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## EDUCATION

- 2024  
(Expected)                      PhD in Sociology, **the University of Cambridge**  
**Dissertation:** How Should Point-Based *Hukou* Policy Be Detailed? A Look at Social Reproduction of Inequalities in China, 2010-14
- 2020                                      MA in Education, Gender and International Development, **University College London**  
**Grade:** Merit  
**Dissertation:** Social Barriers to, and Gender Gaps in, Educational Attainment Faced by Rural Citizens in China
- 2020                                      PG Cert in Human Rights and Development Management, **the Open University (UK)**  
**Grade:** Pass with Merit
- 2019                                      MSc in Sociology, **the London School of Economics**  
**Grade:** Merit  
**Dissertation:** Internal Migration in China: Are Rural Migrant Workers Uniquely Socially Vulnerable?
- 2018                                      BA (Hons) in Sociology and Quantitative Methods, **the University of Warwick**  
**Grade:** Second class, Upper Division (2:i)  
**Dissertation:** Did Men and Women with Similar Social Positions Display Different Voting Trends in British General Elections Between 2005 and 2015?

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

### 1. **Sociology**

Social inequality, social stratification, social mobility, social reproduction, (forced and voluntary) migration, life chances, demography

### 2. **Public Health**

Mental health, child health, sexual health, ageing and health, social determinants of psychological wellbeing

### 3. **Education and International Development**

Educational inequality, human capital, educational discrimination

#### 4. Geopolitical Analysis

China-ASEAN relations, China-ASEAN health and vaccine diplomacy, China-ASEAN Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) cooperation; China's soft power

#### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

##### *Books*

Hung J. (forthcoming, contracted on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023). *Left-Behind Children's Juvenile Delinquency and Substance Abuse in China: Policy Examination and Analysis*. Springer Nature.

Hung, J. (2024). *Visiting Sexual Exploitation: How Should Indonesia Strengthen Its Policies to Curb Sex Work in Response to Its Extramarital Sex Criminalisation*. ISEAS Publishing.

Hung, J. (2023). *Legalising Prostitution in Thailand: A Policy-Oriented Examination of the (De-)Construction of Commercial Sex*. Springer Nature.

Hung, J. (2023). *Indonesian and Philippine Media on China and COVID-19*. New York, N.Y.: Routledge.

Hung, J. (2023). *The Socially Constructed and Reproduced Youth Delinquency in Southeast Asia: Advancing Positive Youth Involvement in Sustainable Futures*. London: Emerald Group Publishing.

##### *Book Chapters*

Hung, J. (2023). How Southeast Asian Countries Can Better Arrange and Deliver Internet Policies So as to Defy Digital Divide. In Danica Radovanovic (eds.), *Digital Literacy and Meaningful Connectivity* (pp. 61-77). Cham: Springer.

Hung, J. (2023). Digital Education, Academic Performance, and Mental Health: How Can Chinese Students' Development Be Facilitated While Engaging in E-Learning. In Christine Coombe, Jacqueline Stephen and Georgios Vlasios Kormpas (eds.), *Global Perspectives on Higher Education: From Crisis to Opportunity* (pp. 485-94). Cham: Springer.

Hung, J. (2022). Adverse Economic Impacts on the Occupationally Insecure Workforce in Thailand amid the Pandemic. In B. Sloboda, & Y. Sissoko (Eds.), *Economic Impact and Recovery Following a Global Health Crisis* (pp. 77-105). Hershey, P.A.: IGI Global.

Hung, J. (2021). Social Barriers to, and Gender Gaps in, Educational Attainment for Rural Citizens in China. In Theresa Neimann, Jonathan J. Felix, Elena Shliakhovchuk and Lynne Hindman (eds.), *Policy and Practice Challenges for Equality in Education* (pp. 124-71). Hershey, PA: IGI Global.

##### *Book Reviews*

Hung, J. (2022). How the Application of Satellite Imagery Offers New Opportunities to Explore China's Urbanisation and Development. *Quality and Quantity*. DOI: 10.1007/s11135-022-01588-2.

