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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in American Studies, University of Minnesota, Dec. 2006
M.A. in Public Affairs, Humphrey Institute-University of Minnesota, Dec. 1996
B.A. in Political Science and French, Gustavus Adolphus College, May 1994

FOREIGN STUDY

Institute of European Studies, Université de Paris en Sorbonne & Université de Nantes, France, 1992-1993.

TEACHING FIELDS

Twentieth century U.S. foreign relations, Cold War in Asia, Asian American history, Hmong history, refugee migration and transnational and diasporic communities.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2017-present	Professor, Department of History, UW-Milwaukee
2011-2017	Associate Professor, Department of History, UW-Milwaukee
2007-2011	Assistant Professor, Department of History, UW-Milwaukee
8/2006-12/2006	Instructor, Department of History, UW-Milwaukee

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE AT UW-MILWAUKEE

Mar. 1-present	Interim Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer
Aug. 2017-Mar. 2021	Associate Vice Chancellor, Division of Global Inclusion and Engagement
2009-present	Founder and Director, Hmong Diaspora Studies Program

OTHER PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Nov. 1999-June 2006 President & CEO, CHIA Consulting, Minneapolis, MN. Provided research, program evaluation, and strategic planning consulting to more than 40 non-profit organizations, philanthropic institutions, and government entities in the human service, health, and education areas.

Nov. 1996-Oct. 1999 Program Officer, Hunger and Poverty, The Urban Coalition, St. Paul, MN. Prepared written reports, position papers, and opinion pieces on issues affecting communities of color and low-income whites; Conducted research and used data to develop new policy and strategic initiatives, and to support advocacy and public education activities related to hunger and poverty; Chaired statewide committee to assess and document the impact of welfare reform on communities, including reservations; Served as lead lobbyist on

welfare reform policy changes at the state level and participated in coalitions seeking legislative changes at the federal level; and Participated in undoing racism initiatives.

SPECIAL HONORS, AWARDS, AND RESEARCH GRANTS

UWM Center for Latin America and Caribbean Studies Fellow, 2019-2020
UWM Office of Research, Collaborative Research Team Development Grant (team member) (\$14,976), 2018-2019
UWM Center for 21st Century Studies Collaboratory Grant (team member), (\$1,500), 2017-2018
UWM Center for International Education Global Studies Fellow, 2016-2017
UWM Foundation Research Excellence Award (\$1,500), 2016
UW System Board of Regents Diversity Award-Individual (\$5000), 2016
Greater Milwaukee Foundation/Southeast Asian Educational Development Research Grant-The Hmong Milwaukee Civic Engagement Project (\$80,000), 2015
Wisconsin Women Making History, 2015
UWM Center for International Education/Office of Undergraduate Research Travel Award (\$6000), 2015
Collaborative Research Projects in the Digital Humanities Award (\$1000), 2015
UW System Outstanding Women of Color in Education Award, 2014
Association for Asian American Studies Burmese and Bhutanese Research Grant/with Monica Trieu-Purdue University (\$10,000), 2013
UWM Graduate School Research Committee Award (\$15,000), 2012
UWM Center for International Education Faculty Travel Award (\$1000), 2012
American Studies Association-Japanese Association of American Studies Award (\$5000), 2012
UW System Institute on Race and Ethnicity, Curriculum Development Grant (\$5,000), 2011
Alliance of History Graduate Students Award for Excellence in TA Supervision, 2010
Wisconsin Hmong Woman of the Year Award, 2010
UWM Arts and Humanities Travel Grant (\$600), Summer 2009
Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program Grant (\$10,000), 2009-10
Community University Partnership Grant (\$3,500), 2009-10
UW System Institute on Race and Ethnicity, Faculty Diversity Research Award (\$10,000), Spring 2008

Graduate

Samuel and Sylvia Kaplan Graduate Research Fellowship in Social Justice, University of Minnesota, 2002-2006
Humphrey Scholar Fellowship, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs-University of Minnesota, 1994-1996

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Prisoner of Wars: A Hmong Fighter Pilot's Story of Escaping Death and Confronting Life. Philadelphia. Temple University Press. December 2020.

Fly Until You Die: An Oral History of Hmong Pilots in the Vietnam War. New York: Oxford University Press. April 2019.

“Hmong American and Diaspora Studies: Perspectives and Prospects.” *Amerasia Journal* (Co-guest editor with Yang Sao Xiong and Nengher Vang). Volume 44, Number 2 (2018).

Claiming Place: On the Agency of Hmong Women (Editor with Faith Nibbs and Ma Vang). Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press. March 2016.

Hmong America: Reconstructing Community in Diaspora. Urbana and Chicago: University Illinois Press, 2010.

Hmong in Minnesota. St. Paul: Minnesota Historical Society Press, 2008.

Chapters in Edited Volumes and Peer Reviewed Articles

“Creating Proper Subjects: The Politics of Hmong Refugee Resettlement in the United States,” in Silvia Pasquetti and Romola Sanyal (eds.) *Displacement: Global Conversations on Refuge*. Manchester, UK: Manchester University Press, June 2020.

“Professional Hmong American Women Negotiating Cultural Change,” in Shirley Hune and Gail M. Nomura (eds). *Our Voices, Our Lives: New Dimensions of Asian American and Pacific Islander Women’s History*. New York: New York University Press, March 2020.

“Thinking Refugee: The Politics of Hmong Place-Making in Argentina and French Guiana.” *Amerasia Journal*, 44:2 (2018).

