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My research engages in debates in social sciences, particularly geography and urban studies. I build my work on the shoulders of giants who developed **legal geography** (property-sovereignty nexus, commoning, regulation, and performativity), theorised **territoriality** (planning, governance, experiment, and innovation), and studied the **Global East** (East Asian urban transformation under global uneven geography).

EDUCATION

- Since 2020 **Candidate for Doctor of Philosophy in Geography**
University of Lausanne, Switzerland
Fields: Legal Geography, Urban Planning, Science and Technology Studies, Global Urban Studies
Project: Commoning Work? A Legal Geographical Interpretation of Coworking Spaces in Sharing Urbanism
Supervisor Jean Ruegg (Full Professor of Geography and Planning)
Other Members of Thesis Supervision Committee Mathis Stock (Full Professor of Tourism Geography), Szu-Yun Hsu (Assistant Professor of Political Science, McMaster University, Canada)
- 2019 **Master of Philosophy in Geography**
Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong
Started in Jan 2017, submitted in Oct 2018, defended in Feb 2019, awarded in Nov 2019
Fields: Legal Geography, Urban Theories, Hong Kong Studies
Thesis: [Legal Production of Land \(In\)justice in Hong Kong](#)
Examiners Adrian J. Bailey (Dean of Social Sciences, Chair Professor of Geography), Anne Haila (Finnish Academy Professor, University of Helsinki, Finland), Wing-Shing Tang (Full Professor of Geography), Chun Yang (Full Professor of Geography)
Principal Supervisor Wing-Shing Tang (Full Professor of Geography)
Co-supervisor Lachlan Barber (Assistant Professor of Geography)
- 2016 **Bachelor of Social Sciences (First Class Honours)**
Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong
Major: Geography (Faculty of Social Sciences)
Minor: Journalism (School of Communication)
Honours Project: Urban (Re)development, Religious Organisations, and Urban Communities: A Spatial Story of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Wan Chai
Adviser Wing-Shing Tang (Full Professor of Geography)
Examiner Si-Ming Li (Chair Professor of Geography)

2012 **Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education**
Salesian English School, Hong Kong

SCIENTIFIC CAREER

Since 2019 **University of Lausanne, Switzerland**
Graduate Assistant in Legal Geography (80%),
Team « IF – Informing Futures »,
Urban Studies Research Group,
Institute of Geography and Sustainability

2012 – 2019 **Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong**

2017 – 2018 Research Postgraduate in Geography,
Graduate School (on studentship)

2017 – 2018 Tutor and Teaching Assistant,
Faculty of Social Sciences (on studentship)

2016 Research Assistant, Department of Geography

2015 Summer Undergraduate Research Assistant,
Department of Geography

2014 Summer Undergraduate Research Assistant,
Department of Geography

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Journal Referee

American Journal of Economics and Sociology (2020; 2020)
Geopolitics (2020; 2020; 2020)
Planning Perspectives (2020)
Routes - The Journal for Student Geographers (2020; 2020)
The Professional Geographer (2021)

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

* denotes corresponding author for co-authored works

Journal Papers

2021 [6] We have never been so bounded: Pandemic, territoriality, and mobility.
----. *The Geographical Journal: A Journal of the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG)*.
ISSN: 0016-7398.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/geoj.12389>

2020 [5] New town planning as diplomatic planning: Scalar politics, British-Chinese relations, and Hong Kong.
----. *Journal of Urban History*.
ISSN: 0096-1442.

<https://doi.org/10.1177/0096144220948813>

- [4] Hong Kong as a property jurisdiction.
----. *Social Transformations in Chinese Societies*.
ISSN: 1871-2673.
<https://doi.org/10.1108/STICS-01-2020-0001>
- [3] From God's home to people's house: Property struggles of church redevelopment.
----*, Lee, J.W-Y., & Tang, W-S. *Geoforum*.
ISSN: 0016-7185.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoforum.2020.01.019>
- 2018 [2] The "Urban density" question in Hong Kong: From absolute space to social processes.
Tang, W-S., Lee, J.W-Y.*, Hui, T-W., & ----. *City, Culture and Society*.
ISSN: 1877-9166.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ccs.2018.10.002>
- 2017 [1] The spatial story of St. Francis Yard in Wan Chai: A Catholic urban community echoing the urban development trajectory of Hong Kong. (in Chinese)
----*, & Tang, W-S. *Hong Kong Journal of Catholic Studies*, 7, 155-177.
ISSN: 2219-7664.

Book Reviews

- 2020 [2] The Power of Place: Contentious Politics in Twentieth-Century Shanghai and Bombay. By Mark W. Frazier (2019).
----. *Urban Geography*.
ISSN: 0272-3638.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/02723638.2020.1739366>
- 2019 [1] Pseudo-Public Space in Chinese Shopping Malls: Rise, Publicness and Consequences. By Yiming Wang (2019).
----. *Eurasian Geography and Economics*.
ISSN: 1538-7216.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/15387216.2019.1707103>

Book Chapter

- 2016 [1] Unchallenged land (re)development regime and everyday life of residents in high-density Hong Kong.
Tang, W-S.*, & ----. Jeon, H-G. (Ed.), *Towards an Inclusive City: Practices in East Asia* (pp. 92-103). Kyoto, Japan: Horitsu Bunka Sha (法律文化社). (in Japanese)
ISBN: 978-4-589-03735-0
Reviewed in *International Journal of Asian Studies* (2018)

KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

Mass Media Coverage

Interviewed, cited, or consulted by Ming Pao (2020, 2018, 2017), Reuters (2020), i-

CABLE News (2019), Apple Daily (2018), HK01 (2018), Hong Kong Citizen News (2018), NowTV News (2018), RTHK News (2018), Christian Times (2018), etc.

