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Research Interests: Archives, Business and financial history, Chinese overseas, Capitalism, Transnationalism, Social science history, Singapore, and Southeast Asia's past and present

Referee for: *Business History*, Journal of Contemporary Asia, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies*, *Applied Economic Letters*, and *Edward Elgar*

EDUCATION

PhD in History (Ongoing), University of Warwick (2023-2027)

- Project: Globalizing from the Periphery: Chinese banking transnationalism in colonial Singapore, Malaya, and China (1900-1950). Supervisors: [Song-Chuan Chen](#) and [Charles Walton](#)

M. A. (Research) in Global and Interdisciplinary History, Nanyang Technological University (2018-2020)

- CGPA: **5.00/5.00**
- Thesis: *Banking, Business and Race: The Kwong Yik Bank in Colonial Singapore and the Malay States*
Based on archival research in Singapore during COVID-19 pandemic. Supervisor: [Keng We Koh](#)

B. A. with Honours (Highest Distinction/First Class) in History, Nanyang Technological University (2014-2018)

- CGPA: **4.83/5.00** (Highest in cohort)
- Thesis: *Modern Enterprises, Multiple Entanglements: An Exploration of Lim Peng Siang's Business Career and Social Activities in Colonial Singapore and Fujian, 1904-1941*
Based on fieldwork and archival research in Singapore and China (Hong Kong, Zhangzhou, and Xiamen).
Supervisor: [Keng We Koh](#)

RESEARCH

August 2025–September 2025;
August 2026

Research Associate, Yusof Ishak-ISEAS Institute, Singapore

July 2023–June 2025

Co-Principal Investigator, Small Businesses and Shops of Chinatown, 1819-1980s,
Heritage Research Grant Project, National Heritage Board Singapore

January 2021–September 2023

Research Associate (Full Time), Nanyang Centre for Public Administration, Nanyang
Technological University

*Conducted interdisciplinary research at the intersections of business, banking,
public administration, and history as part of a research team. Supported the*



coordination of onsite, online, and hybrid international conferences.

November 2019–August 2021;
August 2017–May 2018

Research Assistant, Chronicles Research and Education Pte Ltd, Singapore

Projects: *From Colony to Nation: Continuity and Change in the Singapore Economy, 1946–2016*; *Theatres of Memory: Industrial Heritage of 20th Century Singapore*

August 2015–August 2018

Research Assistant, History Programme, Nanyang Technological University

Project: Business History of Singapore and Southeast Asia

May–July 2016

Content & Services Intern, National Library Board Singapore

TEACHING

2025-2026

Graduate Teaching Associate (HI2J6 China Transformed: From Early Modern to Modern Times), University of Warwick

August–December 2019

Teaching Assistant (HH1003 Asia-Pacific in Global History: From 1800), Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming: 'Building Financial Trust: The Chinese Commercial Bank in Singapore', Special Issue, *Developments in Administration*

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2026** 'Banking Failure and Regulatory Reform on the Periphery: The Kwong Yik Bank in the British Straits Settlements'. *Business History*, 68(2), 509-529. (Open Access)
- 2025** 'The Historian's Second Home? Navigating Archives and Interim Archives in Global Perspective'. *Transactions of the Royal Historical Society*, 3, 363-375. (Open Access)
- 2024** Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and **Goh, Jeremy**. 'Introduction: Agile Governance for a Volatile, Uncertain, Complex and Ambiguous World', in Special Issue: Governing a Volatile, Uncertain, Complex, and Ambiguous World, *Global Policy*, 15(S6), 5-11. (Open Access)
- 2024** Liu, Hong and **Goh, Jeremy** (Corresponding Author). "Emerging Business Transnationalism in Singapore and China: Governance, Networks, and Strategies." *Asia Pacific Business Review*, 30(4), 640-666. (Open Access)
- 2023** Liu, Hong and **Goh, Jeremy**. "新加坡华商企业的商业跨国主义：族群网络与治理策略 [Chinese Business Transnationalism in Singapore: Ethnic Networks and Governing Strategies]." 南洋问题研究 (*Southeast Asian Affairs*), 4, 103-116.
- 2023** **Goh, Jeremy** and Koh, Keng We. "Industrialization and Chinese Big Business in Colonial Singapore, Malaya, and China: The Transnational Enterprises of Lim Peng Siang (1904-1941)." *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies*, 54(1), 89-115. (Open Access)



2022 Loh, Kah Seng and **Goh, Jeremy**. “Semi-archives and Interim Archives: A History of the National Wages Council in Singapore.” [Southeast Asian Studies](#), 11(3), 427-449.

