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## ACADEMIC INTERESTS

Legal geography; Landed property; Territoriality: planning, governance, experiments, and innovations; Democratisation, the rule of law, geopolitical economies; Global East, East Asia, Taiwan, Hong Kong. Specific themes:

- potentialities and promises of territorial planning for democratisation of urban societies
- conceptions and manifestations of land (in)justice, and spatio-legally innovative alternatives
- futures of Hong Kong in the global society

## CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

**Graduate Assistant in Legal Geography** (Category: Research and Teaching Staff)

Since 2019

University of Lausanne, Switzerland

Team « IF - Informing Futures », Urban Studies Research Group, Institute of Geography and Sustainability

## CURRENT STUDY PROGRAMME

**Doctor of Philosophy in Geography**

Since 2020

University of Lausanne, Switzerland

Project: 'DemocraCity' Legal Geography of Conflict-affected Urban Territoriality and Democratisation

Fields: Legal Geography, Urban Planning, Science and Technology Studies, Peace Studies, Global Urban Studies

Thesis Supervision Committee: Jean Ruegg (Dissertation Director; Full Professor of Planning), Mathis Stock (Full Professor of Geography), Szu-Yun Hsu (Assistant Professor of Political Science, McMaster University, Canada)

## EDUCATION

**Master of Philosophy in Geography**

2019

Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong

Thesis: [Legal Production of Land \(In\)justice in Hong Kong](#)

Examiners: Adrian J. Bailey (Dean of Social Sciences, Chair Professor of Geography), Anne Haila (Finnish Academy Professor, University of Helsinki, Finland), Wing-Shing Tang (Adjunct Professor of Geography), Chun Yang (Professor of Geography)

Fields: Legal Geography, Radical Urban Theories, Hong Kong Studies

Principal Supervisor: Wing-Shing Tang; Co-Supervisor: Lachlan Barber (Assistant Professor of Geography)

**Bachelor of Social Sciences (First Class Honours)**

2016

Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong

Major: Geography; Minor: Journalism

Honours Project: Urban (Re)development, Religious Organisations, and Urban Communities: A Spatial Story of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Wan Chai

Adviser: Wing-Shing Tang (Professor of Geography); Examiner: Si-Ming Li (Chair Professor of Geography)

**Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education**

2012

Salesian English School, Hong Kong

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

**Journal Referee**

American Journal of Economics and Sociology (2020); Geopolitics (2020; 2020; 2020); Planning Perspectives (2020); Routes - The Journal for Student Geographers (2020; 2020)

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

(\* denotes corresponding author for co-authored works)

### Peer-reviewed Journal Papers

- New town planning as diplomatic planning: Scalar politics, British-Chinese relations, and Hong Kong. [5] 2020  
----. *Journal of Urban History*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0096144220948813>
- Hong Kong as a property jurisdiction. [4]  
----. *Social Transformations in Chinese Societies*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1108/STICS-01-2020-0001>
- From God's home to people's house: Property struggles of church redevelopment. [3\*]  
----, Lee, J.W-Y., & Tang, W-S. *Geoforum*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoforum.2020.01.019>
- The "Urban density" question in Hong Kong: From absolute space to social processes. [2] 2018  
Tang, W-S., Lee, J.W-Y.\*, Hui, T-W., & ----. *City, Culture and Society*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ccs.2018.10.002>
- The spatial story of St. Francis Yard in Wan Chai: A Catholic urban community echoing the urban development trajectory of Hong Kong. [1] 2017  
----, & Tang, W-S. *Hong Kong Journal of Catholic Studies*, 7, 155-177. (in Chinese)

### Book Reviews

- The Power of Place: Contentious Politics in Twentieth-Century Shanghai and Bombay. By Mark W. Frazier (2019). [2] 2020  
----. *Urban Geography*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/02723638.2020.1739366>
- Pseudo-Public Space in Chinese Shopping Malls: Rise, Publicness and Consequences. By Yiming Wang (2019). [1] 2019  
----. *Eurasian Geography and Economics*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/15387216.2019.1707103>

### Other Writings

- Land injustice: Micro-actions and mega-projects. [1] 2020  
----. *Hong Kong Insights*, Hong Kong Studies Association (UK-based), 9 October.  
<https://bit.ly/3nXP2F>

### Book Chapter

- Unchallenged land (re)development regime and everyday life of residents in high-density Hong Kong. [1] 2016  
Tang, W-S.\*, & ----. Jeon, H-G. (Ed.), *Towards an Inclusive City* (pp. 92-103). Kyoto, Japan: Horitsu Bunka Sha (法律文化社). (in Japanese)  
ISBN: 978-4-589-03735-0

## KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

### Mass Media Coverage

Interviewed, cited or consulted by Ming Pao (2020, 2018, 2017), Reuters (2020), i-CABLE News (2019), Apple Daily (2018), HK01 (2018), Hong Kong Citizen News (2018), NowTV News (2018), RTHK News (2018), Christian Times (2018), etc.

