

CURRICULUM VITAE
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Education

2012 - 2015	PhD (Social Science), Chiang Mai University, Thailand
2004 - 2005	MTh (Asian Christianity), Trinity Theological College, Singapore
2002 - 2004	MA (Southeast Asian Studies), National University of Singapore
1999 - 2001	MDiv, East Asia School of Theology, Singapore
1997 - 1999	MA (Biblical Studies) Singapore Bible College, Singapore
1992 - 1995	Bachelor of Science (Physics), National University of Singapore

Awards

2020	Excellent Researcher Award, Faculty of Political Science and Public Administration, Chiang Mai University
2017	The Thailand Research Fund for New Scholar, Chiang Mai University
2017	Very Good Dissertation Award
1992	Certificate of Appreciation, 5 th Singapore Infantry Regiment
1991	Commissioned Officer, Singapore Armed Forces
1990	Best Trainee Award, Singapore Armed Forces Provost Unit

Professional Appointments

2019 – present	Assistant Professor, Chiang Mai University, Thailand
2019 – present	Member, Editorial Committee, Political Science and Public Administration Journal
2018 – present	Associate Editor, ASR: CMU Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities
2018 – present	Affiliate Faculty Member, School of Public Policy, Chiang Mai University, Thailand
2017 – present	Associate Senior Pastor, Charis Tabernacle
2016 – present	Lecturer, Chiang Mai University, Thailand
2015 – present	Member, Board of Directors, The Tabernacle Church & Missions
2015 – present	Member, Board of Directors, Asian Pastoral Institute
2012 – present	Pastor, Thai Tabernacle Church
2008 – 2012	Pastor, Charis Tabernacle
2006 – 2008	Associate Pastor, Charis Tabernacle
2003 – 2006	Associate Pastor, Crystal Tabernacle
1999 – present	Senior Lecturer, Asian Pastoral Institute
1999 – 2003	Assistant Pastor, Crystal Tabernacle
1995 – 1999	Staff worker, Crystal Tabernacle
1991 – 1992	Lieutenant, 5 th Singapore Infantry Regiment

Teaching Interests

My teaching portfolios span political economy, social sciences, cross-cultural studies and pastoral studies.

Modules taught in political economy and social sciences include:

Academic Writing in International Relations
Chinese in Southeast Asia
International Political Economy
Introduction to International Relations
Readings in International Relations
Seminar on Issues in International Relations
Social Science Theories

Modules taught in cross-cultural and pastoral studies include:

Discipleship / Evangelism
Inductive Bible Study
Old Testament
Missions
New Testament
East Asian Studies
Religions of Asia
Southeast Asian Studies
Spiritual Disciplines

Research Interests

Chinese capitalism and economic cultures
Cultural diplomacy
Political economy
PRC transnational entrepreneurs and tourism
Smart City

Publications

Thesis

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Rethinking Chinese Capitalism: Economic Cultures, *Guanxi* and Identities of Thai Yunnanese Transnational Entrepreneurs in Chiang Mai City." PhD thesis, Chiang Mai University, 2015.

Refereed Articles

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2020. "Neglected Agents: Elucidating Lee, Kian Cheng. (2020). "Neglected Agents: Elucidating Chinese Social Actors' Role in Thai-Sino Smart City Diplomacy." *International Journal of China Studies* 11(1): 1-20. <https://icsum.org.my/ijcs/international-journal-of-china-studies-vol-11-no-1-june-2020/>

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2020. "Re-envisioning Citizen Diplomacy: A Case Study of a Multifaceted, Transnational, People's Republic of China "Ethnpreneur." *Journal of Current Chinese Affairs*

48(2): 127-147. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1868102620907240>

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2019. "Negotiating Diplomacy: Forging Thai-Sino Relations Through Interactive Business Workshops." *Journal of Chinese Overseas* 15(1): 89-105.

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2015. "Re-conceptualizing *Guanxi*: A Case Study of a Transnational Thai-Yunnanese Businesswoman in Thailand's Chiang Mai Province." *Thammasat Review* 18(1): 143-162.

Lee, Kian Cheng and Bian Hin Chua. 2007. "Bhikkhu Spirituality and Thai Christianity." *Journal of Asian Evangelical Theology* 15(1): 98-129.

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2006. "The Globalization Impact on Singapore Socio-Economic Policies and the Christian Response." *Church & Society in Asia Today* 9(1): 1-20.

Chapters in Books

Poocharoen, Ora-orn, Poon Thiengburanathum and Kian Cheng Lee. 2020. "The smart city as a complex system: the ebbs and flows of humans and materials." In *Smart Cities in Asia: Governing Development in the Era of Hyper-Connectivity*, edited by Yu-min Joo and Teck Boon Tan, 162-179. Massachusetts, USA: Edward Elgar Publishing, Inc.