2021 吴杰明 [**Goh, Jeremy**]. “新书发布会《长为异乡客？：当代华人新移民》 [Book Release: Forever Strangers? Contemporary Chinese Immigrants Around the World],” 华人研究国际学报 ([International Journal of Diasporic Chinese Studies](#)), 13(1), 119-124.

Journal Special Issue

2024 Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and **Goh, Jeremy** eds., ‘Special Issue: Governing a Volatile, Uncertain, Complex, and Ambiguous World’, [Global Policy](#), 15(S6). Hardcover print in **2025**.

Edited Volumes

2026 Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and **Goh, Jeremy** eds. *ASEAN Centrality and the Revitalisation of Regional Connectivity*. Singapore: World Scientific.

2023 Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and **Goh, Jeremy** eds. *Good Governance in a Post COVID-19 World – Global Health and Economic Recovery*. Brussels: International Institute of Administrative Sciences.

Book Chapters

2026 Lu, Cheng Yang; **Goh, Jeremy** and Goh, Crystal. ‘ASEAN, Singapore, and Regional Connectivity: Finance, Legal Regulations, and Electric Power’. In *ASEAN Centrality and the Revitalisation of Regional Connectivity*.

2026 Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and **Goh, Jeremy**. ‘ASEAN Centrality: Institutional Leadership and Regional Cooperation’. In *ASEAN Centrality and the Revitalisation of Regional Connectivity*.

2025 **Goh, Jeremy** and Tham, Deniss. “闽商智慧：以林秉祥为例 1904-1941 [The Wisdom of Hokkien Entrepreneurs: the case of Lim Peng Siang]”, in Kua, Bak Lim ed., 《闽南文化在新加坡论文集》 *Essays on Hokkien Culture in Singapore*. Singapore: Amoy Association.

2023 Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and **Goh, Jeremy**. “Introduction”. In Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and Goh, Jeremy eds., [Good Governance in a Post COVID-19 World – Global Health and Economic Recovery](#). Brussels: International Institute of Administrative Sciences.

2023 Lee, Celia and **Goh, Jeremy**. “Continuing Education and Training in Post-COVID 19 Singapore”. In Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and Goh, Jeremy eds., *Good Governance in a Post COVID-19 World – Global Health and Economic Recovery*. Brussels: International Institute of Administrative Sciences.

2023 Fisher, Dale and **Goh, Jeremy**. “Managing COVID-19: Singapore’s experience from a medical practitioner’s perspective.” In Liu, Hong; Lee, Celia and **Goh, Jeremy** eds., *Good Governance in a Post COVID-19 World – Global Health and Economic Recovery*. Brussels: International Institute of Administrative Sciences.

2019 ‘Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry: An Institution in Transition.’ In Kwa, Chong Guan and Kua, Bak Lim eds., [A General History of the Chinese in Singapore](#) (Singapore: World Scientific), 345-359.



Book Reviews

- 2025** “Coins in Singapore as Economic History, 1918-1938”, *Asia Numismatics*, Vol. 25 (December 2025), 81-82.
- 2022** “Theatres of Memory: Industrial Heritage of 20th Century Singapore by Loh Kah Seng et. al.” *Berita* (Official Publication of Malaysia/Singapore/Brunei Studies Group Association for Asian Studies), 48(1), 52-56.

Newsletter Articles

- 2024** “The early industrial pioneers of colonial Singapore: Tan Kah Kee and Lim Peng Siang.” [Tan Kah Kee Foundation](#), November, pp. 39-40.
- 2022** “Beyond Ethnicity and Dialect: The Organization, Scope and Clientele of the Kwong Yik Bank in Singapore.” [Berita](#) (Official Publication of Malaysia/Singapore/Brunei Studies Group Association for Asian Studies), 48(1), 17-30.
- 2016** “觉世牖民 独任其难：薛有礼与《叻报》 Jueshi yongmin duren qinan: Xue youli yu lebao [See Ewe Lay, the Founder of Lat Pau].” *Yuan*, No. 5, Issue 123, 12-13.

Online Articles

- 2026** Collection on Chinese Business History, [Business History](#)
- 2026** ‘When it comes to archival research, Nationality and Nation-State matter’, [Historical Transactions](#), Royal Historical Society.
- 2025** **Goh, Jeremy**; Law Judy & Nitya, Gundu. ‘Global Connections in Southeast Asia: Dynamics of Early Modern and Modern Economic and Social History.’ [Global History and Culture Centre Blog](#), University of Warwick, UK.
- 2024** ‘The Singapore Ratepayers Association.’ [ISEAS Library Blog](#), Singapore.
- 2024** ‘Researching Chinese Big Business in the British Straits Settlements.’ [Global History and Culture Centre Blog](#), University of Warwick, UK.