### Current Affairs Analyses

- 深水埗就是深水埗，不是布魯克林 (Sham Shui Po is just Sham Shui Po, not Brooklyn). [18] 2020  
[The concluding and fourth analysis of the gentrification series]  
*Ming Pao*, C6. 12 August. (in Chinese)
- 保釋是權利 非刑罰 (Bail is a right but not a punishment). [17]  
*Ming Pao*, D08. 23 February. (in Chinese)
- Bail should never be punitive: Did we forget the presumption of innocence?. [16]  
*Hong Kong Free Press*. 5 February.
- 秘書處將議員歸邊 立會檔案反映政治中立的偽術 (Legislative Council Secretariat and the myth of political neutrality: Archives as evidence). [15] 2019  
*The Stand News*. 13 May. (in Chinese)
- 讓我們把空間公義帶進公共討論 (Let's bring the concept of spatial justice into the public discussion). [14]  
Tang, W-S., & ----.  
*Ming Pao*, A27. 28 January. (in Chinese)
- 土地大辯論的六大謬誤 (下) (Six fallacies in the land debate – part 2/2). [13] 2018  
Tang, W-S., & ----.  
*Ming Pao*, A25. 20 September. (in Chinese)
- 土地大辯論的六大謬誤 (上) (Six fallacies in the land debate – part 1/2). [12]  
Tang, W-S., & ----.  
*Ming Pao*, A27. 19 September. (in Chinese)
- 突破議程 改造城市：土地大辯論的盲點 (Beyond the agenda to transform the city: The blindspot of the land debate). [11]  
----, & Tang, W-S.  
*Ming Pao*, A23. 2 May. (in Chinese)
- 空間政治：毋忘日常生活 (Spatial politics: Don't forget the everyday life). [10]  
Tang, W-S., Kwok, J.Y-C., & ----.  
*Ming Pao*, D05. 1 April. (in Chinese)
- 遊樂場地契政策倒行逆施 (Recreational lease policy goes against the tide). [9]  
----, & Tang, W-S.  
*Ming Pao*, A36. 23 March. (in Chinese)

- 填海，只不過是故技重施 (Land reclamation as the old tactic). [8]  
 Tang, W-S., & ----.  
*Ming Pao*, D08. 4 March. (in Chinese)
- 私人遊樂場地契約政策的謀算：從解密檔案解構土地政治 (The political calculation of the private recreational land lease: Insights from the declassified archive). [7]  
 ----, & Tang, W-S.  
*Ming Pao*, B9. 16 January. (in Chinese)
- 以土地政策包裝二度剝削——公私營合作的盤算 (Packing the double exploitation with land policies: Public-private partnership). [6] 2017  
 ----, & Tang, W-S.  
*Ming Pao*, B9. 29 December. (in Chinese)
- 「過渡」措施目的成謎 勿把城市簡化為宿舍 (Don't simplify a city to a dormitory). [5]  
 Tang, W-S., ----, Leung, H-C., & Fung, K-K.  
*WeMedia HK01*. 16 November. (in Chinese)
- 不願面對的土地真相：從體制的二度剝削說起 (An inconvenient land truth: The speaking of the land regime). [4]  
 Tang, W-S., & ----.  
*Ming Pao*, D06-D07. 24 September. (in Chinese)
- 一地兩檢的政治空間與日常生活——「割地」非政治口號 (The political space and everyday life of co-location arrangement: Ceding land is not only a political slogan). [3]  
 ----, & Tang, W-S.  
*Ming Pao*, A23. 16 August. (in Chinese)
- 下流城市 (Downwardly-mobile city). [2]  
 Tang, W-S., Wong, C-K., & ----.  
*Ming Pao*, D06-D07. 2 July. (in Chinese)
- 正視優惠土地上牟利 政府和慈善團體應做補贖 (Turn away from sin: Profit-making FBOs on granted lands should do penance). [1]  
 ----, & Tang, W-S.  
*Ming Pao*, A25. 18 May. (in Chinese)

### Advocacy/ Community Projects

- Produced a video about the private recreational land lease policy in Hong Kong, with the Citizens Task Force on Land Resources and Liber Research Community, in March. 2018
- Participated in a community mapping project in Wan Chai in Hong Kong, with St. James' Settlement; its collective product was published as a map in December. 2015

