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Education

Ph. D. State University of New York at Stony Brook, 1998.
M.A. New York University, 1990.
M.A. Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea, 1987.
B.A. Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea, 1985.

Employment History

American University, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Associate Professor, 2001-present
Vassar College, Department of Religion, Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow, 1999-2001.
Purchase College, Department of Philosophy, Adjunct Lecturer, Spring 1999.
State University of New York at Stony Brook, Department of Comparative Studies, Teaching Assistant/Adjunct Lecturer, 1993-1999.

Visiting Positions Held

Korea University, Institute of International Education. Seoul, Korea. Adjunct Professor. Summer 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009.
Korea University, Department of Philosophy. Seoul, Korea. Visiting Professor. Spring 2005.
Nanzan Institute of Religion and Culture, Nagoya, Japan. Visiting Researcher. July 2004.

Grants and Fellowship

International Center for Korean Studies, Korean Studies Publication Series Grant, 2008-2010. \$15,000.
Academy of Korean Studies, Korean Studies Translation Grant, 2008-2010. \$32,000.
Northeast Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies Travel Grant, Fall 2007. \$2,500
Korea Foundation Advanced Research Grant, Dec 2006-Jun 2007. \$35,000.
American University Mellon Fund Research Support, Fall 2006. \$1,000.
American University Mellon Fund Research Support, Fall 2005. \$1,400.
American Academy of Religion Individual Research Grant 2003-2004. \$2,000.
Northeast Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies Travel Grant 2003-2004. \$2,500.
American University Mellon Fund Research Support, Fall 2003, \$1,440.
American University Mellon Fund Research Support, Spring 2003, \$1,000.
American University Mellon Fund Research Support, Fall 2002. \$2,000
Northeast Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies Grant, 2001-2002. \$2,500.
Vassar College Faculty Research Grant, 2001. \$2,000.
International Association for Wŏnhyo Studies Translation Project Grant, 2000-2002.
Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in East Asian Religions, 1999-2001.
Won Buddhist Grant for the Translation of Won Buddhist Texts, 1998-1999.
Yi T'aegŭn Grant for the Translation of Buddhist Texts, 1994.

Publications

Books

Buddhism and Postmodernity: Zen, Huayan, and the Possibility of Buddhist Postmodern Ethics. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2008. (330 pages)

Buddhisms and Deconstructions (ed.). Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2006. (312 pages)

Makers of Modern Korean Buddhism (ed.). Albany: State University of New York Press (Forthcoming, in production; 550 typed pages).

Comparative Political Theory and Cross-Cultural Philosophy: Essays in Honor of Hwa Yol Jung (ed.). Lanham, MD: Lexington Books. (Forthcoming; Expected publication date: 2009; 526 typed pages).

Merleau-Ponty and Buddhism. (co-edited). Lanham, MD: Lexington Books. (Forthcoming; Expected publication date: 2009; 435 typed pages).

Getting Familiar with Death (Translation of *Chugŭm ūi kil ūl öttökk'e chal danyö olgötin'ga?* by Yich'ang Chon). Philadelphia: Won Publication, 1999. Re-printed in 2006. (158 pages).

Book Chapters and Journal Articles

Book Chapters

“Religion.” In Sungdae Cho, ed., *Korea: Past, Present, and Future*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press (projected). (40 typed pages. Complete manuscript submitted in May 2007.)

“The Mind is Buddha’: Pojo Chinul’s *Secrets on Cultivating the Mind*.” (Introduction) In William Edelglass and Jay Garfield, eds. *Buddhist Philosophy: Selected Primary Texts*. Oxford: Oxford University Press (forthcoming, Jan 2009), 522-535.

“Essentials of Observing and Violating Bodhisattva Precepts’: Wönhyo’s Non-Substantial Mahāyāna Ethics.” (Translation with an introduction) In William Edelglass and Jay Garfield, eds. *Buddhist Philosophy: Selected Primary Texts*. Oxford: Oxford University Press (forthcoming, Jan 2009), 612-616.

“Transgression and Ethics of Tension: Wönhyo and Derrida on Institutional Authority.” In Youru Wang, ed., *Deconstruction and the Ethical in Asian Thought*. New York, London: Routledge, 2007, 192-214.

“A Crazy Drunken Monk’: Kyönghö and Modern Buddhist Meditation Practice.” (Translation with an introduction) In Robert E. Buswell, Jr., ed. *Religions of Korea in Practice*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2007, 130-143.

“The Wön Buddhist Practice of the Buddha-Nature.” (Translation with an introduction) In Robert E. Buswell, Jr., ed. *Religions of Korea in Practice*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2007, 476-486.

