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Nationality: Filipino

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Languages: Tagalog (Native), English (Native), Mandarin (Intermediate – HSK 4), French (Lower Intermediate – B1), Min nan Hokkien (Lower Intermediate); Classical Chinese (Intermediate)

AoS: Chinese Philosophy (Classical Chinese Philosophy, Wei-Jin *Xuanxue*)

AoC: Continental Philosophy (Psychoanalysis, Post-structuralism); Social Epistemology

Education:

Nanyang Technological University 2016 – 2021

PhD in Philosophy

Thesis topic: **Freedom as Self-Realization: Zide 自得 in Guo Xiang's Neo-Daoist Philosophy**

Supervisors: Prof Alan K.L. Chan and Prof Chenyang Li

Thesis Advisory Committee: Prof Brook Ziporyn and Asst Prof Dimitris Apostolopoulos

Teaching Assistantships (graded essays): HY4133 (Special Topics in Chinese Philosophy III, taught by Visiting Prof Brook Ziporyn); HY0001 (Ethics and Moral Reasoning, taught by Assoc Prof Andres Luco)

University of Santo Tomas 2013 – 2016

MA Philosophy

Thesis Title: **The Primacy of Wu in the Unity of Heaven, Earth, and Man: A Humanist Reading of the Zhouyi as Commented on by Wangbi**

Supervisor: Prof Emeritus Alfredo P. Co

University of Santo Tomas 2008-2013

AB Philosophy

Thesis Title: **Aesthetic Revolt: Exploring the Ethical Dimension of the Sublime Sacred in the Context of Julia Kristeva's Abject**

Supervisor: Prof Paolo A. Bolaños

Teaching:

Yale-NUS College July 2021 - Present

Lecturer

Philosophy and Political Thought, Conceptions of Freedom in Classical Chinese Philosophy

Ateneo de Manila University September 2020 – May 2021

Lecturer (online)

Module: Philosophy of Religion

University of Santo Tomas, Philippines January 2016 – June 2016;

Lecturer August 2020 – December 2020
 Modules: Classical Logic, Chinese Philosophy, Philosophical Problems and Critical Thinking

National University, Philippines November 2014 – October 2015

Lecturer
 Modules: Logic and Ethics, Philosophy of Man, Sports Ethics

AMA University (Head Office), Philippines June 2013 – December 2014

E-Learning Instructor
 Modules: Art Appreciation, Introduction to Philosophy, Introduction to Philosophy and Logic,
 Introduction to Psychology, Introduction to Sociology

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore September 2017 – July 2020
 Communication Coach

Supervision/Examination:

Examiner for Sophia Manapat
 MA Thesis: Reading the *Daodejing* as a Sourcebook on Interpersonal Ethics
 Ateneo de Manila University (Defense Date: 10 May 2021)

Publications:

Journal Articles:

“The Possibility of Moral Cultivation in the Ontological Oblivion: A Re-exploration of Hongzhou School of Chan Buddhism through Guo Xiang,” *Philosophia* (vol. 22:1, 2021)

“Guo Xiang’s Ontology of Zide 自得: Self-realization Beyond the Binary Self.” *Monumenta Serica: Journal of Oriental Studies* (vol. 69:1, 2021)

“The Equal Onto-Epistemology of the ‘Equal Discourse of Things’ [齊物論 Qiwulun] Chapter: A Semantic Approach.” *Tetsugaku: International Journal of the Philosophical Association of Japan* (vol. 2, 2018), 282-295.

“The Butterfly Dream and Zhuangzi’s Perspectivism: An Exploration of the Differing Interpretations of the Butterfly Dream against the Backdrop of Dao as Pluralistic Monism.” *Kritike: An Online Journal of Philosophy* (vol. 10:2, 2016), 100-121.

“The Cultured Man as the Noble Man: Jun zi 君子 as a Man of Li 禮 in Lun yu 論語.” *Kritike: An Online Journal of Philosophy* (vol. 9:2, 2015), 177-192.

Book Chapter:

《易經》與和諧之人之教化：從王弼和韓康伯注中重讀《易經》的宇宙本體論及人的地位 in 治氣養心之術：中國早期的修身方法 (*The Arts of Ordering the Body and Developing the Mind: Early*

Chinese Self-Cultivation Methods), Edited by Paul Fischer. Shanghai: Fudan University Press, 2017, 36-49.

