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EDUCATION

2004	Ph.D., East Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University, New York, NY Dissertation: "Loyalty and Civilization: A Canine History of Japan, 1850-2000" (passed with distinction) Committee Members: Richard Bulliet, Carol Gluck, Gregory M. Pflugfelder, Henry Smith II, and Brett L. Walker
2002	M.Phil., East Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University, New York, NY Fields: modern Japanese history, early modern Japanese history, Korean history, military history
1997	M.A., East Asian Studies, Stanford University, Stanford, CA <i>Master's Thesis</i> : "Outcastes in Their Promised Land: <i>Burakumin</i> Immigration to Manchuria"
1995	B.A., Japanese and International Relations (dual degree; cum laude), Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

APPOINTMENTS

2006-	Assistant Professor, Department of History, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT.
2010	Japan Foundation Research Fellow, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan (March-August)
2005-2006	Japan Society for the Promotion of Science Foreign Postdoctoral Fellow, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan
2005	Adjunct Lecturer, Fuji Women's University, Sapporo, Japan (spring)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

2011 Empire of Dogs: Canines, Japan, and the Making of the Modern Imperial World (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2011).

2009 Inu no teikoku: Bakumatsu Nippon kara gendai made (Empire[s] of Dogs: From Bakumatsu Nippon to the Present), trans. Motohashi Tetsuya (Tokyo: Iwanami shoten, 2009).

Reviewed in Shinano mainichi shinbun (14 February 2010); Chūbu keizai 53, no. 1 (1 January 2010); Shūkan Asahi 114, no. 62 (25 December 2009); Fujin kōron (22 December 2009); Mainichi shinbun (13 December 2009); Shūkan gendai (28 November 2009); Hokkaidō shinbun, (22 November 2009); Nihon keizai shinbun (15 November 2009); Yamanashi nichinichi shinbun (15 November 2009); Tōkyō shinbun (8 November 2009); Yomiuri shinbun (evening edition, 6 November 2009); Nikkan gendai (31 October 2009).

Articles

Book Chapters

In preparation Co-authored with Akito Ishikawa, "(Ir)religious? The Japanese Self-Defense Force's Relationship with Shinto and Other Religions," in *Religion in the Armed Forces*, ed. Ron Hassner.

In preparation "Local Hokkaido and National Japanese Memories of War Horses," in *Local History and War Memory in Japan*, ed. Philip Seaton.

Forthcoming "Dogs at War in Film," in *Cinematic Canines: Dogs and Their Work in Narrative Film*, ed. Adrienne L. McLean (New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, forthcoming).

Forthcoming "The Teacher's Pet: Mobilizing Dogs and Children for War," in *Society, Animals, and Gender,* ed., Mans Andersson (Uppsala: Uppsala
University Press, forthcoming).

"Public Service/Public Relations: The Mobilization of the Self-Defense Force for the Tokyo Olympic Games," in *The East Asian Olympiads,* 1934-2008: Building Bodies and Nations in Japan, Korea, and China, ed. Michael Baskett and William M. Tsutsui (Folkestone: Global Oriental, 2011), 63-76.

2010 "Rassismus züchten: Das imperiale Schlachtfeld des 'Deutschen' Schäferhunds" (Breeding Racism: The Imperial Battlefields of the "German" Shepherd), in *Tierische Geschichte: Die Beziehung von Mensch* und Tier in der Kultur der Moderne (Animal History: Human-Animal Relations in the Culture of Modernity), ed. Dorothee Brantz and Christof Mauch (Paderborn: Ferdinand Schöningh, 2010), 58-78.

Reviewed in Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, 24 February 2010.

2009 "Fascism's Furry Friends: Dogs, National Identity, and Racial Purity in 1930s Japan," in *The Culture of Japanese Fascism*, ed. Alan Tansman (Durham NC: Duke University Press, 2009), 155-182.

Reviewed in Journal of Japanese Studies 37, no. 1 (Winter 2011): 170-174; Journal of Asian Studies 69, no. 2 (May 2010): 612-615; Itinerario 34 (2010): 141-143; Social Science Japan Journal 12 (2009): 288-292.