Hung, J. (2022). Critical Review on the Trajectory of Educational Policymaking and How Migrant Children Have Been Affected in China. *Fudan Journal of the Humanities and Social Sciences*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40647-022-00357-7>.

### **Working Papers**

Hung, J. (2021). How Will Final-Stage Clinical Trial Results of Chinese COVID-19 Vaccines Impact on China-Indonesia Vaccine Diplomacy. *Issues & Insights Vol. 21 Working Paper 11*. Washington, D.C.: Pacific Forum.

Hung, J. (2021). The Climate of Civil Disobedience: How Different Parties Have Capitalised on Liberal Studies as a Political Instrument under Hong Kong's Secondary Education Curriculum. *Issues & Insights Vol. 20 Working Paper 1*. Washington, D.C.: Pacific Forum.

### **Journal Articles**

Hung, J. (2023). Why Legalising Prostitution in Thailand Can Help Bangkok Regulate Commercial Sex and Curb Sex-Trafficking Systematically and Institutionally. *Frontiers in Sociology*, 8: 1227247. DOI: 10.3389/fsoc.2023.1227247.

Hung, J., Chen, J. & Chen, O. (2023). The Practice of Social Protection Policies in China: A Systematic Review on How Left-Behind Children's Mental Health Can Be Optimised. *Perspectives in Public Health*. DOI:10.1177/17579139231205491.

Hung, J. (2023). Indonesia's Anti-Extramarital Sex Legislation: Why and How Should Policymakers Respond to Prostitution. *Journal of Poverty and Social Justice*, 31(3), 417-22.

Hung, J. (2023). The Benefits, Risks and Regulation of Using ChatGPT in Chinese Academia: A Content Analysis. *Social Sciences*, 12(7): 380. <https://doi.org/10.3390/socsci12070380>.

Hung, J. (2023). Is Psychologically Vulnerable Rural-to-Urban Migrants' Mental Health Further at Stake under China's Tightened COVID-19 Measures: How Should the Government Respond? *Frontiers in Sociology*, 8: 1095810. DOI: 10.3389/fsoc.2023.1095810.

Hung, J. (2023). Pragmatic Approaches to Control Inbound Sex Tourism and Prostitution in Thailand and Cambodia: The Suggestion of Multifaceted Policy Development. *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy*, 43(11/12), 1175-89.

Hung, J., Chen, J., & Chen, O. (2023). Are the Relationship between Mental Health Issues and Being Left-Behind Gendered in China: A Systemic Review and Meta-Analysis. *PLoS ONE*, 18(4): e0279278. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0279278>.

Hung, J. (2023). Policy-Oriented Examination of Left-Behind Children's Health and Wellbeing in China. *Sustainability*, 15(7), 5977. <https://doi.org/10.3390/su15075977>.

Hung, J. (2023). Smart Elderly Care Services in China: Challenges, Progress, and Policy Development. *Sustainability*, 15(1): 178. <https://doi.org/10.3390/su15010178>.

Hung, J. (2022). Subsets of the Population Benefitting from the Pandemic: What Policies and Practices Should be Arranged to Sustainably Maintain Beneficiaries' Mental Health. *Frontiers in Sociology*, 7:1090785.

Hung, J. (2022). Policy Development on Upskilling/Reskilling Older Population Care Staff in China. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 19(15): 9440.

Hung, J. (2022). Digitalisation, Parenting, and Children's Mental Health: What are the Challenges and Policy Implications? *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 19(11): 6452.

Hung, J. (2022). *Hukou* System Influencing the Structural, Institutional Inequalities in China: The Multifaceted Disadvantages Rural *Hukou* Holders Face. *Social Sciences*, 11(5): 194.

Hung, J. and Mark Ramsden (2021). The Application of Human Capital Theory and Educational Signalling Theory to Explain Parental Influences on the Chinese Population's Social Mobility Opportunities. *Social Sciences*, 10(10): 362.

Hung, J. (2020). Systematic Review on How the Delivery of Vision Care Policies Affects Students' Academic Performance and Mental Health. *Asian Social Science*, 16(7), 94-9.

Hung, J. (2020). How Can We Account for Persisting Educational Inequalities in Rural China. *Asian Social Science*, 16(7), 46-56.

