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Education

Ph.D. (Political Science), Harvard University, 1991

M.A. (Political Science), Harvard University, 1989

Master of Fine Arts (Creative Writing), University of Pittsburgh, 1986

B.A. (English), the Shanghai International Studies University, 1982

Employment and Teaching Experience

Tom and Margot Pritzker Professor of Government, Claremont McKenna College, since July 2009 –

Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington DC, Jan. 1999 – June 2009)

Assistant Professor, Department of Politics, Princeton University, 1992-1998

MacArthur Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina, 1991-1992

Teaching Fellow, Government Department, Harvard University, 1988-1991

Teaching Assistant, English Department, University of Pittsburgh, 1984-1986

Instructor, English Department, the Shanghai International Studies University, 1982-1984

Courses Taught at Davidson College and Princeton University (1991-1998)

Introduction to International Relations
Introduction to Comparative Politics
Politics in Asia
The Rise of Democracies
Politics in East Asia
International Relations in Asia
Asian Politics (Graduate Seminar)
Federalism (Graduate Seminar)

Administrative Experience

Director, the Keck Center for International and Strategic Studies, Claremont McKenna College, since July 2009

Director, the China Program, Carnegie Endowment, April 2004 – March 2008

Co-Director, the China Program, Carnegie Endowment, January 2002 -- March 2004

Honors, Awards and Fellowships

The Olin Faculty Fellowship, Olin Foundation, 1997-98

LaPorte Preceptorship, Princeton University, 1995-98
(An award given to outstanding junior faculty at Princeton)

The Robert McNamara Fellowship, the World Bank, 1994-95

Edward Teller National Fellowship, Hoover Institution, Stanford University, 1994-95

Edward Chase Prize for the Best Dissertation in a field of political science, Harvard University, 1992

Outstanding Senior Thesis Award, the Shanghai Bureau of Higher Education, 1982

Major Grants

Luce Foundation, \$330,000, for a project on energy security and climate change in China (2007-10)

General Motors, \$80,000, for Carnegie Endowment's work in China (2004-08)

Smith Richardson Foundation, \$100,000, for a research project on assessing medium-term risks in China (2006-08)

Smith Richardson Foundation, \$200,000, for a research project on diverging governance in Chinese provinces (2005-06)

James Kimsey Foundation, \$100,000, for operating costs of the China Program's office in Beijing (2002-04)

Henry Luce Foundation, \$300,000, for a research project on legal reform in Shanghai (2002-04)

Smith Richardson Foundation, \$375,000, for a research project on political reform in China (2001-03)

Unsolicited Grant, the United States Institute of Peace, \$35,000 (1994-95)

Board Membership

Board member, the Pacific Basin Institute at Pomona College, 2005-08

Editorial board, *Journal of Democracy*, since 2001

Advisory board, *East Asia: International Quarterly*, since 2007

Columnist for *L'espresso*, a major Italian newsweekly; *Indian Express*, a leading Indian national newspaper

Publications:

1. Books:

China's Trapped Transition: The Limits of Developmental Autocracy (Harvard University Press, 2006)

From Reform to Revolution: The Demise of Communism in China and the Soviet Union (Harvard University Press, 1994)

2. Refereed Journal Articles and Book Chapters:

"Mixed Signals: China's response to the global economic crisis," in Nancy Birdsall and Frank Fukuyama eds., *New Thinking in Development* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2011), pp. 111-132.

"A Survey of Commercial Litigation in Shanghai Courts," in Randall Peernboom, ed., *Judicial Independence in China: Lessons for Global Rule of Law Promotion* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2009), pp. 221-233.

"China's Hedged Acquiescence: Coping with US Hegemony," in Byung-Kook Im and Anthony Jones, eds., *Power and Security in Northeast Asia: Shifting Strategies* (Boulder: Lynne Rienner, 2007), pp. 99-126.

"Building Nations: Lessons from the American Experience," (co-authored with Samia Amin and Seth Garz), in *The Politics and Lessons of Nation-Building*, ed., Francis Fukuyama (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2006), pp. 64-85.

"Rotten From Within: Decentralized Predation and Incapacitated State," in *The Nation State in Question*, eds. by T. V. Paul, John Ikenberry, and John Hall (Princeton University Press, 2003), pp. 321-349.

"Legal Reform and Secure Commercial Transactions: Evidence from China," in *Assessing the Value of Law in Transition Economies* ed. Peter Murrell, (University of Michigan Press, 2001), pp. 180-210.

"Civic Associations in China: An Empirical Analysis," *Modern China* (July 1998), pp. 285-318.