## TEACHING

- Teaching Assistant, Faculty of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Baptist University** 2017 - 2018
- ‘Geography and the Contemporary World’  
Freshmen undergraduate - social sciences and geography compulsory introductory course, English.  
2017 - Enrol.: 76, with Him Chung.  
Assignment design, field trips organisation, and logistics support
- ‘Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta: A Survey’  
Lower-division undergraduate - China studies and geography, English.  
2018 - Enrol.: 31, with Wing-Shing Tang; 2017 - Enrol.: 14, with Wing-Shing Tang.  
Assignment design and grading, field trips organisation, and logistics support
- Tutor, Faculty of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Baptist University** 2017 - 2018
- ‘Urban Geography’  
Upper-division undergraduate - geography, English.  
2017 - Enrol.: 70, with Wing-Shing Tang.  
Weekly tutorial sessions preparation, classroom teaching, consultation hours, and assignment grading
- ‘Urban Planning’  
Advanced undergraduate - geography, English.  
2018 - Enrol.: 25, with Yiguan Ma; 2017 - Enrol.: 29, with Wing-Shing Tang.  
Weekly tutorial sessions preparation, classroom teaching, consultation hours, and assignment grading
- Guest Lecture**
- ‘Whither is urban geography?’, an undergraduate course Urban Geography (GEOG3027), 2017  
Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong, 29 November.

## PARTICIPATED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- The socio-economic impact of the Grain for Green Project in China 2019  
Research Assistant. Faculty Research Grant, Hong Kong Baptist University. Principal Investigator: Claudio O. Delang.
- History of Catholic Church in Hong Kong in the 20th Century 2017 - 2018  
Convenor, Working Panel on Church Architecture. Centre for Catholic Studies, Department of Cultural and Religious Studies, the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The Lord Wilson Heritage Trust. Principal Investigator: Louis Keloon Ha.
- Unfreezing the city: Framing spatial stories - life beyond the plan, survey, and grid 2017  
Research Assistant. Asia Art Archive. Principal Investigator: Solomon Benjamin.
- Between places and plans: A cultural geography of walking and pedestrian planning in Hong Kong 2016  
Research Assistant. Faculty Research Grant, Hong Kong Baptist University. Principal Investigator: Lachlan Barber.
- Unsettling high-density development in Hong Kong: Production of space, spatial (in)justice and everyday life 2013 - 2016  
Research Assistant. General Research Fund, Research Grants Council. Principal Investigator: Wing-Shing Tang, Co-investigators: Alan Smart, Joanna Wai-Ying Lee.

## MANAGERIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

### University Governance

#### Hong Kong Baptist University

Member, Social Sciences Faculty Board	February - August 2018
Member, Taskforce on Review of Student Disciplinary Procedures	December 2017 - March 2019
Member, Research Postgraduate Studies Committee	September 2017 - August 2018
Member, Library Committee	September 2017 - August 2018
University Senator	September 2017 - August 2018

### Academic Event Planning

The Eighth East Asian Inclusive City Network Workshop Member of the Organising Committee Urban Research Plaza, Osaka City University Hong Kong, 11-13 July	2018
The Eighth Meeting of East Asian Regional Conference in Alternative Geography Member of the Organising Committee Hong Kong Baptist University Hong Kong, 6-8 December	2016

## AWARDS, GRANTS AND HONOURS

Runner-up, Young Researchers Best Paper Award, The Geopolitical Economies of East Asia Research Network.	[16]	2019
Top-up Travel Grant, Faculty of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Baptist University.	[15]	2018
The 6th Chang Kuo-sin Award for Aspiring Young Communicators (Commentary Category - Winner), Chang Kuo-sin Journalism and Communication Education Fund.	[14]	
University Grant Studentship, Hong Kong Baptist University.	[13]	2017
The Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) Hong Kong Dissertation Scholarship.	[12]	2016
MI Asia Award.	[11]	
President's Honour Roll, Hong Kong Baptist University.	[10]	
Hong Kong Electric Scholarships for Energy & Environmental Studies.	[9]	2015
Dean's List, Hong Kong Baptist University.	[8]	
Wong May Wai Esther Scholarship for Outstanding Geography Students.	[7]	2014
Dean's List, Hong Kong Baptist University.	[6]	
Dean's List, Hong Kong Baptist University.	[5]	2013

President's Honour Roll, Hong Kong Baptist University	[4]	2012
Second Runner-up, Hong Kong Politikos Quest Championship, Department of Government and Public Administration, The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Policy research title: Land planning policy and rural development in Hong Kong. (Collaboration with Sam Chan, John Lai, and Steven Yung)	[3]	2011
Outstanding Performance Award, Hong Kong Politikos Quest Championship, Department of Government and Public Administration, The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Policy research title: The balance between urban development and conservation. (Collaboration with Sam Chan, Bruce Luk, S-Y. Pong, Felix Kong, and Victor Shiu)	[2]	2010
Finalist of Best Documentary, Live Curious Documentary Awards, National Geographic Channel. Documentary title: Memories of Star. (Collaboration with Hardy Yan and C-S. Lau)	[1]	

