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EDUCATION

Ph.D., History, Cornell University, 2006

Dissertation: “Gender, History and Modernity: Representing Women in Twentieth-Century Colonial Burma”

Award: *Lauriston Sharp Dissertation Prize*

M.A., History, Cornell University, 2002

B.A., Asian Studies, Cornell University, 1999

POSITIONS HELD

Associate Professor, Department of History, Rutgers University (New Brunswick), 2014–ongoing

Assistant Professor, Department of History, Rutgers University (New Brunswick), 2012–2014

Assistant Professor, Department of Southeast Asian Studies, National University of Singapore,
2007–June 2012

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, College of the Holy Cross (Worcester,
Massachusetts), 2006–2007

Rockefeller Postdoctoral Fellow, Project for Critical Asian Studies, Simpson Center for the
Humanities, University of Washington at Seattle, 2005–2006

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

InterAsian Intimacies across Religion, Race, and Colonialism (Cornell University Press, in press)

Contestations over Gender in Asia, edited with Lyn Parker and Laura Dales (London: Routledge, 2015).

Refiguring Women, Colonialism, and Modernity in Burma (Honolulu: University of Hawai’i Press, 2011)

ARTICLES, CHAPTERS, AND ESSAYS

“The Body of the Burmese Muslim,” in *Bodies Beyond Binaries in Colonial and Postcolonial Asia*,
edited by Elena Valdameri, Kate Imy, Teresa Segura-Garcia, and Erica Wald (Leiden University
Press, forthcoming).

Co-authored with Chiara Formichi, Barbara Andaya, Christina Firpo, Guo-Quan Seng, and Taomo Zhou,
“Paving the Road Ahead: Women in (post) Colonial Southeast Asia,” *Journal of Southeast Asian
Studies*, vol 55, no. 1 (February 2024).

- “Foreword,” in *Waves of Upheaval: Political Transitions and Gendered Transformations in Myanmar*, edited by Jenny Hedström and Elisabeth Olivius (Copenhagen: NIAS Press, 2022): ix–xiii.
- “Belonging Across Religion, Race, and Nation in Burma-Myanmar,” in *The Palgrave International Handbook of Mixed Racial and Ethnic Classification*, edited by Zarine L. Rocha and Peter J. Aspinall (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020): 757–778.
- “Talking Sex, Making Love: P. Moe Nin and Intimate Modernity in Colonial Burma,” in *Modern Times in Southeast Asia, 1920s-1970s*, edited by Susie Protschky and Tom van den Berge (Leiden: Brill, 2018): 136–165.
- “Transcultural Intimacies in British Burma and the Straits Settlements: A History of Belonging, Difference, and Empire,” in *Belonging Across the Bay of Bengal: Religious Rites, Colonial Migrations, National Rights*, edited by Michael Laffan (London: Bloomsbury Publishing, 2017): 117–138.
- “Masculinities in Asia: A Review Essay,” *Asian Studies Review* 38.2 (June 2014): 243–252.
- “Colonial Intimacies in Comparative Perspective: Intermarriage, law, and cultural difference in British Burma,” Special issue, *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History* 14.1 (Spring 2013).
- “The Life and Writings of a Patriotic Feminist: Independent Daw San of Burma,” in *Women in Southeast Asian Nationalist Movements*, edited by Susan Blackburn and Helen Ting (National University of Singapore Press, 2013): 23–47.
- “The Scientific and Hygienic Housewife-and-Mother: Education, Consumption, and the Discourse of Domesticity,” *Journal of Burma Studies* 14 (2010): 59–89.
- “The Modern Burmese Woman and the Politics of Fashion in Colonial Burma,” *Journal of Asian Studies* 67.4 (2008): 1277–1308.
- “The ‘Traditional’ High Status of Women in Burma: A Historical Reconsideration,” *Journal of Burma Studies* 10 (2005/2006): 51–81.

NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- Review of Wen-Chin Chang and Eric Tagliacozzo, eds., *Burmese Lives: Ordinary Life Stories Under the Burmese Regime* (2014), *Journal of Asian Studies* 75.2 (May 2016): 565–567.
- Review of Barbara W. Andaya, *The Flaming Womb: Repositioning Women in Early Modern Southeast Asia* (2008), *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient/Journal d’Histoire Economique et Sociale de l’Orient* 53.4 (2010): 668–670.
- Review of Monique Skidmore, ed., *Burma at the Turn of the 21st Century* (2005), *Journal of Asian Studies* 67.1 (2008): 350–351.
- “Feminism: Southeast Asia” *The Encyclopedia of the Modern World (post-1750)*, New York: Oxford University Press (2008): 303–304.
- Review of Gregor Muller, *Colonial Cambodia's 'Bad Frenchmen': the Rise of French Rule and the Life of Thomas Caraman, 1840-87* (2006), *Journal of Asian Studies* 66.2 (2007): 869–870.

