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### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in History (Modern China), 1995  
University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii

M.A. in History, 1991  
University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii

Chinese Language Study, 1988  
Shaanxi Normal University, Xi'an, People's Republic of China

Chinese Language Study, 1987  
Tunghai University, Taichung, Taiwan

B.A. in History, 1987  
Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut

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### EMPLOYMENT

Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Research, AddRan College, 2017-2025  
Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas

Professor of History, 2016-present  
Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas

Associate Professor of History, 2005-2016  
Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas

Assistant Professor of History, 2002-2005  
Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas

Assistant Professor of History, 2001-2002  
University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida

Assistant Professor of History, 1995-2001  
Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio

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## PUBLICATIONS

### *Books*

General He Yingqin: The Rise and Fall of Nationalist China. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2016.

A Military History of Modern China: From the Manchu Conquest to Tian'anmen Square. Westport, Connecticut: Praeger Security International, 2007.

Occupation and Revolution: China and the Vietnamese August Revolution of 1945. Berkeley: Institute of East Asian Studies, University of California, 2001.

### *Articles*

"The 'Acid Test' of the Revolution: Demobilization and the Collapse of Chiang Kai-shek's Military Coalition in 1929," *Twentieth-Century China*, 46, no. 3 (September 2021): 268-286.

"A Tale of Two Fronts: China's War of the Central Plains, 1930," *War in History*, 25, 1 (November 2018): 511-33.

"He Yingqin he guomin geming jun de fazhan" 何應欽和國民軍的發展 [He Yingqin and the Development of the National Revolutionary Army], in Guojun yu xiandai zhongguo 國軍與現代中國 [The National Army and Modern China] Taipei: Guoli zhongzheng jiniantang guanlichu, 2015.

"Continuity and Change: Chinese Nationalist Army Tactics, 1925-1938," *The Journal of Military History*, 78, 3 (July 2014): 995-1016.

"The Eastern Expeditions of 1925: A Defining Moment in the History of the Nationalist Military," [當代中國研究] *Modern China Studies*, 17, 2 (2010): 19-47.

"From Bac Le to Haiphong: Local Officials, Miscommunication, and Sino-French Conflict in Vietnam," *War & Society*, 27, 2 (October 2008), 25-41.

"Toward the Minjiu Incident: Militarist Conflict in Guizhou, 1911-1921," *Modern China*, 33, 2 (April 2007): 258-283.

"The Road Through Whampoa: The Early Career of He Yingqin," *The Journal of Military History*, 69, 4 (October 2005): 953-986.

"Strange Bedfellows: China and Cambodia since 1949," *The American Asian Review*, XVIII, 3 (Fall 2000): 53-76.

"Strangers in Hanoi: Chinese, Americans, and the Vietnamese August Revolution of 1945," *Journal of American-East Asian Relations*, 6, 2-3 (Summer-Fall 1997): 125-144.

### *Invited Publications*

"China's Wars, 1911-Present." In *Oxford Bibliographies in Military History*. Denis Showalter, editor in chief. New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.  
(<http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/obo/page/military-history>).

Review of Li Xiaobing, China's Battle for Korea: The 1951 Spring Offensive. *Pacific Affairs*, 88, 3 (September 2015), 702-704.

Review of Peter Harmsen, Shanghai 1937: Stalingrad on the Yangtze. *Journal of Chinese Military History*, 4, 1 (2015), 109-111.

Review of R. Keith Schoppa, In a Sea of Bitterness: Refugees during the Sino-Japanese War. *Journal of Chinese Military History*, 1 (2012), 189-201.

Review of Hans van de Ven, Mark Peattie, and Edward J. Drea, The Battle for China: Essays in the Military History of the Sino-Japanese War, 1937-1945. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2011. *The Journal of Military History*, 75, 4 (October 2011), 1335-36.

Review of Nicola di Cosmo, ed. "Military Culture in Imperial China." Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2009. *Journal of World History*, 21, 3 (September 2010), 500-502.

"Military, 1912-1949" in David Pong, ed., Encyclopedia of Modern China 4 Vols. Detroit, Michigan: Charles Scribner and Sons, 2009.

Review of Kenneth M. Swope, A Dragon's Head and a Serpent's Tail: Ming China and the First Great East Asian War, 1592-1598. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2009. *The Historian*.

"Vietnam Wars: Effect on East Asia," in Peter N. Stearns, ed., The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Modern World. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008.

Review of Stephen R. MacKinnon, Diana Lary and Ezra F. Vogel, eds. China at War: Regions of China, 1937-1945. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2007. *War in History*, 15 (November 2008), 497-499.

Review of Xu Guoqi, China and the Great War: China's Pursuit of a new National Identity and Internationalization. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005. Electronic review for *H-War*, January 2006.

Review of Chen Jian, Mao's China and the Cold War. *The Historian*, 65, 3 (Spring 2003), 735-736.