“Hmong Youth, American Football, and the Cultural Politics of Ethnic Sports Tournaments,” in Stanley Thangaraj, Constancio R. Arnaldo, Jr., and Christina Chin (eds). *Asian American Sporting Cultures: Performing and Challenging Identities, Practice, and Space*. New York: New York University Press. April 2016.

“Rethinking Hmong Women’s Wartime Sacrifices,” in Chia Youyee Vang, Faith Nibbs and Ma Vang (eds). *Claiming Place: On the Agency of Hmong Women* (Editor with). Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press. March 2016.

“Southeast Asian Americans,” in David K. Yoo and Eiichiro Azuma (eds). 2016. *The Oxford Handbook of Asian American History*. New York: Oxford University Press.

“Children of Hmong Refugees from Laos: Transnational Lives and the Politics of Negotiating Place,” in Khatharya Um and Sofia Gaspar (eds). 2015. *Southeast Asian Migration: People on the Move in Search of Work, Refuge and Belonging*. Sussex Academic Press.

Trieu, Monica and Vang, Chia Youyee, “A Portrait of Refugees from Burma/Myanmar and Bhutan.” *Journal of Asian American Studies*. Volume 18, No. 3, October 2015.

“America’s Most Loyal Allies: The Hmong and the War,” in John Tully, Brad Austin, and Matthew Masur (eds). 2013. *Understanding and Teaching the Vietnam War*. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press.

“Making Ends Meet: Hmong Socioeconomic Trends in the U.S.” *Hmong Studies Journal*. Volume 13, No. 2, 2012: 1-20.

“U.S. Cold War Policies in Laos and the Hmong” in Yuka Tsuchiya and Toshihiko Kishi (eds). *De-Centering the Cultural Cold War: The U.S. and Asia*. Tokyo: Kokusai-Shoin, 2009: 233-254. Published in Japanese Language. Translated into Chinese and Korean in 2012.

“Hmong Anti-Communism at Hmong and Abroad” in Ieva Zake (ed). *Anti-Communist Minorities in the U.S.: Political Activism of Ethnic Refugees*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2009: 211-231.

Book Reviews

Kurlantzick, Joshua, *A Great Place to Have a War: America in Laos and the Birth of a Military CIA*. H-Diplo, H-Net Reviews. June 2017. URL: <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=48942>

Lee, Mai Na M., *Dreams of the Hmong Kingdom: The Quest for Legitimation in French Indochina, 1850–1960.*, *The American Historical Review*, Volume 122, Issue 4, 1 October 2017, Pages 1188–1189, <https://doi.org/10.1093/ahr/122.4.1188>

Valverde, Kieu-Linh, *Transnationalizing Viet Nam: Community, Culture, and Politics in the Diaspora*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2013, in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*. September 2014, vol. 43 No. 5: 748-749.

O’Neill, Peter and Schein, Louisa, “Better Places: The Hmong of Rhode Island A Generation Later,” documentary review in *Hmong Studies Journal*, Vol. 12, 2011. <http://hmongstudies.org/CVangHSJ12.pdf>

Slater, Dan, *Ordering Power: Contentious Politics and Authoritarian Leviathans in Southeast Asia*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2010, in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*. March 2012, vol. 41 No. 2: 237-38.

Ireson-Doolittle, Carol and Moreno-Blac, Geraldine, *The Lao: Gender, Power, and Livelihood*. Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 2004, in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*. December 2005 34: 28-30.

Ong, Aiwha, *Buddha is Hiding: Refugees, Citizenship, the New America*. Berkeley and London: University of California Press, 2003, in *H-Net Reviews in the Humanities and Social Sciences*, January 2004. See: <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=8723>.

Encyclopedia Entries

“Hmong,” in John Stone, Dennis Rutledge, Polly Rizova, Anthony D. Smith and Xiaoshuo Huo (eds) *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Race, Ethnicity, and Nationalism*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing Ltd. December 30, 2015. (<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/book/10.1002/9781118663202>)

“Hmong Americans” in Mary Yu Danico (ed). 2014. *Asian American Society: An Encyclopedia*. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications, Inc.

Vang, Chia Youyee and Monica Mong Trieu. “Burmese/Myanmar Americans” in Mary Yu Danico (ed). 2014. *Asian American Society: An Encyclopedia*. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications, Inc.

“Hmong.” 2014. *Encyclopedia Milwaukee*. <https://emke.uwm.edu/entry/hmong/>

Community Reports

Transforming a Community for Action: Hmong Americans in the Milwaukee Area. August 2016. (Milwaukee: Southeast Asian Educational Development and UWM Hmong Diaspora Studies Program with The Greater Milwaukee Foundation).

Vang, Chia Youyee and Monica Mong Trieu. 2014. *Invisible Newcomers: Refugees from Burma/Myanmar and Bhutan in the United States* (Washington, D.C.: Asian Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund).

“Hmong Socioeconomic Trends in the U.S.” in M. E. Pfeifer & B. K. Thao (Eds.). 2013. *State of the Hmong American Community*. Washington, DC: Hmong National Development. <http://www.hndinc.org/cmsAdmin/uploads/dlc/HND-Census-Report-2013.pdf>

“Displacement, Refugee, and Diaspora,” in John Ruebartsch and Sally Kuzma photo documentary, *Here, There, and Elsewhere: Refugee Families in Milwaukee*, July 2010.

“Reconstructing Community in Diaspora: Narratives of Hmong American/Refugee Resistance and Human Agency” in *Global Currents*, Volume 3, Issue 2, Spring 2007.

“Families, Friends and Neighbor Child Care Providers in Recent Immigrant and Refugee Communities,” Minnesota Department of Human Services/Child Development Services, <http://www.dhs.state.mn.us>, February 2006.