Review of Elaine Halton, *Lord of the Celestial Elephant* (1999), SOAS Bulletin of Burma Research 4.1 (2006).

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Rutgers Global International Collaborative Research Grant, Rutgers Global, Rutgers University, 2023–2025

Global Asias Interdisciplinary Pedagogy Grant, Global Asias Initiative, Rutgers University, 2022–2023

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, NEH, 2020–2021

Japan Studies Fellowship, Japan Foundation, 2019–2020

Institute for Research on Women Seminar Fellowship, Institute for Research on Women, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 2017–2018

Rutgers Research Council Grant, 2016–2017

Rutgers Center for Chinese Studies Faculty Fellowship, 2016–2017

GAIA Grant for Interdisciplinary Working Groups (Special Focus: Rethinking Regional and Area Studies), Center for Global Advancement and International Affairs, Rutgers University, 2016–2017

Center for Southeast Asian Studies Fellowship for Visiting Research Scholar, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University, January 2015–July 2015

Institute for Research on Women Seminar Fellowship, Institute for Research on Women, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 2013–2014

Humanities and Social Sciences Faculty Research Fellowship, National University of Singapore, 2011–2012

Teaching Excellence Award, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, National University of Singapore, 2011

Faculty Staff Research Support Scheme, National University of Singapore, 2010–2011

Start-Up Grant, National University of Singapore, 2007–2010

Special Subject Research Grant, Toyota Foundation, 2006–2008

Lauriston Sharp Dissertation Prize, Southeast Asia Program, Cornell University, 2006

Cunningham Dissertation Fellowship, Cornell University, 2004–2005

Dissertation Travel Grant, Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University, 2005 & 2003

Beatrice Brown Award, Women's Studies Program, Cornell University, 2005 & 2002

Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, Institute of Historical Research, University of London, 2003–2004

International Fellowship, American Association of University Women, 2002–2003

Pre-dissertation Travel Grant, Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University, 2002

Sage Fellowship, Department of History, Cornell University, 2000–2001

INVITED TALKS

- “Thinking Miscegenation Transnationally,” Keynote Lecture, 16th Annual HGSA Graduate Student History Conference, Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, 12 April 2024.
- “Inter-Asian Intimacies: Rethinking Intersectionality, Mobility, and Territory,” *Transversal Orientations*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, June 9, 2021.
- “Beyond the East-West Encounter: Inter-Asian Migrations, Intimacies and Estrangements in Colonial and Postcolonial Burma, 1850–1950,” Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Michigan, Michigan, September 20, 2019.
- “The Specter of the Libidinous and Unassimilable Foreigner: Buddhist Nationalism, Race, and Sex in Myanmar, Past & Present,” *Land, Law, and Nationalism in Myanmar*, Stockholm University & Royal Swedish Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities, Stockholm, Sweden, April 25–26, 2019.
- “Ties That Bind: Asianism, Race, and Intimate Imperialism in Japanese Occupied Southeast Asia,” CSEAS Colloquium, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan, June 25, 2015.
- “Intimate Colonialism? Family Law and Anti-Asian Racism in Colonial Burma, Southeast Asia, and Beyond,” Southeast Asia Research Centre, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, 20 April 2015.
- “Talking Sex, Making Love: P. Monin and Intimate Modernity in Colonial Burma,” *Workshop on Tracing Trajectories of Modernity in Southeast Asia, 1920-1970*, KITLV/Royal Netherlands Institute of Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies, Leiden, 12-13 January 2015.
- “Sex, Drugs, and US Militarism in Asia,” *Rethinking the Asia “Pivot” Symposium*, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, December 4, 2014.
- “Welcoming Remarks,” *Fourth Annual Asian American Studies Undergraduate Symposium*, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, April 15, 2014.
- “Adjudicating Transcultural Intimacies: Religion, Race and Family Law in British Burma and the Straits Settlements,” *Race in the Global Asias: A Symposium*, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America, Brown University, Providence, 3 May 2014.
- “Intimate Colonialism? Intra-Asian Families and Domesticities in Colonial Southeast Asia,” Southeast Asia Studies Council, Yale University, New Haven, 26 February 2014.
- “Intra-Asian Families and Conjugalities in Colonial Burma and Southeast Asia: A History of Intimacies in the Age of Global Empire,” Keynote Lecture, International Education Week, co-sponsored by Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, 15 November 2013.
- “Transcultural Intimacies and Infidelities Under Colonial Rule: The History of Contesting Intermarriage, Religion, Race, and Nation in Burma (Myanmar),” Southeast Asia Seminar Series: Lecture in the Arts, Histories, Literatures, and Religions of Burma, University of Toronto, Toronto, 24 October, 2013.
- “Transcultural Intimacies in Colonial Burma, Southeast Asia, and Beyond,” Southeast Asian Studies Brown Bag Series, Cornell University, September 12, 2013.

