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Education and qualifications

1992	University of Manchester, U.K. Dept. of Geography – Ph.D. <i>Thesis: Systemic restructuring for regional development in China</i>
1985	Graduate School of Academia Sinica, Beijing, China M.Sc. <i>Thesis: Urban system and central-place organization in regional planning in Tangshan, China</i>
1982	Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou, China Department of Geography – B.Sc.

Professional & work experience

Work employment

2010 - present	Member of Pan-PRD Panel of Central Policy Unit, HKSAR Government
2004 - present	Director, MA China Development Studies Program, The University of Hong Kong
2002 - present	Director, International Center for China Development Studies The University of Hong Kong
2001 - present	Associate Professor, Department of Geography, The University of Hong Kong
1998 - 2001	Associate Professor (tenured staff), Dept. of Geography, Hong Kong Baptist University, HK
1991 - 1998	Lecturer and Assistant Professor, Dept. of Geography, Hong Kong Baptist University, HK
1985 - 1987	Assistant Professor, Economic Geography Dept., Academia Sinica and The State Planning Commission, Beijing, China

Academic & professional achievements

2009	Honorary Professor, Beijing University, Beijing
2006	Honorary Professor, Jinan University, Guangdong Province
2001	Co-Founder and Associate Director, Centre for China Urban and Regional Studies, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong
2001	Founding member, Urban Transformation in China and Reorganization of the State in an Era of Globalization - an international working group funded by USA Albany-based Urban China Research Network
1999	Visiting Scholar, Dept. of Geography, University of Washington. USA
2000 - 2001	University Senate Member, Hong Kong Baptist University, HK
1998	Visiting Fellow of SPURS (Special Program for Urban and Regional Studies in developing areas), Dept. of Urban Studies and Planning, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA
1997 - present	Member of the Committee of Regional Planning and Urban Economics, of the PRC Association of the Chinese Urban Planners
1991 - present	Member of Society on Economics & Management in China, USA

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	Member of Association of Pacific Geographers, USA Member of Interdisciplinary Environmental Association, USA Member of The Chinese Economic Association, UK Member of Society of Hong Kong Geographers, HK
1991 - 2001	Member of Faculty's Research Committee, Course Board Committee of China Studies, Hong Kong Baptist University

Other experiences

2004 - 2007	Warden, Swire Hall, The University of Hong Kong
1977 - 1978	Worker, Mao Ming Petroleum Company, Mao Ming City, Guangdong
1975 - 1977	Urban "intellectual youth" rusticated to countryside as a peasant, Gonguan Commune, Guangdong Province

Courses taught

- China Development Studies Elite Seminar Series (MA course)
- China Development Studies Internship Placement Programme (MA course)
- China Development Studies Annual Fieldtrip (MA course)
- China Development Studies Dissertation (MA course)

- Geography of Foreign Investment and Trade in China (Geog7102)
- China's WTO Accession and Spatial Economic Transformation (Geog7114)
- Rural and Agricultural Development in China (include annual fieldtrip to China) (Geog2074)
- Principles in Human Geography (Geog1112)
- Cultural Geography (Geog1170)
- Regional Geography of China (Geog2110)
- Urban Development in China (include annual fieldtrip to China) (Geog3890)
- Geography of Trade and Finance (include annual fieldtrip to China) (Geog3650)

Research interests

- Urban & Regional Studies and Planning, Economic and Urban Geography
- Global and Chinese Financial Centres Development and Geography of Trade and Finance
- FDI and MNC, WTO and China's Spatial Transformation
- Hong Kong and PRD Economic Integration and Industrial Transformation

Academic awards

2005	Best Paper – only 20 papers were awarded of 900 global submissions Conference of Global Chinese Geographers and Annual Meeting of Geographical Society, PRC
2003	Outstanding Young Researcher Award 2002-2003 The University of Hong Kong, HK
1998	The Hong Kong Baptist University Academic Staff Fellowship Hong Kong Baptist University, HK This award resulted in my visiting scholar role at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA, in the Summer 1998
1991	The State Scientific and Technological Progress Award - Third Class, PRC Awarded for my contribution to the <i>Resources Development and Production Location in Xinjiang</i> project team (1985-87)
1990	The Academia Sinica Award for Outstanding Progress in Science and Technology – First Class, The Chinese Academy of Science, China

