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Society benefits when people know and understand one another across ethnic and social boundaries. In all my roles, I seek to bridge divides, build consensus, and develop collaboration through knowledge, empathy, understanding and innovation.

EXPERIENCE

2012 – present

Professor, Austin Peay State University

Coordinator, Asian Studies

Developed programming, conducted research and taught courses on East Asia including: The History of Modern Japan, Traditions of the Samurai, Japan through Manga and Anime, Japanese language, and Principles of Management and Organizational Behavior

2007 – 2012

Assistant Professor, Frostburg State university

Taught courses on East Asian history and culture

EDUCATION

July 2013

Post-Doctoral Bridge Program, University of Florida, Hough Graduate School of Business

Specializations in International Business and Entrepreneurship

August 2011

PhD, University of Southern California, Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences

History, with fields in Modern, Premodern, Transpacific, and Urban history

March 2002

MA Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan

International Relations, focused on 20th century development of Kyoto, Japan

April 1993

BA, Brigham Young University, Provo

History/Asian Studies

SKILLS

Japanese language proficiency
Trans-Pacific cultural competency

Professional and grant writing
Multi-organizational coordination

ACTIVITIES

Coordinated and developed the Asian Studies program to include more than 40 students, many who have secured employment related to Japan

Facilitated institutional agreements with the Prefectural University of Hiroshima, Rikkyo University, and Komatsu University

Project Director for \$30,000 grant to implement Japanese language instruction into the Clarksville-Montgomery Country School System secondary schools

Developed and led students on multi-week trips to Japan

Facilitated the following events:

Consul-General of Japan tour of Fort Campbell Army Base

Walk in America Talk on Japan

New Voices from Japan

Global Culture Nasu Japanese Traditional Dance

CEPEX Seminar

Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival Planning Committee

Japan Outreach Coordinator, Supervisor

Southeast US-Japan Annual Meeting, Tennessee Delegation Member 2016-2019

Leadership Clarksville Class of 2015

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

Alfonsi, Rabea. Maria Kubincova, Sau Man Luk, David Rands, et al, "From Ise to the World in a Time of Pandemic." *PORTAL: Journal of Multidisciplinary International Studies*. special edition - The Great Dis-Equalizer: the Covid-19 Crisis 17:1-2 (2020), pp 45-61.

"A Spatial Turn in Business: Utilizing Function-Based Spatiality." *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science Review*, 6:2 (2020), pp 48-53.

Function-Based Spatiality and the Development of Korean Communities in Japan: A Complex Adaptive Systems Theory Approach, Lexington Books 2014.

SELECT PRESENTATIONS

"Tokyo in the Middle: Looking Up to the West and Down on the East" Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, Indiana University, Bloomington October 29-31, 2021

Invited Speaker CEPEX (Center for Professional Exchange) "Japanese Innovation and Experiences – Implementing New Technologies in the US: From 'Product Out' to 'Market In,'" Austin Peay State University, December 4, 2019

"Proposal for a Demo Lesson Entitled 'Japan as a Lens for World History,'" Japan in the World, The World in Japan: A Methodological Approach, 5th International Symposium, Chulalongkorn University Bangkok September 16-17, 2019

"Designing Modern Cities in Meiji Japan," 25th National Conference of the Asian Studies Development Program, Nashville, TN March 7-9, 2019.

"Culture and Commerce in Tōkyō and Ōsaka," Invited speaker, Berea College Asian Studies Colloquium 2015-2016, Berea, KY October 7, 2015.