Hung, J. (2020). Cultural Homelessness, Social Dislocation and Psychosocial Harms: An Overview of Social Mobility in Hong Kong and Mainland China. *Asian Social Science*, 16(5), 1-12.

Hung, J. (2020). Internal Migration in Chinese Cities: An Exploration of Youths' Experiences of Delinquency. *Asian Social Science*, 16(2), 1-11.

Hung, J. (2019). Psychosocial Wellbeing among Rural-Urban Migrant Workers in China: Did 2008 Financial Crisis Worsen their Vulnerability? *Asian Social Science*, 16(1), 54-68.

Hung, J. (2018). Parenting Styles, Academic Demands and Children's Psychosocial Well-being: Why Today's Hong Kong Chinese Students Are So Stressed. *The Columbia Journal of Global Health*, 8(2), 1-5.

### ***Policy Papers***

Hung, J. (2021). Under the Hong Kong's National Security Law, How Can Western Democratic Countries Support Politically Persecuted, Exiled Anti-Beijing Dissidents. *Oxford Monitor of Forced Migration*, 10(1), 133-40.

Hung, J. (2020). COVID-19 and Protests Need Not Cripple Tourism-Heavy Hong Kong. *PacNet Commentary*, No. 15.

Hung, J. (2020). How Hong Kong Hurts Itself by Financially Excluding Foreign Domestic Workers. *PacNet Commentary*, No. 5.

Hung, J. (2019). The Prison Crisis in England and Wales: How Those Incarcerated are Psychosocially Harmed? *Cornell Policy Review*. Retrieved from <http://www.cornellpolicyreview.com/the-prison-crisis-in-england-and-wales-how-incarcerated-populations-are-psychosocially-harmed/?pdf=5131>

Hung, J. (2018). Immigration Removal Centres in England and Wales: Ensuring the Safety and Well-being of Immigration Detainees. *Cornell Policy Review*. Retrieved from <http://www.cornellpolicyreview.com/immigration-removal-centers/?pdf=4724>

### ***Editorial***

Hung J (2023) How to Capitalise on Media Communications to Promote Mental Healthcare for Left-Behind Children in China. *International Journal of Public Health*, 68: 1606023. DOI: 10.3389/ijph.2023.1606023.

### ***Commentaries***

Hung, J. (2021). Why Taiwan Should Develop Exclusive Refugee Laws for Hong Kong Political Asylum Seekers as to Defy Beijing's Interference. *Contemporary Chinese Political Economy and Strategic Relations*, 7(1), 173-85.

Hung, J. (2021). In China's 'Vaccine Diplomacy' with the Philippines, Both Sides Are Taking Big Risks. *East-West Wire*. Honolulu, H.A.: East-West Centre.

Hung, J. (2020). Civil Liberties Are Rotten in the Aftermath of the Hong Kong's Social-Political Unrest (2019-20): A Discussion on the City's Financial (Un)Sustainability. *Contemporary Chinese Political Economy and Strategic Relations*, 6(3), 1445-55.

### ***Other Peer-Reviewed Publications***

Hung, J. (2021). Indonesia's Sinovac Rollout Sets High Stakes for China's Vaccine Diplomacy. *East Asia Forum*. Canberra: Australia National University Press.

Hung, J. (2018). Urban Paradise Actually Purgatory for China's Migrant Workers. *East Asia Forum*. Canberra: Australia National University Press.

### ***Under Review***

#### **1. Journal Articles**

Hung, J. The Currency of Body in Thailand: How Are Community-Level Women's Empowerment Policies Arranged. *PLoS ONE*.

Hung, J. Female Devaluation and Sexualisation from Pronounced Unequal Power Relations: A Policy-Focused Case Study of Commercial Sex in Thailand and Cambodia. *Area Development and Policy*.

Hung, J. Review of Thailand's Marine Tourism and Environmental Sustainability. *Environmental Reviews*.

Hung, J. Policy Implications for Addressing Gender-Based Issues in Thailand's Climate-Affected Sectors. *GeoHealth*.

