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March 2019: Ph. D., Kyoto University, Graduate School of Letters (Oriental History)

March 1985: M.A., Kyoto University, Graduate School of Letters (Oriental History)

March 1983: B.A., Kyoto University, Faculty of Letters (South and West Asian History)

Academic Career:

April 2021 – Present: Director, Institute for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University

April 2009 – Present: Professor, Institute for Research in Humanities, Department of Oriental
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April 2001– March 2008: Associate Professor, Institute for Research in Humanities, Department
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April 1996 – March 2001: Associate Professor, Faculty of Intercultural Studies, Ryukoku
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August 1988 – March 1996: Assistant Professor, Institute for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University.

April 1988 – July 1988: Research Fellow, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science.

Other Assignments:

April 2021 – Present: Director of the Institute for Research in Humanities.

April 2019 – March 2021: Director of the Center for Informatics in East Asian Studies, Institute for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University.

Publications and talks (titles starting with ★ mark are in Japanese):

I. Co-Edited/Co-Translated Books:

1. 1992: ★ *Huichao's Wang Wu-Tianzhuguo zhuan: Record of Travels in Five Indic Regions*. Kyoto University Institute for Research in Humanities (co-edited with S. Kuwayama).
2. 2010: *Coins, Art and Chronology II: First Millennium C.E. of Indo-Iranian Borderland, Austrian Academy of Science, Vienna* (co-edited with M. Alram, D. Klimburg-Salter, and M. Pfisterer).
3. 2011: ★ *An annotated Japanese translation of Nawrūznāma allegedly being written by 'Umar Khayyām*, Kyoto University Institute for Research in Humanities (co-translated with T. Morikawa).
4. 2011: ★ *Contact zone vol.2: Material Culture*, Kōyō Shobou, Kyoto (co-edited with M. Tanaka).
5. 2015: ★ *Touchi-no-sho (Book of Government)*, Iwanami Shoten, Tokyo (co-translated with K. Itani)
6. 2022: *The History and Culture of Iran and Central Asia: From the pre Islamic to the Islamic Period*, University of Notre Dame Press (co-edited with D. G. Tor)

(II) Articles and chapters for the books:

1. 1986: ★“Maḥmūdiyān and Mas‘ūdiyān in the reign of Mas‘ūd b. Maḥmūd the Ghaznavid,” *The Tōyōshi Kenkyū* 45(2), 1986: 130-165.
2. 1988: ★“*Hājibs* in the Ghaznavids,” *Bulletin of the Society for Western and Southern Asiatic Studies* 29, 1988: 18-37.
3. 1990: ★“The borderlands between the Saljuqids and the Later Ghaznavids”, *The Tōhō Gakuhō*, 62, 1990: 637-673.
4. 1991: ★“Three kings of Zābulistān from the 7th to the 8th century,” *Bulletin of the Society for Western and Southern Asiatic Studies* 35, 1991: 39-60.
5. 1994: ★“Ghazna: a royal capital of the Ghaznavids,” *The Tōhō Gakuhō* 66, 1994: 200-252.
6. 1995: ★“*Nadīms* in the Ghaznavids,” *Tohogaku (Eastern Studies)* , 89, 1995: 104-118.
7. 1997: ★“*Tārīkh-i Bayhaqī's* views on the kingship and the state,” *Eastern Studies (Fiftieth Anniversary Volume)*, 1997: 1403-1414.
8. 1999: ★“The Ghūrīds and Afghanistan: 11th to 12th Century,” *Bulletin of the Society for Western and Southern Asiatic Studies* 51, 1999: 16-42.