### **NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS**

Member, International Academic Association on Planning, Law, and Property Rights (PLPR)		Since 2020
Member, Hong Kong Studies Association (HKSA)		Since 2019
Member, Geopolitical Economies of East Asia Research Network (EARCAG-GPE)		
Member, Society for Hong Kong Studies (SHKS)		Since 2018
Member, International Network for Urban Research and Action (INURA)		Since 2017
Member, International Critical Geography Group (ICGG)		Since 2016
Member, Hong Kong Critical Geography Group (HKCGG)		Since 2013
Member, Standing Committee on Current Affairs, Hong Kong Federation of Catholic Students (HKFCS)		2013 - 2014

### **CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

2018/19 Hong Kong Studies Annual Conference The Chinese University of Hong Kong and Education University of Hong Kong Hong Kong, 5-6 December Presenter, 'Hong Kong as a property jurisdiction'	[7]	2019
The 4th Workshop on the Geopolitical Economy of East Asian Developmentalism Osaka City University Osaka, Japan, 26 November - 1 December Presenter, 'Property assemblage, urban developmentalism and democratic struggle in East Asia: Some conceptual propositions'	[6]	
The 1st Annual Meeting of the Society for Hong Kong Studies The University of Hong Kong Hong Kong, 22 June Presenter, 'Land injustice in Hong Kong: Its concept and manifestations in G/IC redevelopment' (co-authored with Joanna Wai-Ying Lee and Wing-Shing Tang)	[5]	

- The 9th Meeting of East Asian Regional Conference in Alternative Geography [4] 2018  
 Daegu, South Korea, 10-15 December  
 Chair, Session on Environmental Cooperation, sponsored by Korea Environment Institute  
 Presenter, 'Law, urban infrastructure, and land (in)justice: A new explanation of new town  
 in British Hong Kong in the 1980s'  
 Co-presenter, 'Gentrification is dead in East Asia: "Nano"-isation in Hong Kong'  
 (co-authored with Wing-Shing Tang)
- Hong Kong Geography Day 2018 [3]  
 Education University of Hong Kong  
 Hong Kong, 24 November  
 Presenter, 'Thinking spatio-legally: A research agenda for the legal geography of Hong  
 Kong'
- The 27th Conference of the International Network for Urban Research and Action [2] 2017  
 Havana, Cuba, 19-25 November  
 Co-presenter, 'Gentrification is dead: "Nano"-isation in Hong Kong' (co-authored with  
 Wing-Shing Tang)
- The 5th International Workshop on Constructing the East Asian Inclusive City Network [1] 2015  
 Taipei, Taiwan, 23-25 September  
 Presenter, 'The everyday life practices of residents in high-density Sham Shui Po district  
 and the unchallenged hegemony of the land (re)development regime' (co-authored with  
 Wing-Shing Tang)

#### OTHER TALKS

- 'Futurity and endurance of temporary space: Law, democratisation, and the city' [7] 2020  
 Institute of Geography and Sustainability, University of Lausanne  
 Lausanne, Switzerland, 17 November
- "No more tears on our land": Legal geography of property and sovereignty' [6] 2019  
 Department of Land Economics, National Chengchi University  
 Taipei, Taiwan, 4 December (in Mandarin)
- 'Legal production of land (in)justice in Hong Kong in the 1980s' [5]  
 Faculty of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Baptist University  
 Hong Kong, 15 February
- 'Reflecting on neoliberalism: The randomly indigenised and appropriated concept on China  
 and Hong Kong' (with Wing-Shing Tang) [4] 2018  
 HKCGG seminar on The Critique of the Conceptions of Neoliberalism  
 Hong Kong Critical Geography Group  
 Hong Kong, 30 June (in Cantonese)
- 'Land question and law in Hong Kong: An unsolved puzzle since the 1980s' [3]  
 Department of Geography, Hong Kong Baptist University  
 Hong Kong, 18 January
- 'Thinking about urban space legally: Towards legal geography of Hong Kong' [2] 2017  
 Department of Geography, Hong Kong Baptist University  
 Hong Kong, 30 August
- 'Urban redevelopment in Hong Kong and its artistic representations' [1]  
 Asia Art Archive  
 Hong Kong, 18 January



## **RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

Taiwan Studies Summer School Centre of Taiwan Studies, SOAS University of London Online Programme, July	2020
Hong Kong Studies Research School Academy of Hong Kong Studies, The Education University of Hong Kong Hong Kong, December	2019
Teaching University Students (A Training Course on Pedagogy) Centre of Holistic Teaching and Learning, Hong Kong Baptist University Hong Kong, January - April	2017

## **PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE**

News Reporter (Politics Desk) WeMedia 01 (HK) Ltd, Hong Kong	2016
Research Survey Enumerator Hong Kong Housing Authority, Hong Kong	2015

## **LANGUAGES**

Proficient English and Mandarin; Native Cantonese

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