Public Writings

21 pieces of public writings on academic topics for various mass media outlets from May 2017 to June 2021.

Advocacy/ Community Projects

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| 2018 | Produced a video about the private recreational land lease policy in Hong Kong, with the Citizens Task Force on Land Resources and Liber Research Community, in March. |
| 2015 | Participated in a community mapping project in Wan Chai in Hong Kong, with St. James' Settlement; its collective product was published as a map in December. |

TEACHING

Courses Taught

2017 – 2018 **Faculty of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Baptist University**

Tutor

'Urban Geography'

Upper-division undergraduate – geography, English.

2017 – Enrol.: 70, with Wing-Shing Tang.

Weekly tutorial sessions preparation, classroom teaching, consultation hours, and assignment grading

'Urban Planning'

Advanced undergraduate – geography, English.

2018 – Enrol.: 25, with Yiguan Ma; 2017 – Enrol.: 29, with Wing-Shing Tang.

Weekly tutorial sessions preparation, classroom teaching, consultation hours, and assignment grading

Teaching Assistant

'Geography and the Contemporary World'

Freshmen undergraduate – social sciences and geography compulsory introductory course, English.

2017 – Enrol.: 76, with Him Chung.

Assignment design, field trips organisation, and logistics support

'Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta: A Survey'

Lower-division undergraduate – China studies and geography, English.

2018 – Enrol.: 31, with Wing-Shing Tang; 2017 – Enrol.: 14, with Wing-Shing Tang.

Assignment design and grading, field trips organisation, and logistics support

Guest Lecture

2017 'Whither is urban geography?', an undergraduate course Urban Geography (GEOG3027), Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong, 29 November.

Training Completed

2017 Completed a training course on pedagogy at the Centre of Holistic Teaching and Learning, Hong Kong Baptist University, January – April.

MANAGERIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

University Governance

Hong Kong Baptist University

Feb – Aug 2018 Member, Social Sciences Faculty Board

Dec 2017 – Mar 2019 Member, Taskforce on Review of Student Disciplinary Procedures

Sep 2017 – Aug 2018 Member, Research Postgraduate Studies Committee

Sep 2017 – Aug 2018 Member, Library Committee

Sep 2017 – Aug 2018 University Senator

PARTICIPATED RESEARCH PROJECTS

2019 The socio-economic impact of the Grain for Green Project in China. Research Assistant. Faculty Research Grant, Hong Kong Baptist University. Principal Investigator: Claudio O. Delang.

2017 – 2018 History of Catholic Church in Hong Kong in the 20th Century. Convenor, Working Panel on Church Architecture. Centre for Catholic Studies, Department of Cultural and Religious Studies, the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The Lord Wilson Heritage Trust. Principal Investigator: Louis Keloon Ha.

2017 Unfreezing the city: Framing spatial stories – life beyond the plan, survey, and grid. Research Assistant. Asia Art Archive. Principal Investigator: Solomon Benjamin.

2016 Between places and plans: A cultural geography of walking and pedestrian planning in Hong Kong. Research Assistant. Faculty Research Grant, Hong Kong Baptist University. Principal Investigator: Lachlan Barber.

2013 – 2016 Unsettling high-density development in Hong Kong: Production of space, spatial (in)justice and everyday life. Research Assistant. General Research Fund, Research Grants Council. Principal Investigator: Wing-Shing Tang, Co-

investigators: Alan Smart, Joanna Wai-Ying Lee.

AWARDS, GRANTS AND HONOURS

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| 2019 | [16] | Runner-up, Young Researchers Best Paper Award, The Geopolitical Economies of East Asia Research Network. |
| 2018 | [15] | Top-up Travel Grant, Faculty of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Baptist University. |
| | [14] | The 6th Chang Kuo-sin Award for Aspiring Young Communicators (Commentary Category – Winner), Chang Kuo-sin Journalism and Communication Education Fund. |
| 2017 | [13] | University Grant Studentship, Hong Kong Baptist University.
Duration: 24 months (from January 2017 to December 2018) |
| 2016 | [12] | The Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) Hong Kong Dissertation Scholarship. |
| | [11] | MI Asia Award. |
| | [10] | President’s Honour Roll, Hong Kong Baptist University. |
| 2015 | [9] | Hong Kong Electric Scholarships for Energy & Environmental Studies. |
| | [8] | Dean’s List, Hong Kong Baptist University. |
| 2014 | [7] | Wong May Wai Esther Scholarship for Outstanding Geography Students. |
| | [6] | Dean’s List, Hong Kong Baptist University. |
| 2013 | [5] | Dean’s List, Hong Kong Baptist University. |
| 2012 | [4] | President’s Honour Roll, Hong Kong Baptist University. |
| 2011 | [3] | Second Runner-up, Hong Kong Politikos Quest Championship, Department of Government and Public Administration, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
Policy research title: Land planning policy and rural development in Hong Kong.
(Collaboration with Sam Chan, John Lai, and Steven Yung) |
| 2010 | [2] | Outstanding Performance Award, Hong Kong Politikos Quest Championship, Department of Government and Public Administration, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
Policy research title: The balance between urban development and conservation.
(Collaboration with Sam Chan, Bruce Luk, S-Y. Pong, Felix Kong, and Victor Shiu) |
| | [1] | Finalist of Best Documentary, Live Curious Documentary Awards, National Geographic Channel.
Documentary title: Memories of Star. (Collaboration with Hardy Yan and C-S. Lau) |

