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CURRENT POSITIONS

- 2018~ Permanent Research Fellow, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture
- 2018~ Assistant Professor, Faculty of Humanities, Nanzan University
- 2018~ Editor, Japanese Journal of Religious Studies
- 2017~ Associate Editor, Digital Dictionary of Buddhism
- 2014~ Network Editor, H-Buddhism Network

EDUCATION

- 2016 Ph.D. in Buddhist Studies, University of California, Berkeley
- 2014–15 Exchange Scholar, Columbia University
- 2012–14 Exchange Researcher, Waseda University
- 2010–11 Visiting Graduate Student Researcher, University of Virginia
- 2008 M.A. in Asian Religions, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
- 2005–7 Research Student, Taisho University
- 2002 B.A. Cum Laude in Religion, Wabash College
- 2000 Study Abroad, Antioch College Buddhist Studies Program, Japan

PAST PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2017–18 Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture
- 2017 Adjunct Professor, Nagasaki University
- 2017 Adjunct Professor, Taisho University
- 2011 Graduate Student Instructor, University of California, Berkeley
- 9/2009 Translator and Assistant Organizer, “Tracing Japanese Buddhism: An International Conference at UC Berkeley”
- 2005–8 Graduate Assistant, Department of Religion, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
- 2004–5 Tutor, Nagatani Athletic Academic Center, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
- 2003–5 Instructor, KEC Foreign Language Institute, Osaka, Japan
- 2002–3 Instructor, Nova Group Inc., Osaka, Japan
- 2001–2 Intern, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2017 Padmanabh S. Jaini Graduate Student Award in Buddhist Studies
2015–16 The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Dissertation Fellowship
2014–15 Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship
2013–14 Bukkyō Dendō Kyōkai Fellowship
2012–13 The Japan Foundation Fellowship
2011 University of California, Berkeley, Graduate Division Summer Grant
2010–11 Shinjo Ito Chair Fellowship
2009–10 University of California, Berkeley, Center for Japanese Studies Graduate Fellowship
2008–10 Buddhist Studies Group at University of California, Berkeley Block Grant
2008–10 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship
2006 Hanayo Sasaki Graduate Merit Scholarship
2005–6 Japanese Ministry of Education Scholarship
2005 Hua-Yen Lotus Society Scholarship
2005 Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Fellowship

PUBLICATIONS

- 2018 “One and All: The Single Vehicle and Universal Salvation in Tendai Buddhism,” *Dharma World* 45.
2017 “Becoming a Buddha: The Three Secrets to Liberation in Japanese Esoteric Buddhism,” *Tricycle: The Buddhist Review* Winter.
2015 “The Correlation Between the Capabilities of Practitioners and Interpretations of the Garbhadhātu Maṇḍala in Saisen’s Abbreviated Questions and Responses Concerning the Four-level Maṇḍala of the Womb Realm,” in *Ōkubo Ryōshun Sensei Kanreki Kinen Ronbunshū* 大久保良峻先生還暦記念論文集.
2015 “Saisen no *Shishu hosshin gi ni okeru hosshinseppō ron*” 濟暹の『四種法身義』における法身説法論 (Theories of the Dharmakāya’s Preaching in Saisen’s *Doctrine of the Four-fold Dharmakāya*), *Indogaku bukkyōgaku kenkyū* 印度学仏教学研究 63/2:641–644.
“Maṇḍala Hermeneutics and the Source-Trace Theory (*honji-suijaku setsu* 本地垂迹説) in Early Medieval Japanese Esoteric Buddhism,” Conference Proceedings for Reading Outside the Lines: A Workshop on the Intersection of Text and Art, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, München.