AWARDS

- 2025** Global Scholars Support and Talent Development Initiative Award, University of Malaya
- 2023** Best Customer Service Award (Merit), Nanyang Centre for Public Administration, Nanyang Technological University
- 2022** Best Teamwork Award (Merit), Nanyang Centre for Public Administration, Nanyang Technological University
- 2018** Lee Kuan Yew Gold Medal
(Awarded by Nanyang Technological University to one top graduate in each programme)
- 2018** Dean’s List Award, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University
- 2017** (Awarded annually by the college to undergraduates within the top 5% of their cohort)



SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Ongoing

- 2023-2026** Chancellor’s International Scholarship, University of Warwick
- 2023-2027** PhD Scholarship, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore

Past

- 2024-2026** [Social Science Research Council Graduate Research Fellowship](#), Singapore
- June 2025** 20th Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies Fellowship, Asia Research Institute, Singapore
- 2023-2024** [Tan Ean Kham Postgraduate Scholarship](#), Tan Kah Kee Foundation, Singapore
- 2018-2020** Research Scholarship (Master’s), Nanyang Technological University
- 2015, 2017** President Research Scholarship, Nanyang Technological University
- 2015-2018** Shipbuilding and Marine Engineering Employees’ Union (SMEEU) Scholarship (Undergraduate)
- 2015-2016** Visiting Studentship, National University of Singapore and Singapore Management University
- 2015** Summer Programme Studentship, Chung-Ang University, South Korea
- 2014-2018** Nanyang Scholarship (Undergraduate), Nanyang Technological University
- 2014-2018** University Scholars Programme Studentship, Nanyang Technological University

INVITED TALKS

- 2026** ‘Banking Failure and Regulatory Reform on the Periphery: The Kwong Yik Bank in Southeast Asia (1903-1913)’, PhD in Progress Seminar, Global South Network, [University of Leicester](#), 28 January.
- 2025** ‘Creating Colonial Credit: Currencies, Chinese Banks, and Culture in the British Straits Settlements’, History Work-In-Progress, [University of Warwick](#), 3 March.
- 2024** Discussant for Book Talk: ‘Banking and Politics in the Age of Democratic Revolution’ by Niccolò Valmori, Early Modern and Eighteenth-Century Centre, [University of Warwick](#), 18 January.
- 2023** Guest Lecture: ‘Business, Industrialization, and Modernization in Colonial Singapore and Malaya: The Case of Lim Peng Siang’s Transnational Enterprises (1900-1941)’, HH1003 Asia-Pacific in Global History: From 1800, [Nanyang Technological University](#), 15 March.
- 2022** Sharing at Arkebe Oqubay, ‘Perspectives on Research Methodology for Social Sciences and Public Policy: Complexity, Experiences, and Insights.’ Seminar for Research Students, School of Social Sciences, [Nanyang Technological University](#), 28 November.
- 2022** ‘Good Governance in the Post COVID-19 World – Global Health and Economic Recovery’. Resilience Governance and Soft Book Launch, International Institute of Administrative Sciences Special Panel, [Lien](#)

Development Conference, Singapore, 26 November.

- 2021 Guest Lecture: 'Between 'traditional' and 'modern': Business, race and class in colonial Singapore and Malaya', HH1003 Asia-Pacific in Global History: From 1800, Nanyang Technological University, 13 September.

