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Language other than English: Mandarin Chinese (proficient); Cantonese (basic)

EMPLOYMENT

Yale-NUS College, Lecturer in Urban Studies	July.2022—Present
University of Manchester, Teaching Assistant/Tutor	Mar. 2018—Mar. 2022
Manchester Metropolitan University, Associate Lecturer in Human Geography	Oct.2021—Dec. 2021
The University of Hong Kong, Research assistant (Supervisor: Prof Anthony G.O. Yeh)	Sept.2016—Aug. 2017

EDUCATION

The University of Manchester, PhD in Human Geography	Sept. 2017— Dec. 2021
Thesis: Entrepreneurial urbanism ... with Chinese characteristics? A case study of governance restructuring in Jiyuan, China. (Supervisors: Prof Kevin Ward & Prof Cecilia Wong ; Examiners: Dr Martin Hess and Dr Paul Waley)	
Peking University, MSc in Urban and Regional Planning (Supervisor: Dr Feng Jian)	Sept. 2013—Jul. 2016
Sun Yat-sen University, BSc in Economic Geography (Supervisor: Prof He Shenjing)	Sept. 2009 –Jun. 2016

PUBLICATIONS

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- Zhang, Y.**, Tong, D., & Liang, X. (2018). [New Perspective on Regional Inequality: Theory and Evidence from Guangdong, China](#). *Journal of Urban Planning and Development*, 144(1), 04018002. [Quantitative]
- He, S., Li, L., **Zhang, Y.**, & Wang J. (2018). [A Small Entrepreneurial City in Action: Policy Mobility, Urban Entrepreneurialism, and Politics of Scale in Jiyuan, China](#). *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, 42(4), 684-702. [Qualitative]
- Zhang, Y.**, & Feng J. (2017). [The Vanishing Village and Evolving Rurality in Urbanizing China: Evidence from Dengzhou, Henan Province in China](#) (Chinese). *Urban Development Studies*, 24 (9): 98-108. [Mixed method]
- Zhang, Y.**, & Feng J. (2016). [Rationality, mobility and family: Transformation of rurality in hollow village residents' daily lives](#) (Chinese). *Human Geography*, 31(6): 49-57. [Qualitative]
- Zhang, Y.**, & He, S. (2015). [A small entrepreneurial city in action: Jiyuan's evolving strategies for urban development and competitiveness](#) (Chinese). *Human Geography*, 30(2): 65-71. [Qualitative]
- Xie, X., **Zhang, Y.**, & Cai, T. (2013). Illegal occupation of pedestrian underpasses by street hawkers in Zhuhai: A comparison of three different administrative regimes (Chinese), in Department of Education Administration (ed.) *Teaching and Learning: Research and Practice*, SYSU Press, 2012:73-82. [Mixed method]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE ON MOBILE URBAN POLICY

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- [In Search of New Economic Cooperation Models Between Hong Kong and the Big Bay Area \(S2017.A8.007.178\)](#) Hong Kong SAR and Pearl River Delta
- Research Assistant (Supervisor: Prof [Anthony G.O. Yeh](#)) Sept. 2016-Sept. 2017
- Compiled material and edited the application document for 'Strategic Public Policy Research Funding Scheme'
- [Mega-City Region Development in China](#) Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei, Yangtze River Delta, Pearl River Delta
- Research assistant (Supervisor: Prof [Anthony G.O. Yeh](#)) Sept. 2016-Sept. 2017
- Reviewed and provided improvement suggestions for four papers submitted as independent chapters for the book.
- [National Key Technology Support Program: Regulative Planning and Technical Support System Research of Hollow Villages in China](#) Xiji County, Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region, China
- Research assistant (Supervisor: Dr [Feng Jian](#)) Sept. 2016-Sept. 2017
- Established specifications for the aided planning system software designing
- Research on Urbanization and Migration in Golmud, China Golmud, China
- Research assistant (Supervisor: Dr [Feng Jian](#))