"The Political Economy of Banking Reform in China, 1993-97," *Journal of Contemporary China* (July 1998), pp. 321-350.

"The Fall and Rise of Democracy in East Asia," in Larry Diamond and Marc Plattner, eds., *Democracy in East Asia* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 1998), pp. 57-78.

"Citizens v. Mandarins: Administrative Litigation in China," *China Quarterly* (December 1997), pp. 832-862.

"Constructing the Political Foundations for Rapid Economic Growth," in Henry Rowen, ed. *Behind East Asia's Growth: The Political and Social Foundations of an Economic Miracle* (London: Routledge, 1997), pp. 39-59.

"The Microfoundations of State-Socialism and Patterns of Economic Transition" in *Post-Communist Studies*, Vol.29, No. 2 (July 1996), pp. 131-146.

3. Non-refereed Articles and Book Chapters

- "The Hype about Asia's Rise," *Foreign Policy*, July/August, 2009, pp. 33-36.
- "Will The Chinese Communist Party Survive the Crisis?" *Foreign Affairs.com* March 2009
- "Looming Stagnation," *The National Interest*, (March/April 2009), pp. 13-19.
- "How China is Ruled," *The American Interest*, (March/April 2008), pp. 46-51.
- "Fighting Corruption: A Difficult Challenge for Chinese Leaders," in Cheng Li ed., *China's Changing Political Landscape: Prospects for Democracy* (Washington, D.C.: Brookings Institution Press, 2008), pp. 229-50.
- "How Will China Democratize," *Journal of Democracy*, Vol. 18, No. 3 (July 2007), pp. 53-57.
- "China: Can Economic Growth Continue without Political Reform," in *Strategic Asia 2006*, eds., Ashley Tellis and Michael Willis (Seattle, Bureau for Asian Research 2006), pp. 302-331.
- "The Dark Side of China's Rise," *Foreign Policy* (March/April 2006).
- "Domestic Changes in China and Implications for American Policy," in *U.S.-China Relations in the Twenty-first Century: Policies, Prospects, and Possibilities*, eds., Christopher Marsh and June Dreyer (Lexington Books 2003), pp. 43-62.
- "The Paradoxes of American Nationalism," *Foreign Policy* May/June 2003, pp. 31-37.
- "Contradictory trends and confusing signals," *Journal of Democracy* vol. 14, no. 1 (January 2003), pp. 73-81.
- "China's Governance Crisis," *Foreign Affairs* (September/October 2002), pp. 96-109.
- "Implementing the Institutions of Democracy," *International Journal on World Peace*, Vol. XIX, No. 4 (December 2002), pp. 3-31.
- "Bullish on Democracy: Research Notes on Multinationals and the Third Wave" *The National Interest*, Number 70, (Winter/2002-03) (co-authored with Merritt Lyon), pp. 79-86.
- "Self-Administration and Local Autonomy: Reconciling Conflicting Interests in China," in *The Self-Determination of Peoples* ed. by Wolfgang Danspeckgruber (Boulder: Lynne Rienner 2001), pp. 315-334.

"Political Institutions, Democracy, and Development," in *Democracy, Market Economics and Development: An Asian Perspective*, eds., Farruch Iqbal and Jong-Il You (Washington DC: The World Bank 2001), pp. 25-48.

"China's Evolution Toward Soft-Authoritarianism," in Barret McCormick, ed., *What If China Does Not Democratize* (M.E. Sharpe, 2000), pp.74-98.

"Political Change in Post-Mao China: Progress and Challenges," in Ted Galen Carpenter and James A. Dorn, eds., *China's Future: Constructive Partner or Emerging Threat?* (Cato Institute Press, 2000), pp. 291-316.

"Why Recessions Don't Start Revolutions," *Foreign Policy* (Spring 2000), (co-authored with David Adesnik), pp.138-151.

"Rights and Resistance: The Changing Context of the Dissident Movement in China," in Elizabeth Perry and Mark Selden, eds., *Chinese Society: Change, Conflict and Resistance* (London: Routledge, 2000), pp. 20-40.

"Will China Become Another Indonesia?" *Foreign Policy* (Fall 1999), pp. 94-109.

"Democratization in the Greater China Region," *Access Asia* (July 1998), pp. 5-40.

"Is China Democratizing?" *Foreign Affairs*, Vol. 77, No. 1 (January-February 1998), pp. 68-82.

"Racing Against Time: Institutional Decay and Renewal in China," in William Joseph, ed. *China Briefing 1996* (M.E. Sharpe, 1997), pp. 11-49.

"Creeping Democratization in China," *Journal of Democracy* Vol. 6, No. 4 (October 1995), pp. 65-79.