Vang, Chia Youyee, Stella SiWan Cheung, Mary Ellen Murphy and Vanessa McKendall-Stephens, “Preschool Literacy Development: Opportunities and Challenges for Hmong Children in WORDS WORK!” Washington, D.C., Southeast Asia Resource and Action Center/Harvard Civil Rights Project, 2006: <http://www.searac.org/2-savepaper2006.pdf>

“Contested Economic Growth among Hmong Americans,” in Bo Thao, Louisa Schein, and Max Niedzweicki (eds). *Hmong 2000 Census Publication: Data and Analysis*. Hmong National Development and Hmong Cultural and Resource Center, 2004: 29-31.

“Language Acquisition and Acculturation Efforts for Immigrants and Refugees in Minnesota,” The McKnight Foundation, 2003.

Web-based Materials

“Persistent Invisibility: Hmong Americans are Silenced.” (With the Critical Hmong Studies Collective). *AsianWeek*, September 12, 2008, p. 5. Web version: <http://www.asianweek.com/2008/09/13/persistent-invisibility-hmong-americans-are-silenced/>

_____. Reprinted in: In *Voices of the Asian American and Pacific Islander Experience*, Sang Chi and Emily Moberg Robinson, eds. Pp. 312-313. Broomfield, CO: ABL:CLIO, 2012.

Letter to the Editor, “General Vang Pao’s Last War” *New York Times Magazine*, June 1, 2008.

Dia Cha, Chia Youyee Vang et al “Perspectives: Authority and Hmong Invisibility.” *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education*, March 13, 2008, 23(19):
http://www.diverseeducation.com/artman/publish/printer_10828.shtml

“Historical Sketch of the Refugee Studies Center,” Immigration History Research Center (IHRC)-University of Minnesota, 2004: <http://www.ihrc.umn.edu/research/vitrage/all/ra/ihrc2968.html>

PUBLICATIONS (FORTHCOMING)

“Transnational Engagements of Hmong in Asia and the West” with Louisa Schein in Frank N. Pieke and Koichi Iwabuchi (eds). *Global East Asia*. Berkeley: University of California Press. Forthcoming 2022.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

The Sorrow of Displacement: Southeast Asian Identity and (Be)Longing in the Global South. This book project examines the social and cultural history of Southeast Asian refugees resettled in French Guiana and Argentina in the late 1970s amidst significant local protests.

TEACHING ABILITY AND EXPERIENCE

Courses developed and taught

Undergraduate courses

Ethnic 265: Hmong Americans: History, Culture and Contemporary Life

History 287: The Vietnam War (on-line and face-to-face)

History 269: Asian Americans in Historical Perspective

History/Ethnic 297/497: Exploring Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and Vietnam: History and Culture (short-term study abroad-Winterim program, also available to graduate students)

History 434: The U.S. as a World Power during the Twentieth Century

Graduate course

History 434: The U.S. as a World Power during the Twentieth Century

History 840: Globalization of America: The Asian American Experience

Teaching in institutes, special seminars

“Hmong History, Culture, and Contemporary Life,” professional development workshop for Appleton Area school district social studies teachers, August 1, 2016, North High School, Appleton, WI.

Co-taught History 711: Readings in American History, “Recent Immigration to Wisconsin, 1845-Present,” for *Making Americans, Making America: Community, Citizenship, and the Constitution 2008 Summer Institute*, UW-Eau Claire.

OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Invited talks/Keynote Addresses

“Rethinking Hmong New Year Celebrations Across Time and Place,” virtual lecture for North Hennepin Community College Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, December 7, 2020.

“Continuity and Reinvention of Traditions: Hmong New Year Celebrations Across Time and Place,” virtual lecture for Century College and Metropolitan State University, October 20, 2020.

“Wisconsin’s Asian American Communities: History, Culture and Achievements,” virtual lecture for Milwaukee Public Library Asian Pacific Heritage Month, May 27, 2020.

“Identity and Belonging: A Reflection on What It Means to be American,” lecture for Office of Student Diversity, Engagement and Success, Southeast Asian Heritage Lecture series, UW-Whitewater, Whitewater, WI, March 5, 2020.

“The Global Hmong Family: Transforming Our Lived Experiences from the Margin to the Center through Academic Research,” Keynote address for Hmong Club-Hmong Thanksgiving, UW-Platteville, Platteville, WI, November 22, 2019.

“Building the Beloved Community for Students in Threatening Times” (panelist) and “Developing Content or a Course Focused on the Hmong” (workshop presenter), Provost Summit on Teaching and Learning, UW-Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI, October 22, 2019.

“Hmong Entanglement in the U.S. Secret War in Laos (1961-1975) and Post War Impact on Their Ethnic Group,” Lecture for US Air Force Special Operations School, Hurlburt Field, FL, October 18, 2019.

“Hmong in Milwaukee: History, Identity and Place-Making in Urban America,” Talk for Mount Mary University’s Inclusive Excellence Seminar Series, Milwaukee, WI, May 2, 2019.

“Citizenship and Its Gatekeepers,” Panelist for Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study-Harvard University, “Unsettled Citizens” conference, Cambridge, MA, March 29, 2019.

“Thinking Refugee: The Politics of Hmong Place-Making in Argentina and French Guiana,” Lecture for Asian American Studies Program Colloquium Series, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, March 28, 2019.

“Our Increasingly Diverse Identities: Rethinking What It means to Be Hmong American” Keynote Address for Hmong Stout Student Organization 33rd Educational Conference, UW-Stout, Menomonee, WI, February 23, 2019.