"Can the Subaltern Bark? Imperialism, Civilization, and Canine Cultures in Nineteenth-Century Japan," in JAPANimals: History and Culture in Japan's Animal Life, ed. Gregory M. Pflugfelder and Brett L. Walker (Ann Arbor: Center for Japanese Studies, University of Michigan, 2005), 194-243.

Reviewed in Journal of Asian Studies 67, no. 3 (August 2008): 1093-1096; Journal of Japanese Studies 34, no. 2 (Summer 2008): 500-505; Monumenta Nipponica, vol. 62, no. 1 (Spring 2007): 115-119.

Journal Articles

2011	"Running/By Fighting/By Dying': Remembering, Glorifying, and
	Forgetting Japanese Olympian War Dead," Sport in Society 14, no. 4
	(May 2011): 504-511.

- 2008 "Breeding Racism: The Imperial Battlefields of the 'German' Shepherd," Society & Animals 16, no. 4 (Winter 2008): 354-371.
- 2001 "The Empire of Shattered Dreams: Burakumin Emigration to Manchuria," Columbia Historical Review 1 (Spring 2001): 77-100.
- 2001 "The Exploits of Dogs': Hachikô and other Heroic 'Japanese' Canines in Prewar Textbooks," *The Fourth Annual Graduate Student and School Teacher Symposium on Japanese Studies Proceedings* 4 (May 2001): 2-8.
- "Unhealed Wounds: Japan's Colonization of Korea," *Journal of International* and Area Studies 7 (Winter 1995): 2-13.

Book Reviews

John Knight, Waiting for Wolves in Japan: An Anthropological Study of People-Wildlife Relations (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003), Journal of Asian Studies 63, no. 3 (August 2004): 800-802.

Translations

2011	Aoyama Tetsushirō, "Home Life in America" (1916); Itō Michio, "Culture and the Arts in America" (1945); Oda Makoto, "The Other Side of American Society" (1961); Honda Katsuichi, "Traveling through the Deep South" (1970), in Rediscovering America: Japanese Perspectives on the American Century, ed. Peter Duus and Kenji Hasegawa (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2011).
2010	Matsuura Masataka, "Japan and Pan-Asianism," in <i>The International History of East Asia, 1900-1968: Ideology, Trade and the Quest for Order</i> , ed. Antony Best (London: Routledge, 2010), 81-98.
2010	Masano Atsuko, "The Immense Cost of Japanese Dams and Dam-Related Landslides and Earthquakes," Asia-Pacific Journal: Japan Focus, at japanfocus.org (January 2010; originally published in <i>Sekai</i> , December 2008).
2008	Chūgoku shinbun, "Living With the Nightmare of Planes and Aircraft Carriers at U.S. Bases in Japan: Upgrading Iwakuni and Yokosuka," Asia-Pacific Journal: Japan Focus, at japanfocus.org (August 2008; originally published on 7 April 2008).
2007	Uchihashi Katsuto, "Japanese Deregulation: Big Corporations are Destroying People's Lives," Asia-Pacific Journal: Japan Focus, at japanfocus.org (September 2007; originally published in <i>Sekai</i> , March 2007).
2006	Nishimura Hideki, "The Retrial of the 'Yokohama Incident': Battling for a Restoration of Human Dignity," Asia-Pacific Journal: Japan Focus, at japanfocus.org (May 2006; originally published in <i>Shūkan Kinyōbi</i> , 27 January 2006).
2005	Nishida Masaru "Japan, the Ryukyus, and the Taiwan Expedition of 1874: Toward Reconciliation after 130 Years," Asia-Pacific Journal: Japan Focus, at japanfocus.org (November 2005; originally published in Shūkan Kinyōbi, 11 February 2005)
2005	Tanaka Sakai , "Hu Jintao's Strategy for Handling Chinese Dissent and U.S. Pressure," Asia-Pacific Journal: Japan Focus, at japanfocus.org (November 2005; originally appeared on Tanakanews, 25 October 2005).
2004	Tanaka Sakai, "The Rise of China and the Question of Taiwan," Asia-Pacific Journal: Japan Focus, at japanfocus.org (October 2004; originally appeared on Tanakanews, 2 August 2004).