9. 2001: ★“Arab soldiers in China at the time of An-Shi Rebellion,” *Intercultural Studies (Ryukoku University)*, 5, 2001: 16-33.
10. 2002: ★“From Afghan highland to the Indus valley: routes to India in the early Islamic Period,” in S. Kuwayama (ed.), *The formation and transformation of cave temples*, Kyoto, 2002: 1-25.
11. 2003: ★“On the historical background of the caves hewn at Nāy Qal‘a, Afghanistan,” *Bulletin of the Society for Western and Southern Asiatic Studies* 58, 2003: 83-96.
12. 2004a: ★“On the legends of early dissemination of Islam to South India and Sri Lanka,” *Bulletin of the Socio-Cultural Research Institute of Ryukoku University*, 6, 2004: 165-172.
13. 2004b: ★“The Xalaj kingdoms in Afghanistan,” *The Tôhō Gakuhô* 76, 2004: 313-382.
14. 2004c: “Nāy Qal‘a, Wujīristān and the Khalaj,” Appendix to G. Verardi and M. Paparatti, *Buddhist Caves of Jāghūrī and Qarabāgh-e Ghazni, Afghanistan*, Rome, 2004: 105-108.
15. 2005a: ★“Ferghāna at the time of Muslim invasion,” T. Horikawa (ed.), *Historical Studies on the Formation and Transformation of the Muslim Community in Central Asia*, Kyoto, 2005: 1-15.
16. 2005b: “The identity of the Turkish rulers to the south of Hindukush from the 7th to the 9th centuries A.D.” *Zinbun*, 38, 2005: 1-20.
17. 2005c: “The survival of Buddhism in the eastern part of Khurāsān on the eve of the Islamic conquest,” in H. Fahimi and R. Tsuchihashi (eds.), *Report of the Iran-Japan Joint Research on the Diffusion of Buddhism in Iran*, Tehran-Nara, 2005: 63-66.
18. 2007: ★“Yakaulang and Ribāt-i Karvān: a historical geography of northern Hazarajat,” *Bulletin of the Society for Near Eastern Studies in Japan*, 50(1), 2007: 53-79.
19. 2010a: ★“Notes on Nishu,” *The Tôhō Gakuhô* 85, 2010: 674-692.
20. 2010b: ★“Kabul and Central Asia in the first half of the 8th century,” *The Tôyōshi-Kenkyū*, 69(1), 2010: 151-174.
21. 2010c “Nezak in Chinese sources”, M. Alram, D. Klimburg-Salter, M. Inaba, and M. Pfisterer (eds.), *Coins, Art and Chronology II: The First Millennium C.E. in the Indo-Iranian Borderlands*, Austrian Academy of Science, Vienna, 2010: 191-202.
22. 2010d: “From Kesar the Kābulšāh and Central Asia.” M. Alram, D. Klimburg-Salter, M. Inaba, and M. Pfisterer (eds.), *Coins, Art and Chronology II: The First Millennium C.E. in the Indo-Iranian Borderlands*, Austrian Academy of Science, Vienna, 2010: 443-455.

23. 2011a:★“*Kāmasūtra* in Heart: Transculturation in Medieval Afghanistan,” in M. Tanaka and M. Inaba (eds.), *Contact Zone* vol.2: *Material Culture*, Kōyō Shobou, Kyoto, 2011: 3-37.
24. 2011b: “Arab soldiers in China at the time of the An-Shi Rebellion (revised).” *Memoirs of the Research Department of the Toyo Bunko*, 68, 2011: 35-61.
25. 2012: ★“*Contact Zone* in the pre-modern history,” *Contact Zone*, 4, 2012: 1-9.
26. 2013a: “Sedentary rulers on the move: the travels of the early Ghaznavid Sultans,” in D. Durand-Guédy (ed.), *Turko-Mongol Rulers, Cities, and City Life*, E. J. Brill, Leiden, 2013: 75-98.
27. 2013b: ★“Kabul in the pre-modern period: historical shift of the regional center in eastern Afghanistan,” *The Tôhō Gakuhô*, 88, 2013: 359-402.
28. 2013c: ★“Pre- and early Islamic history of the regions across the Hindukush,” *Bulletin of the Society for Western and Southern Asiatic Studies*, 79, 2013: 1-27.
29. 2015a: “A venture on the frontier: Alptegin’s conquest of Ghanand its sequel,” in: A.C. S. Peacock and D.G.Tor (eds.), *Medieval Central Asia and the Persianate World*, I. B. Tauris, 2015 London: 108-128.
30. 2015b: “From Caojuzha to Ghazna/Ghaznīn: Early Medieval Chinese and Muslim Descriptions of Eastern Afghanistan,” *Journal of Asian History*, 49, 2015: 97-117.
31. 2016: “Between Zābulistān and Gūzgān: A Study on the Early Islamic History of Afghanistan,” *Journal of Inner Asian Art and Archaeology* 7, 2016: 205-221.
32. 2017: “Across the Hindukush of the ‘Abbāsīd period,” in: D. G. Tor (ed.) *The ‘Abbasid and Carolingian Empires: Studies in Civilizational Formation*, E. J. Brill, 2017, 123-150.
33. 2019: “The Narratives on the Bāmiyān Buddhist Remains in the Islamic Period,” in: B. Auer and I. Strauch (eds.) *Encountering Buddhism and Islam in Premodern Central and South Asia*, De Gruyter, 2019 Berlin: 75-96.
34. 2022: “Central Asia in the Mid-Eighth Century: Wukong’s Itinerary toward India,” in: D. G. Tor and M. Inaba (eds.) *The History and Culture of Iran and Central Asia: From the Pre-Islamic to the Islamic Period*, University of Notre Dame Press, 2022: South Bend, 125-149.
35. Submitted: “Kābul and the Regional Centers of Eastern Afghanistan in their Historical Perspective,” in: X. Liu and P. Brancaccio (eds.), *World of the Silk Roads*, Routledge.