“History of Vietnam: More than a War,” lecture for 2018 Community Lecture Series UW-Milwaukee at Washington County, West Bend, WI, September 26, 2018.

“Higher Education and Career Choices,” Keynote speaker for Karen Youth Networking Forum: Education, Leadership & Community Engagement conference, West Allis, WI, July 29, 2016.

“The Hmong and the U.S. Secret War in Laos: Reassessing the War and Its Legacy.” Lecture at University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, April 21, 2016.

“Innovations with Impact: Access, Equity and Engagement in Wisconsin and Beyond.” Panelist for 11th Annual Provost’s Summit on Teaching and Learning, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI, October 29, 2015.

“The History of Education in MKE and its implications for today’s educators.” Panelist for Teach for America-Milwaukee event at Wisconsin Black Historical Society, June 2, 2015.

“Forty-Years of Southeast Asian Refugee Migration.” Keynote address for the Hmong Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce 9th Annual Business Awards Luncheon, Milwaukee, WI, May 7, 2015.

“‘Perpetual Refugees’ and the Politics of Seeking Refuge across Time and Place.” President-sponsored panel, “The State of Critical Refugee Studies,” Association for Asian American Studies, Evanston, IL, April 23, 2015.

“Refugees of Many Lands,” Panelist, Jewish Museum Milwaukee, February 10, 2015.

“Invisible Newcomers: Refugees from Burma/Myanmar and Bhutan in the United States.” National Conference on Race & Ethnicity Special Features, Indianapolis, IN, May 29, 2014.

“The Field of Hmong Studies Moving Forward.” Plenary speaker, Fifth International Conference on Hmong Studies, St. Paul, MN April 22, 2014.

“Invisible Newcomers: Refugees from Burma/Myanmar and Bhutan in the United States.” President session, Association for Asian American Studies, San Francisco, CA, April 17, 2014.

Rufus Kigh High School National Honor Society, Keynote speaker for Induction Ceremony, March 29, 2014.

Keynote panelist for Alliance of History Graduate Students Conference, “Racial Formation, Racial Blindness,” UWM, February 14-15, 2014.

“Refugee Migrations and the Politics of Seeking Refugee.” Keynote address for the 22nd World History Association Conference “Diasporas and Refugees in World History,” Minneapolis, MN, June 26-29, 2013.

“An Enduring Place of Refuge: International Institute of Minnesota.” Presentation as part of Immigration History Research Center’s *Global Race, Ethnicity, and Migration Series*, Minneapolis, MN, June 26, 2013.

“Race, Identity and Politics: Hmong Community Formation in the United States.” A lecture as part of *Hmong Heritage Month* at UW-Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI, April 30, 2013.

“The Need for a New Approach to Understanding Race in America: Connecting Asian/Hmong and African American Struggles in the Midwest.” Talk as part of the *African American Speaker Series*, UW-Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI, April 18, 2013.

“Hmong Migration and Settlement in the United States.” Keynote address for the Hmong Student Association of Colorado cultural event, “Stories of Our Roots,” University of Colorado, Boulder, Boulder, CO, April 14, 2013.

“Hmong Women, Gender and Power: Post-Refugee Conditions and the Politics of Transnational Belonging.” Talk for the 356th Informal Northern Thai Group Meeting, Chiang Mai, Thailand, January 15, 2013.

“Hmong Refugee Diaspora in America and the Politics of Integration.” Lecture at Kansai University, Osaka, Japan, June 4, 2012.

“Wisconsin: A Refuge for the World’s Displaced Persons.” Keynote address for “Wisconsin Refugee Award Celebration,” Wisconsin Department of Children and Families, Madison, WI, June 18, 2011.

“History Through Hmong Women’s Perspectives.” Luncheon keynote address, *Viv Ncaus: Hmong Women’s Giving Circle*, Milwaukee, WI, June 6, 2011.

“Whose History Matters: Hmong Women in America.” Luncheon keynote address, Hnub Tshiab: Hmong Women Achieving Together 2011 Speakers Series, St. Paul, Minnesota, June 2, 2011.

“Graduate School and the Power of Networking.” Luncheon plenary speaker for *19th Annual National Ronald E. McNair Scholars Research Conference & Graduate Fair*, Mid-America Association of Educational Opportunities Program Personnel (MOEOPP) and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Delavan, WI, November 6, 2010.

“Working Together: Understanding Hmong Culture.” Lecture at University of Wisconsin-Extension conference, Milwaukee, WI, September 23, 2010.

“The Legacy of the Secret War in Laos.” Guest speaker for LZ Lambeau’s “Welcome Home Wisconsin’s Vietnam Veterans,” Green Bay, WI, May 22, 2010.

“Hmong History in Southeast Asia and the United States.” Guest speaker for seminar, “Coming to America: The Hmong American Experience in Milwaukee,” Riverside University High School, Milwaukee, WI, November 21, 2009.

“Stand Up! Be Counted!” Plenary panelist at 14th Hmong National Development Conference, April 3-5, 2009, Appleton, WI.

“Past and Present: Hmong Women Artists.” Guest speaker on Hmong history in the U.S. for exhibit at Alfons Gallery, Milwaukee, WI, March 31, 2009.

“Asian Americans and the Model Minority Myth.” Lecture for Sociocultural Programming, UWM, Milwaukee, WI, October 14, 2008.

“Researching Hmong from the Inside.” Lecture for *Critical Perspectives on Hmong Experiences and Scholarship Speakers Series*, Asian American Studies Program, UW-Madison, Madison, WI, October 3, 2008.

“Hmong History as a Reflection of Global History.” Keynote address at *Annual Hmong History Month Celebration*, Wausau, WI, April 28, 2008.