	Awarded for my contribution to the <i>Resources Development and Production Location in Xinjiang</i> project team (1985-87)
1988	The State Scientific and Technological Progress Award – Third Class, PRC Awarded for my contribution to the <i>Territorial Management in Beijing-Tianjin -Tangshan Conurbation Region</i> project team (1982-85)
1986	The Academia Sinica Award for Outstanding Progress in Science and Technology – Second Class, The Chinese Academy of Science, China Awarded for my contribution to the <i>Territorial Management in Beijing-Tianjin -Tangshan Conurbation Region</i> project team (1982-85)

Key research grants and projects

More than 30 grants and projects that receive investment from public and private organisations towards China and Hong Kong - related academic research, government and professional consultancy projects.

2010	HK\$93,000 – Hui Oi-Chow Trust Fund Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Formation and Spatial Structure of Hong Kong-Shenzhen Mega-city Region – A Perspective of Cooperation in Advanced Producer Services Sector</i> (200902172004)
2009	HK\$450,000 – two donations from the HK public and The University of Hong Kong alumni, and matching funds on behalf of The University of Hong Kong Grant was awarded for the general development of the International Centre for China Development Studies
2009	HK\$61,000 – from The University of Hong Kong Seed Funding Programme for Basic Research Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Comparative Study of Regulatory Regimes and Financial Centers among Anglo-American, Continental European, and Japanese Systems and Reference to Hong Kong and China</i> (200911159173)
2008/09	One RGC - Public Policy Grant rated excellent (4-5 scores) Unfortunately the grant was disqualified due to one of CIs neglecting to disclose one of reviewers “co-author” relation
2009	HK\$99,370 – from The University of Hong Kong Seed Funding Programme for Applied Research Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Innovation Park & its Strategic Location and Cross-border Development</i> (200902160034)
2008	HK\$58,000 – from the The University of Hong Kong Small Project Funding Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Dynamic Changes, Polarization and Spatial Paths of Foreign Direct Investment in China</i> (200807176152)
2005	HK\$80,000 – Hui Oi-Chow Trust Fund Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Income inequalities under economic restructuring: the Case of Hong Kong</i> (21369517/40554/04500/420/01)
2004	HK\$105,000 – The University of Hong Kong Seed Funding Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Spatial restructuring of financial centers in mainland and HK in the face of China’s WTO accession: an interim assessment</i> (10204323/40554/04500/301/01)

2003	HK\$300,000 – The University of Hong Kong Outstanding Young Researcher Award
2003	HK\$120,000 – Shui On Group Holdings Contracted Project Granted for then Chongqing Urban Strategic Planning Studies. The project was part funded by the Shui On Group and the local government for the site survey (total project costed HK\$500,000). The project was an International Consortium Study, consisting of professors from Stanford and Chicago University.
2002	HK\$532,000 – The University of Hong Kong Foundation Seed Grant Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>International Center for China Development Studies</i> (SN/If/The University of Hong KongF-DC; C04500.28505700)
2002	HK\$90,830 – The University of Hong Kong project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Spatial restructuring of financial centers in mainland and HK in the face of China's WTO accession</i>
2002	HK\$60,000 – RGC Germany/HK Joint Research Scheme Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>China's WTO accession and its impact on the spatial restructuring of financial centers</i> (RGC Project No.: G_HK 020/02)
2001	HK\$106,000 – The University of Hong Kong Leung Kau Kui and Run Run Shaw Research and Teaching Endowment Funds Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Developing Multimedia Information Resource Bank of China Studies</i> (21374046.40554.04500.420.01)
2001	HK\$120,000 – The University of Hong Kong Research Initiation Grant Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>China's WTO Accession and the Impact on the Spatial Restructuring of Financial Centres in Mainland China and Hong Kong</i> (10203918/40554/04500/323/01)
2001	HK\$102,850 – FRG Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>China's WTO Accession and its impact on the Spatial Restructuring of Chinese Financial Center</i> (FRG/00-01/II-44)
2000	HK\$98,400 – RGC TDG Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Developing Multimedia Information Resources Bank of Human Geography</i> (TDG/9899/IV/9)
1999	HK\$198,400 – FRG Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Change of China's Industrial Structure and Regional Comparative Advantage: A Shift-share Analysis</i> (FRG/99-00/II-09)
1998	RGC project – Principle investigator role on the project <i>Settling 'Rural Villages within Cities' in China: Problems and Planning Strategies</i> . This project was rated “fundable but not funded” because of lack of funding.
1998	HK\$159,700 – FRG Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Settling 'Rural Villages within Cities' in China: Problems and Planning Strategies</i> (FRG/97-98/II-51)
1998	HK\$100,000 – RGC TDG Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Computer-assisted multimedia learning/teaching package for the course of regional and cultural geography</i> (TDG/9798/III/1)
1997	HK\$50,000 – RGC UK/HK Joint Research Scheme Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Environmental</i>