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2018. "Negotiating the Rise and Vice of People's Republic of China Transnational Entrepreneurs: Multiple Strategies by Thai Yunnanese Small and Medium Enterprises in Chiang Mai." In *The Sociology of Chinese Capitalism in Southeast Asia*, edited by Yos Santasombat, 291-313. Singapore: Palgrave Macmillan.

Santasombat, Yos and Kian Cheng Lee. 2017. "Introduction." In *Chinese Capitalism in Southeast Asia: Cultures and Practices*, edited by Yos Santasombat, 1-33. Singapore: Palgrave Macmillan.

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2017. "Political Economy of *Guanxi*: Thai Yunnanese Transnational Entrepreneurs in Chiang Mai City." In *Chinese Capitalism in Southeast Asia: Cultures and Practices*, edited by Yos Santasombat, 155-179. Singapore: Palgrave Macmillan.

Conference Presentations

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Transnational PRC Chinese in Bangkok", Thailand Studies Programme Seminar, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore, September 11, 2019.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Untangling the Dragon's Ambition: The Expansion of China's Influences in Southeast Asia", School of International Affairs, Chiang Mai University held at Chiang Mai University, August 27, 2019.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Transnational Chinese in Bangkok", Transnational Chinese in Southeast Asia, Chiang Mai University and University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, May 4, 2019.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Re-envisioning Citizen Diplomacy: Iconic Case Study of a Multifaceted Transnational PRC Chinese Entrepreneur", Heterodoxy in Global Studies, Asia Association for Global Studies (AAGS) 13th International Conference, Chiang Mai University, March 22-23,

2019.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Rethinking Transnational Chinese Capitalism and Diplomacy: Reflections on Research Projects in Northern Thailand and their Implications for Singapore", Thailand Studies Programme Seminar, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore, July 19, 2018.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Negotiating Transnational Entrepreneurship and Cultural Diplomacy: A Conceptual Paper", 13th International Conference on Thai Studies, Chiang Mai University, Thailand, July 15-18, 2017.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Smart City and Cultural Diplomacy: Transnational Connectivity in Innovation Services", 3rd International Conference on Public Policy, International Public Policy Association, NUS Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, Singapore, June 28-30, 2017.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Negotiating the Rise and Vice of PRC Transnational Entrepreneurs: Multiple Strategies by Thai Yunnanese SMEs in Chiang Mai", Chinese Capitalism and ASEAN Economic Community, Thailand Research Fund, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore and Faculty of Social Sciences, Chiang Mai University, Singapore, March 25-26, 2017.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Political Economy of Identities: Networking Strategies of Thai Yunnanese Transnational Entrepreneurs in Chiang Mai", The Asia-Pacific Public Policy Network (AP- PPN) Conference 2017, Faculty of Political Science and Public Administration, Chiang Mai University, Thailand, February 10-11, 2017.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Friend or Foe? Thai Yunnanese Negotiating PRC Chinese Transnational Entrepreneurs in Asia Today", Next Steps for Asian Public Administration: A Comparative Perspective, Korean Society for Public Administration & Chiang Mai University, Faculty of Political Science and Public Administration, Chiang Mai University, July 14, 2016.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Political Economy of *Guanxi*: Thai Yunnanese Transnational Entrepreneurs in Chiang Mai City", Chinese Capitalism, ASEAN Economic Community and Overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia, Thailand Research Fund and Faculty of Social Sciences, Chiang Mai University and The Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, February 21-22, 2016.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "Re-conceptualizing Guanxi: Multi-Dimensional Capital in Chinese Economic Cultures and Class Mobility", International Graduate Research Conference 2014: Global Issues and Awareness, International Convention Center, The Empress Hotel, Chiang Mai, Thailand, December 12, 2014.

Lee, Kian Cheng. "A Model for Asian Pentecostal-Charismatic Spiritual Formation: Critical Response to Spiritual Phenomenology in Asian Religious Resurgence", Pre-Session Symposium, Society of Pentecostal Studies Conference, North Central University, Minneapolis, Minnesota, March 4-6, 2010.

Song Lyrics

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2011. *I Love to Sing His Story*. Singapore: The Tabernacle Church and Missions.

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2011. *My God*. Singapore: The Tabernacle Church and Missions.

Lee, Kian Cheng. 2010. *You Are the Great I AM*. Singapore: The Tabernacle Church and Missions.

Language Competency

English: advanced (oral, reading, writing)

Chinese: advanced (oral, reading, writing)

Thai: intermediate (oral, reading); basic (writing)