“Hmong American Political Participation.” Guest on *Milwaukee Hmong Radio* talk show, April 27, 2008.

“Hmong in Minnesota.” Keynote address at *Second International Conference on Hmong Studies*, Center for Hmong Studies-Concordia University, St. Paul, MN, April 10-12, 2008.

“Contemporary Hmong Migration Patterns.” Lecture for Wisconsin Institute for Public Policy and Service, UW-Marathon County, Wausau, WI, March 6, 2008.

“Education and New Immigrant and Refugee Communities in America: Past Lessons and New Possibilities for the 21st Century.” Keynote address at Research Center for Cultural Diversity and Community Renewal’s 5th annual conference “Education & Community in a Global Society,” UW-Lacrosse, November 17, 2007.

Conference presentations

The Hmong across the World Oral History Project, Listening Session, Oral History Association Conference, October 5, 2017, Minneapolis, MN.

“Hmong Youth and Sport: Challenging dominant narratives about gender and racialization in the United States.” National Women’s Studies Association 36th Annual Conference, “Precarity,” Milwaukee, Wisconsin, November 13-15, 2015.

“Creating Proper Subjects: The Politics of Hmong Refugee Resettlement in the United States, 1976-1995.” Immigrant America Conference, “New Immigration Histories from 1965 to 2015,” University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 23-24, 2015.

“Hmong Youth, American Football, and the Politics of Ethnic Sports Tournaments.” American Studies Association, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, October 9, 2015.

“Helmets, Cleats and Shoulder Pads: Hmong Youth Making Their Mark in America’s Game.” Association for Asian American Studies Conference, Evanston, IL, April 25, 2015.

“Invisible Newcomers: Refugees from Burma/Myanmar and Bhutan in the United States.” States of Southeast Asian American Studies Conference, Minneapolis, MN, October 2-3, 2014.

“Claiming Place: Hmong Women, Power and Knowledge Production.” Panelist, Fifth International Conference on Hmong Studies, St. Paul, MN, April 22, 2014.

“Integrating New Voices and Experiences into Asian American Studies.” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting “The State of the Field of Asian American Studies,” San Francisco, CA, April 11-14, 2013

“War and the Displacement of Bodies.” Graduate Proseminar, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan, June 7, 2012.

“Interpreting Empire from Below: Memory and Legacy of War from the Margin.” Japanese Association for American Studies (JAAS) Conference, “Comparative Empire and the Making of the Pacific World,” Nagoya University, Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture, Japan, June 2-3, 2012.

“Hmong American Imagination and Laos: The Politics of History and Identity.” Joint Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS) and the International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS), “70 Years of Asian Studies,” Honolulu, HI, March 31-April 3, 2011.

“Helping Communities Help Themselves? Transferring the Burden of Refugee Resettlement.” American Anthropological Association Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 17-21, 2010.

“Unexpected Settlers: Hmong in Milwaukee.” Milwaukee History Conference, UWM, Milwaukee, WI, October 24, 2009.

“The Hmong Diaspora in America: Migration, Community Building, and Politics.” UW System Institute on Race and Ethnicity conference, “Supporting and Retaining Diverse Faculty: Research Scholarship, Mentoring, and Tenure,” UWM, Milwaukee, WI, April 16, 2009.

“Cultural Cold War in Asia Symposium.” Ehime University, Matsuyama, Japan, February 28, 2009.

“Documenting and Teaching Hmong American History.” Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN, October 10, 2008.

“Post World War II Immigrations: Hmong in Wisconsin.” Wisconsin Labor History Society Annual Conference “An Historical Perspective on Immigration in Wisconsin: The Impact of Workers Unions.” UWM, Milwaukee, WI, April 26, 2008.

“Hmong Anti-Communism at Home and Abroad.” “The Cold War Warriors: Political Activism of Ethnic Groups During the Cold War in the U.S.” Symposium, Rowan University, Glassboro, New Jersey, April 1, 2008.

“U.S. Cold War Policies and Laos, 1961-1975.” “International Symposium on Cultural Diplomacy in Asia-Pacific Region in the Cold War Era,” Hongo Campus-Tokyo University, Tokyo, Japan, December 8, 2007.

“Ethnic Representation and the Claims of Community.” Critical Hmong Studies Workshop, University of Minnesota, July 2-3, 2007.

“New Year Celebrations: Hmong Americanization and Asian American Racial Formation.” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota, March 2007.

“Rebuilding Community, Restructuring Lives: A Historical Analysis of Hmong Refugee Resettlement in Minnesota.” “Immigration History and the University of Minnesota: Where We’ve Been, Where We’re Going” Conference, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, May 2005.

“American Humanitarianism and the Politics of Hmong Refugee Resettlement.” Mid-America American Studies Association (MAASA) Conference, University of Minnesota, April 2005.

“Hmong Refugee Resettlement: A Comparative Analysis of Media Coverage between the Early 1980s and 2004.” Asian Americans and the Law Conference, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, February 2005.

Service to the Profession

Editorial Board

Member, *Southeast Asian Diasporas in the Americas* Brill book series, 2014 to present.

Oral History Association 2017 conference program committee member

Member, *Amerasia Journal*, 2013-2016.

American Studies Association-Japanese Association of American Studies Project Advisory Committee, June 2012-13-member; Co-chair-December 2013 to October 2015

Conferences

Program Committee member; chair of session, "Oral History and the Military," Oral History Association Meeting, October 4-7, 2017, Minneapolis, MN.

"The Professor is in Clinic," Mentor providing one-on-one consultations for graduate students, and History Book Award Committee, Association for Asian American Studies Conference, April 29, 2016.

