

Curriculum Vita

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Education

Ph.D. University of California, Davis, 2002
M.A. University of California, Davis, Political Science, 2000
B.A. University of California, Davis, Political Science, 1995
A.A. Sacramento Community College, Sacramento 1992

Professional Experience

Full Professor, University of Kansas, Spring 2019
Director of the Center for East Asian Studies 2018-
Director of the Center for Global and International Studies, 2012-2015
Associate Professor, University of Kansas, Fall 2009
Assistant Professor, University of Kansas, Fall 2003-2009
Student 1992-2002
Carpenter 1980-1992

Books

John James Kennedy and Yaojiang Shi, *Lost and Found: the 'Missing Girls' in Rural China* (Oxford University Press 2019).

Refereed Journal Publications

John James Kennedy, Hongyan Liu and Haruka Nagao, "Voting and Values: Grassroots Elections in Rural and Urban China," *Politics and Governance*, Vol. 6, No. 2 (2018): 201-214

John James Kennedy and Chen Dan, "State Capacity and Cadre Mobilization in China: the Elasticity of Policy Implementation" *Journal of Contemporary China*, Vol. 27, No. 111 (2018): 393-405.

John James Kennedy with Shi Yaojiang, "Delayed Registration and Identifying the "Missing Girls" in China" *China Quarterly*, no. 228, (December, 2016)

Cai, Yong. "Missing Girls or Hidden Girls? A Comment on Shi and Kennedy's "Delayed Registration and Identifying the 'Missing Girls' in China". *The China Quarterly*, 231, (2017), 797-803.

John James Kennedy with Shi Yaojiang, "Missing Girls, Indirect Measures and Critical Assumptions: A Response to Yong Cai's Comments." *The China Quarterly*, 231, (2017), 804-810.

John James Kennedy, "Finance and Rural Governance: Centralization and Local Challenges" special issue on China rural studies in the *Journal of Peasant Studies* Volume 40, Number 6, 1 (2013), pp. 1009-1026

John James Kennedy, "What is the Color of a Non-Revolution? Why the Jasmine Revolution and Arab Spring Did Not Spread to China," Special Issue on the Arab Spring, *The Whitehead Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations*, vol. 13, no. 1, (Winter/Spring 2012)

John James Kennedy, "The Price of Democracy: Vote Buying and Village Elections in China" *Asian Politics and Policy*, vol 2, no. 4 (2010)

John James Kennedy, "Supply and Support for Grassroots Political Reform in Rural China", *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, vol. 16, no. 2 (2010)

John James Kennedy, "Legitimacy with Chinese Characteristics: 'Two Increases, One Reduction'", *Journal of Contemporary China*, vol. 18, no. 60 (2009)

John James Kennedy, "State Capacity and Support for Village Institutions in Rural Shaanxi" *China Information*, vol. 23, no. 3, (November, 2009)

John James Kennedy, "Popular Support and the Rural and Urban Divide in China: The Influence of Education and the State-Controlled Media" *Political Studies*, vol. 57, no. 3, (October, 2009)

John James Kennedy, "International Education and Developing Countries: Research and Educational Collaboration in the Field" *Journal of Political Science Education*, vol. 3, no. 3, (Fall 2007)

John James Kennedy, "From the Fee-for-Tax Reform to the Abolition of Agricultural Taxes: The Impact on Township Governments in Northwest China" *The China Quarterly*, vol.189, (March 2007)

This paper was also honored with the Gordon White Prize for the most original article published in the *China Quarterly* in 2007.