“Isanjök chöngch’esöng kwa Han’guk gye Mi’guk chakka ūi munhak” (Diasporic Identity and Korean-American Literature). In Yi Chonghae, ed., *Hanminjok munhwa’gwön ūi munhak 2* (Literature of Korean People, vol. 2). Seoul: Saemi, 2006, 42-64.

“T’oe’ong Söngch’öl ūi Pulgyo haesökhak kwa Sön Pulgyo yulli” (Zen Master T’oe’onog Söngch’öl’s Buddhist Hermeneutics and Zen Buddhist Ethics). In Sungtaek Cho, ed., *T’oe’ong S’öngch’öl ūi Kkaedarŭm kwa suhaeng-S’öngch’öl ūi Sön sasang kwa Pulgyo sajök wich’i* (T’oe’ong S’öngch’öl’s

Enlightenment and Practice- S'ongch'öl's Zen Thought and His Position in [Korean] Buddhist History). Seoul: Yömun, 2006, 19-47.

“Naming the Unnameable: Dependent Co-arising and Différance.” In Jin Y. Park, ed., *Buddhisms and Deconstructions*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2006, 7-20.

“Ch'örhak ha'gi: kü tarüm üi mihak” (Acts of Philosophy: its Aesthetics of Difference.). In Pak Wan'gyu, ed., *Ittang üi ch'örhakja muötül saenggak ha'nün'ga?* (Philosophers in Our Land: What Are Their Concerns?). Seoul: Ch'örhak kwa hyönsilsa, 2005, 140-162.

“Understanding Philosophical Thinking: Buddhism and Postmodern Thought.” In Feng Keli, ed., *Chinese Philosophy and the Trends of the 21st Century Civilization*, vol. 4. Beijing, China: Commercial Press Inc., 2003, 418-437.

Journal Articles

“Sarang, pallan, küri'go cha'yu: Kim Iryöp üi sam kwa munhak” (Love, Revolt, and Freedom: Kim Iryöp's Life and Literature). *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 17 (2007): 497-518.

“Wisdom, Compassion, and Zen Social Ethics: the Case of Chinul, Söngch'öl and Minjung Buddhism in Korea.” *Journal of Buddhist Ethics*, vol. 13 (2006): 1-26.

“Merüllo pponnti üi ch'örhak kwa Pojo Chinul üi Kanhwa Sön” (Merleau-Ponty's Philosophy and Pojo Chinul's Kanhua Zen). *Pulgyo P'yöngnon* (The Buddhist Review), 23 (Summer 2005): 209-231.

“Haidegö, mu, küri'go Pulgyo” (Heidegger, Nothingness, and Buddhism). *Pulgyo P'yöngnon* (The Buddhist Review), 22 (Spring 2005): 177-199.

“Gendered Response to Modernity: Kim Iryeop and Buddhism.” *Korea Journal*, vol. 41, no.1 (Spring 2005):114-141.

“Zen Language in Our Time: The Case of Pojo Chinul's Huatou Meditation.” *Philosophy East & West*, vol. 55, no. 1 (January 2005): 80-98.

“Hegel üi chonggyo ch'örhak kangüi wa Pulgyo” (Hegel's Lectures on Philosophy of Religion and Buddhism). *Pulgyo P'yöngnon* (The Buddhist Review), 21 (Winter 2004) 146-168.

“Hyöngi sanghak kwa pan hyöngi sanghak üi mannam: kündae yuröp chöngsin kwa Pulgyo” (An Encounter between Metaphysics and A-metaphysics: Modern European Mind and Buddhism). *Pulgyo P'yöngnon* (The Buddhist Review), 20 (Fall 2004): 108-128.

“Yisanjök chöngch'esöng kwa Han'guk gye Mi'guk munhak” (Diasporic Identity and Korean-American Literature). *Ch'angjak kwa pip'yöng* (Creation and Criticism), vol. 32, no. 1 (Spring 2004): 298-317.

“Living the Inconceivable: Hua-yen Buddhism and Postmodern *Différend*.” *Asian Philosophy*, vol. 13, nos. 2/3 (July/November, 2003): 165-174.

“Zen Hermeneutics via Heideggerian and Derridean Detours.” *Universitas: Monthly Review of Philosophy and Culture*, vol. 30, no. 3 (2003): 79-96.

“Wönhyo's Writings on Bodhisattva Precepts and the Philosophical Ground of Mahayana Ethics.” *International Journal of Buddhist Thought & Culture*, vol. 2 (February 2003): 147-170.

