.S. coordinator for conference at Wutaishan, Shanxi, China, on “The Regional Dynamics of Chinese Buddhism,” sponsored by Shanxi University to commemorate its ninetieth anniversary
- May 14–16, 1992: coordinator for conference on “Sung Dynasty Ch’an Buddhism Throughout East Asia: A Comparative Approach” at Hsi Lai University, Hacienda Heights
- Dec 25–29, 1990: U.S. organizational liaison for conference “Buddhism in the Modern World,” at Foguang shan, Kaohsiung, Taiwan
- Jan 9–13, 1989: Principal organizer for conference “The *Platform Sūtra* in religious and cultural perspective,” at Foguang shan, Kaohsiung, Taiwan
- Sep 1986 to May 1988: Coordinator for the Buddhist Studies Forum, Harvard University
- Apr 22–24, 1988: Principal organizer for workshop “The Historical Legacy of Religion in China,” Harvard University

- Mar 1988: Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, panel organizer and chairperson: “The *Platform Sūtra* in post-T’ang China”
- Mar 1985: Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, panel organizer and chairperson: “Ch’an and Zen Studies—The State of the Field”
- Nov 1983: Kuroda Institute and California State University, Los Angeles: oral interpreter for conference on the Japanese Zen Master Dōgen

Professional Activities

Current positions:

Member, Board of Directors and Editorial Board, Kuroda Institute
Member of Editorial Board, Journal of Chinese Religion
Member of Editorial Board, Buddhist Literature
Member of Editorial Board, China Review International

Former positions:

Chair, Search Committee for Editor, Journal of the American Academy of Religion (2003)
Webmaster, Society for the Study of Chinese Religions
Member, Executive Committee, East Asian Studies Center, Indiana University
Director, Religious Studies Program, Cornell University
Graduate Faculty Representative, Field of Asian Studies, Cornell University
Co-chair of Buddhism Section, American Academy of Religion (1992–1995)
Member, Faculty Advisory Board on Information Technologies, Cornell University
Founding Member, Committee on Computational Resources, Cornell University
Director, Cornell University Chinese-Japanese-Korean Computing and Database Facility (CJK-CDF) Chair, East Asia Program Library Committee, Cornell University

Memberships:

Japanese Association of Indian and Buddhist Studies (印度学仏教学研究会)
Association of East Asian Buddhist Studies (東アジア仏教研究会)
American Academy of Religion
Association for Asian Studies
Society for the Study of Chinese Religions
Society for the Study of Japanese Religions