	<i>Awareness in China's Rapidly Growing Small Towns: A Case Study in the Pearl River Delta Townships (JRS/96-97/08)</i>
1996	HK\$110,918 – FRG Project Granted for Principle Investigator role on the project <i>Re-examining the Current Interpretations and Level of China's Urbanization (FRG/95-96/II-84)</i>
1994	HK\$760,000 – RGC project Granted for Co-Investigator role on the project <i>Development of China's Land and Property Market - the Institutional Settings (RGC/94-95/24)</i>
1991 – 1995	HK\$30,000-\$120,000 per project - FRG (University) funded projects Granted for Principle Investigator role on <i>four FRG University funded projects</i>
1985 – 1987	Multi-million yuan project <i>Resources Development and Production Location in Xinjiang</i> – was Program Head of the “Urban-regional Planning Program” This was a key national project – jointly sponsored by State Planning Commission, Academia Sinica, and Xingjiang Provincial Government The project won two PRC national Awards (see Academic Awards)
1982 – 1985	Multi-million yuan project <i>Territorial Management in Beijing-Tianjin-Tangshan Conurbation Region</i> - was Key member in the “Program of Urban and Industrial Development and Location” This was a key national project – sponsored by State Planning Commission and Academia Sinica The project won two PRC national Awards (see Academic Awards)

External Peer Referee Reviews

Regularly review grant proposals for RGC (Research Grant Council, HK)

Regularly review papers for the following internationally top and acknowledged journals:

- **Geography:** *Transactions, Economic Geography, Geoforum; Geojournal; Area; Eurasian Geography and Economics; and Asian Geographers.*
- **Urban and regional:** *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research; Urban Studies; Urban Affairs Review; Regional Studies; International Regional Science Review; Urban Geography; Cities; Environment and Planning A; Habitat International*
- **Economic and Business:** *Journal of Comparative Economics; Asia Pacific Business Review; China Economic Review; Post-communist Economies; Development and Cultural Change; Economic Development and Cultural Change; Journal of International Development; World Development*
- **China and Areal:** *China Quarterly; China Economic Review; China Journal; The Journal of Contemporary China; China: an International Journal; Asian Survey*

Visiting Scholarship

Two Visiting Programs at the **Massachusetts Institute of Technology** and the **University of Washington**, USA (see Academic and professional experience)

Research Students Supervision

2009 – ongoing	Chan Gabriel, PhilD, The University of Hong Kong
2009 – ongoing	Lao Qionghua, M. Phil, The University of Hong Kong
2008 – ongoing	Lenzer James, PhiD, The University of Hong Kong <i>Thesis: Financial Innovation, Information Technology and Geographical</i>

	<i>Responsibility: Lessons from the US Sub-prime Mortgage Crisis</i>
2008 – ongoing	Lee Ka Shing, M.Phil, The University of Hong Kong <i>Thesis: Hong Kong-Shenzhen Joint Development: World-class metropolis</i>
2007 – 2009	Wang H.J. M.Phil, The University of Hong Kong <i>Thesis: Financial Market Integration, Capital Follow, and Cooperation between HK and Shanghai and Shengzhen Financial Markets</i>
Graduated in 2007	Wang Tan, PhD, The University of Hong Kong <i>Thesis: MNC Headquarters Strategic Location and Financial Centre Development in HK and Mainland China</i>
Graduated in 2005	Jennifer Lai, M.Phil, The University of Hong Kong <i>Thesis: Analysis on IT industrial clustering and local competitiveness</i>
Graduated in 2002	Wang Tan, M.Phil, Hong Kong Baptist University <i>Thesis: Defining and quantifying the ‘information hinterland’ and forecasting the spatial evolution of China’s Financial Centres</i>
Graduated in 2001	Tian Jiaping, PhD, co-supervised with Prof. Xu Xueqiang in Zhongshan University <i>Thesis: Settling rural villages in Urban China</i>

In addition, my responsibilities include supervision of approx. 30 MA program dissertations.