“Zen and Zen Philosophy of Language.” *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, vol. 1, no. 2 (Summer 2002): 209-228.

“Religious Conflict or Religious Anxiety: New Buddhist Movements in Korea and Japan.” *Religious Studies and Theology*, vol. 17, no. 2 (December 1998):34-46.

“Pulgyo wa wŏnpulgyo ŭi kwan’gye” (Relationship between Buddhism and Won Buddhism) *Wonpulyo kyohak* (Journal of Won Buddhist Study), vol. 3 (1998):34-46.

Articles in Conference Proceedings

“Siljonjŏk, haech’ejŏk, chonjaejŏk...: Kim Hyŏnghyo ch’ŏrhak esŏ haech’e ŭi ŭimi” (Existential, Deconstructive, and Ontological...: The Meaning of Deconstruction in Kim Hyŏnghyo’s Philosophy). *Proceedings of the Mode of Thinking in Kim Hyŏnghyo’s Philosophy and the Future of Korean Philosophy*. Sŏngnam, Korea: The Academy of Korean Studies, August 12, 2005, 9-22.

“Kim Iryŏp and Another Way to Korean Buddhism’s Encounter with Modernity.” Proceedings of the International Conference on Korean Nuns within the Context of East Asian Buddhist Traditions. Vol. 2. Kyŏnggi, Korea: Hanmaŭm Seonweon, May 21, 2004, 177-200.

“Commentary, Translation, and Intertextuality: A Note on Wŏnhyo’s Commentary on Posal yŏngnak pon’ŏpkyŏng.” *Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on Wŏnhyo Studies*. Seoul, Korea: International Association for Wŏnhyo Studies, November 13, 2002, 244-255.

Book Reviews

Review of Lee Sook-in’s *Dongasia godaeui yeoseong sasang: Yeoseong juuiro bon Yugyo* (Thoughts on Women in Ancient East Asia: Confucianism from a Feminist Perspective). *The Review of Korean Studies*, vol. 10, no. 1 (2007): 119-123.

“Why Are We Buddhists?: Korean-American Perspectives.” Review of Sharon A. Suh’s *Being Buddhist in a Christian World: Gender & Community in a Korean American Temple*. H-Buddhism / H-Review (September 2004). <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=158221096829777>.

“Sŏ’gu ŭi kong’angsŏn yŏn’gu- ŏdi kkaji watna?” (The Status of the Studies of Gong’an Zen in Western Buddhism.) Review of *The Kŏan: Texts and Contexts in Zen Buddhism*, eds. Steven Heine and Dale S. Wright (Oxford University Press, 2000). *Michu hyŏndae Pulgyo* (Modern Buddhism of America), vol. 169 (July 2004): 45-47.

“Pulgyo paekkwa chajon kwa sŏ’gu ŭi Pulgyo hak” (Encyclopedia of Buddhism and Buddhist Studies in the West). Review of Robert E. Buswell, Jr. ed. *Encyclopedia of Buddhism*. *Michu hyŏndae Pulgyo* (Modern Buddhism of America), vol. 166 (April 2004): 112-113.

Review of Bongkil Chung’s *The Scriptures of Won Buddhism*. *Journal of Asian Studies*, vol. 63, no. 1 (January 2004): 201-202.

“Agony and Pride of New Religion.” Review of Bongkil Chung’s *The Scriptures of Won Buddhism*. H-Buddhism/H-Review (January 2004). <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.cgi?path=32091079055661>.

Review of Chenyang Li’s *The Sage and the Second Sex*. *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*, vol. 29, no. 2 (June 2002): 209-228.

Review of Charles Muller's *The Sūtra of Perfect Enlightenment: Korean Buddhism's Guide to Meditation. The Eastern Buddhist*, vol. 32, no. 2 (2000): 207-213.

Review of Masaki Mori's *Epic Grandeur: Toward a Comparative Poetics of the Epic. The Comparatist*, vol. 22 (1998): 205-206.

Encyclopedia Entries

15 entries (18,000 words) on Korean Buddhism in the *Encyclopedia of Buddhism*. Eds. Damien Keown and Charles Prebish (London and New York: Routledge. 2007):

"Buddhism in Korea," 448-458.

"Buddhism and Colonialism," 446-448.

"The Buddhist-Confucian Debate," 458-460.

"Chinul," 226-227.

"Hwaōm Buddhism," 406-408.

"Hyujōng," 408-409.

"Kyōnghō," 466-467.

"Minjung Pulgyo" (Buddhism for the Masses), 525-526.

"Sōn Buddhism," 695-698.

"Sōngch'ōl," 698-699.