2000 Kobayashi Motohiro, "An Opium Tug-of-War: Japan versus the Wang Jingwei Regime" (with Bob Tadashi Wakabayashi) in *Opium Regimes: China, Britain, and Japan, 1839-1952*, ed. Timothy Brook and Bob Tadashi Wakabayashi (Berkeley: University of California, 2000), 344-359.

Oral Histories

2002	"The Reminiscences of Beate Sirota Gordon: Oral History, 2001-2002,"
	interviews by Nicole Cohen and Aaron Skabelund, recorded,
	transcribed, and annotated for "Occupation of Japan" project, 15
	October, 3 and 12 December 2001; 7 and 12 June, 5 September 2002,
	Columbia University Oral History Research collection (203 pages).
2002	"The Reminiscences of Joe Gordon: Oral History, 2002," interviews by
	Nicole Cohen and Aaron Skabelund, recorded, transcribed, and
	annotated for "Occupation of Japan" project, 10 January, 5

collection (99 pages).

September 2002, Columbia University Oral History Research

PRESENTATIONS

Conferences

Conterences	
2011	"Local Hokkaido and National Japanese Memories of War Horses," British Association of Japanese Studies conference, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, 29 May.
2010	"(Ir)religious? The Japanese Self-Defense Force's Relationship with Shinto and Other Religions," Conference on Religion in the Military, Cosponsored by the Institute for International Studies and the Institute for the Study of Societal Issues, University of California, Berkeley, 15 December.
2009	"Where Have All the Soldiers Gone? Postwar Japan as Military History— The Early Years," Revisiting Postwar Japan as History Conference, Institute of Comparative Culture, Sophia University, Tokyo, 31 May.
2009	"Fighting for Nation—Twice: Glorifying, Remembering, and Forgetting Japanese Olympic Soldiers of the Asia-Pacific War," Remembering the Glory Days of the Nation: Sport as lieu de memoire in Japan Conference, Royal Flemish Academy of Science, Brussels, 20 March.
2008	"Public Service/Public Relations: The Deployment of the Japanese Self- Defense Force for the Tokyo Olympic Games," Olympian Desires:

	Building Bodies and Nations in East Asia, Center for East Asian Studies, University of Kansas, 11 April.
2007	"The Making of a 'Half-Baked' Army': The Early Postwar Japanese Armed Forces, Deputy to the U. S. Military," Western Conference of the Association of Asian Studies and Southwest Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, University of Utah, 22 September.
2007	"Beyond 'Bells and Whistles': Using Music and Film to Teach (Japanese) History," Western Conference of the Association of Asian Studies and Southwest Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, University of Utah, 21 September.
2007	"Gendering Canines/Defining People: Imperialism, Orientalism, and Dogs in Modern Japan," Society, Animals and Gender Conference, Centre for Gender and Research, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden, 26 August.
2007	"Mobilizing All Creatures Great and Small: Children, Dogs, and the Second World War," Animals and Society II: Considering Animals Conference, University of Tasmania, Hobart, 6 July.
2007	"The Teacher's Pet: Mobilizing Dogs and Children for the Second World War," Society for the History of Children and Youth, "In the Name of the Child': The Social and Cultural History of Children and Youth" Conference, Linköping University, Norrköping, Sweden, 29 June.
2007	"Mobilizing All Creatures Great and Small: Children, Dogs, and Total War," Asian Studies Conference Japan, Meiji Gakuin University, Tokyo, 23 June.
2007	"History, Literature, and Empathy," Roundtable on Professor Alan Tansman's "Jewish and Japanese Responses to Atrocity," David M. Kennedy Center for International and Area Studies, Brigham Young University, 15 March.
2006	"How I Went to the Dogs," for "The Lure and Lore of Asian Studies Research" Roundtable, Western Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, Weber State University, 29 September.
2006	"Colonizer's Best Friend? Policing, Power, and Dogs in the Japanese Empire," Netherlands Institute for War Documentation, "Crime, Law, and Order in the Japanese Empire, 1895-1945" Conference, Amsterdam, 14 September.
2006	"Yuki matsuri wa Hokkaidō o dō kaeta ka: Jieitai Hokubu Homentai to Hokkaidō chiiki shakai" (How did the Snow Festival Change Hokkaido? The