WORKSHOP PAPERS

- 2025 'Building Trust Practices: The Chinese Commercial Bank in the British Straits Settlements', 20th Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, 16 to 27 June.
- 2025 'Between Individual and Institution: Ethnic Chinese Banking and Trust Practices in British Malaya, 1912-1928', 'New Histories of the Chinese Overseas' Workshop, National University of Singapore, 19 to 20 June.
- 2024 'Banking Embeddedness in the British Straits Settlements: The Chinese Commercial Bank', Economic History Society PhD Student Workshop, University of Warwick, 27 to 30 November.
- 2024 'Chinese Big Business in the British Straits Settlements: The Transnational Enterprises of Lim Peng Siang (1904-1941),' PhD Student Workshop, Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science, 6 July.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2026 'Social Meanings of Money: the journey of a 'savings safe' from Birmingham to British Malaya during the early twentieth century', History Postgraduate Conference, University of Warwick, 3 June to 4 June.
- 2025 'Banking failure and regulatory reform on the periphery: The Kwong Yik Bank in the British Straits Settlements', 12th International Conference of International Society for the Study of Chinese Overseas, University of Malaya, 4 to 6 November.
- 2025 'Banking failure and regulatory reform on the periphery: The Kwong Yik Bank in the British Straits Settlements', Annual Conference of the British Association for Chinese Studies, University of Leicester, 3 to 5 September.
- 2025 'Building Financial Trust: The Chinese Commercial Bank in Singapore', Lien International Conference on Good Governance (Special Panel on Emerging Governance Frameworks for Financial Resilience and Social Impact: Family Office, Banks, and Philanthropic Organisations), Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, 21 July to 22 July.
- 2025 "The Historian's Second Home? Digitised Sources, Materiality and 'Interim Archives' in Asia and the United Kingdom", History Postgraduate Conference, University of Warwick, 22 May to 23 May.
- 2024 'Semi-archives and Interim Archives: Researching Chinese Business in Southeast Asia.' History Postgraduate Conference, University of Warwick, 22 to 24 May.
- 2023 'Between the *yinhao* and modern bank: The Kwong Yik Bank and company law reform in the Straits Settlements.' Annual Conference of the Association of Business Historians, Newcastle Business School, Northumbria University, 29 June to 1 July.

- 2023** 'Emerging business transnationalism in Singapore and China: governance, networks, and strategies.' 10th Global Social Sciences Graduate Student Hybrid Conference, [Hong Kong Baptist University](#), 19 May.
- 2019** 'Culture, Nationality and Conflict: An Analysis of Tan Kah Kee & Company's Advertisements in Pre-War Singapore.' Annual Conference of the Association of Business Historians, [Sheffield Hallam University](#), 5 July to 6 July.
- 2019** 'Philanthropy, Products and Patriotism: The Advertisements of Lim Peng Siang and Tan Kah Kee in Late Colonial Singapore (1920–1941).' [Hong Kong University](#) Spring History Symposium, 2 May to 3 May.
- 2018** 'Chinese Shipping in Pre-war Southeast Asia and China: The case of the Ho Hong Steamship Company.' Graduate Student Conference, National Institute of Education, [Nanyang Technological University](#), 20 October.
- 2018** 'Modern Hokkien Banking in Prewar Singapore and Asia: The Vicissitudes of the Ho Hong Bank (1917–1932).' Early Career Conference, [University of Tokyo](#), 11 September.
- 2018** 'Concordia Et Copia: An Examination of Lim Peng Siang's Business Career and his Modernization Project in the Straits Settlements and Southern China (1872–1944).' Annual Conference of the Association of Business Historians, [Open University](#), United Kingdom, 29 June to 30 June.
- 2017** 'From Riches to Rags? Exploring the Lim Peng Siang Business Story 1904 – 1944.' Annual Conference of the Association of Business Historians, [University of Glasgow](#), 29 June to 1 July.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- 2026** Panellist, Ask Your Alumni Seminar, University Scholars Programme, [Nanyang Technological University, Singapore](#), 27 January.
- 2025** 'Managing Connections: The Everyday Experiences of Remittance Shopkeepers in Chinatown', Small Businesses and Shops of Chinatown, 1819s-1980s: A Panel Discussion (NHB Heritage Research Grant Public Talk), [Singapore Coffee Shop Heritage Gallery](#), 13 June.
- 2021** 'A Brief History of Chinese Banks and the SCCC (1903-1932).' [Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry](#) Culture & Heritage Docent Training Programme, 21 November.
- 2021** 'Lim Peng Siang and Chinese Big Business in Singapore (1904-1941).' Collecting & Research on the Chinese in Southeast Asia, [National University of Singapore](#), 25 October.
- 2020** Panellist, 'Post-Graduation: What Comes Next?' [Nanyang Technological University Research Society](#), 22 January.

SERVICE

December 2025: Book Proposal Referee, Edward Elgar

June 2025: Referee, *Applied Economics Letters*

2020-2024: Member, Research Committee, Singapore Federation of Chinese Clans Associations

2022, 2024: Referee, *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies*



2022, 2025: Referee, *Business History*

2016-2017: Vice President, History Society, Nanyang Technological University

2017: Student Ambassador, History Programme, Nanyang Technological University

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS (GRADUATE STUDENT)

Royal Historical Society, UK

Economic History Society, UK

Association of Southeast Asian Studies, UK

LANGUAGES

English (reading, writing, speaking): Native

Simplified Chinese (reading, writing, speaking): Native

Traditional Chinese (reading, writing): Proficient

Hokkien (speaking): Intermediate

Malay (reading, writing, speaking): Beginner - Intermediate