International Hmong Studies Conference. Program committee member, Center for Hmong Studies, Concordia University, St. Paul, MN, 2006, 2012, 2014, 2016.

"Koj Nyob Li Cas?" Wisconsin United Coalition of Mutual Assistance Association, Inc., Conference Committee Planning Advisor, September 2014

"American Foreign Affairs in Guatemala and Vietnam." Session chair, Phi Alpha Theta Wisconsin Regional Conference, UW-Milwaukee, April 25-26, 2014.

"Microexclusion." Session chair and program committee member, Association for Asian American Studies, San Francisco, CA, April 2014.

"Southeast Asian Refugees in 1980s America." Session chair/discussant, Association for Asian American Studies Conference, Seattle, WA, April 20, 2013.

"Remittances: The Materiality of Transnationality." Session chair, Association for Asian American Studies Conference, April 14, 2012, Washington, D.C.

Critical Refugee Studies Conference. Planning committee member, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, November 3-4, 2011.

Hmong American/Diaspora Institute. Planning committee member, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI, October 22-23, 2011.

International Hmong Studies Conference. Program committee member, Center for Hmong Studies, Concordia University, St. Paul, MN, 2006, 2008, 2010

Wisconsin Oral History Day, Planning committee member, Milwaukee, WI, March 2010.

Critical Hmong Studies Workshop, Co-coordinator, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, May 22-23, 2009.

Critical Hmong Studies Workshop, Co-coordinator, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, July 2-3, 2007.

National Conference on Hmong Women, Co-chair, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, September 16-17, 2005.

Academic External Reviewer

External Tenure Review, School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts, University of California-Merced, Summer 2020.

External Tenure Review, Department of Global and International Studies, University of California-Irvine, Summer 2019.

External Tenure Review, Faculty of Arts, The University of Hong Kong, Summer 2019.

External Consultant for the review of University of Minnesota-Duluth's Department of History, October 15-17, 2017.

External Consultant for the review of Minnesota State Mankato's Department of Ethnic Studies, March 26-28, 2017

External Fourth Year Review, Department of History, College of Staten Island CUNY, Summer 2016.

Varieties of Democracy Country Expert on Laos, Winter 2017 and Winter 2018

Pre-revision review of *Major Problems in the History of the Vietnam War* edited by Robert J. McMahon, Cengage Learning, Fall 2014.

Exhibit Proposal Reviewer, Hmong Cultural Center, Summer 2013.

Anonymous Peer Reviewer

Routledge, Fall 2020

Journal of Southeast Asian Studies, Fall 2020

Diaspora Studies, Spring 2020

Ethnicities, Spring 2020

Rutgers University Press, Spring 2020

Ethnic and Racial Studies, Spring 2019

Verge: Studies in Global Asia, Winter 2019

Journal of Refugee Studies, Winter 2019

Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power, Spring 2017

Journal of Asian American Studies, Fall 2016.
TRaNS: Trans-Regional and National Studies of Southeast Asia, Fall 2016.
Journal of Women's History, Spring 2016.
Journal of Asian American Studies, Spring 2016.
Minnesota Historical Society Press, Winter 2015.
New York University Press, Winter 2014.
Journal of American Ethnic History, Winter 2014.
New York University Press, Fall 2013.
The Sociological Quarterly, Spring 2013.
American Sociological Review, Summer 2012.
Journal of South Asian Popular Culture, Spring 2012
Stanford University Press, Fall 2011.
Minnesota Historical Society Press, Spring 2011.
Heyday, Summer 2010.
University of Hawaii Press, Summer 2010.
Minnesota Historical Society Press, Fall 2009.
Journal of Social Work, Summer 2009.
Hmong Studies Journal, Volume 10, Summer-Fall 2009.
Ethnicities, Winter 2007.
Cooking from the Heart, University of Minnesota Press, Summer 2007.

Consultative services to community agencies or groups

Milwaukee Department of Employee Relations, Development of Hmong Language Proficiency for Public Health Aides, Fall 2018

“Storytelling: Hmong American Voices.” Exhibit advisory committee member, The Anthropology Museum at Northern Illinois University, 2015-2016

Milwaukee Short Film Festival, “Voices Heard” Reviewer, September 2015.

“We Are Hmong Minnesota: Peb Yog Hmoob Minnesota.” Exhibit advisory committee member, Minnesota History Center, 2014-2015.

Froedtert Health & the Medical College of Wisconsin, Fall 2014 (paid guest speaker)

Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway, 2014 (paid presenter)

National Center for State Courts, Hmong Language Interpreter Exam Rater, 2012 to present (paid review services)

Milwaukee Consortium for Hmong Health, Milwaukee, WI, 2009-2010 (paid research and report writing)

Chippewa Valley Museum, Intersections Exhibit Project, Eau Claire, WI, 2009 (paid presenter)

Membership in professional organizations

American Studies Association, member since 2005

Association for Asian American Studies, member since 2010

Organization of American Historians, member since 2007
Oral History Association, member July 2016-present, 2017 conference program
committee member

SERVICE TO UW-MILWAUKEE

University/Other Departments and Units

Chancellor's Strategic Opportunities Work Group, member, Spring 2017
Comparative Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee, 2011-present
Center for International Education/Overseas Undergraduate Research Award Committee,
2011-present, member
Asian Studies Certificate Program Advisory Committee, 2011 to present
Digital Humanities Lab Advisory Board, 2015-16, Chair
University Relations Committee, September 2014 to present, 2015-16, chair, 2016-17,
chair
Affirmative Action in Faculty Employment Committee, 2013-2016, 2014-15, Chair
UWM Chief Legal Counsel Search Committee member, Spring 2014
UWM Associate Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Inclusion Search Committee,
Spring 2014
Foreign Language Advisory Group, March 2011 to 2014
Asian Faculty and Staff Association Steering Committee, Member since 2010; Co-Chair,
2011-2012; co-chair 2013-14
Comparative Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee, 2008-2011
Asian Studies Certificate Program Advisory Committee, 2010 to 2011
Awards and Recognition, 2010-2011
Multicultural Network (Diversity and Climate) Committee, 2009-2011
Comparative Ethnic Studies visiting assistant professor search committee, 2009-2010
Faculty participant in freshmen orientation, "Experience Diversity: The Thread that Holds Us
Together," UWM, August 31, 2009.