Hung, J. The Transitioning to Greener Sino-Thai Belt and Road Initiative: How China Finance Thailand's Environmental Sustainability. *Environmental Health Insights*.

Hung, J. Comprehensive Review of Left-Behind Children's Heavy Drinking in China: Policy Examination and Analysis. *Poverty & Public Policy*.

Hung, J. Sociological and Policy Examination of Poverty-Led Crime in Indonesia: Case Study of (Child) Prostitution. *Social Science Information*.

Hung, J. Sociological Discourse on Malaysia's Poverty-Led Crime: Policy Examination and Analysis. *Studies in Social Justice*.

Hung, J. Comprehensive Policy Review and Analysis of Drug Abuse Among Left-Behind Children in China. *Journal of Substance Use*.

Hung, J. Human Rights Violations and Traumatized Health and Wellbeing: Policy Recommendations for Phnom Penh to Better Protect Cambodia's Child Prostitutes. *Journal of Children's Services*.

Hung, J. Dissecting the Layers of Gender-Based Violence in Bangladesh: A Policy-Oriented Analysis. *Journal of Gender-Based Violence*.

Hung, J. Legal Policy Discourse on Anti-Child Prostitution and Trafficking in Cambodia. *Critical Social Policy*.

Hung, J. Child Sex Work and Associated Health Risks in Thailand: Unveiling Research Gaps and Suggesting Research Recommendations. *International Social Science Journal*.

Hung, J. Policy Development of Pro-Ageing Smart Elderly Care Services in China. *Journal of Aging Studies*.

Hung, J. Inclusive and Sustainable Growth amid AI-Inflicted Transformation: How Should Governments, Industries and Academia Respond? *Social Change*.

Hung, J. Societal Consequences of the Proposed Legalisation of Prostitution in Thailand: A Focus on Sexual Health. *Social Change*.

## RECENT AFFILIATIONS

2023/09 – 2024/02	Humane Studies Fellow, <b>Institute for Humane Studies</b>
2022/09 – 2023/08	Fellow, Asia Centre, <b>Harvard University</b>
2022/07 – 2023/06	Visiting Fellow, Institute of Sociology, <b>Academia Sinica</b>
2020/10 – 2023/08 (expected)	PhD in Sociology Researcher, Department of Sociology, <b>the University of Cambridge</b>

## RESEARCH FUNDING HISTORY

2023/09	Institute for Humane Studies (HIS) IHS - Graduate Sabbatical Grant Total Funding – USD 15,000
2023/08	Department of Sociology, the University of Cambridge Cambridge Writing Up Bursary Total Funding – GBP 2,000
2022/07 – 2023/06	Academia Sinica Academia Sinica Fellowships for Doctoral Candidates in the Humanities and Social Sciences Total Funding – USD 16,300
2022/07 – 2022/12	Sino-British Fellowship Trust (SBFT) SBFT Grant Total Funding – GBP 7,000
2022/04 – 2022/06	United Nations University (UNU) UNU-IIGH Global Health PhD Fellowship Total Funding – USD 6,000
2021/01 – 2021/12	Universities' China Committee in London (UCCL) UCCL Doctoral Research Grant Total Funding – GBP 2,000
2018/04 – 2018/09	University of Warwick Institute for Advanced Teaching and Learning (IALT) Student as a Producer (Research) Fund Award Total Funding – GBP 1,500
2017/07 – 2017/09	University of Warwick Workplace (Placement) Bursary Total Funding – GBP 800
2016/06 – 2016/09	University of Warwick Undergraduate Research Support Scheme (URSS)

Scholarship  
Total Funding – GBP 900

#### OTHER SELECTED FUNDING HISTORY

2019	Rotary International Rotary Global Grant Scholarship Total Funding – USD 36,000
2019	University College London (UCL) UCL Hong Kong Scholarship Fund Total Funding – GBP 5,000
2018	The University of Warwick Opportunity Fund Award Total Funding – GBP 1,500
2017	Tsinghua University Full Summer Exchange Scholarship Total Funding – GBP 2,000