Book Review:

Book Review for "History of Chinese Philosophy Through Its Key Terms (Wang et. Al., 2020)" *Comparative and Continental Philosophy* (vol 13: 1, 2021)

Presentations:

Invited Speaker, "The Cultured Man as the Noble Man: Jun zi 君子 as a Man of Li 禮 in Lun yu 論語," Ethics 1 Guest Lectures: "Asian Ethical Frameworks," held by the College of Social Sciences, University of the Philippines, Baguio, 10 May 2021 (over Zoom)

Presenter, "Epistemic Injustice and the Ontology of Self-So: A Study of Guo Xiang's Ontological Oblivion in Relation to Miranda Fricker's Notion of 'Epistemic Injustice,'" *21st International Conference of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy*, held at the University of Bern, Bern, Switzerland, July, 2019

Presenter, "The Sameness and Difference of One's Nature (性 xing) in Guo Xiang," *Singapore-Hong Kong-Macau Symposium on Chinese Philosophy 2019*, held at the National University of Singapore, Singapore, May, 2019

Presenter, "Li as Ziran in the Analects: Spontaneity in the Ritualized Self," *24th World Congress of Philosophy: Learning to be Human*, held at Peking University, Beijing, China, August, 2018

Presenter, "Freedom Beyond Realism and Idealism: Re-visiting Guo Xiang's Ontology of Zide 自得" *Creating a Philosophy for the Future*, held at the University of Macau, Macau, China, November 2017.

Presenter, "Zhuangzi Beyond the Postmodern: The Necessity of Contingency in Guo Xiang's Inclusive Account of Causality and Freedom" *2nd Biennial Conference of the European Association for Chinese Philosophy*, held at the University of Basel, Switzerland, September 2017.

Presenter, "The Inclusive Humanism of Wang Bi: Unity of Dao 道 as Wu 無" *20th International Conference of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy*, held at the Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. July 2017

Invited Speaker, "On the Notion of Li 禮 and Jun zi 君子," *27th Confucian Night*, held at Oasis Events Place, San Juan, Philippines, September 2015

Presenter, "The *Yi Jing* and the Harmonious Cultivation Of Man: A re-reading of the metaphysics of the cosmos and man's place in it from the Wang Bi/Han Kang Bo Commentaries on the *Xi Ci*," *19th International Conference of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy*, held at the Chinese University of Hongkong, HK, PRC. July 2015

Invited Speaker, "At the Intersection of the Mystical Yin 陰 and the Practical Yang 陽: The Indivisibility of Dao 道 in Sun Zi 孫子 and Lao Zi 老子 in light of the *Yi Jing* 易經," *Existence through*

the Lens of Oriental Philosophy, in celebration of World Philosophy Day, held at the Polytechnic University of the Philippines, November 2014

Invited Speaker, "The Kristevan Fantasy and Imaginary in the Society of the Spectacle: Thought Specular from Cinema to Virtual Reality," *"Philosophy is Not Dead": Philosophy on Pop Culture*, held at the University of Santo Tomas, by the Concilium Philosophiae (the official undergraduate council of the UST Philosophy Dept.), December 2013

Presenter, "The Kristevan Aesthetic of the Sublime: Lapses of Meaning from the Meaningless Abject," *6th DLSU Arts Congress*, held at the De La Salle University, February 2013

Student Panelist/Reactor in *Protest and the Public Sphere*, held at the Ateneo de Manila University, by the Philosophy Circle of the Philippines, August 2012

Presenter, "Understanding Ramanuja's Concept of the Brahman-Atman Relationship Through St. Thomas Aquinas' Analogous Being," *Kapihan 2011: On Thomistic Philosophy*, held at the University of Santo Tomas, February 2011

Grants and Awards:

NTU Research Scholarship	July 2016 – July 2020
Nanyang Confucian Association, Singapore "Tan Ean Kiam Chinese Philosophy Award," S\$3000	2019; 2018; 2017
European Association of Chinese Philosophy, Basel "Young Scholar Award" (runner-up), 400CHF	2017

Conferences and Workshops Organized:

Chair/Convener, "Humanity and Society in the Digital Age," 5th CoHASS Graduate Conference, held at the Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. March, 2019 (with Guest of Honor, SMS Dr. Janil Puthuchery)

Organizer, 1st Philosophy Graduate Workshop, held at the Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. 31st October, 2018

Graduate Volunteer, "Chinese Philosophy in a Multicultural World," 20th International Conference of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy, held at the Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. July 2017

Committee Member, "Paul Riceour in Asia," Ateneo de Manila University; University of Santo Tomas, to be held in November 2015

Committee Member, "Thomism and Asian Cultures: Celebrating 400 Years of Dialogue Across Civilizations," University of Santo Tomas, May 2011

Research Projects:

Book Project on Chinese Animation December 2019 – July 2020
 w/ Assoc Prof Thomas Paul Thesen
Research Assistant on Chinese Philosophy and Aesthetics

Other Academic and Administrative Services:

Nanyang Teaching Award, School of Humanities, NTU Singapore 2019
 Evaluation Committee Member

Ideas Fest 2019 (Inaugural Undergraduate Humanities Conference), NTU Singapore 2019
 Reviewer

Nanyang Education Award, College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, NTU Singapore 2018
 Evaluation Committee Member

School of Humanities Graduate Student Club, NTU Singapore AY2018-2019
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