"The Puzzle of East Asian Exceptionalism," *Journal of Democracy*, Vol. 5, No. 4 (October 1994), pp. 90-103.

"Societal Take-Over in China and the USSR," *Journal of Democracy*, Vol.3. No. 1 (January 1992), pp. 108-118.

4. Book Reviews

Review of Teresa Wright's *Accepting Authoritarianism* in *The China Journal* (July 2011)

Review of Philip Pan's *Out of Mao's Shadow* in *Slate*, August 2008

Review of Kellee Tsai's *Capitalism without Democracy* in *The China Journal*, No. 60 (July 2008), pp. 187-189.

Review of *Chinese Intellectuals Between State and Market*, eds. Merle Goldman and Edward Gu, in *The China Journal*, January 2005, pp. 187-189.

Review of Andrew Nathan's *China's Transition*, in *Political Science Quarterly* (spring 1999), pp. 152-153

Review of "Guoji xingshi fenxi baogao 1997-98" in *Foreign Policy* (Summer 1998), pp. 138-141

4. Policy Briefs and Op-Eds

"China has another way to defuse ethnic strife," *The Financial Times*, June 6, 2011,

"A Message from Tahiri Square for Beijing," *The Financial Times* (on-line), Feb. 22, 2011

"The West should not demonize China," *The Financial Times*, November 26, 2010

"Why Obama is right to be hard-nosed on China," *The Financial Times*, August 30, 2010

"The Tension is Overrated," *International Herald Tribune*, February 16, 2010

"China: The Big Free Rider," *Newsweek International*, February 1, 2010

"Why China Won't Rule the World," *Newsweek International*, December 8, 2009

"China Must Face Up To Its Own History," Ft.COM, October 1, 2009

"Uighur Riots Show Need for Rethink by Beijing," *The Financial Times*, July 10, 2009

"Fixing the Odds," (with Ali Wyne), *The International Herald Tribune*, June 25, 2009

"How Beijing Kept its Grip on Power," *The Financial Times*, June 3, 2009

"A Freer China Would Stimulate Spending" (with Ali Wyne), *The Financial Times*, April 8, 2009

"Government by Corruption," *Forbes.com*, January 26, 2009

"How Beijing can Boost Human Capital," *The Financial Times*, January 9, 2009

"Out into the World," *Newsweek International*, December 31, 2008

"Were China's Glittering Games All Gold?" *The Washington Post*, August 31, 2008

"China's Repression of Civil Society will Haunt it," *The Financial Times*, August 4, 2008

"Rumors and Riots," *International Herald Tribune*, July 8, 2008

"Taiwan Poll Offers Hope of Peace with China," *The Financial Times*, March 26, 2008

"A Crash is China's Chance for Reform," (co-authored with Wayne Chen) *The Financial Times*, January 21, 2008

"An Unlikely Ally," *Newsweek International*, January 21, 2008

"How Hu Can Break Free From Political Gridlock," *The Financial Times*, October 12, 2007

"Corruption Threatens China's Future," *Carnegie Policy Brief No. 55 (October 2007)*

"Made in China Label Won't Survive without Rule of Law," *Global Viewpoint*, June 16, 2007

"Ways to End Sino-Japanese Chill," (co-authored with Danielle Cohen), *The Financial Times*, April 9, 2007

"The High Cost of Prosperity," *International Herald Tribune*, March 5, 2007

"How to Deal with North Korea," (Co-authored with Oriana Mastro) *The Financial Times*, December 13, 2006

"The Tide of Corruption Threatening China's Prosperity," *The Financial Times*, September 27, 2006

"How Rotten Politics Feeds a Bad Loan Crunch in China," *The Financial Times*, May 7, 2006.

"A Smoke Screen: China Needs Better Leadership, Not Another Morality Campaign," *Newsweek International*, March 10, 2006

"China Is Stagnating in Its 'Trapped Transition,'" *The Financial Times*, February 24, 2006.

"A Vicious Sino-Japanese Cycle of Rhetoric," *The Financial Times*, December 21, 2005 (co-authored with Danielle Cohen)

"A Simmering Fire in Asia: Averting Sino-Japanese Strategic Conflict," *Carnegie Policy Brief* No. 44 (November 2005) (co-authored with Michael Swaine)

"China is Paying the Price of Rising Social Unrest," *The Financial Times*, November 7, 2005

"A Fresh Approach on China," *International Herald Tribune*, September 9, 2005

"Time to Reflect How Far China Has to Go," *The Financial Times*, January 18, 2005

"China Eyes Democracy," *International Politik*, Vol. 5, No. 4 (Winter 2004), pp. 91-96.