Consultancy

Actively involved in professional consultancy projects and activities since 1991, working with both the public/governmental and private sector.

2004	Leader of “Beijing Financial Centre Development” program and forum hosted by <i>Beijing Municipal Government and Financial Street Holding</i> (publicly listed company in Mainland, China) The forum report was broadcasted across the national multimedia network
2003	Leader of an international consultancy team, conducting a contracted project for Chongqing Urban Strategic Planning Studies Hosted by both <i>Chongqing Municipal Government and Shui On Group</i> (a public listed company in HK). The project is an International Consortium Studies that consist of professors from Stanford and Chicago Universities.
2001	Invited by PRC Society of Urban Studies and the PRC Association of Mayors to give a consultation talk on urban growth and development issues The talk was to the <i>Mayor and Economic & Planning authorities of Mao Ming City, Guangdong Province</i> . The event was broadcasted on Mao Ming Cable TV on 28/5/01
1996	Invited as part of a HK-Mainland scholar group to discuss the issues on “Hong Kong in transition” and “Mainland economic reforms and development” by PRC State Educational Commission Discussion was with officials in the <i>State Economic Reform Commission, HK Macau Office of the State Council, the State Science and Technology Commission, and Chinese Academy of Science and Universities in Beijing</i>
1996	Member of Consultant Board for the “World Cities And Internalization

	of Chinese Cities” Program <i>China Academy of Urban Planning and Design, PRC</i>
1993	Invited by Ronnie C. Chan, Chairman of Hang Lung Development Co. Ltd. (a Top 10 HK public listed company), to a luncheon talk on the Opportunity, risk and prospect of property development in China” Consultation involved Ronnie C. Chan and his senior executives in Hang Lung Centre, HK.
1991	Regularly present at & participate in consultant activities to the commercial sectors and property developers Experience include <i>Rwsan Investment Ltd</i> (HK-Shenzhen), <i>West Eaton Investment Ltd</i> (HK-Shanghai), the <i>Ca. Ba. Co. Ltd.</i> (Italy), the <i>China Songhai Industrial Co.</i> , and <i>Shenzhen Industrial Import-Export Ltd</i> (Shenzhen), and <i>The Beijing- Hong Kong Academic Exchange Centre</i>

Distinguish Keynote and Invited Presentations

Presented more than 100 papers in both academic and professional conferences globally, in past 20 years of academia experience, but they are not listed below.

Aug 2010	Nominated speaker for the presentation on “Hong Kong’s Future as an International Financial Center” in the <i>Theme-based Research Scheme Workshop</i> , organized by Research Grants Council, HK
May 2010	Invited Presentation on “The Centennial Competition of Global Financial Centres: Key Determinants and Theorization” in School of Geography and the Environment, <i>Oxford University</i> , UK
May 2010	Invited Presentation on “The Centennial Competition of Global Financial Centers and the Rise of China’s Financial Centers” in <i>Centre for Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences and Regional Studies Association Annual International Conference 2010</i> , Pecs, Hungary.
May 2010	Invited Presentation on “Global Financial Centers Growth and Competition and Reference to Shanghai” in the <i>Shanghai Forum</i> , Shanghai, China.
April 2010	Invited Presentation on “Global Financial Centers in post-crisis period and the Rise of China’s Financial Centers” in Session “Finance at crossroads and its geography: financial centres”, <i>AAG Annual Meeting</i> , Washington DC, US. Also invited to organize and chair two sessions “China and Globalization IV: Cities” and “China’s national strategic planning and sustainable development in the 12 th 5-year Plan period”, <i>AAG Annual Meeting</i> , Washington DC, US.
Oct 2009	Keynote speech invitation: on “Global Financial Centers Competition and its impact on the formation of Mega-city Regions in China” in the section of Globalization and China’s economic internationalization, <i>Centennial Celebration Conference of the Geographical Society of China</i> , organized by the Geographical Society of China, Beijing, China.
Sept 2009	Keynote speech invitation: on “Global Financial Centers Growth and Competition and Reference to Shanghai” at the <i>Opening Ceremony of the Inauguration of Shanghai International</i>

