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ACADEMIC DEGREES

Ph.D. in Sociology, National University of Singapore

Dissertation: Overseas Chinese Christian Entrepreneurs in China

Advisor: Prof. Bryan Turner, Ph.D.

Master in Communication Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

Master of Divinity, Singapore Bible College

BA in Journalism, National ChengChi University, Taiwan

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Sociology of Religion (Christianity and Islam), China and Chinese Diaspora (U.S.A., Singapore, Hong Kong, and Taiwan), Women's Studies (especially Women's Entrepreneurship and Women in Islam), Racial and Ethnic Diversity, and Southeast Asia in general.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2011-present Assistant Professor, Intercultural Studies, Indiana Wesleyan University

2011-present Research Fellow, Purdue Center on Religion and Chinese Society

2009-2011 Postdoctoral Research Associate, Purdue Center on Religion and Chinese Society, Sociology department

AWARDS

2012 Principium Faculty Lecture Series for 2012-2013, Indiana Wesleyan University

2011 Hinds Fellowship Award for 2012-2013, Indiana Wesleyan University

2009 Ananda Rajah Prize for Best PhD thesis in the Sociology Department, National University of Singapore

GRANTS AND COLLABORATIONS

2012 Fenggang Yang and Joy Tong, Global Research Synergy Grant, College of Liberal Arts, Purdue University (\$23,000)

2011 Joy Tong and Fenggang Yang. Jack Shand Research Award, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (\$3,000)

2011 Case Study Researcher, Belief in Enterprise Project, University of Cambridge and University of Cape Town (\$1,100)

2009 Joy Tong and Fenggang Yang, finalist of "Pentecostal and Charismatic Research Initiative" from University of Southern California, sponsored by John Templeton

- Foundation (\$100,000)
- 2009 Ralph A. Gallagher Travel Grant from Association for the Sociology of Religion (\$500)
- 2009 Travel Grant from National University of Singapore (\$1,150)
- 2008 Travel Grant from Japan Sociological Society for Non-Japanese Young Scholars from Overseas (\$8,250)
- 2008 Fieldwork Grant from National University of Singapore (\$3,850)
- 2006-2009 Postgraduate Research Scholarship, National University of Singapore (\$70,000)
- 2002-2005 Postgraduate Research Scholarship, Nanyang Technological University (\$40,000)

PUBLICATIONS

Book

- Tong, Joy Kooi-Chin. 2012. *Overseas Chinese Christian Entrepreneurs in Modern China* (Key Issues in Modern Sociology). London: Anthem Press.

Journal

- Tong, Joy Kooi-Chin and Bryan Turner. 2008. "Women, Piety and Practices: A Study of Women and Religious Practice in Malaysia." *Contemporary Islam*, 2(1) March.

Book Chapters

- Tong, Joy Kooi-Chin. 2013. Forthcoming. "Pentecostalism in Asia," in Pino Lucà Trombetta (ed.) *Globalized Pentecostalism*.
- Tong, Joy Kooi-Chin. 2012. "Christian Ethics and Business Life: An Ethnographic Account of Overseas Chinese Christian Entrepreneurs in China's Economic Transition," in Francis Lim (ed.), *Christianity in Contemporary China: Socio-Cultural Perspectives*, London & New York: Routledge.
- Tong, Joy Kooi-Chin. 2011. "Religious Experience of a Young Congregation," in Michael Bailey et al, (eds) *Mediating Faith*, London: Ashgate.
- Tong, Joy Kooi-Chin. 2008. "McDonaldization and the Mega-Church: A Case Study of City Harvest Church in Singapore," in Pattana Kitiarsa (ed.), *Religious Commodifications in Asia: Marketing Gods*, London & New York: Routledge.

Book Review

- Tong, Joy Kooi-Chin. 2010. "Gods in the Global Village: The World's Religion in Sociological Perspective," by Lester R. Kurtz *Asian Journal of Social Science* 38(4):665-666.

Short Essays

- Tong, Joy Kooi-Chin. 2002. "Press Council: Its functions and Social Consequences," (in Chinese), *Perspektif Pedas*.

FIELD EXPERIENCE

- 2009-present Ethnographic research with believers and leaders of global Chinese charismatic movement in U.S.A, Singapore, and Malaysia.
- 2007-present Ethnographic research with Christian businesspeople in Taiwan, China, and Singapore.
- 2007-present Ethnographic research with mega-churches in Asia.
- 2007 Ethnographic research with local people and leaders at Dili, East Timor.
- 2006-2007 Ethnographic research with Muslim women in Kelantan, Malaysia, in connection with a research project on piety and practices with Prof. Bryan Turner.
- 2004 Ethnographic research with media practitioners in Jakarta, Indonesia, in connection with M.Com. thesis, *Press control and self-regulation in Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore.*

INVITED REVIEWER for JOURNALS

Sociology of Religion, Culture and Religion, Journal of Current Chinese Affairs

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP:

American Sociological Association
Association for the Sociology of Religion
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
International Sociological Association.

REFERENCES

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