"The Sudden and Gradual Debate," 461-462.

"Women in Korean Buddhism," 831-832.

"Won Buddhism," 831-832.

"Wonchūk," 834-835.

"Wōnhyo," 836-839.

"Buddhism and Communism." *Encyclopedia of Buddhism*. ed. Robert E. Buswell, Jr. New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2004: 169-172.

"Man'gong" *Digital Dictionary of Buddhism*, <http://www.acmuller.net/ddb/indexes/person-ko.html>.

"Hyobong" *Digital Dictionary of Buddhism*, <http://www.acmuller.net/ddb/indexes/person-ko.html>.

"Gyeongheo" *Digital Dictionary of Buddhism*, <http://www.acmuller.net/ddb/indexes/person-ko.html>.

Creative Writings (short stories, novella, and essays; all in Korean)

"The Heart of the Flower of Longing." *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 14 (2004): 437-458.

"One Hundred Years of Korean-American History: Where Are We Now?" *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 13 (2003): 290-309.

"Philosopher's Laguna Beach." *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 12 (2002): 158-171.

"Café Abraxas." *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 9 (1999): 384-402.

"Returning of Salmons." *Expressions*, vol. 34 (1999): 322-335.

"Rules of War." *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 7 (1997):89-92.

“Shall I Call it Sorrow?” *Literary Movement and Trends*, vol. 70 (May 1996): 174-179.

“The Trace.” *Literature in Our Time*, vol. 33 (1995): 178-219.

“The Award.” *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 5 (1995): 204-219.

“Relationship.” *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 4 (1994): 266-274.

“A Double Bass Player.” *Korean Literature of New York*, vol. 3 (1993): 176-192.

“Squid.” *The Korea Times New York*, 29 May 1993.

Work in Progress

1. Monograph

Gendered Response to Modernity: Kim Iryöp, the New Woman, and Modern Korean Buddhism is a book project which explores a new domain in modern Korean Buddhism through examinations of the life and thoughts of Kim Iryöp (1896–1971) who was the first generation Korean feminist, writer, intellectual and Buddhist nun. Combining feminist thought, Kim’s Christian upbringing, and modernist concepts of individual freedom and equality with traditional Buddhist thought, this project demonstrates the complexity involved in the transformation of Korean Buddhism in its encounter with modernity. With the support by a Korea Foundation Advanced Research Grant (2006-2007), the initial outline draft of the book in seven chapters (180 typed pages) has been completed. An American Council for Learned Societies (ACLS) grant proposal was submitted in October 2008 to complete this book manuscript by 2010.

2. Translation

A Memoir of A Practitioner: Selected Writings by Kim Iryop contains translation of selected major writings of Kim Iryöp (1896-1971) in three sections: literary works, feminist writings, and Buddhist writings. This project has been supported by a Korean Studies Translation Grant of the Academy of Korean Studies (2008-2010). The translation is scheduled to be completed by 2010.

Lectures

Papers Presented at Professional Meetings

“Rethinking Philosophy in a Time of Globalization.” World Congress of Philosophy. Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea. August 3, 2008. (Refereed.)

“Khōra and Ethical Space in Derridean Deconstruction and Zen Buddhism.” World Congress of Philosophy. Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea. August 2, 2008. (Refereed.)

“Modernity and Woman’s Identity: Kim Iryöp’s Philosophy of New Individualism.” International Association for Women Philosophers Symposium. Ewha Womans University, Seoul, Korea. July 28, 2008. (Refereed.)

“Bringing Buddhism to the Modern World: the Case of Korean Buddhism.” George Washington University Conference on Bringing Buddhism to Varied Lands. George Washington University, Washington DC. April 14, 2008. (Invited.)

