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Education: PhD: University of Sydney; MA: University of Sydney; BA: Thammasat University (Thailand)

Bio Sketch:

Born and growing up in Bangkok, Thailand, I came to UW in 1991. I enjoy the opportunity to remain active in both the American and Thai academics.

Research Interests:

Cultural and intellectual history of early modern and modern Southeast Asia (the nineteenth century to early twentieth century), especially the encounters between Southeast Asian societies and the West; history of Siam/Thailand, especially of various knowledge, ideas and thinkers, and the modern Thai cultural politics from the late nineteenth century to the present; nationalism; geography, mapping, dangerous history, memory and how societies deal with such troubling past.

Selected Publications:

- 2003 - "Writing at the Interstices: Southeast Asian Historians and Post-National Histories in Southeast Asia", leading article in [New Terrains in Southeast Asian History](#), ed. Abu Talib Ahmad and Tan Liok Ee, Athens: Ohio University Press, pp. 3-29.
- 2002 - "Remembering/ Silencing the Traumatic Past: the Ambivalent Memories of the October 1976 Massacre in Bangkok" in [Cultural Crisis and Social Memory: Modernity and Identity in Thailand and Laos](#), ed. Charles F Keyes and Shigeharu Tanabe, London and New York: Routledge/ Curzon, pp. 243-283.
- 2000 - "The Others Within: Travel and Ethno-spatial Differentiation of Siamese Subjects, 1885-1910," lead article in [Civility and Savagery: Social Identity in Tai States](#), ed. Andrew Turton, London: Curzon Press, pp. 38-62.
- 2000 - "The Quest for 'Siwilai': A geographical discourse of Civilizational Thinking in the Late 19th and early 20th Century Siam", [Journal of Asian Studies](#) 59, 3 (Aug 2000): 528-549.
- 1994 - [Siam Mapped: A History of the Geo-body of a Nation](#). Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press.

Awards:

- 2004 - Grand Prize for the Asia Pacific Book Award from the Asian Affairs Research Council, Japan
- 2003 - Elected member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, class of 2003
- 1994/95 - The John Simon Guggenheim Award
- 1995 - The Harry J. Benda Award, Association for Asian Studies, for the book [Siam Mapped](#).

Courses Taught:

Lecture Courses:

- History 438 - Buddhism and Society in Southeast Asian History - [Syllabus 2008 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 457 - History of Southeast Asia to 1800 - [Syllabus 2013 \(pdf\)](#)

Undergraduate Seminars:

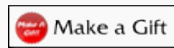
- History 283 - Intermediate Honors Seminar - Topics: "Studies in History"
- History 500 - Reading Seminar in History
- History 600 - Advanced Seminar in History - Topics: "Orientalism: The Others in our Knowledge" - [Syllabus 2006 \(pdf\)](#)



Graduate Courses:

- History 703 - History and Theory - Topics: "Geography at Work in History " - [Syllabus 2008 \(pdf\)](#)
- History 753 - Seminar in Comparative World History
- History 755 - Pro-seminar in Southeast Asian History - Topics: "State and Society in Pre-Colonial Southeast Asia" - [Syllabus 2005 \(pdf\)](#)

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