John James Kennedy, “Bygone Days and Ballot Boxes: Previous Democratic Experience and Current Village Elections in Rural Northwest China” *Journal of Comparative Asian Development*, vol. 5, no. 1, (Spring 2006)

John James Kennedy, Scott Rozelle and Yaojiang Shi, “Elected Leaders and Collective Land: Farmers Evaluation of Village Leaders Performance in Rural China” *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, vol. 9, no. 1 (Spring 2004)

史耀疆, 任保平, 王生龙, John James Kennedy, “选举提名方式与土地管理体制: 村民对村领导行为及其绩效的评价,” (Election nomination types and land management: villagers’ evaluation of village leadership behavior and performance), 《经济研究》 (*Economic Research Journal*), 2004 年, 第 9 期

史耀疆, 高帆, 任保平, John James Kennedy, “中国农村民主选举中的提名方式及实施绩效分析,” (Analysis of policy implementation and the types of nominations in China’s village elections), 《管理世界》 (*Management World*), 2004 年, 第 1 期

史耀疆, 王生龙, John James Kennedy, “农村土地民主管理绩效研究,” (Research on the performance regarding the democratic management of rural land), 《经济学动态》 (*Economic Perspectives*), 2004 年, 第 6 期

John James Kennedy, “The Face of ‘Grassroots Democracy’: The Substantive Difference Between Real and Cosmetic Elections in Rural China.” *Asian Survey*, vol. 42, no. 3, (May/June 2002)

Book Chapters

John James Kennedy, “Rural China: Politics and Policy” in William A. Joseph ed. *Politics of China*, (Oxford University Press, 3rd edition 2018)

John James Kennedy and Dan Chen, “Chapter 19: Local and Grassroots Governance” in *Handbook on Contemporary China*, Sage Publication, 2018

John James Kennedy with Chen, Dan, “Urbanization and Urban Villagers: Institutional Factors and Social Identity in Urban China,” in Edith W. Clowes and Shelly Bromberg editors, *Area Studies in the Global Age* (Northwestern University Press, 2016)

John James Kennedy with Jenna Mittelmeier, “Adapting Together: Chinese Student Experience and Acceptance at an American University,” In Jindal-Snape, D., Rienties, B., Eds. *Multi-dimensional transitions of international students to higher education: New Perspectives on Learning and Instruction*, (Routledge 2015)

John James Kennedy and Yaojiang Shi, “Rule by Virtue, the Mass Line Model and Cadre-Mass Relations” in Shiping Hua ed. *East Asian Development Model: The 21st Century Perspectives* (Routledge, 2015)

John James Kennedy and Dan Chen, “Election Reform from the Middle and at the Margins” in Jessica C. Teets and Bill Hurst edited, *Local Governance Innovation in China: Governance Challenges, Adaptation, and Subnational Variation*, (Routledge, London, 2014)

John James Kennedy and Yaojiang Shi, “Surveys and learning about village elections and rural China: an analysis of a 2005 national village election survey” in Björn Alpermann ed. *Politics and Markets in Rural China* (Routledge, 2011)

John James Kennedy, “Uneven Political Reform and Development in the Shadow of the Olympic Games,” in William M. Tsutsui and Michael Baskett ed. *The East Asian Olympiads: Building Bodies and Nations in Japan, Korea, and China*, Global Oriental Publishers (2011)

John James Kennedy, “Legitimacy with Chinese Characteristics: ‘Two Increases, One Reduction’” in Kevin O'Brien, Suisheng Zhao ed. *Grassroots Elections in China*, (Routledge, 2010) [Reprinted with permission from *Journal of Contemporary China*]

Mariya Y. Omelicheva and John James Kennedy, “Reform in China and Russia: A Comparative Perspective” in *ISA International Studies Compendium Project*, Wiley-Blackwell Publishing (2010)

John James Kennedy, “The Implementation of Village Elections and Tax-for-Fee Reform in Rural Northwest China,” in Elizabeth J. Perry and Merle Goldman ed. *Grassroots Political Reform in Contemporary China* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2007)

Book Reviews

John James Kennedy, Book Review of *Contesting Cyberspace in China: Online Expression and Authoritarian Resilience* (Columbia University Press, 2018) by Rongbin Han, *Journal of Asian Studies* (forthcoming 2109)

John James Kennedy, Book Review of *Varieties of Governance in China: Migration and Institutional Change in Chinese Villages*, by Jie Lu, *The China Quarterly* (Volume 225, March 2016, pp. 256–257)

