

Education

- Ph.D. City and Regional Planning Jan 2017
Cornell University
Dissertation: *Chinese Construction at the New Frontier: Development, Social Change, and the Government of Uyghur Identity in Urban Xinjiang*
Neema Kudva (chair), Andrew Mertha, Stephan Schmidt
- M.A. Anthropology May 2006
University of Hawaii at Manoa
- B.A. Anthropology May 2003
New College of Florida

Research Interests

Urbanization in Xinjiang; Uyghur ethnopolitics; state-society relations among China's Han and non-Han middle classes; Chinese city planning; cross-border economic and development planning in Western China and Central Asia; state-led development planning and practice in authoritarian states

Professional Appointments

- Visiting Scholar Fall 2012 – Spring 2014
Xinjiang Normal University, Urumqi, China

Publications

Book Chapters

“Fear and Loathing in Urumqi” *Develop the West: Development and Social Change in Xinjiang*, ed. Sean Roberts and Gardner Bovington. Oxford University Press (forthcoming)

Manuscripts in Preparation

“Lost in More than Mere Translation: Assessing and Addressing the Intellectual Divide between the English- and Chinese-language Literature on China's New Middle Class”
“Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Regime Stability: The Shanghai Cooperation Organization and Norm Setting in Xinjiang and Central Asia”

Book Reviews

- 2017 “Constructing, Creating and Contesting Cityscapes: A Socio-Anthropological Approach to Urban Transformation in Southern Xinjiang, People's Republic of China.” *The China Journal* (forthcoming)

Presentations

- 2017 “Buying In or Selling Out? Development, Identity Politics, and the Construction of Enclave Urbanism in Post-Riot Urumqi” International Conference on China Urban Development, London
- 2017 “Author Meets Critics: Oil and Water: Being Han in Xinjiang” Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference, Toronto
- 2016 “Stuck in the Middle: Class-based Identity Politics and the Making of Enclave Urbanism in the Uyghur City” Association of College Schools of Planning Annual Meeting, Portland, OR
- 2015 “Buying in or Selling Out? Middle-Class Sensibilities in the Uyghur City” Second International Conference on Uyghur Studies, Paris.
- 2015 “Growing Out of the Master Plan: The Political Logic of Development in Urumqi, 1755-2015”

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- Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, Chicago.
- 2015 “Growing Out of the Master Plan: The Political Logic of Development in Twenty-first Century Urumqi” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Tampa.
- 2014 “Control the South: The Spatial Logic of Suburban Development Planning in Urumqi Before and After the ‘7-5’ Riots” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Tampa.
- 2012 “Big Construction, Big Opening, Big Development: Paving China’s New Silk Road” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York.

Fellowships and Awards

Cornell University SAGE Fellowship	Fall 2016
Foreign Language and Area Studies Award (Uyghur)	Fall 2013 - Spring 2014
Judith Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies Fellowship	Summer 2013
Lee Teng-Hui Fellowship in World Affairs	Fall 2012
East West Center Student Affiliate	Spring 2004 - Spring 2006
Foreign Language and Area Studies Award (Mandarin)	Summer 2004

Selected Teaching Experience

Cornell University, Cornell in Washington Program

Teaching Assistant: America’s Changing Faces	Summer 2015
Research Methods and Writing Tutor: Studies in Public Policy	Fall 2014 - Spring 2015

Cornell University, Department of City and Regional Planning

Teaching Assistant: The Global City	Spring 2011; Spring 2012
Teaching Assistant: Graduate Workshop on International Development Planning	Fall 2012
Teaching Assistant: Inferential Statistics for Planning and Public Policy	Fall 2011

The Princeton Review

Instructor: SAT, GRE, LSAT	Sept 2000 - Mar 2007
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Selected Professional Experience

Co-founder, New Horizons Test Preparation, Shanghai	March 2007 - October 2013
Editor, that’s Shanghai Magazine, Shanghai	March 2007 - March 2008

Academic Service

Developer for the Uyghur Studies Initiative website (www.uyghur-studies.com)	Fall 2015
Digital content creator, Uyghur Studies Initiative website	Spring 2016 - Present

Professional Affiliations

Member, Association of Asian Studies	Spring 2017 - Present
Student Member, International Association of China Planners	Fall 2012 - Present
Student Member, Association of American Geographers	Fall 2011 - Present
Student Member, American Planning Association	Fall 2010 - Present
Co-President, Cornell Association of PhD Students of Planning	Spring 2011 - Spring 2012

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Language Skills

Mandarin (research proficient)

Spanish (proficient)

Uyghur (basic)