"Time to Reflect on How Far China Has to Go," *The Financial Times*, January 19, 2005

"A Turning Point in Beijing: With Jiang Gone, China Can Rebalance," *International Herald Tribune*, September 21, 2004

"Beijing's Closed Politics Hinders 'New Diplomacy'," *The Financial Times*, September 9, 2004

"China Is Still Far From Being a Free-Market Economy," *The Asian Wall Street Journal*, August 24, 2004

"China's Social Contract Is Starting to Fray," *The Financial Times*, June 4, 2004

"Democratic Contagion," *Newsweek International*, March 22, 2004

"Why nation-building fails in mid-course," co-authored with Samia Amin and Seth Garz, *International Herald Tribune*, March 17, 2004

"China's Ruling Party Can't Have It All," *The Financial Times*, January 14, 2004

"Where Taiwan Support Stops," co-authored with Michael Swaine, *The Washington Post*, December 7, 2003

"Power grows out of a populist agenda," *The Financial Times*, October 8, 2003

"Beijing should bid farewell to the hapless Tung," *The Financial Times*, July 24, 2003

"Lessons from the Past: The American Record on Nation Building," *Carnegie Policy Brief*, No. 24 (May 2003) (co-authored with Sara Kasper)

"Don't hold your breath for openness in China," *The Financial Times*, May 7, 2003

"A country that does not take care of its people," *The Financial Times* April 8, 2003

"A docile China is bad for global peace," *The Financial Times*, March 11, 2003

"The real test of China's appetite for reform," *The Financial Times*, January 28, 2003

"The morning after regime change: should the US force democracy again?" *The Christian Science Monitor*, January 15, 2003 (co-authored with Sara Kaspser)

"China's long march against graft," *The Financial Times*, December 10, 2002

"Beijing Drama: China's governance crisis and Bush's new challenge," *Carnegie Policy Brief*, No. 21 (November 2002)

"China's Split Personality," *Newsweek International* (Fall/Winter 2002 Special China Issue), pp. 6-13.

"China's Red Tape," book review published in *Foreign Policy* September/October 2002

"A soul-searching mission in Beijing," *The Financial Times*, October 8, 2002

"Rebalancing U.S.-China Relations," *Carnegie Policy Brief* No. 13 (February 2002) (co-authored with Michael Swaine).

"China's Chance," *Asiaweek* October 5, 2001

"Beijing's chance to forge true alliance," *The South China Morning Post*, September 19, 2001.

"Cracked China," book review in *Foreign Policy* (September/October 2001) pp. 78-80.

"Village Elections: China's Experiment in Rural Self-government" in *Democracy at the Local Level: The International IDEA Handbook on Participation, Representation, Conflict Management and Governance* (Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance: Stockholm 2001), pp. 137-141

"Hearing the Voice of the People at Last," *Newsweek International*, May 7, 2001

"China's fragile mindset," *Christian Science Monitor*, April 9, 2001

"Future Shock: The WTO and Political Change in China" *Carnegie Endowment Policy Brief*, Vol. 1, No. 3 (February 2001)

"China's Political Institutions and Legal System", in *China Economic Briefing* (Center for Strategic and International Studies, 2001), pp. 29-36

"The Roots of China's Corruption" *Far Eastern Economic Review*, February 15, 2001

"It's now the politics, stupid," *The South China Morning Post*, January 4, 2001

"The Inscrutable Hegemon" in *Foreign Policy* (September/October 2000), pp. 92-96

"Democracies Grow More Resilient to Economic Crisis," co-author with David Adesnik, in *International Herald Tribune*, March 4/5, 2000

"A Long Road Ahead," *The Far Eastern Economic Review*, January 27, 2000, pp. 44-45

"The Political Lessons of the East Asian Financial Crisis," *China Business Review* (September-October 1999), pp. 8-10.

"The corruption conundrum," *The South China Morning Post*, September 28, 1999

"Is China Stable?" *The Asian Wall Street Journal*, July 28, 1999

"June 4 will fuel Sino-US disputes," co-authored with Catharin Dalpino, *The South China Morning Post*, February 21, 1999

"Here's Evidence of a Kinder, Gentler China," *The Asian Wall Street Journal*, March 30, 1994

"Don't Link China Trade to Human Rights," *The New York Times*, May 22, 1993

"The Student Dilemma: To Return Home or Stay," *The Boston Globe*, June 25, 1989

"Put China in an Economic Vise," *Los Angeles Times*, June 23, 1989

"As Mr. Bush Partied in Beijing..." *The New York Times*, February 28, 1989

"Can the Leaders Ever Be Trusted?" *The Washington Post*, February 10, 1987