John James Kennedy, Book Review of *Tax Reform in Rural China: Revenue, Resistance and Authoritarian Rule* by Hiroki Takeuchi, *China Quarterly*, (Volume 222, June 2015, pp 559-560)

John James Kennedy, "Review of *Rightful Resistance in Rural China* by Kevin O'Brien and Lianjiang Li" *Journal of Asian Studies*, Volume 68, Issue 2 (2009)

John James Kennedy, "Review of *Public Opinion and Political Change in China*. by Tang Wenfang" *Perspectives on Politics*, Volume 5, Issue 1, (March 2007)

John James Kennedy, "Review of *Mutual Empowerment of State and Peasantry: Village Self-Government in Rural China*. By Xu Wang." *Pacific Affairs*, Volume 77, No. 3, (Fall 2004)

Works in Progress

"Voices of the Missing" an in-depth examination of China's *hukou* (household registration) system and what life is like for those who are unregistered.

"The life and death of the Urban Village" documenting the creation and eventual demolition of urban villages in Xi'an China.

Conference Presentations in English

John James Kennedy and Mark Joslyn, "Trust in the System or System Justification: Examining Authoritarian Resilience from the Bottom Up" presented at the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 7, 2019

John James Kennedy "Trust thy Neighbor: Social capital and grassroots voter participation in rural and urban China" presented at the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 8, 2018

John James Kennedy, "Street Level Family Planning" invited speaker George Washington University, September 23, 2016

John James Kennedy, "Mutual Non-Compliance and National Statistics in China" invited speaker at the University of Zurich, Zurich, September 8, 2016

John James Kennedy, "Social Stability and 'Illegal Acts': Cadre-Mass Bargaining at the Local Level" presented at the "Multifaceted Study of Chinese Politics and Society" Workshop, Shanghai Jiaotong University, July 15-16, 2016

John James Kennedy, "Counting the Missing: Identifying the 'Missing Girls' in China" Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago April 16-17, 2015

John James Kennedy and Shi Yaojiang, "Out of the Shadows: Identifying the 'Missing Girls' in Shaanxi," 27th Annual ACPS Meeting and International Symposium, University of Kansas, September 22-23, 2014

John Kennedy organized the 26th Annual ACPS Meeting and International Symposium “China’s Domestic and International Relations: Expanding reforms and Global Influence?” at the University of Costa Rica, August 22nd and 23rd, 2013.

Conference Presentations in Chinese

John James Kennedy, “Edgar Snow and his interviews with Mao Zedong” invited speaker Beijing University, Beijing, October 12, 2016

John James Kennedy, “Bare Sticks: unmarried men in rural China” invited speaker Shaanxi Normal University, July 13, 2016

John James Kennedy, “Family Planning and ‘out of plan’ births in Rural China”, presented in Chinese at the 2015 International Conference on Digital Publishing and Digital Libraries (CDPDL) Jianguo Hotel, Xi’an China, June 16-17 2015

This talk was honored with the CDPDL Best Presentation Award for 2015

John James Kennedy, “Mixed methods and fieldwork in rural China” presented in Chinese at Symposium on Research in China, Shanghai Jiaotong University, July 9 2015

John James Kennedy, “Out of the Shadows: Identifying the ‘Missing Girls’ in Shaanxi,” Center for Experimental Economics in Education (CEEE), Shaanxi Normal University workshop presentation on June 24, 2014

John James Kennedy, “The Mass Line and Cadre-Mass Relations,” presented in Chinese at the Ford Foundation Symposium on Rural Reform in Northwest China, Northwest University, Xian June 8, 2013

Honors and Awards

Teaching:

Gene Budig Teaching Professorship Award (\$5,000) 2013

McNair (Scholars) Mentor Award 2013

KU HOPE Award Finalist for Outstanding Progressive Educator 2011

Outstanding Educator of the Year 2009, presented by the Mortar Board honor society at the University of Kansas