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- Designed, implemented, and analyzed questionnaires of minorities in five northern districts in Golmu
- Co-authored a research report on the population planning in Golmud (authored a chapter on the reconstruction of five northern districts illegally inhabited by ethnic minorities)

The Paths of China's Institutional Reforms of Public Service— International Comparisons and Field Surveys

Guangdong and Zhejiang

Co-investigator (Supervisor: Prof [Chen Nabo](#))

May 2012–Oct. 2013

- Established a classification model of public service provision ability of 658 cities in China according to population, finance and economic development status, and analyzed spatial distribution features in Arc GIS

WORK IN PROGRESS (Intended submission dates)

(Under review) Partnership question as a scale question: Extending entrepreneurial urbanism theory in China, ***IJURR***

(Under review) Urban entrepreneurialism, partnership experimentations and interscalar articulation in emergent Chinese cities: a dynamic analytical framework. ***Urban Studies***

(Aug) Crisis of crisis management: China's urbanisation of past four decades, ***Contemporary China***

(Oct) Rural governance in transition: Busting and booming debt-wishes in Chinese villages. ***Rural Studies***

(July) Space, Time and Scale: Forwarding entrepreneurial urbanism theory at 30+. Single author, ***PiHG***

(Sep) Planning as a victim of its own success: A sympathetic critique of state entrepreneurialism. ***Antipode***

MAIN TEACHING & ADMINISTERING EXPERIENCE

Courses/Modules/Units	Year	Role	Course Convenor(s)
YSS3217 Urbanization in China	2022	Lecturer	Dr Yong Zhang
YSS3245 Key Debates in Urban Planning and Policy	2022	Lecturer	Dr Yong Zhang
YSS3303 Cities and Economic Development	2022	Lecturer	Dr Yong Zhang
POL10**2 Politics of the Global Economy	2022	Tutor	Prof Matthew Peterson
6F6Z3**8 People, Place and Planning	2021	Associate Lecturer	Dr Hannah Neate
GEOG31**2 Asian Workers and Labour of Globalisation	2020/21	Assistant Lecturer	Dr Jamie Doucette
GEOG10**1 Introducing Human Geographies	2020/21	Marker	Prof Noel Castree
GEOG20**2 Research Design and Overseas Field courses	2019	Teaching Assistant	Dr Jamie Doucette etc.
GEOG10**1 Key Ideas in Human Geography	2018	Marker	Dr Ross Jones
GEOG10**1 Geographies of Globalisation	2018	Marker	Dr Martin Hess
GEOG12**2 Tutorials and Profile of a Geographer	2017/22	Tutor	Prof Clancy Wilmott

SELECTED CONFERENCES & LECTURES

- **Feb 2022 Annual Meeting of American Association of Geography (AAG)**. "A Victim of Its Own Success: A Sympathetic Critique of State Entrepreneurialism," Virtual Meeting. New York City, US.
- **Dec 2021 Luojia Town and Country Forum** "Entrepreneurial urbanism ... with Chinese characteristics? A case study of governance restructuring in Jiyuan, China," Wuhan, China.
- **Oct 2018 China's New Urban Agenda**, "The Vanishing Village and Evolving Rurality in Urbanizing China: Evidence from Dengzhou, Henan Province in China," Manchester, UK.

MAJOR HONOURS & PRIZES & MEMBERSHIP

- 2022 | Fellow of the Higher Education Academy | Manchester Metropolitan University | In the process of obtaining
- Sep 2017 – Dec 2020 | SEED PhD Scholarship | University of Manchester
- **Oct 2015 | Top 10 Papers (Ranking 1st) | 2015 Annual Conference of Human Geographical Society of China**
- Sep 2014 and 2015 | Graduate Academic Scholarship | Peking University | Grand Prize, Twice
- Jul 2013 | Top 10 Outstanding Graduates | School of Geography and Planning of Sun Yat-sen University