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I use **Shen** as my English name.

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PHILOSOPHICAL INTEREST

Tradition of Interest

Chinese Philosophy, Western Philosophy

Area of Primary Interest

Metaphysics (esp. person and personal identity, free will, and social ontology), Social and Political Philosophy (esp. political meritocracy, censorship, and global justice), Ethics (esp. Confucian ethics), Philosophy of Science (esp. critique of cultural psychology on Chinese)

Area of Secondary Interest

Philosophy of Mind (esp. imagination, creativity), Feminism, Metaphilosophy

EDUCATION

PhD Student, Department of Philosophy 08/2022-

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN, US

Graduate Certificate: Global Studies (in progress)

Paper: TBD (Reader: Jon Garthoff & Timothy Gill)

Master of Arts in Philosophy, Department of History and Philosophy 01/2020-12/2021

Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI, US

Capstone Paper: *Personal Fullness*

Committee: Jill Dieterle (Advisor), Brian Bruya, William John Koolage

Master of Human Rights, Department of Sociology and Social Policy 03/2017-09/2018

University of Sydney, Sydney, NSW, Australia

Thesis: *A Confucian Approach to Human Rights: Construction, Justification, and Application*

Committee: Catriona Elder (Supervisor), Alex Lefebvre, Dinesh Wadiwel

Visiting Student (Psychology, Statistics, Sociology) 09/2014-05/2015

Maynooth University, Maynooth, Leinster, Ireland

Double Major in Economics, National School of Development 09/2013-06/2016

Peking University, Beijing, China

Bachelor of Management in Human Resource Management, School of Government 09/2012-06/2016

Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China

Non-Degree Seeking Philosophical Studies

Angelicum Thomistic Institute & Centre for Sino-Christian Studies, School of Philosophy,

Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong, China

- Summer Seminar in Asian Philosophy and Scholasticism: Peace, Inside and Out 07/15-26/2024
 - Presentation: *What are Confucian rituals and what roles do they play in the cultivation of virtues?*

Center for Intercultural Learning & School of Philosophy (CIL&SP), East China Normal University, Shanghai, China

- Collaborative Learning Project 四海为学 Seminar Series*
 - The Philosophy of Guo Xiang 郭象 (Paul D'Ambrosio, ECNU) 01-04/2023
 - Reading the Xunzi 荀子 (Rory O'Neill, ECNU) 10-11/2022
 - Understanding Dao in the Huainanzi 淮南子 (Stephen Walker, University of Chicago) 09-10/2022
 - Reading the Han Feizi 韩非子 (Rory O'Neill, ECNU) 09/2022

Sinological Development Charitable Foundation, Hong Kong, China

- 8th Greater China Summer Program in Chinese Studies (Hong Kong, Henan; scholar member) 07-08/2023
 - Presentation: *The Problem of Choice in Confucianism and Existentialism* (with Lusine Musakhanyan, 2nd place in group paper)
- SDCF Yijing (易经 the *Book of Change*) Learning Community* 02/2022-present
- 5th Greater China Summer Program in Chinese Studies* (viewer) 07-08/2020

Department of Philosophy, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN, US

- Weekly faculty-led Reading Groups in Chinese Philosophy 09/2022-05/2024

School of Philosophy, Wuhan University, Wuhan, China

- 6th Contemporary Issues in Political Philosophy Summer School* 07/2022
- 4th Contemporary Issues in Political Philosophy Summer School* (sit-in member) 08/2020

Department of Philosophy, Xiamen University, Xiamen, China

- 4th Chinese Summer School in Philosophy for Children: Theory and Practice* 07/2022
 - winner of *Outstanding Course Design Award*

Department of Asian and North African Studies, University of Ca' Foscari

(with Reset Dialogues on Civilizations), Venice, Italy

- Summer School: "Free Speech, its Primacy and Challenges"* 05/2021

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

PhD in Philosophy [including audited course and undergraduate course (UC)]

PHIL640 Neo-Aristotelian Ethics (Kristina Gehrman, audit)	Fall 2024
PHIL390 Philosophical Foundations of Democracy (David Reidy, UC, audit)	Spring 2024
PHIL540 Hierarchy & Alternatives (Kristina Gehrman)	Spring 2024
PHIL441 Global Justice and Human Rights (David Reidy, also for GS)	Fall 2023
PHIL560 Feminist Philosophy of Science (Nora Berenstain)	Fall 2023
PHIL626 Naming and Necessity (Jon Garthoff)	Fall 2023
PHIL573 Metaphysics: <i>Free Will</i> (David Palmer)	Spring 2023
PSYC570 Cognitive and Affective Bases of Behavior (Jeff Larsen)	Spring 2023
PHIL601 Survey of Ethical Thought (Adam Cureton)	Fall 2022
PHIL622 History of Philosophy: <i>Marx</i> (Richard Eldridge)	Fall 2022