	<p><i>Finance Forum</i>, organized by Shanghai Municipal Government. The Vice-Chairpersons of CPPCC, Vice Mayor of Shanghai, Deputy Governor of the PBC, District Governor of Pudong New Area were amongst the distinguished guests</p>
Sept 2009	<p>Keynote speech invitation: on “Developing Shanghai into a International Financial Centre and its impact on Yangzi River Delta” in a panel section of the <i>Shanghai International Finance Forum</i>, organized by Shanghai Municipal Government</p>
Sept 2009	<p>Keynote speech invitation: on “Global Competition of Financial Centres and the Rise of Chinese Financial centres” in the <i>Chinese Academy of Sciences International Workshop of Urban Geography</i>, Beijing</p>
Aug 2009	<p>A requested private meeting: with the Director of Generali on “Hong Kong’s relationship with China and the development of the region, in particular the development of Guangdong” The meeting was with Mr. Lorenzo SAVORELLI, Director and Head of Research and Development, Generali Assicurazioni Generali S.P.A (one Europe’s largest insurance company)</p>
Aug 2009	<p>HKSAR CPU Meeting: invited to give a keynote speech on the topic of “Shanghai Financial Cooperation with Hong Kong” in a closed meeting with Shanghai’s Financial Officials and Experts, organized by the Central Policy Unit of Hong Kong Government</p>
Jun 2009	<p>OECD Visit: Requested by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) – a closed meeting with its delegation, hosted by my center, subject: “Hong Kong Economic Cooperation and Coordination with Guangdong, Pearl River Delta, and Agglomeration of Local Economy with Shenzhen”. The delegation only visited 3 Institutions in its Hong Kong trip: the Head of Central Policy Unit, Prof. Lau Siu-kai and the Chairmen of Bauhinia Foundation Research Centre, Mr. Anthony Wu, and the Director of International Centre for China Development Studies in Hong Kong</p>
Jun 2009	<p>Special invitation: by the Central Policy Unit, HK Government to consult with the Head and Chief Economist about “Development of Hong Kong Financial Centre and cooperation with PRD and Shenzhen”</p>
May 2009	<p>Invited presenter: on “Global Financial Centres Growth and Competition and Reference to HK and China” in Paris Organized by Centre National De La Recherche Scientifique, France</p>
Apr 2009	<p>Keynote presentation: at the conference of HK-PRD Economic Growth and Industrial Transformation, “Global Financial Centres Growth and Competition and Reference to HK and China” <i>Jointly organised by Beijing U, Zhongshan U and The University of Hong Kong. The Deputy Guangdong Provincial Governor and the Deputy Guangzhou City Mayor</i> was amongst the distinguished guests</p>
Mar 2009	<p>Chaired a Session and presented a paper “Contesting World Manufacturing Status: A Comparative Study among China, Vietnam and India” in the <i>AAG Annual Meeting</i> in Las Vegas, USA</p>
Feb 2009	<p>Guest presenter: at the HK PolyU EMAB conference (Business and Design schools, “HK-Shenzhen Joint Development of World-class Mega-city: Opening the Border Area”</p>
Oct 2008	<p>Guest presenter: at the 3rd International Workshop: International</p>