REVIEWS

- 2015 A review of “The Joy of the Dharma: Esoteric Buddhism and the Early Medieval Transformation of Japanese Literature,” by Ethan David Bushelle. *Dissertation Reviews*.
2012 Review of *Miracles of Book and Body: Buddhist Textual Culture and Medieval Japan*, by Charlotte Eubanks. Berkeley: University of California Press, 2011. *Journal of Religion in Japan* 1: 197–201.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 9/2017 “Shingon fuhō den to jikan ron” 真言付法伝と時間論 (Shingon Lineage and Theories of Time), 国際シンポジウム「仏教の両翼を世界に探る」(International Symposium: Exploring Two Wings of Buddhism in the World), Waseda University, Tokyo.
- 11/2015 “Reconsidering the Exoteric-Esoteric Paradigm in Medieval Japanese Buddhism,” American Academy of Religion Conference, Atlanta.
- 10/2015 “The Enlightenment of Plants and Trees: The Soteriological Consequences of a Cosmos Without Borders,” Graduate Student Conference, Stanford University’s Department of Religious Studies.
- 10/2014 “Amerika ni okeru nihon mikkyō no kenjō to mondai ten—mandara to kyōri wo chūshin ni—” アメリカにおける日本密教の研究の現状と問題点—曼荼羅と教理を中心に— (Current Issues in North American Studies of Japanese Esoteric Buddhism with an Emphasis on Maṇḍala and Doctrine), Tabun fukugō no shikaku kara mita nihon bukkyō no kokusai teki kenkyū 多分野複合の視角から見た日本仏教の国際的研究 (A Multidisciplinary Approach to Transnational Research of Japanese Buddhism), University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa.
- 8/2014 “Saisen no Shishu hosshin gi ni okeru hosshinseppō ron” 濟暹の『四種法身義』における法身説法論 (Theories of the Dharmakāya’s Preaching in Saisen’s *Doctrine of the Four-fold Dharmakāya*), 65th Annual Nihon indogaku bukkyōgaku kai 日本印度学仏教学会, Musashino University.
- 11/2013 “Maṇḍala Hermeneutics and the Source-Trace Theory (*honji-suijaku setsu* 本地垂迹説) in Early Medieval Japanese Esoteric Buddhism,” Reading Outside the Lines: A Workshop on the Intersection of Text and Art, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, München.
- 9/2012 “Advocating for Esoteric Buddhist Praxis in Medieval Japan: Polemics on the Contemplation of the A-syllable in Raiyu’s *Secret Interpretations of the A-syllable*,” Buddhist Studies Graduate Student Conference, University of Virginia.
- 11/2011 “Maṇḍala as an Interpretive Language in Shingon Debate Texts,” American Academy of Religion Conference, San Francisco.
- 6/2010 “Ono Seishū’s Shingon Philosophy: A Meiji Interpretation of Kūkai’s Theory of the Dharmakāya,” Asian Studies Conference Japan, Meiji Gakuin University, Tokyo, Japan.
- 3/2007 “Educating Monks: Gakuryo and Shingi Shingon Rongi,” Tenth Annual Harvard East Asian Society Conference at Harvard University.

WORKSHOPS AND CONSORTIA

- 8/2017 “Workshop on *Tannishō* Commentarial Materials,” Otani University
- 10/2016 “To Meet the Buddhas Face to Face: Ritual Penance, Samādhi, and Self-Cultivation in Early Tiantai,” Yale University
- 3/2012 “Japan’s Oldest Archive: A Workshop on the Shōsōin,” Princeton University
- 8/2010 “Buddhist Thought and Practice in a Time of War: Reading Kujō Kanezane’s *Gyokuyō*,” University of Southern California Kambun Workshop
- 6–7/2010 Classical Japanese Literature (*bungaku*), Kyoto Consortium for Japanese Studies, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 11/2011 “Saisen and the Development of Kūkai Studies (*kyōgaku*) in the late Heian Period,” 16th Graduate Student Bakai at University of California, Berkeley

- 3/2007 “The Founding of the Shingi Shingon School,” School of Hawaiian, Asian, and Pacific Studies Graduate Student Conference off-site panel at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
- 5/2005 “Dialectics and the Language of Spirits in Japanese New Religions,” Department of Religion, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
- 2/2005 “Revitalizing the Role of Religion: The Spirit World of Kōfuku-no-Kagaku,” The Problem of Reinterpretation of Religion in Contemporary Japan at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa Center for Japanese Studies

LANGUAGES

Spoken: English (native), Japanese

Reading: Classical Japanese, Classical Chinese, Mandarin, French, Classical Greek

MEMBERSHIPS AND SOCIETIES

- 2018~ International Association of Buddhist Studies
- 2018~ Nanzan Academic Association 南山学会
- 2017~ Society for the Study of Japanese Religion (Secretary/Treasurer 2018–2023)
- 2013~ The Japanese Association of Indian and Buddhist Studies 日本印度学仏教学会
- 2012~ Buddhist Discussion Group, Tokyo
- 2007~ American Academy of Religion