- “The Logic of Compassion: A Huayan-Postmodern Perspective.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. San Diego, CA. November 18, 2007. (Refereed.)
- “Philosophy, Border Control, and Deconstructive Ethics of Hospitality.” International Conference on Philosophy of Culture and Practice. Soochow University, Taipei, Taiwan. June 16, 2007. (Invited)
- “Derrida, Buddhism, and the Ethics of Tension.” Annual Meeting of the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy. Pacific Grove, CA. June 11, 2007. (Refereed.)
- “Deconstruction, Zen Buddhism, and the Ethical.” Annual Meeting of the Philosophical Encounter. Hong Kong. July 14, 2006. (Invited.)
- “Zen Buddhism as a Public Discourse: how do we turn wisdom into compassion?” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion. Philadelphia, PA. November 21, 2005. (Refereed.)
- “Did Kyōnghō Sōngu Revive Sōn Buddhism?” International Association for Buddhist Studies Conference. University of London, London, United Kingdom. September 3, 2005. (Refereed.)
- “Siljonjök, haech’ejök, chonjaejök...: Kim Hyōnghyo ch’ōrhak esō haech’e ūi ūimi” (Existential, Deconstructive, and Ontological...: The Meaning of Deconstruction in Kim Hyōnghyo’s Philosophy). Kim Hyōngho’s Philosophy and the Future of Korean Philosophy. The Academy of Korean Studies, Sōngnam, Korea. August 12, 2005. (Invited.)
- “Can Buddhism Liberate Woman?: Buddhism and New Women in Modern Korea.” 9th International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women. Seoul, Korea. June 19, 2005. (Refereed.)
- “Surviving Memory, Forgiving History: a Buddhist-Deconstructive Perspective.” Huafan University Conference on History and Memory. Huafan University, Taipei, Taiwan. March 5, 2005. (Invited.)
- “The Ethical in Derridean Deconstruction and Contemporary Discourse on Zen Buddhism.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion. San Antonio, TX. November 22, 2004. (Refereed.)
- “Philosophy, Border Control, and Deconstructive Ethics.” McDowell Conference on Philosophy and Tolerance. American University, Washington DC. November 12, 2004. (Invited.)
- “T’oe’ong Sōngch’ōl ūi Pulgyo haesōkhak kwa Sōn Pulgyo yulli” (Buddhist Hermeneutics of T’oe’ong Sōngch’ōl and Zen Buddhist Ethics). Conference on Kūnhōndae Han’guk sōnsasang ūi chaejomyōng (Reconsidering Zen Buddhist Thoughts in Modern Korean Buddhism). Korea University, Seoul, Korea. November 5, 2004. (Invited.)
- “Kim Iryōp and Another Way to Korean Buddhism’s Encounter with Modernity.” International Conference on Korean Buddhist Nuns. Hanmaūm Sōnsōn, Anyang, Korea. May 21, 2004. (Refereed.)
- “Language, Gender, and Politics: in Zen Buddhist Gong’an and Julia Kristeva’s Feminist Poetics.” American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Annual Meeting. Washington DC. December 29, 2003. (Refereed.)
- “Gender and Karma in Buddhism.” International Society for Buddhist Philosophy Annual Meeting. Oglethorpe University, Atlanta, GA. November 21, 2003. (Unrefereed.)
- “Social and Religious Context of Buddhist Reform in Modern Korea: the Case of Won Buddhism.” Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies. Phoenix, AZ. October 11, 2003. (Refereed.)

- “Language and Gender Politics: the case of Zen Buddhism.” Georgetown Conference. Georgetown University, Washington DC. September 6, 2003. (Unrefereed)
- “New Buddhisms in Korea and Christianity.” Annual Conference of the Luce Foundation Korean Christianity Program. University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA. April 25, 2003. (Invited.)
- “Thinking and Questioning: Buddhist Gong’an and Merleau-Pontean Interrogation.” American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. March 27, 2003. (Refereed.)
- “Temporality and Atemporality in Zen Buddhism.” International Society for Buddhist Philosophy Annual Meeting. Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN. October 26, 2002. (Unrefereed.)
- “Naming the Unnameable: Dependent Co-arising and Différance.” International Institute for Field-being and Non-substantialist Philosophy Conference. Jiao Tong University, Xi’an, China. August 12, 2002. (Refereed.)
- “Crossing: Translating Texts and Textual Translation in Wŏnhyo and His Buddhist Philosophy.” American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA. December 27, 2001. (Refereed.)
- “Meditation on Freedom in Chinul’s Buddhist Thought.” International Society for Buddhist Philosophy Annual Meeting. Luther College, Decorah, IA. October, 28, 2001. (Unrefereed.)
- “What Does Zen Buddhism Do with Language?” Iowa Philosophical Society Annual Meeting. Luther College, Decorah, IA. October 27, 2001. (Refereed.)
- “Politicizing Kungan: Zen Buddhism and Julia Kristeva’s Feminist Poetics.” International Institute for Field-being Annual Meeting. Fairfield University, Fairfield, CN. August 16, 2001. (Refereed.)
- “Understanding Philosophical Thinking: a dialogue between Buddhism and Postmodern Thought.” International Conference on Chinese Philosophy. Chinese Academy of Social Science, Beijing, China. July 22, 2001. (Refereed.)
- “Postmodern Field-being: Jean-François Lyotard’s ‘small discourses’ in the Hua-yen World of Shih-shih wu-ai.” American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Annual Meeting. New York, NY. December 28, 2000. (Refereed.)
- “Ch’an and Ch’an Philosophy of Language: the Case of Chinul’s Hwadu.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion. Nashville, TN, November 20, 2000. (Refereed.)
- “Postmodern Field-being: Jean-François Lyotard’s ‘small discourses’ in the Hua-yen World of Shih-shih wu-ai.” International Institute for Field-Being Annual Meeting. Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT. August 9, 2000. (Refereed.)
- “Language, Authority, and Enlightenment: Mis/Understanding Ch’an Buddhism along with Deconstruction.” American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Annual Meeting. Boston, MA. December 28, 1999. (Refereed.)
- “Notes on Interlocking Deconstruction and Buddhism.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. Boston, MA. November 22, 1999. (Refereed.)