#### NON-ACADEMIC AWARD(S)

2022	<b>Global Leadership Challenge (CLC) Emerging Leader</b> Social Sciences Division, the University of Oxford <b>Description:</b> One of the 100 awardees selected from a pool of 2,500 + applicants, where all emerging leaders were given opportunities to collectively address some of the most pressing challenges of our time by integrating responsible leadership and practical actions to achieve sustainable development goals (SDGs)
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#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

2022	17th Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies <b>Title:</b> Government Disorganisation, Vaccine Hesitancy and Public Dissatisfaction in Thailand: How the Poor Arrangement and Delivery of Mass Inoculation Would Harm the Thai Economy <b>Location:</b> National University of Singapore, Singapore
2020	The British Association for Chinese Studies (BACS) Conference <b>Title:</b> Social Barriers to, and Gender Gaps in, Educational Attainment Faced by Rural Citizens in China <b>Location:</b> King's College London, United Kingdom
2019	Asian Conference on Education <b>Title:</b> Internal Migration in China: Are Rural Migrant Workers



- Uniquely Socially Vulnerable?  
**Location:** Tokyo, Japan
- 2019 International Graduate Student Conference  
**Title:** Psychosocial Wellbeing among Rural-Urban Migrant Workers in China: Did 2008 Financial Crisis Worsen their Vulnerability?  
**Location:** East-West Centre, H.A., United States
- 2018 Development in Asia-Research Conference  
**Title:** Educational Investment and Sociopsychological Wellbeing among Rural Chinese Women  
**Location:** Yale-NUS College, Singapore
- 2017 International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Science Studies  
**Title:** Good Muslim, Bad Muslim: The Existence or Absence of Cultural Tolerance towards American Muslims in Los Angeles?  
**Location:** St. Anne College, the University of Oxford, United Kingdom
- 2016 International Conference of Undergraduate Research  
**Title:** Refugee Crisis in British Newspapers  
**Location:** The University of Warwick, United Kingdom

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2022/09 – 2023/08 Fellow, Asia Centre, **Harvard University**  
**Completed Research Project:** Trajectories of Media Narratives on China amid the Pandemic in Indonesia and the Philippines  
**Research Output:** Developed a monograph where the book was published by Routledge on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023  
**Research Methods:** Content analysis & systematic reviews
- 2022/07 – 2023/06 Visiting Fellow, Institute of Sociology, **Academia Sinica**  
**Completed Research Project:** Educational Inequalities, Poverty, Parental Absence and Social Protection: Impacts on the Wellbeing of Left-Behind Children in Rural China  
**Research Output:** Four journal articles were published and a monograph was contracted with Springer  
**Research Methods:** Systematic reviews, meta-analyses; panel data analysis; propensity score matching, structural equation modelling
- 2019/09 – 2019/12 Visiting Student Researcher, Rural Education Action Programme (REAP), **Stanford University**

**Responsibilities:** Conducted independent research entitled “Social Barriers to Educational Attainment in Rural China, 2010-2014”, and helped Dr. Huan Wang conduct the team research entitled “Evaluating the Impact of Reading on Rural Students’ Academic Performance”

2018/06 – 2019/02  
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Affiliate Student in Research, Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology  
Neuroscience (IOPPN), **King’s College, London**

**Responsibilities:** Conducted independent research entitled “Psychosocial Wellbeing among Rural-Urban Migrant Workers in China: Did the 2008 Financial Crisis Worsen their Vulnerability?”

2018 Summer

Visiting Student Researcher, School of Public Health, **University of California, Berkeley**

**Responsibilities:** Conducted independent research entitled “The Conflicts between Cultural Taboo and HIV-Prevention: Is Stigmatisation a Barrier to Safe-Sex Practices among Men Who Have Sex with Men (MSM) in Hong Kong Chinese Communities?”