(III) Entries for encyclopedias:

1. 2011: “KANDAHAR iii: Early Islamic Period” *Encyclopaedia Iranica*, vol.15, 2011: 477-478.
2. 2016: “Ghaznavids”, *The Encyclopaedia of Islam*, third edition.
3. 2019: “Khusraw Malik”, “Khusraw Shāh”, *The Encyclopaedia of Islam*, third edition.
4. Accepted: “Maḥmūd of Ghazna”, “Muḥammad b. Maḥmūd”, “Mas‘ūd b. Maḥmūd”, *The Encyclopaedia of Islam*, third edition.

(IV) List of talks at public lectures, symposia, and conferences (selected):

1. 3 Nov. 1993: ★ “Nadīms in the Ghaznavids,” presenting a paper at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Oriental Researches, at Kyoto University.
2. 18 Oct. 1998: ★ “The Ghūrīds and Afghanistan: 11th to 12th Century,” presenting a paper at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Near Eastern Studies in Japan, at Kyoto University.
3. 3 Nov. 2003: ★ “The Khalaj kingdoms in eastern Afghanistan,” presenting a paper at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Oriental Researches, at Kyoto University.
4. 13 Nov. 2004: ★ “On Xuanzang’s itinerary: current issues in the history of 7th-8th century Afghanistan”. public lecture at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Inner Asian Studies 2004, at Kyoto University of Foreign Studies.
5. 24 March 2006: “Nāy Qal‘a, the Xalaj and Ribāṭ-i Karvān” presenting a paper at *Afghanistan Meeting: Trade Routes and the Spread of Buddhism in Central Asia and Afghanistan 6th – 10th Centuries*, Institute of Art History, University of Vienna, Austria.
6. 29 June 2006: ★ “Historical Afghanistan as a Contact Zone,” keynote speech at the Symposium *Towards the Humanities of Contact Zone*, at Kyoto University.
7. 24 May 2007: “Between East and West: some remarks on the pre-Islamic history of Afghanistan,” public lecture at the Department of Oriental Studies, University of Rome, Italy.
8. 29 May 2007: “Afghanistan and northern India in the early Islamic period,” public lecture at the Department of Asian Studies, the Oriental University of Naples, Italy.