	<p>Trading Hubs in East and Southeast Asia, “China’s WTO and HK and Mainland Financial Centres Restructuring” Organized by <i>School of Public Policy and Management, Center for China Study, Tsinghua University and Centre National De La Recherche Scientifique, France</i></p>
June 2008	<p>Special Guest: for HKSAR Public Forum for Consultation on Lok Ma Chau Loop Development Plan, Hong Kong</p>
June 2008	<p>Special Guest: for the Exchange Forum of Institute of One-Country and Two Systems on HK-Shenzhen Metropolis Development, Hong Kong</p>
June 2008	<p>Keynote speaker: at the Public Forum and Summit on PRD and YRD Cooperation and Development for Win-win situation, “HK and Shenzhen Joint Development of World-Class Special Financial Centre” Organized by <i>Fudan University EMBA Program and Shenzhen General Chamber of Commerce, and the State Industrial and Commercial M&A Association</i></p>
June 2008	<p>Presented a distinguish lecture: “HK-SZ Joint Development of Greater Metropolis and World Class International Financial centre” to executives and officials from SZSZD and SZ Government Invited by <i>Hong Kong Baptist University and Shenzhen Special Zone Daily (SZSZD)</i></p>
June 2008	<p>Presented a distinguish lecture: titled “HK-SZ Joint Development of Greater Metropolis and World Class International Financial centre” to executives and officials from SZSZD and SZ Government Invited by <i>Hong Kong Baptist University and Shenzhen Special Zone Daily (SZSZD)</i></p>
Apr 2008	<p>Reviewed and commented: on Guangdong city’s “New Strategic Plan for the Industrial and Urban Transformation”, to government officials such as the <i>City Deputy Mayor</i>, media partners and urban planners Was invited by the <i>Dong Guan (Guangdong Province) Municipal Government</i></p>
Apr 2005	<p>Presented public lecture: “Hong Kong and Mainland Financial Center Development” Invited by the HKSAR government</p>
Nov 2004	<p>Keynote speaker and distinguished guest: at China’s “International Financial and Service Forum”, Shanghai Was invited by the <i>China Central Government and Shanghai Municipal Government</i>. The talk was held in the Shanghai International Convention Center and was attended by many senior banking executives& regulators, in China and globally</p>
Sept 2004	<p>Keynote speaker and distinguished guest: at the 8th Beijing-Hong Kong Economic Cooperation Symposium & Olympic Market Promotion Conference, Hong Kong Speech was delivered alongside the <i>Beijing Vice-Mayor, HK former Financial Secretary</i>, and <i>top banking executives and regulators from HK</i> Was invited by both the <i>Beijing and Hong Kong Government</i></p>
Aug 2004	<p>Keynote speaker and distinguished guest: on “China’s Future Financial Center Development”, the nationally-televised Inter-University debates Was invited by <i>CCTV (China Central Television) and China’s Higher Education Commission</i> The debate was televised across all major CCTV channels</p>
June 2004	<p>Keynote speaker and distinguished guest: at the Inauguration of China’s</p>

	<p>International Finance Forum, Great People Hall, Beijing, China The event was attended by the <i>Chinese Vice-Premier, Head of State Development and Reform Commission, Mr. Bill Gate, Mayor of Beijing</i>, and <i>top banking executives and regulators from China and globally</i> Was invited by the <i>Central Chinese Government</i></p>
May 2004	<p>Keynote speaker: International Conference on “China – Lijiang and Jade Dragon Snow Mountain Region Glacier, Tourism and Economic Sustainable Development” Invited by the <i>Lijiang City Government and Chinese Academy of Science</i> The Conference was televised live and publicized throughout China's major national and provincial media, such as CCTV</p>
Apr 2004	<p>Keynote speaker: at the Beijing-Hong Kong Forum, “Financial Centres Development” Invited by <i>Beijing Municipal Government and Financial Street Holding</i> The speech was broadcasted widely throughout various national multimedia networks</p>
Summer 2004	<p>Key partner: the “Evaluation and Ranking of China’s Best Cities for Business” Project, results of which was published nationwide Invited by the <i>Guanghua School of Economic Management, Beijing University, China</i></p>
May 2001	<p>Keynote speaker: in the Second Forum on China’s Urban Development in 21st Century, “World Urban Growth Models and Dynamics under the Globalization Era”, Guangdong province, China Invited by the <i>PRC Society of Urban Studies and PRC Association of Mayors</i></p>
Nov 1999	<p>Presented paper: “China's WTO Accession, State Enterprise reform, and Spatial Economic Restructuring”, part of the <i>Colloquium Series of Geography Dept, Univ. of Washington, USA</i></p>
May 1997	<p>Presented paper: “Hong Kong’s lesson for China’s Unequal Economic Development”, part of a public lecture series at the <i>Centre for Urban and Regional Studies, Zhongshan University, China</i></p>
May 1997	<p>Presented seminar: “How to do research and publish academic papers in international referee journals”, at the <i>Centre for Urban and Regional Studies, Zhongshan University, China</i></p>
Jul 1996	<p>Keynote speaker: at the China: 21st Century and its New Generation of Overseas Students forum, received by former President Jiang Zemin. “China’s unequal development since reforms: trends, magnitude, and policy” Invited by the <i>China Central Government</i>. The conference was a prestigious national forum hosted by the <i>Central Government (the State Council and the CCP)</i> and the <i>China Western Returned Scholars Association</i>. The conference served as a consultation forum for the central government and its Party, for broader issues regarding reforms and development in China.</p>
Dec 1996	<p>Invited to present: at the Rural-Urban Transition in China international conference, “Re-examining the China’s urban population concept and level of urbanization” (with co-author Zhang L.) The conference was jointly organized by <i>UBC (Canada), Hong Kong University and Zhongshan University</i></p>
Sept 1994	<p>Keynote speaker: at the Mainland China’s Population and Social Problems conference, “Rapid economic growth and backward infrastructure development: Guangdong Experience”, <i>Centre for Asian</i></p>