Graduate Certificate in Global Studies (GS)

SOCI446 The Modern World System (Paul Gellert)	Fall 2024
POLS687 International Political Economy (Wonjae Hwang)	Spring 2023
POLS580 International Politics (Krista Wiegand)	Fall 2022

Eastern Michigan University

PHIL520 Ethical Theory: <i>Elizabeth Anderson's Value in Ethics and Economics</i> (J. Michael Scoville)	Fall 2021
PHIL527 Social Epistemology (Jill Dieterle)	Fall 2021
PHIL597 Independent Study: <i>Global Justice</i> (J. Michael Scoville)	Summer 2021
PHIL529 Environmental Philosophy (J. Michael Scoville)	Winter 2021
PHIL542 Philosophy of Mind (W. John Koolage)	Winter 2021
PHIL602 Teaching Seminar & Practicum (Peter Higgins)	Winter 2021
PHIL594 Chinese Philosophy: <i>The Dialogue of Confucius</i> 孔子家语 (Brian Bruya)	Fall 2020
PHIL599 Independent Study: <i>Symbolic Logic</i> (Jill Dieterle)	Fall 2020
PHIL601 Feminist Philosophy (Peter Higgins)	Fall 2020
PHIL576 Metaphysics: <i>Persons and Personal Identity</i> (Jill Dieterle)	Winter 2020
PHIL592 Gender, World Religions & Justice (Kate Mehuron)	Winter 2020
PHIL595 Phenomenology (Laura McMahan)	Winter 2020

University of Sydney

FASS7002 Critical Thinking and Persuasive Writing (Louise Katz)	Semester1 2018
SCLG6905 Independent Study (Fran Collyer)	Semester1 2018
PACS6928 Community Mediation: Theory and Practice (Abe Quadan)	Summer 2018
GEOS5501 Human Rights and the Environment (Josephine Gillespie)	Semester2 2017
HRTD6903 Dynamics of Human Rights Violations (Jean Bogais)	Semester2 2017
FASS7001 Academic English for Postgraduates (Louise Katz)	Semester1 2017
HRTD6901 Human Rights: Norms and Mechanisms (Dinesh Wadiwel)	Semester1 2017
HRTD6916 Human Rights Simulation (Susan Banki)	Semester1 2017
SCLG6901 Citizenship Rights and Social Movements (Sheleyah Ane Courtney)	Semester1 2017

PHILOSOPHICAL EXPERIENCE

Presentation

I. Metaphysics

How Does Gender Form: A Haslangerian Analysis

44th Annual Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign 04/21/2023

II. Value Theory

Reconstructing Confucius' Theory of Parental Virtues

Learning Together Project, CIL&SP, East China Normal University* 04/17/2024

Northeast Conference on Chinese Thought, Baruch College, City University of New York, New York TBA

What Is An Unjust Global Structure?

Graduate Colloquium, Department of Philosophy, University of Tennessee, Knoxville 09/20/2022

6th Wuhan University Contemporary Issues in Political Philosophy Summer School* 07/09/2022

Research Experience

Research Assistant Fall 2020&
Eastern Michigan University Winter 2021

Supervisor: Brian Bruya

- Sorted glossary and proofread Chinese-English translation work *The Dialogues of Confucius*;
- Assisted in proofreading *The Way of Zen*;
- Conducted literature research on post-voluntary attention.

Teaching Experience

As An Instructor of Record

PHIL100 Introduction to Philosophy (Supervisor: Jill Dieterle, EMU) Fall 2021

As A Teaching Assistant

PHIL244 Professional Responsibility (Judith Carlisle, UTK) Fall 2024

PHIL252 Contemporary Moral Problems (Alex Feldt, UTK) Fall 2023&Spring 2024

PHIL101 Introduction to Philosophy (Sam Von Mizner, UTK) Spring 2023

PHIL101 Introduction to Philosophy (Kristina Gehrman, UTK) Fall 2022

Academic Service

Conference Committee Member, 6th PGSA@UT Philosophy Conference, University of Tennessee 2022-2023