9. 30 May 2007: “Xuanzang, Huichao and Wukong: records of Chinese pilgrims on the Buddhist kingdoms of Afghanistan,” public lecture at the Center for the Buddhist Studies, the Oriental University of Naples, Italy.
10. 1 Dec. 2007: ★ “Prospects and issues in the historical studies of pre-modern Afghanistan,” public lecture at the Annual Meeting of the Afghan Research Network, at Tokyo University of Foreign Studies.
11. 15 Dec. 2007: ★ “From the Amudarya to the Murghab: a report of the field survey of archaeological remains in Central Asia,” public lecture at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Western and Southern Asiatic Studies, at Kyoto University.
12. 2 Oct. 2008: “Kābulshāh From Kesar and Central Asia,” presenting a paper at the symposium *Afghanistan Meeting 2008: Reconsidering Material and Literary Sources*, at Kyoto University (organized by myself)
13. 18 Nov. 2008: “Nezak in Chinese Sources ?” presenting a paper at the conference *Iranian Huns and Western Turks: Archaeology, History, Art History, Numismatics* at Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna, Austria.
14. 2 Sept. 2009: “Sedentary rulers on the move: travels of early Ghaznavid Sultans,” presenting a paper at the conference *Turko-Mongol Rulers, Cities and City Life in Iran and Neighboring Countries*, at the University of Tokyo.
15. 14 Nov. 2009: “Yakaulang and Ribāt-i Karvān revisited”, presenting a paper at the symposium *Afghanistan on the Crossroad of Civilizations in Retrospect*, at National Museum of Korea, Souel, Korea.
16. 15 March 2010: “Between Zābulistān and Gūzgān: some issues related to the historical geography of pre and early Islamic Afghanistan,” presenting a paper at the conference *Crossing Borders: Pattern of Exchange across Afghanistan, Pakistan, India and Central Asia*, at University of Vienna, Austria.
17. 17 Dec. 2010: “Arab soldiers in China at the time of An-Shi Rebellion,” presenting a paper at the roundtable *Shifting Frontiers: Current Issues in the History of Early Islamic Central Asia*, at Leiden University, Netherlands.
18. 8 March 2013: “Across the Hindukush of the early Islamic period,” presenting a paper at the conference *Eastern Iran and Transoxiana 750-1150: Persianate Culture and Islamic Civilization*, at the University of St. Andrews, UK.
19. 14 April 2013: “The frontier after the ‘Abbāsīd break-up: the 10th century east,” presenting a paper at the conference *Civilizational Formation: The Carolingian and ‘Abbāsīd Eras*, at University of Notre Dame, USA.

20. 28 Nov. 2013: “Kapisi-Kabul-Ghazni: historical shifts of the regional center in pre-modern eastern Afghanistan,” presenting a paper at the symposium *Exploring the Past and Envisaging the Future: Current Issues in the Ancient History of Afghanistan*, at Kyoto University.
21. 10 Jan. 2014: “From Caojuzha to Ghazna/Ghaznin: early Medieval Chinese and Muslim descriptions of eastern Afghanistan,” presenting a paper at the conference *Chinese and Asian Geographical and Cartographical Views on Central Asia and Its Adjacent Regions*, at University of Bonn, Germany.
22. 13 Oct. 2015: “On the Muslim descriptions of Bāmiyān Colossi,” presenting a paper at the conference *Buddhist and Muslim Encounters in Premodern South Asia*, at University of Lausanne.
23. 26 Jan. 2016: “Central Asia in the mid-eighth century,” presenting a paper at the workshop *Moving Borders: Current Research on Afghanistan between Inner and South Asia*, at Austrian Academy of Sciences.
24. 11 Nov. 2017: “The Islam and Bamiyan Buddhas,” delivering a lecture at the Department of Near Eastern Studies, Princeton University.
25. 3 March 2018: “The travels of Chinese Buddhist monks and the Medieval history of Central Asia,” delivering a lecture at the Medieval Institute, University of Notre Dame.
26. 18 April 2018: “Did Hindu Kush really kill Indians?: Geography and historical routes across Afghanistan,” delivering a lecture at the Inner Asian and Altaic Study Program, Harvard University.
27. 21 Nov. 2019: “From China to India through the Arabs and Tibetans,” delivering a lecture at the Institute of Area Studies, University of Leiden.
28. 15 Feb. 2020: ★ “The Islamic history of Bamiyan Buddhas”, presenting a paper at the symposium *Bamiyan witnessed by Xuanzang and Bamiyan surveyed by Kyoto University archaeological mission*, at Kyoto University.
29. 21 Sept. 2021: ★ “Kyoto University archaeological mission and image database of Bamiyan caves,” presenting a paper at the symposium *Cultural Heritage of Afghanistan in Peril* at Tokyo University of the Arts (online)
30. 8 Oct. 2021: “On the temple of Sakāwand,” presenting a paper at the conference *Regional Histories of South Asia in the Light of Archaeological and Textual Sources*, at University of Lausanne. (online)