Review of Bruce Elleman, Modern Chinese Warfare, 1975-1989. *China Information*, XVI, 2 (2002).

Review of Zhai Qiang, China and the Vietnam Wars, 1950-1975. *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies*, 32, 1 (2001).

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## PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

“Feng Yuxiang, Chiang Kai-shek, and the Origins of the Central Plains War of 1930: A Reconsideration,” invited presentation, “Warfare in Modern China Revisited” 重探現代中國之戰爭, Institute for Modern History, Academia Sinica 中央研究院近代史所, Taipei, Taiwan, July 22, 2024.

“Feng Yuxiang and the Origins of the Central Plains War of 1930,” Southeastern Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC, January 27, 2024.

“A Tale of Two Fronts: China’s War of the Central Plains, 1930” Chinese Military History Society Annual Conference, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, April 14, 2016.

“A Case of Mistaken Perception: He Yingqin and American Officials in Wartime China,” Mid-Atlantic Region Association for Asian Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, October 11, 2015.

“Ho Ying-ch’in and the Development of the National Revolutionary Army,” 國軍與現代化：黃埔建軍九十年國際學術討論會 [National Army and Modernization: An International Academic Conference on the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of the Whampoa Military Academy and the National Army], Academia Historica, Taipei, Taiwan, June 14, 2014.

“‘A Force for a Thousand Year War of Resistance’: Nationalist Conscription in the Sino-Japanese War, 1927-1945,” Chinese Military History Society Annual Conference, Kansas City, Missouri, April 3, 2014.

“Militarization and Modernization: He Yingqin and Nationalist China.” Presentation at “Revisiting Modern China at the Hoover Archives” workshop, Hoover Institution at Stanford University, Stanford, California, August 7, 2013.

“Continuity and Change in the Nationalist Army, 1925-1937,” Association of Asian Studies Conference, San Diego, CA, March 22, 2013.

“The Forgotten Front: The Eastern Campaign in the Northern Expedition,” Society for Military History Conference, Washington, D.C., May 12, 2012.

“The Eastern Expeditions of 1925: Dress Rehearsal or Defining Moment?” Chinese Military History Society Conference held in conjunction with the Society for Military History Conference, Lexington, Virginia, October 19-22, 2010.

“From Bac Le to Haiphong: Sino-French Conflict in Vietnam and China’s Military Modernization” Chinese Military History Society Conference, May 5, 2007 at William Patterson University, Wayne, New Jersey.

“When Soldiers and Students Collide: Militarist Struggle in Guizhou, 1911-1921” American Association of Chinese Studies, October 19-21, 2005, at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.

“Family Feud and Factional Struggle: The May Fourth Movement in Guizhou” Southwest Conference of Asian Studies Annual Conference, October 9-10, 2004 at Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.

"The Making of a Nationalist Officer: the Early Career of He Yingqin," Chinese Military History Society, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, New York, May 10, 2003.

"Strange Bedfellows: China and Cambodia Since 1949," American Association for Chinese Studies, University of San Francisco, San Francisco, California, October 28-29, 2000.

"China and Cambodia: A Historical Perspective," Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, September 2-25, 1999.

"The China of Deng Xiaoping and After." Alumni Weekend Faculty Workshop, Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio, 1997.

"China and the Vietnamese August Revolution, 1945-1946." World War II: a Dual Perspective, Siena College, Loudonville, New York, 1997.

"Occupation and Revolution: Chinese and Americans in Northern Vietnam, 1945." Ohio Academy of History Conference, Malone College, Canton, Ohio, 1997.

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## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Mid-Career Summer Research Grant, 2013.

University of Kansas East Asian Library Travel Grant, 2008.

TCU/RCAF Research Grant, Summer 2007.

TCU/RCAF Research Grant, Summer 2003.

Green Educational Foundation Research Grant, 2000.

Green Educational Foundation Research Grant, 1996.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Chinese), 1994-95.

Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii Grant, 1993-94.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Japanese), Summer 1991.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Chinese), 1990-91.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Chinese), 1989-90.

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## COURSES TAUGHT

Emergence of the Modern World I & II

Western Civilization Since 1500

Introduction to Asia

Asian Civilizations To 1500

Asian Civilizations Since 1500

History of Modern China

Chinese Military History

Chinese History Through Literature and Film

The Vietnam War

Graduate Seminar in Asian History

Graduate Seminar in Vietnam War History  
Graduate Seminar in China in World History  
Vietnam in War and Revolution (Online graduate course for the MLA program)

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## AWARDS

Michael  
AddRan Distinguished Faculty Lecture, 2016.  
William Oxley Thompson Award for Excellence in Teaching, Muskingum College, 1998.

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## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Member of Board of Directors, Chinese Military History Society, 2004-2019  
Editorial board, *Journal of Chinese Military History*, 2010-present  
Sub-editor for book reviews, *The Historian*, 1999-2010