University of Kansas, Teaching Excellence Award 2004, Center for Teaching Excellence

Research:

Fulbright Faculty Research Award (China Studies) 2010-2011

Gordon White Prize for the most original article published in the *China Quarterly* 2007 for the paper, “From the Fee-for-Tax Reform to the Abolition of

Agricultural Taxes: The Impact on Township Governments in Northwest China” Best Paper Award 2008, Association of Chinese Political Science for the paper “Out of

the Shadows: Identifying the ‘Missing Girls’ in Shaanxi.”
Best Paper Award 2005, Association of Chinese Political Science for the paper “Death of
a Township: the Tax-for-Fee Reform in Northwest China.”
University of Kansas, New Faculty General Research Fund 2004
Fulbright Award for Graduate Research 2000-2001.

Research Centers

My colleagues at Shaanxi Normal University (SNU), Xian, China and I established the Northwest Socio-economic Development Research Center (NSDRC) in 2004. The center has three missions. One is to train local professors, graduate students and professionals in social science research methods. Second is to conduct regional surveys. The third mission is to produce academic and policy relevant publications. The NSDRC works with Center of Experimental Economics in Education (CEEE) at SNU.

I am also a research Affiliate for the Rural Education Action Project (REAP) and it is associated with Stanford University, the Center of Experimental Economics in Education (CEEE) and the NSDRC. REAP is committed to reducing the educational inequalities in rural China through policy relevant research, early childhood education and scholarships (see <http://www.reapchina.org/>).

Courses Taught

Introduction to Comparative Politics
Methods of Inquiry: Political Science Research Methods
Problems and Politics in Developing Countries
Political Reform in Contemporary China
Foreign Policy in Contemporary China
Introduction to Comparative Politics (Graduate Course)
Comparative Political Institutions (Graduate Course)
Research in the Field: Conducting and Analyzing Fieldwork in Developing Countries
(Graduate Course)

PhD Dissertation Chair

Liu Rigao (expected 2022)
Kyung Hwan Jung (expected 2021)
Rachel Finnell ((expected 2021)
William Hatungimana (expected 2021)
Haruka Nagao (expected 2021)
Ginger Feather (2017)
Chen Dan (2014) Elizabethtown College
Patrick Asingo (2012) University of Nairobi, Kenya
Alana Querze (2011) West Virginia University
Ken Aikins (2011) Cape Coast University, Ghana

Department, College and University Service

Director for the Center of East Asian Studies 2018-
Undergraduate Director for political Science 2017-
Director of the Center for Global and International Studies, 2012-15
Undergraduate Committee (department): 2005-2012
Center for Teaching Excellence, department ambassador: 2003-present
Center for Teaching Excellence, New GTA Conference facilitator: 2005-2011
Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) committee member: 2004-2011
Fulbright Committee (university): 2004-2010
Graduate Direct Exchange Committee (university): 2004-2010
China Exchange Program (Office of International Programs): 2004-2011

National and International Service

President Association of Chinese Political Studies (ACPS): 2012-2014
Northwest Socio-economic Development Research Center (NSDRC): Co-Director

National Science Foundation: Reviewer
American Political Science Review: Reviewer
American Journal of Political Science: Reviewer
Asian Survey: Reviewer
Comparative Politics: Reviewer
Comparative Political Studies: Reviewer
China Information: Reviewer
Global Environmental Change: Reviewer
Journal of Agrarian Change: Reviewer
Journal of Asian and African Studies: Reviewer
Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties: Reviewer
Journal of Peasant Studies: Reviewer
Journal of Politics: Reviewer
Political Behavior: Reviewer
Political Research Quarterly: Reviewer
Political Studies: Reviewer
The China Journal: Reviewer
The China Quarterly: Reviewer
World Politics: Reviewer

Organization Membership

American Political Science Association
Midwestern Political Science Association
Association of Chinese Political Studies (Association President 2012-2014)
Association of Asian Studies
Chinese Economist Society