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Since 2020	Member, International Academic Association on Planning, Law, and Property Rights (PLPR)
Since 2019	Member, Geopolitical Economies of East Asia Research Network (EARCAG-GPE)
Since 2017	Member, International Network for Urban Research and Action (INURA)

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

2021	[10]	Osgoode GLSA Graduate Student Conference 2020-2021 Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto, Canada Virtual Conference, 18–20 February Co-presenter, 'More-than-human promise and legal materiality' (co-authored with Irem Ince Keller)
2019	[9]	2018/19 Hong Kong Studies Annual Conference The Chinese University of Hong Kong and Education University of Hong Kong Hong Kong, 5–6 December Presenter, 'Hong Kong as a property jurisdiction'
	[8]	The 4th Workshop on the Geopolitical Economy of East Asian Developmentalism Osaka City University Osaka, Japan, 26 November – 1 December Presenter, 'Property assemblage, urban developmentalism and democratic struggle in East Asia: Some conceptual propositions'
	[7]	The 1st Annual Meeting of the Society for Hong Kong Studies The University of Hong Kong Hong Kong, 22 June Presenter, 'Land injustice in Hong Kong: Its concept and manifestations in G/IC redevelopment' (co-authored with Joanna Wai-Ying Lee and Wing-Shing Tang)
2018	[6]	The 9th Meeting of East Asian Regional Conference in Alternative Geography Daegu, South Korea, 10–15 December Chair, Session on Environmental Cooperation Presenter, 'Law, urban infrastructure, and land (in)justice: A new explanation of new town in British Hong Kong in the 1980s' Co-presenter, 'Gentrification is dead in East Asia: "Nano"-isation in Hong Kong' (co-authored with Wing-Shing Tang)
	[5]	Hong Kong Geography Day 2018 Education University of Hong Kong Hong Kong, 24 November Presenter, 'Thinking spatio-legally: A research agenda for the legal geography of Hong Kong'
	[4]	The 8th East Asian Inclusive City Network Workshop Urban Research Plaza, Osaka City University

- Hong Kong, 11–13 July
Member of the Organising Committee
- 2017 [3] The 27th Conference of the International Network for Urban Research and Action
Havana, Cuba, 19–25 November
Co-presenter, 'Gentrification is dead: "Nano"-isation in Hong Kong' (co-authored with Wing-Shing Tang)
- 2016 [2] The 8th Meeting of East Asian Regional Conference in Alternative Geography
Hong Kong, 6–8 December
Member of the Organising Committee
- 2015 [1] The 5th International Workshop on Constructing the East Asian Inclusive City Network
Taipei, Taiwan, 23–25 September
Presenter, 'The everyday life practices of residents in high-density Sham Shui Po district and the unchallenged hegemony of the land (re)development regime' (co-authored with Wing-Shing Tang)

OTHER TALKS

- 2020 [7] 'Futurity and endurance of temporary space: Law, democratisation, and the city'
Institute of Geography and Sustainability, University of Lausanne
Lausanne, Switzerland, 17 November
- 2019 [6] "'No more tears on our land": Legal geography of property and sovereignty'
Department of Land Economics, National Chengchi University
Taipei, Taiwan, 4 December (in Mandarin)
- [5] 'Legal production of land (in)justice in Hong Kong in the 1980s'
Faculty of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Baptist University
Hong Kong, 15 February
- 2018 [4] 'Reflecting on neoliberalism: The randomly indigenised and appropriated concept on China and Hong Kong' (with Wing-Shing Tang)
HKCGG seminar on The Critique of the Conceptions of Neoliberalism
Hong Kong Critical Geography Group
Hong Kong, 30 June (in Cantonese)
- [3] 'Land question and law in Hong Kong: An unsolved puzzle since the 1980s'
Department of Geography, Hong Kong Baptist University
Hong Kong, 18 January
- 2017 [2] 'Thinking about urban space legally: Towards legal geography of Hong Kong'
Department of Geography, Hong Kong Baptist University
Hong Kong, 30 August
- [1] 'Urban redevelopment in Hong Kong and its artistic

representations'
Asia Art Archive
Hong Kong, 18 January

LANGUAGES

Proficient English and Mandarin; Native Cantonese