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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

2026 “The Economic History of Singapore”, [Business History](#), Online First



- 2025** “Coins in Singapore as Economic History, 1918-1938”, *Asia Numismatics*, Vol. 25, 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)
2015

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 Khiam 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