History Department

Graduate Affairs Committee, 2019-2020
Faculty Affairs Committee, 2018-2019
Graduate Affairs Committee, 2017-18, Chair
Graduate Affairs Committee, 2016-17, Chair
Graduate Affairs Committee, 2015-16, Chair
National History Day Judge, 2014
Director of Graduate Studies, 2013-2015
Graduate Affairs Committee, Spring 2013
Faculty Affairs, 2011-2012
Graduate Affairs, 2010-2011
National History Day Judge, 2011
Undergraduate Affairs Committee, 2009-2010
Awards Committee, 2006-2009
National History Day Judge, March 2008
Target of Opportunity Hire sub-committee, 2007

Selected Other service to UWM

Co-advisor, Hmong Student Association, 2001 to 2020.

Panelist, “U 1.0 First Generation Discussion,” Inclusive Excellence Center, September 27, 2016.

Moderator, “Becoming and Being a Refugee,” Center for 21st Century Studies, April 1, 2016.

Co-advisor, Hmong Student Association, 2008 to 2011.

Advisor, Hmong American College Students, 2007-2008.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/LEADERSHIP

Social Development Commission Board of Commissioners, July 2020 to present

Milwaukee County Historical Society Board of Directors, May 2018 to present

Wisconsin Historical Society, Board of Curators, June 2017-present

Southeast Asian Educational Development of WI, Inc., Board President, January 2015 to December 2018

Wisconsin Humanities Council, Board Member, June 2012 to June 2018 (2014-2018, program committee chair)

Milwaukee Police Department District 4 Hmong Advisory Task Force, co-chair, 2015 to 2017

Hmong American Peace Academy 10th Year Anniversary Veterans Recognition Committee, Milwaukee, WI, November 2014.

Hmong American Peace Academy charter school, Board Member, Milwaukee, 2009-2012 (President of the board, June 2011 to June 2012)

Advisory committee member, “Hmong Women’s Story Cloth Project,” Hmong American Women’s Association, Milwaukee, Fall 2009

Board Member, Hmong Cultural Center of Wisconsin, 2008-2009

Judge, “Miss Hmong Milwaukee Beauty Pageant,” Milwaukee Hmong New Year Consortium, December 2008 and December 2010

League of Women Voters of Minnesota Board member (2000-2003)

Minnesota Hmong Chamber of Commerce, Board Member (2000-2001)

Women’s Association of Hmong and Lao, Board Member (1998-2002)

Minnesota Housing Partnership, Board Member (1997-1999)

COMMUNITY PROJECTS/COLLABORATIONS

“Choosing the City: Reinterpreting the Ethnography of Milwaukee” (2017 to 2020).

Ethnographic narratives and media accounts of Milwaukee depict segregated northside neighborhoods as blighted areas affected by deteriorating infrastructure, economic disinvestment, health risks, entrenched poverty, and pervasive crime. This is an interdisciplinary collaboration with six scholars from different disciplines (dance, digital humanities, African and African Diaspora Studies, architecture, history, and urban studies) to capture the complexity of the urban experience through a diversity of methods, scales of analysis, and cross section of city residents. The Collaborative Research Team Development Grant from UWM Office of Research enable the team to partners with community activists to investigate segregation by the ways in which people resist the sense of oppression through everyday practices, events, and social networks. To achieve our objective of “hearing the city,” we combine traditional oral history methods with spatial ethnographic methods, peripatetic interviews, and asset mapping. Combined, these methods engender a multi-sensory narrative of being and living in the city.

“The Hmong Milwaukee Civic Engagement Project” (September 2015-August 2017). In collaboration with the Southeast Asian Educational Development and Hmong American Peace Academy, I wrote and submitted a proposal to the Greater Milwaukee Foundation to establish a

program that will help to build the capacity of Hmong Americans in the Milwaukee area to participate in the larger community. This was in response to GMF's call for proposals for its Racial Equity and Inclusion grant program. Our proposal was funded at \$80,000 for two years. I was the principal investigator and thus, \$43,000 was provided to UWM. In addition to co-facilitating leadership training activities, I facilitated storytelling circles, conducted archival research, and wrote the report, *Transforming a Community for Action: Hmong Americans in the Milwaukee Area*.