Publications

A. Guest Editor

1. Zhao, X.B. (2006) Co-Guest Editor (with George Lin and Roger Chan), The Special Issue on “China’s Urban Development in 11th Five-year Plan”, accepted for publication by *Chengshi Guihua (City Planning Review)*, 2006:9.
2. Zhao, X.B. (1998) Co-Guest Editor, (with Wong, K.K.) The Special Issue on “Marketization of Land and Housing in Socialist China”, *Asian Geographer*, 17:1-2.
3. Zhao, X.B. (1997) Co-Guest Editor, The Special Issue on “Hong Kong Urban Planning and Construction”, *Beijing City Planning & Construction Review* (in Chinese), 52:3.

B. Peer Reviewed Journal

4. Wang, D. Zhang, L. Zhang Z. and Zhao, X.B. (forthcoming) “Urban infrastructure financing in reform-era China”, accepted by *Urban Studies* (ISI Citation 5-year Impact Factor 1.82, ranked 6/32 in Urban Studies).
5. Ramón-Berjano, C.B., Zhao, X.B. and Chan, Y.M. (forthcoming) “Regional Development within the One Country Two Systems: Hong Kong’s Transformation into a Service Hub”, accepted by *Asian Survey* (Sage: London), (50%, ISI Citation 5-year Impact Factor 0.44. ranked 24/39 Area Studies)
6. 趙曉斌 (Zhao X.B.) (2010) 全球金融中心百年競爭的決定成敗因素, 《*中国社会科学(内部文稿)*》, 21:3, 52-58, (China’s No.1 journal in social sciences and its Internal Edition is specially designated for the frontier of “Big Theories” (重大理論) and for the reading of high level officials and scholars and as internal reference for top policy-making).
7. 趙曉斌 (Zhao X.B.) (2010) 全球金融中心的百年競爭及中國金融中心的崛起, 《*世界地理研究*》, 19:2, 1-11. (China Top journal in Geography).
8. Zhang, L. and Zhao, X.B. (2009) “City branding and the Olympic effect: the case of Beijing”, *Cities*, 26:5, 245-254 (Pergamon: Great Britain). (60%, ISI Citation 5-year Impact Factor 0.93, ranked 20/32 in Urban Studies)
9. Zhao, X.B. and Zhang, L. (2007) “The Changing Pattern of FDI and Emergence of Global City-Regions in China”, *Regional Studies*, 41:7, 979-994 (Carfax: London). (60%, ISI Citation 5-year Impact Factor 2.12, ranked 9/58 in Environmental Studies)
10. Zhang, L. and Zhao, X.B. (2007) “China’s WTO Accession and its Impact on FDI and HK_PRD Integration”, *China Review*, 7:2, 191-219. (60%, ISI Citation Impact Factor 0.57, ranked 14/39 in Area Studies)
11. Wang, T., Zhao, X.B., and Wang, D.G. (2007) “‘Information Hinterland’ - A Base for Financial Centre Development: The Case of Beijing versus Shanghai in China”, *Tijdschrift Voor Economische En Sociale Geografie (Journal of Economic and Social Geography)*, 98:1, 102-120 (Blackwell: Oxford). (40%, ISI Citation 5-year Impact Factor 0.84, ranked 31/51 in Geography)
12. Zhao, X.B., Lin, G.C.S, and Chan, R. (2006) “China’s Urban Development in 11th Five-year Plan - Introduction”, *Chengshi Guihua (City Planning Review)*, 227, 5-8.
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