- “Cultivation, Commitment and Co-existence: Foundations of Buddhist Ethics in the Won Buddhist Context.” Mid-Atlantic Region/ Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting. Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA. October 30, 1999. (Refereed.)
- “Questioning and Non-Substantialist Philosophy: Buddhist Kongan and Merleau-Pontean Interrogation.” International Institute for Field-Being Annual Meeting. Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT. August 12, 1999. (Refereed.)
- “At the Crossroad: ‘the traditional’ vs. ‘the new’ in Modern Korean Buddhism.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. Orlando, FL. November 23, 1998. (Refereed.)
- “Imagining in Silence: Chiasm of the Visible and the Invisible in Asian-American Identity.” Annual Meeting of the International Association for Philosophy and Literature. University of California at Irvine, Irvine, CA. May 9, 1998. (Refereed.)
- “Religious Conflict or Religious Anxiety: New Buddhist Movements in Korea and Japan.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. November 22, 1997. (Refereed.)
- “Korean Buddhism in the Time of Change: Social Reform of Manhae (1879-1944) and Sot’aesan (1891-1943).” International Conference on the Major Issues in the History of Korean Culture. Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia. December 18, 1996. (Refereed.)
- “Re-reading Chinul’s Hwadu: What is Really Happening in ‘Cutting Off Words?’” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA. November 25, 1996. (Refereed.)
- “Modernization of Korea, Modernization of Korean Buddhism.” New York Conference on Asian Studies. Dowling College, Oakdale, NY. October 12, 1996. (Refereed.)

Invited Lectures

- “Rethinking Philosophy in a Time of Globalization.” Mike Ryan Lecture Series, Kennesaw State University. Atlanta, GA, October 28, 2008.
- “Buddhism and Modernity in Korea.” Asian-Pacific Cultural Heritage Month Lecture. Rowan University. Glassboro, NJ, April 29, 2008.
- “Han’guk ũi Pulgyo: Kũ sasang kwa yŏnghyang [Korean Buddhism: its Philosophy and Influences].” Cho’ŏl See Ku (Baltimore Korean Community Forum on Traditional Korean Thoughts). Baltimore, MD. April 27, 2008.
- “Buddhisms and Deconstructions.” Maryland Institute College of Art. Baltimore, MD, March 31, 2008.
- “Religion and Modernity in East Asia.” Washington Asia Forum, Center for Asian Studies, School of International Service, American University. Washington DC. February 5, 2008.
- “The Ethics of Tension: A Buddhist-Deconstructive Paradigm.” University of Tokyo, Center for Philosophy. Tokyo, Japan. December 18, 2007.
- “Buddhisms and Deconstructions: A Preliminary Discussion.” University of Tokyo, Center for Philosophy. Tokyo, Japan. December 17, 2007.
- “Won Buddhism and Modern Korean Buddhism.” Won Buddhist Temple of Washington. Rockville, MD. September 16, 2007.