"Hmong Arts Preservation Initiative," recipient of Cultures and Community Program/Community University Partnership (CUP) grant in collaboration with Hmong American Peace Academy charter school, Milwaukee, WI, 2009-2010.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

2020 Asians in Sports & Culture Symposium (NBA/MLB/NFL), Virtual, May 14, 2020.
<https://www.nba.com/article/2020/05/20/nba-multisport-symposium-impact-asians>

Betelhem Ashame, "MLB co-hosts virtual Asians in Sports symposium." Major League Baseball. May 14, 2020: <https://www.mlb.com/news/mlb-asians-in-sports-and-culture-symposium>

Jill Cowan, "A Closer Look at the Fresno Hmong Community." *New York Times*, November 20, 2019: <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/11/20/us/fresno-hmong.html>

Dean Knetter, "Bill Would Extend State Benefits to Hmong Veterans." Central Time, Wisconsin Public Radio, October 23, 2019: <https://www.wpr.org/listen/1540551>

Annie Lee, "Interview with Dr. Chia Youyee Vang." *Hmong Women Today*. August 19, 2019.
https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=461734744649102&ref=watch_permalink

Katie Carpenter, "Fly Until You Die: A Conversation with Hmong Pilots in the Vietnam War." Twin Cities PBS, April 2019: <https://www.tptoriginals.org/fly-until-you-die/>

Judith Siers-Poisson, "Stories of Hmong Pilots in the Vietnam War." Central Time, Wisconsin Public Radio, April 4, 2019: <https://www.wpr.org/stories-hmong-pilots-vietnam-war>

Tom Luljak, "The History of Vietnam War Hmong Fighter Pilots." WUWM 89.7 Milwaukee's N.P.R., March 21, 2019: https://www.wuwm.com/post/history-vietnam-war-hmong-fighter-pilots?fbclid=IwAR3y_RhOMmmNsNjOGdyRi2DUBJLZ5DtQfn4Ya-WSxOuBiVn8tpFmaxcyAi4#stream/0

Mary Jo Ola, "Milwaukee's Hmong community proud to relate to new Gerber baby." *WTMJ4*, March 1, 2019: <https://www.tmj4.com/milwaukees-hmong-community-proud-to-relate-to-new-gerber-baby>

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<https://www.jsonline.com/story/life/food/2018/09/18/hmong-families-milwaukee-make-most-land-farmers-markets/1277906002/>

Timothy McLaughlin, “Some refugees resettling in America find gun violence instead of peace.” *Journal Sentinel*, June 27, 2018: <https://www.jsonline.com/story/news/investigations/2018/06/27/some-refugees-resettling-america-find-gun-violence-instead-peace/727246002/>

Judith Siers-Poisson, “The Significance of the Hmong Veterans Service Recognition Act.” Central Time, Wisconsin Public Radio, April 30, 2018. <https://www.wpr.org/significance-hmong-veterans%E2%80%99-service-recognition-act>

Bruce Vielmetti, “TV show focuses on Milwaukee area’s Hmong achievements, issues.” *Journal Sentinel*, December 28, 2017: <https://www.jsonline.com/story/news/2017/12/28/tv-show-focuses-milwaukee-areas-hmong-achievements-issues/970645001/>

10thirtysix Exclusive, “The Secret War: Hmong Soldiers Who Served alongside Americans in the Vietnam War.” (2017). Milwaukee PBS. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1_0WbPq2lhs

Scott Gordon, “Burma’s Complex Crisis Fuels Refugee Resettlement in Wisconsin.” *WisContext*. Jan. 27, 2017. <https://www.wiscontext.org/burmas-complex-crisis-fuels-refugee-resettlement-wisconsin>

Lisa Speckhard, “The 1.5 Generation: Hmong Wisconsin (Part 2),” *Madison 365*, May 19, 2016, <http://madison365.com/the-1-5-generation-hmong-of-wisconsin-part-2/>

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Sarah Larimer, “‘You guys got to go’: A Shooting leaves three neighbors dead and a mystery to unravel.” *The Washington Post*, March 16, 2016: https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/true-crime/wp/2016/03/16/man-charged-with-fatally-shooting-three-neighbors-in-milwaukee/?utm_term=.be4a5c4fc077

“State Reppin’ with Brostoff & Bowen: 104.1 Riverwest Radio, guest to discuss Hmong history and civic engagement, March 21, 2016.

“UWM Chia Vang Receives Regent’s Diversity Award,” Interview on WUWM, April 21, 2016 <http://uwwm.com/player#story/475165307>

UWM News. “Regents name UWM’s Vang as 2016 Diversity Award winner.” UWM Report, January 27, 2016, <http://uwm.edu/news/regents-name-uwms-vang-as-2016-diversity-award-winner/>

Carolyn Kott Washburne, “From the mountains of Laos, to UWM scholar, now one of Wisconsin’s honored.” *UWM Report*, March 31, 2015, <http://uwm.edu/news/from-the-mountains-of-laos-to-uwm-scholar-now-one-of-wisconsins-honored/>

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<http://newamericamedia.org/trending/2014/08/grow-your-own-unretirement--minnesota-hmong-on-the-farm.php>

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Kathy Quirk, "Invisible newcomers' focus of research on Burmese/Bhutanese refugees." *UWM Report*, Volume 35, Number 4, May 2014, p. 9.
http://www4.uwm.edu/news/html/Report/Rep_May_14.pdf

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Lydia Lum, "Asian American Studies at a Crossroads," *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education*, May 13, 2010.

"Afghanistan as Vietnam." Guest on Institute of World Affairs International Focus television program, UWM, October 9, 2009.

"Wisconsin Students to Explore Laos." Interview by Vannasone Keodara, *Voice of America-Laos*, December 12, 2008.

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Robert Mentzer, "Professor Charts Hmong Movement within U.S." *Wausau Daily Herald*, March 7, 2008: 3A.

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Elizabeth Thao, "Hmong in Minnesota Book Signing a Success." *Hmong Times*, February 13, 2008.

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Interview on *Showcase Minnesota (KARE 11)* with Rob Hudson, January 30, 2008.

Mary Ann Grossmann, "This Week: Chia Youyee Vang." *St. Paul Pioneer Press*,

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