“Adjudicating Transcultural Intimacies: Customary Law, Communal Identity and Intra-Asian Inter-marriages in Colonial Burma,” Weatherhead East Asian Institute, Columbia University, April 25, 2013.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY & PARTICIPATION

CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP & PANELS ORGANIZED

The Future of Asian Studies: A Symposium at Rutgers, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, October 25–26, 2018.

Buddhist Literacy in Early Modern Northern Vietnam: A Multidisciplinary Symposium, Rutgers University—New Brunswick & Vietnamese Nom Preservation Foundation, New Brunswick, September 23–24, 2016.

International Conference and Workshop on New Approaches to Myanmar History, Rutgers University—New Brunswick & University of Yangon, Yangon, Myanmar, July 24–25, 2014.

“Gendered Flows: Transnational and Inter-Imperial Circuits of Exchange in Activist Women’s Writings of the Early Twentieth-Century,” *Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting*, Toronto, March 31–April 3, 2012.

International Workshop on Masculinities in Asia, National University of Singapore & Asia Research Institute, August 4–5, 2011.

“South-South Encounters: Women Writers, Activists and Educators Across Early 20th Century Asia,” *Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting*, Honolulu, March 31–April 3, 2011.

“Alternative Histories, Multiple Modernities: Reimagining the Colonial Divide in Burma,” *Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting*, Chicago, March 26–29, 2009.

“Transcending the Pre-Colonial – Colonial Divide: Power, Identity, and Modernity in Burmese Historiography,” *International Association of Historians of Asia Conference*, New Delhi, November 14–17, 2008.

“Sex and Intimacy in Colonial Southeast Asia,” *Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, April 3–6, 2008.

COURSES TAUGHT

GRADUATE

Seminar in Women’s and Gender History
Colloquium in Women’s and Gender History
Gender, Race, and Colonialism
Comparative Colonialisms in Asia
Approaches to the Study of Southeast Asia
Gender & Sexuality in Southeast Asia
Country Studies: Mainland Southeast Asia

UNDERGRADUATE

Sex & Power
Southeast Asia and the World
History Seminar
Sex & Marriage in Global Perspective
Imperialism
Intimate Matters: Sex & Marriage in Global Perspective
Knowledge, Power, and Colonialism in Southeast Asia
Race, Gender and Sex in Southeast Asia
Power and Culture in Southeast Asia
Seeing Asia Through Fiction & History
Southeast Asia: A Changing Region

ADVISING

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Eleanor Eriko Tsuchiya Lenoë, History Department, Rutgers University, 2023–ongoing
Mathew Schissler, Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan, 2021–ongoing
Eri Kitada, History Department, Rutgers University, 2017–2023
Shaun Armstead, History Department, Rutgers University, 2017–2023
Satyashikha Chakraborty, History Department, Rutgers University, 2014–2019
Arunima Datta, Department of Southeast Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, 2010–2015

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Chair, Benda Book Prize Committee, Association for Asian Studies, 2016–2017
Member, Benda Book Prize Committee, Association for Asian Studies, 2015–2016
Manuscript Reviewer

American Historical Review, Cambridge University Press, NIAS, Stanford University Press, University of Hawai'i Press, Asian Journal of Social Science, Comparative Studies in Society and History, Gender & History, Journal of Asian Studies, Journal of Burma Studies, Journal of Religious History, Modern Asian Studies, Politics & Gender; Positions: Asia Critique, Routledge, Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society, Social Identities

Selection Committee, Supplementary Grant Program Asia, Open Society Foundations, 2013
Southeast Asia Council, Association for Asian Studies, 2009–2012
Mentor, Humanities and Social Sciences Research Programme, Ministry of Education, Singapore, 2008–2009