- “Buddhism and Modernity in Korea.” University of Hong Kong, Center of Buddhist Studies. Hong Kong. July 12, 2006.
- “Buddhism and Non-substantial Ethics.” Philosophy Club, George Mason University. Fairfax, VA. November 15, 2005.
- “Buddhism and Modernity in Korea.” University of California at Los Angeles, Center for Buddhist Studies. Los Angeles, CA. November 4, 2005.
- “Buddhist Ethics, Deconstructive Ethics.” The Academy of Korean Studies. Pundang, Korea. June 17, 2005.
- “*The Diamond Sūtra* and Deconstruction.” Korea University, Seoul, Korea. April 28, 2005.
- “Aesthetics of Longing.” Queens Public Library-Flushing. Flushing, NY. February 12, 2005.
- “Buddhism in America: Past, Present, and Future.” 40th Anniversary of Korean Buddhism in America. Flushing, NY. October 3, 2004.
- “Buddhism and Continental Philosophy.” Science Institute of Hanmaŭm Sŏnwŏn [Zen Center]. Anyang, South Korea. August 8, 2004.
- “Korean Buddhism in American Buddhism and American Buddhist Scholarship.” Kwan Um Temple Conference on Korean Buddhism. Los Angeles, CA. March 23, 2003.
- “Buddhism and Korean & Korean-American Identity.” Oberlin Korean Students Association Biannual Conference. Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH. March 1, 2003.
- “Understanding Asian Philosophy in Multicultural America.” Philosophy Matters Series Lecture. Department of Philosophy and Religion, American University. Washington DC. October 17, 2001.
- “Confucian Religiosity.” Institute of Confucian Studies, Fort Lee, NJ. November 11, 1999.
- “Sŏn Buddhism and Postmodern Thought.” Stony Brook Korean Studies Colloquium. State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY. December 9, 1998.
- “About the Long Discourses of the Buddha.” Lotus Dharma School, New York, NY. October 28, 1998.
- “Making of Contemporary Korean Culture.” Nassau Community College, Garden City, NY. April 30, 1998.
- “Buddhism and Won Buddhism.” Won Buddhist Temple of New York, Flushing, NY. January 10, 1998.
- “The Role of Religion in the Asian American Community.” Asian American Center, State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY. December 1, 1997.
- “Rules of Dialogue.” North American Association for Korean Scholars of Religion. Pulgwang monastery, San Francisco, CA. November 24, 1997.
- “Won Buddhism from an Outsider’s View.” Won Buddhist Temple of New York, Flushing, NY. November 11, 1995.
- “What is Postmodernism?” Stony Brook Korean Studies Colloquium. State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY. September 24, 1993.

Other (Conference panel organizer, chair, or panel discussant)

- “Karma and Buddhist Theory of Causality.” Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Philadelphia, PA. December 27, 2008 (Organizer and Chair.)
- “Japanese Approaches to Ethics.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of the Religion. San Diego, CA. November 18, 2007. (Chair.)
- “Buddhism and Happiness.” College of Arts and Sciences Mellon Colloquium on Happiness. American University, Washington DC. May 1, 2007. (Panel member.)
- “Reflection of Zen Buddhist Ethics, Past and Present.” Eastern Division Annual Meeting of the American Philosophical Association. Washington DC. December 28, 2006. (Chair.)
- “Zen Buddhism in the Contemporary World.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion. Washington, DC. November 18, 2006. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Buddhist Hermeneutics.” American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Annual Meeting. New York, NY. December 30, 2005. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Korean Buddhism in the Context of East Asian Buddhism.” International Conference on Korean Studies. Korea University, Seoul, Korea. July 16, 2005. (Discussant.)
- “Mind in Buddhist Philosophy.” American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Annual Meeting. Boston, MA. December 28, 2004. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Modern Korean Buddhism and Nationality.” Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion. San Antonio, TX. November 22, 2004. (Respondent.)
- “Hwa Yol Jung: Border-Crossings in Philosophy, Cultural Politics, and Literature.” Annual Conference of the International Association for Philosophy and Literature. Syracuse, NY. May 25, 2004. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Zen and Scholasticism.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA. November 22, 2003. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Buddhism Reads John Rawls.” Memorial Panel on John Rawls. American University, Washington DC. April 2, 2003. (Panel discussant.)
- “Politics of Difference.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. Toronto, Canada. November 25, 2002. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Commentary, Translation, and Intertextuality: A Note on Wŏnhyo’s Commentary on *Posal yŏngnak ponŏpkyŏng*.” The Second International Conference on Wŏnhyo Studies. Dongguk University, Seoul, Korea. November 13, 2002. (Panel discussant)
- “Won Buddhism.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada. November 24, 2002. (Discussant.)
- “Wŏnhyo and Commentarial Genre in Korean Buddhist Literature.” The Second International Conference on Wŏnhyo Studies. Dongguk University, Seoul, Korea. November 12, 2002. (Respondent)