	SDF Northern Corps and Local Society), Department of Politics Research Seminar, Hokkaido University, 9 June.
2006	"To Become a 'Beloved Self-Defense Force': The Early Postwar Japanese Military's Efforts to Woo Wider Society," Annual Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, San Francisco, 8 April.
2005	"Global Mercenaries: The Imperial (Battle)fields of the 'German' Shepherd," German Historical Institute, Washington, D.C. "Animals in History: Studying the Not So Human Past" Conference, University of Cologne, 21 May.
2004	"Gun no inu: Arayuru ikimono no dōin" (Dogs of War: Mobilizing All Creatures Great and Small), Department of Politics Research Seminar, Hokkaido University, 20 April.
2004	"Americanism in U.S. History-Writing on Japan?" Second International Symposium: Rethinking American Studies in Japan in a Global Age, Hokkaido University, 13 March.
2003	"Dogs of War: Chūken Hachikō (1923-1935) and the Breeding of Japanese Fascism," Annual Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, New York City, 28 March.
2002	"Denaturing the City: Civilization, Imperialism, and Dogs in Nineteenth- Century Japan," Western Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, Brigham Young University, 27 September.
2002	"Invisible Men: The Resurrection of Japan's Postwar Military, 1945-1954," Eleventh Annual Columbia University Graduate Student Conference on East Asia, 9 February.
2001-2002	"Fascism's Furry Friends? Dogs, National Identity, and Purity of Blood in 1930s Japan," Donald Keene Center of Japanese Culture "Animals / History / Japan" Symposium, Columbia University, 21 April; University Seminar on Modern Japan, Columbia University, 16 November.
2001	""The Exploits of Dogs: Hachikô and other Heroic 'Japanese' Canines in Prewar Textbooks," Fourth Annual Graduate Student and School Teacher Symposium on Japanese Studies, Seton Hall University, 21 April.
2001	"Dogs: Toward a History of Non-Human Living Things," Tenth Annual Columbia University Graduate Student Conference on East Asia, 10 February.

"Outcastes in Their Promised Land: Burakumin Immigration to Manchuria," 2000 Ninth Annual Columbia University Graduate Student Conference on East Asia, 5 February.

Invited Lectures

2010	"Jieitai to chiiki shakai no kankei shi: 1950 nendai Hokkaido kara genzai Okinawa made" (A History of the Relationship between the Self-Defense Force and Society: From 1950s Hokkaido to Contemporary Okinawa), Kyoto University Nichibunken Military Study Group, National Museum of Japanese History, Chiba, 24 April.
2005	"The Politics of Dogs," Applied Seminar—Recent Issues in Justice, Faculty of Law, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, 27 May.
2001	"Fascism's Furry Friends? Dogs, National Identity, and Purity of Blood in 1930s Japan," Department of History and Political Science, Utah Valley State College, Orem, 26 September.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

<u>External</u>

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2010	Aaron Warner Publication Fund Subvention, University Seminars, Columbia University
2009-2010	Japan Foundation Research Fellowship, Japan Foundation (accepted for March-August 2010 only)
2006	Leonard Hastings Schoff Publication Fund Subvention, University Seminars, Columbia University
2005-2007	Postdoctoral Fellowship for Foreign Researchers, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (second year declined)
2005-2006	Harvard Postdoctoral Fellowship in Japanese Studies, Edwin O. Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies, Harvard University (declined)
2003-2005	Graduate Research Fellowship, Department of Politics, Graduate School of Law, Hokkaido University
2003-2004	National Security Education Program David L. Boren Graduate Fellowship, Department of Defense
2003	Leonard Hastings Schoff Publication Fund Subvention, University Seminars, Columbia University (declined)

