

# CHENG-TONG LIR WANG

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## Education

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**M.A./Ph.D.** Sociology, University of California, Irvine, Irvine, CA, 2010 cohort

- Dissertation: “Forces out There and Here: Global and National Influence on Marital Behaviors.”
- Committee: Evan Schofer, Catherine Bolzendahl, David John Frank, Judith Treas

**M.A.** Demographic and Social Analysis, University of California, Irvine, Irvine, CA, 2013 cohort

**M.A.** Social Sciences, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, 2009

- Thesis: Reconceptualizing Obscenity: Legal Professionals and Social movement struggle within Juridical Field

**LL.B.** Law, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, 2005

**B.A.** Sociology, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, 2005

## Research Interest

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Globalization; Social movements; Law and society; East Asia.

## Publication

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### Publication

- **Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir.** Liu, S., Halliday, T. C. 2015. “Advocates, Experts, and Suspects: Three Images of Lawyers in Chinese Media Reports.” *International Journal of Legal Profession* 21(2): 195-212
- **Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir,** Bolzendahl C. Forthcoming in 2015. *Encyclopedia of Family Studies. Child Brides.* Hoboken, New Jersey: Wiley-Blackwell
- **Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir.** Forthcoming in 2015. *Encyclopedia of World Poverty 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Reproductive Health and Rights.* Beverly Hills, CA: SAGE Publications

### Research in Progress

Under Review **Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir,** Hosoki, R. I. “From Global to Local: Transnational Linkages and Global Influences on Taiwan’s Environmental NGOs.” *Sociological Perspectives.*

Working Paper **Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir.,** “Coming out of the Penumbra: World Cultural Implications for Divorce.”

**Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir.,** “Reconceptualizing Obscenity: Legal

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Professionals and Social movement struggle within Juridical Field.”  
Shen, P., **Cheng-Tong Lir Wang**, “The Role of Media in Chinese  
Criminal Procedure Reform”

Conference Presentation (Selected)

- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir. “Coming out of the Penumbra: World Cultural Implications for Divorce.” To be presented in 110<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, American Sociological Association, August 22-25, 2015, Chicago, IL
- Shen, P., Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir. “The Role of Media in Chinese Criminal Procedure Reform.” Presented in The Annual Meeting of Law and Society Association, May 28-31, 2015, Seattle, WA.
- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir. “Reconceptualizing Obscenity: Legal Professionals and Social movement struggle within Juridical Field.” Presented in The Annual Meeting of Law and Society Association, May 28-31, 2015, Seattle, WA.
- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir. “Divorce in a Globalizing Era: National and Global Influence, 1960-2012.” Presented in the Poster Session I, 2015 Annual Meeting, Population Association of America, April 30, 2015, San Diego, CA.
- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir. “From Global to Local: Transnational Linkages and Global Influence on Taiwan’s Environmental NGOs.” Presented in the Future of World Society Theory, Stanford University, August 15, 2014, Stanford, CA.
- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir. “Impression of Invisibility: Media Image of Chinese Criminal Defense Lawyer.” presented in the 2012 International Conference on Law and Society, June 8, 2012, Honolulu, HI.
- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir, Cheng, Y.C. “Same-Sex Partnership Movement in Taiwan: Frame-Bridging as Key Strategy.” Presented in The Global Arc of Justice: Sexual Orientation Law Around the World, March 14, 2009, Los Angeles, CA.

Grant (selected)

- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir, Shen P. “The Role of Media in Chinese Criminal Procedure Reform” Granted by Center in Law, Society and Culture, Collaborative Activities Grant, 2014, \$600
- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir. “Weddings, Funerals and Gender Consciousness” Granted by the Ministry of Education (Taiwan), 2006, \$15312
- Wang, Cheng-Tong Lir. “Women, Body, and Advertisement: Semiological analysis of the advertisement of Nike Female gym outfit in Taiwan,” Granted by National Science Council (Taiwan), College Student Participation in Research Projects, 2004, \$1200

**Honors and Awards**

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Social Science Tuition Fellowship, University of California, Irvine (2010-2016)  
Studying Abroad Scholarship, Ministry of Education, Taiwan (2015-2016)  
Summer Research Fellowship, Department of Sociology, UCI (2012-2015)  
Summer Research Assistantship, Center of the Study of Democracy, UCI (2011)

## **Teaching Experience**

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University of California, Irvine, Department of Sociology, Teaching Assistant

- “Computer Research Method in Social Sciences,” Lecturer Joanne Christopherson (Fall 2010)
- “Conflict Management,” Professor Paula Garb (Spring 2012)
- “Global Culture and Society,” Lecturer Tom Douglas (Winter 2013, Spring 2014)
- “International Sociology,” Professor David John Frank (Fall 2011)
- “Introduction to Sociocultural Anthropology,” Lecturer James Egan (Spring 2013, Spring 2015)
- “Probability and Statistics,” Lecturer Nick Noviello (Spring 2011, Fall 2012)
- “Sociology Major Seminar,” Professor Joy Pixley (Winter 2011)
- “Sociology Major Seminar” Lecturer Shampa Mazumdar (Winter 2012, Fall 2013, Winter 2014)

Awakening Foundation, Trainer ( January, 2006 – September, 2007)  
“Prevention on Sexual Harassment at the Workplace/on campus,”  
“Gender equality and Society”

## **Research Experience**

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National Cheng-Chi University, Taiwan, “Birth Giving in the U.S.: Childbearing Tourism and Transnationalism.” October, 2014-

Project Supervisor: Tingyu Kang, Assistant professor, College of Communication.

Position: Research Assistant

Job Description: U.S. interviews

University of California, Irvine, “Environmental Organizations in Taiwan.” Summer 2012

Project Supervisor: Evan Schofer, Professor, Department of Sociology

Position: Research Assistant

Job description: data collection

American Bar Foundation, NSF-funded project, “Lawyers and the Pursuit of Basic Legal Rights: Criminal Defense in China.” February, 2009 – July, 2010

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Project Supervisor: Terence C. Halliday, Sida Liu

Position: Research Assistant

Job description: data collection, data coding, and data analysis

Awakening Foundation, “Analysis of the Cases of the Commission on Employment Discrimination, Taipei City Government.” January - September 2007

Project Supervisor: Yi-Chien Chen

Position: Research Assistant

Job description: data analysis and file management

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## **Academic and Social Services**

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### **North American Taiwan Studies Association**

**Program Commissioner, 2013-2015**

- Organize conference program
- Arrange panelists and discussants

### **Counseling Center, University of California, Irvine**

**LGBT Mentor, 2012-**

- Provide mentoring service to LGBT self-identified students

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## **Work Experience**

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### **Western University of Health Sciences**

**Project-Based Statistician, June, 2014-**

- Consult on academic research
- Compute statistics for academic research

**Awakening Foundation**– feminist NGO pursuing gender equality in Taiwan

**Director of the working group of media and education, Aug, 2005 –Sep, 2007**

- Form “Public Participation in the Media Reform Alliance” with other NGOs and lobby for both legal reform and self-regulation of media
- Lead volunteer group and conduct statistical report of Media’s violations of self-regulation agreement
- Assist sexual harassment cases
- Host a national seminar on “Weddings, Funerals and Gender Consciousness.” (2006)
- Hold “Exploring My Own Feminism” winter camp for college students (2006)
- Edit “*Awakening Magazine*”