- “Language, Communication, and Politics: between Eastern and Western Thought.” International Association for Philosophy and Literature Annual Conference. Erasmus University, Rotterdam, the Netherlands. June 4, 2002. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “On the Korean Transformation of Buddhism.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. Denver, CO. November 19, 2001. (Discussant.)
- “Beginningless Beginnings: What do Asian Thoughts do with Beginnings?” International Association for Philosophy and Literature Annual Conference. Spelman College, Atlanta, GA. May 4, 2001. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Dialogue with the Traditions.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. Nashville, TN. November 18, 2000. (Session respondent.)
- “Crossing Borders: between Eastern and Western Thought.” International Association for Philosophy and Literature Annual Conference. Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY. May 11, 2000. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Deconstruction, Buddhism and the Work of Robert Magliola.” International Association for Philosophy and Literature Annual Conference. Trinity College, Hartford, CA. May 15, 1999. (Session organizer and chair.)
- “Marginality and the National.” International Association for Philosophy and Literature Annual Conference. University of South Alabama. Mobile, AL. May 8, 1997. (Session chair.)
- “Lyotard’s Differend.” International Association for Philosophy and Literature Annual Conference. George Mason University, Fairfax, VA. May 11, 1996. (Session chair.)

Professional Activities

- Co-chair. Korean Religions Group. American Academy of Religion, 2007-present.
- Co-chair. International Society for Buddhist Philosophy, 2001-present.
- Editorial Board. *The Comparatist: Journal of the Southern Comparative Literature Association* (Academic Journal), 2004-present.
- Editorial Board. *Comparative and Continental Philosophy* (Academic Journal), 2008-present.
- H-Buddhism Review Editor for “Korean Buddhism” & “Buddhist-Western Comparative Philosophy,” 2001-present
- Book Review Editor for Korean Religions for *Religious Studies Review*, 2005-present.
- Co-chair. Zen Buddhism Seminar, American Academy of Religion, 2002-2006.
- Steering Committee Member, Korean Religions Group, American Academy of Religion, 2002-2006.
- Special issue editor for the online journal *International Journal for Field-Being*, vol. 3 no. 1 (2003). Special issue on “Heidegger, Derrida, and Asian Philosophy.” <http://www.iifb.org/blank2.php>.
- Book manuscript (or proposal) reviewer for the University of Hawaii Press, Columbia University Press, Cambridge University Press, and Blackwell Publishing. Article reviewer for *Philosophy East & West*,

Dao: The Journal of Comparative Philosophy, The Comparatist, and Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy.

Coordinator, Society for Korean Studies at Stony Brook Public Lecture Series, 1997-2000

Assistant to the Executive Director, International Association for Philosophy and Literature, 1995-1999.

Student Representative to the Graduate Studies Committee for the Department of Comparative Studies, 1995-1997.

Assistant, Stony Brook Public Lecture Series on Buddhism, 1994-1995.

Honors and Awards

Academic

Charles Wei-Hsun Fu Essay Contest in Field-Being Philosophy and Non Substantialist Thought, Co-winner, 2001.

Graduate Council Commendation to Outstanding Doctoral Students, 1997

Nominated for the President's Award to Distinguished Doctoral Students, 1997

Nominated for the University Affairs Graduate Fellowship Award in the Humanities and Social Sciences, 1996

Passed the Comprehensive Examination for the Ph. D. with distinction, 1995.

Others

Literature in Our Time (Seoul, Korea), Rookie Writer of the Year (in the category of fiction). 1995.

Korean Literature of New York (New York, NY). Rookie Writer of the Year (in the category of fiction). 1993.

Professional Membership

American Academy of Religion

Association for Asian Studies

American Philosophical Association

Comparative and Continental Philosophy Circle

Korean Writers' Association of America

International Association for Philosophy and Literature

International Society for Buddhist Philosophy

International Society for Chinese Philosophy

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Courses Taught

Buddhism

Buddhism (SUNY-Stony Brook, 1996-1999; American University, 2001-present)
Zen Buddhism (Vassar College, 2000; American University 2004)
Buddhist Philosophy (upper level undergraduate/graduate seminar, American University 2002, 2006, 2008)
Derrida and Buddhism (upper level undergraduate/graduate seminar; American University 2004, 2007; Graduate seminar, Korea University 2005)

Korean Studies

Korean Religions (Vassar College, 1999-2000)
Korean Philosophy (Purchase College-SUNY, 2000)
Modern Korean Literature (SUNY-Stony Brook, 1997, 1998; Korea University, 2008)
Introduction to Korean Culture (SUNY-Stony Brook, 1996, 1997)

Asian Religion

Introduction to Asian Religions (American University, 2001-present; Korea University, 2005)
Women in Asian Religions (SUNY-Stony Brook, 1996; Vassar College, 2001; upper level undergraduate/graduate seminar, American University, 2004)

Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Introduction to Asian Philosophy (American University, 2004, 2008)
Chinese Philosophy (upper level undergraduate/graduate seminar, American University, 2003, 2005, 2008)
Postmodernism and Asian Thought (upper level undergraduate/graduate seminar, American University, 2003, 2008)

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