2003	Twentieth-Century Japan Research Award, Center for Historical Studies and McKeldin Library, University of Maryland
2002-2003	Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education
2002-2003	Japan Foundation Doctoral Fellowship, Japan Foundation (declined)
2002-2003	Fulbright-Institute of International Education Dissertation Fellowship, U.S. Department of State (declined)
2002-2003	Monbusho Postdoctoral Fellowship, Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology (declined)
<u>Internal</u>	
2010-2011	Faculty Research Grant, David M. Kennedy Center for International and Area Studies, Brigham Young University
2010-2011	College Research Grant, College of Home, Family, and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University
2007, 2009	International Travel Grant, David. M. Kennedy Center for International and Area Studies, Brigham Young University
2006-2007	Faculty Research Grant, David M. Kennedy Center for International and Area Studies, Brigham Young University
2006-2007	General Education Matching Fund Grant, Undergraduate Education, Brigham Young University
2006-2007	Matching Research Grant, Asian Studies Program/Department of History, Brigham Young University
2006-2007	College Research Startup Grant, College of Home, Family, and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University
2006	General Education Matching Fund Grant, Undergraduate Education, Brigham Young University
2006	Matching Research Grant, Asian Studies Program/Department of History, Brigham Young University
2006-2007	College Research Startup Grant, College of Home, Family, and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University

2002	East Asian Languages and Cultures Summer Fellowship, Columbia University
2000-2002	President's Fellowship, Columbia University
2001	Weatherhead (Summer) Fellows Program Training Grant, Columbia University
2000	Dean's Summer Research Fellowship, Center for New Media, Teaching, and Learning, Columbia University
1999-2000	Weatherhead Fellowship, Columbia University
1995	Outstanding Senior Paper ("Unhealed Wounds: Japan's Colonization of Korea), Phi Kappa Phi, College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University

COURSES TAUGHT

2006-	Brigham Young University, Provo, UT
	History 202: World Civilization from 1500 "History of the World, the World
	of History," Fall 2006, Winter 2007, Spring 2007, Fall 2008, Summer
	2009, Winter 2010, Winter 2011, Spring 2011
	History 293: "World War II in History and Memory," Fall 2009, Fall 2010
	History 343: "Early Japan: History and Historiography," Winter 2006,
	Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010
	History 344: "Modern Japanese History and Historiography," Fall 2006,
	Winter 2008, Winter 2009, Winter 2010, Winter 2011
	History 345: Japanese Cultural History," Winter 2007, Fall 2007, Winter
	2009
	History 490: Historical Research and Writing—Animal Histories: Real and
	Imagined, Spring 2007
	History 490: Historical Research and Writing—Asian History, Winter 2008
	History 490: "Historical Research and Writing—Military Histories," Summer 2009, Spring 2011
2005	Fuji Women's University, Sapporo, Japan

Fuji Women's University, Sapporo, Japan
Nihon shi (Japanese History): "Militaries and Society," Spring 2005

STUDENT AWARDS, GRANTS, AND MENTORED RESEARCH

2011	David McClure, Office of Research and Creative Activities Undergraduate Research Grant for "Memories of the Meiji Restoration in Contemporary Japan," Brigham Young University
2011	Galina Chinena, Office of Research and Creative Activities Undergraduate

	Research Grant for "Japan Encounters the Russian 'Barbarians': The Iwakura Mission's Visit to Saint Petersburg, 1873," Brigham Young University
2010	David McClure, Japan's Long Nineteenth Century: An Interdisciplinary Workshop and Practicum, Center for Japanese Studies, University of Michigan, 7-12 July 2010 (the only American undergraduate to receive a fellowship and invitation)
2008	David Gravett, Office of Research and Creative Activities Undergraduate Research Grant for "The General's Last Gift to Empire: Douglas MacArthur and the Rearming of Japan, 1945-1950," Brigham Young University
2008	Zachary Davis, "Indian Christians and the Nationalist Movement" Poster, Mentored Student Research Conference, Family, Home, and Social Sciences College, Brigham Young University
2008	David Gravett, Best Cultural History Paper Award for "The Kimono, Orientalism, and <i>Japonisme</i> ," Department of History, Brigham Young University

PEDAGOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

2011	Writing Workshop, College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University, 19 May
2009	General Education Faculty Academy on Teaching and Learning, Brigham Young University, 29-30 July
2009	Workshop on Using Japanese Visual Images to Support Teaching, Research, and Publications in Japan Studies, North American Coordinating Council on Japanese Library Resources, University of Maryland, 30 April
2008	General Education Faculty Academy on Teaching and Learning, Brigham Young University, 29-31 July
2008	Writing Workshops, College of Undergraduate Education, Brigham Young University, 14-15 May
2007	Panel Participant and Presenter, "Libraries and Learning," Western Conference of the Association of Asian Studies and Southwest Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, University of Utah, 21 September