Session Chair, Eastern Michigan University 11th Annual Undergraduate Conference in Philosophy* 03/2021

Session Chair, Eastern Michigan University 10th Annual Undergraduate Conference in Philosophy 03/2020

OTHER ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Article

Sun, Shufang, Stephanie Budge, Wenxuan Shen, Ge Xu, Muqing Liu, and Siqi Feng. "Minority Stress and Health: A Grounded Theory Exploration among Men Who Have Sex with Men in China and Implications for Health Research and Interventions." *Social Science & Medicine* 252 (2020): 112917.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2020.112917>

Research Project

The Chinese Society of Education. *2016 Annual Report of National Education Governance Modernization Index Evaluation (in Chinese)*. Beijing: Modern Education Press, 2018. (Member of editorial committee)

Research Assistantship

Research Assistant, Supervisor: Jianping Qin 09/2019-12/2019&

Field: Teaching Standard Evaluation, *The Chinese Society of Education* 05/2020-08/2020

- Researched and translated New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (InTASC) and National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) documents.

Research Assistant, Supervisor: Hongping Lian 03/2016-08/2016

Field: Land Reform, *Beijing Normal University*

- Researched literature on "Land Reform in Chengdu", and translated key literature;
- Interviewed government staff, policy maker, local farmers, and transcribed interviews.

Research Assistant, Principal Investigator: Yina Ma 10/2015-02/2016

Lab: Social & Affective NeuroPharmacology (SANP) Lab, *Beijing Normal University*

- Proofread questionnaire; assisted in conducting experiment; reported literature in Lab's weekly meeting.

Field Investigator, Principal Investigator: Yaohui Zhao 07/2014-08/2014

Project: China Health and Retirement Longitudinal Study, *Peking University*

- Located household by Charls-GIS, persuaded household to accept yearly interview;
- Interviewed 100 senior citizens based on structured questionnaires in Jiangxi.

Fellowship

Mentoring 4 Life Graduate Fellowship, Eastern Michigan University 2020-2021

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

Part-time Job

Student Worker 08-12/2021

School of Social Work, Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti

Building Check-In Team Member 09/2020-08/2021

Office of Engage, Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti

Program Coordinator 08/2019-12/2019

Beijing Shi Zheng You Shi Educational Counseling Co., LTD Beijing

Internship

Program Coordinator 08/2018-12/2019

Pilot Zone & Project Management Office, The Chinese Society of Education Beijing

Program Assistant 07/2016-02/2017

CAP Program Office, The Chinese Society of Education Beijing

Correspondent 08/2017-11/2017

Australian Division, The Organization for World Peace Sydney

Program Assistant 03/2016-06/2016

UNITE THE FORCE FOR GOOD Program, China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation Beijing

Volunteer

Social and Emotional Support Volunteer 09/2017-06/2018

Ankali Project, Albion Center Sydney

Team Leader 02/2017

18th HAPPY MOVE Global Youth Volunteer Camp Hainan Mangrove Conservation Project Haikou & Sanya

The Chinese Society of Education, Hyundai Motor Group and COPION

Volunteer 09/2015-01/2017

Operation Office, Beijing LGBT Center Beijing

Volunteer 09/2013

9th China International Garden Expo Beijing

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

International Representative 11/2014-03/2015

International Society, Maynooth University

Office Manager	06/2013-06/2014
<i>Students' Union, School of Government, Beijing Normal University</i>	
School Casual Job Coordinator	09/2012-09/2013
<i>Students' Union, School of Government, Beijing Normal University</i>	
Study Coordinator	09/2012-09/2014
<i>Class of Human Resource Management (2016), School of Government, Beijing Normal University</i>	
Treasurer	09/2012-11/2013
<i>Department of Human Resource, Students' Union, Beijing Normal University</i>	

LANGUAGE

Mandarin (Native), Classical Chinese (Reading), English, Latin (Basic)

Language Training

Latin Language Seminar*, Western Ontario Early Modern Philosophy 09/2020-06/2021

FITNESS

Certification

Corrective Exercise Specialist, National Academy of Sports Medicine 06/2021

Training

CPR, AED and First Aid Training & Skill Test, Eastern Michigan University 11/2021

GRANT, AWARD, PRIZE, & SCHOLARSHIP

Global Catalyst Student International Travel Grants, University of Tennessee, Knoxville	2023
Excellent Graduating Award, Beijing Normal University	2016
Second Class Scholarship, Beijing Normal University	2013&2014
Merit Student Awards, Beijing Normal University	2013&2014