2017 Summer

Research Assistant, Department of Sociology, **the University of Warwick**

**Responsibilities:** Conducted independent research entitled “Transitions to Adulthood in Contemporary Britain” under Dr. Roxanne Connelly’s guidance

2016 Summer

Summer Student Researcher, Department of Sociology, **the University of Warwick**

**Responsibilities:** Conducted independent research entitled “Refugee Crisis in British Newspapers”

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2021/10 – 2022/04

Undergraduate Supervisor, Department of Sociology, **the University of Cambridge**

**Taught Module:** Paper Soc 13: Health, Medicine and Society

2021/10 – 2022/04

Undergraduate Supervisor, Department of Sociology, **the University of Cambridge**

**Taught Module:** Paper Soc 3: Global Social Problems

## SEMINAR(S)/WEBINAR(S) HOSTING EXPERIENCE

2022/06

Paid Intern, East Asia Department, **Asian Development Bank**

**Webinar Topic:** Review of the People’s Republic of China (PRC) Elderly Care Projects

## SELECTED REVIEW EXPERIENCE

2022	Reviewer at <i>Social Sciences &amp; Humanities Open</i>
2022	Reviewer at <i>International Journal of Environmental and Public Health Research</i>
2021	Reviewer at <i>Sociology of Education</i>

## OTHER SELECTED EXPERIENCE

2023/08 – Present	Columnist, <i>The China Global South Project</i> <b>Description:</b> Addressing Sino-Thai Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) cooperation and environmental health/risks of Thailand
2022/04 – 2022/06	Global Health PhD Fellow, International Institute for Global Health, <b>United Nations University</b> <b>Project:</b> Biases on Global Think Tank Ranking Metrics and Decolonisation of Global Health
2022/01 – 2022/04	Paid Intern, East Asia Department, <b>Asian Development Bank</b> <b>Project:</b> Review of the People's Republic of China (PRC) Elderly Care Projects
2021/04	Fully-Funded Delegate, Peking Academy, <b>Yenching Global Symposium</b> <b>Description:</b> Engaged in a range of intellectual exchange activities under the theme of (re-)coupling the West and East, especially in the field of society and education
2021/01 – 2021/03	Fully-Funded Delegate, Stanford University and Peking University, <b>Forum for American-Chinese Exchange Stanford</b> <b>Description:</b> One of the 40 selected delegates, primarily from the United States or China, to discuss United States-China relations with distinguished leaders in the globe
2019/11-2021/01	CGI U Commitment Maker, Clinton Global Initiative University (CGI U), <b>Clinton Foundation</b> <b>Description:</b> Selected by the CGI U committee to work as a commitment maker in late 2019 to design a social initiative; and subsequently co-founded the social initiative known as Book4Kids where I found Asia's donors who were willing to give out second-hand English kid books, collected these donations, and shipped them to Tanzania for orphans to learn English
2020/03 – 2021/07	Freelance Columnist, <i>The Diplomat</i>

**Description:** Addressed social, economic and political affairs in East and Southeast Asian contexts

**Column Profile:** <https://thediplomat.com/authors/jason-hung/>

2019/06 – 2019/08

Socioeconomic Transformation Intern, Socioeconomic Transformation Department, **United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific** (UNESCAP)

**Description:** Wrote a UN paper, a blog article and an initial outreach strategy plan; redesigned the social protection toolbox; evaluated and resigned a questionnaire in association with the social protection toolbox; edited a working paper

2018/03 – 2021/08

Freelance Columnist, *South China Morning Post*

**Description:** Analysed current affairs and reported cultures in Chinese and Southeast Asian contexts

**Column Profile:** <https://www.scmp.com/author/jason-hung>

2016/06 – 2018/06

Co-founder, *The Gateway*

**Description:** Co-founded a social initiative known as the Gateway to provide soft skills development and work placement opportunities to refugees and asylum seekers in Coventry, the United Kingdom

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

2019/06 – 2019/08

Fundraiser, **Rotary Club of Chiswick and Brentford** (London, United Kingdom)

**Description:** Fundraised in Bangkok and Stanford, C.A., to financially support the Rotary project on building hostel schools in Humla in the Himalayas

2015/10 – 2016/04

Visiting Primary School Teacher, **Earlsdon Primary** (Coventry, United Kingdom)

2015/09

Visiting English Teacher, **No. 2 High School affiliated with Xi'an Jiaotong University** (Xi'an, China)

2014/09 – 2015/08

Visiting Tutor, **Christian Actions – “Children and Youth Service for Ethnic Minorities”** (Hong Kong)