2007	Participant, General Education Faculty Academy on Teaching and Learning, Brigham Young University, 31 July-2 August
2007	Participant, Writing Matters Seminar, College of Undergraduate Education, Brigham Young University, 16-20 July
2007	Participant, "Rethinking the Asia-Pacific War in the Classroom," Modern Japanese History Workshop, Boston College, 24 February

DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY, LOCAL and PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

<u>Department</u>

2010-	Co-advisor, Phi Alpha Theta
2008-2010	Department Collegiality Chair
2008-2009	Swenson Lecture Committee
2007-2008	Asian Search Committee (for two openings)
2001	Convener, East Asian Institute (Spring) Benkyōkai, Columbia University
<u>University</u>	
2011	Organizer, Guest Lecture by David Howell, Professor, Edwin O. Reischauer Institute for Japanese Studies, Harvard University, "Mammas, Don't' Let Your Babies Grow Up to Be Samurai," Kennedy Center for International Studies, Brigham Young University, 19 January
2009	Organizer, Guest Lecture by Jin Makabe, Harvard-Yenching Institute Fellow, Harvard University/Associate Professor Graduate School of Law and Politics, Hokkaido University, "A Genealogy of Japanese Colonial Policies: The Views of Christian University Scholars," Kennedy Center for International Studies, Brigham Young University, 5 December
2008	Organizer, Guest Lecture by William Tsutsui, Professor and Chair, Department of History, University of Kansas, "Godzilla and Postwar Japanese Culture," Kennedy Center for International Studies, Brigham Young University, 13 March
2008	Introductory Commentator, for "Shall We Dance?" (provided historical and cultural introduction, which was filmed and shown before each screening), International Cinema, College of Humanities, 16-20 January

2006-	Asian Studies Committee, David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, Brigham Young University
Local	
2010	"Japan's Revolutions—Nineteenth and Twentieth Century," Fall History Seminar, Social Science Education Center, Weber State University, 3 November.
2008	"Political, Economic, and Social Evolution in Twentieth-Century World: Japan," Fall History Seminar, Social Science Education Center, Weber State University, 19 November.
<u>Professional</u>	
2010	Panel Discussant, "The 'Nature' of Labor: Histories of Human-Nonhuman Entanglement in Japan," Asian Studies Conference Japan, Waseda University, Tokyo, 20 June.
2009	Outside Referee, Japanese Studies, Routledge
2008-2009	Outside Referee, Society & Animals, Brill Academic Publishers
2007	Outside Referee, positions: east asia cultures critique, Duke University Press
2007	Panel Organizer, "The Past, Present, and Future of the Japanese Military," Western Conference of the Association of Asian Studies and Southwest Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, University of Utah, 22 September
2007-	Affiliate, Asian Studies M.A. Program, University of Utah
2004-	Associate, The Asia-Pacific Journal: Japan Focus (www.japanfocus.org)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Member of the American Historical Association and the Association of Asian Studies

RELATED EXPERIENCE

2009-	Organizer, Provo Bicycle Committee, Provo, UT (advocating for bike lanes and trails, organized bike to school weeks at K-12 schools and BYU)
2009-	Committee Member, "Community Connections" Provo Center Focus Community Planning Group and Vision 2030 Project, Provo, UT

2008-	Community Organizer, Lions Park Renovation Project, Rivergrove Neighborhood, Provo, UT (authored grants that were awarded \$35,000 by the Provo City Council, raised \$3400 in donations from businesses and individuals, and organized major improvements—such as the construction of over 2500 linear feet of concrete pathways and over 40 trees—to this community park; recognized by council with "Good Neighbor Award" in October 2009)
1999-2002	Rapporteur, University Seminar on Modern Japan, Columbia University
2000-2002	Consultant, East Coast Business Development, Nissho Electronics (USA), New York Branch Office (summers only)
1997-1999	Assistant Manager of International Business Development and Marketing, Nissho Electronics (USA), Santa Clara, CA
1995-1996	Coordinator of International Relations, JET Program, Gifu Prefectural Government
1994	Summer Intern, Nippon Rikuun Sangyō, Tokyo