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Qingdao, Shandong, China

Education:

University of Malaya

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

- Master's degree: **ASEAN Studies** 09/2023 – 03/2025
- Supervisor | Prof. Fumitaka Furuoka <https://umexpert.um.edu.my/fumitaka.html>
- Coursework | Asean and Economic Integration (A+), The Making of Modern Southeast Asia (A), Regional Security in Europe (A), Political Economy of Asia-Europe Relations (A), Asean Regionalism (A)

China West Normal University

Nanchong, Sichuan, China

- Bachelor's degree: **Art Education** 04/2019 – 12/2022

Chengdu Textile College

Chengdu, Sichuan, China

- Diploma: **Business English** 09/2018 – 06/2021

Experience:

CIIC International Education and Technology

Beijing, China

Project Commissioner

03/2024 – Present

- Oversaw the recruitment and execution of Sino-Foreign exchange programs
- Lead training programs between Sino-German educational institutes aimed towards enhancing instructors teaching skills
- Assisted provincial governments in the execution of education projects and initiatives
- Coordinated research and study projects while supervising all project processes

Shanghai Cooperation Organization Demonstration Area

Qingdao, China

Event Staff

01/2023 – 07/2023

- Interpreted Mandarin Chinese to English for high level diplomats
- Coordinated events with SCO member countries for enhancing economic cooperation

Deyang Agricultural Science and Technology Vocational College **Deyang, China**

Teacher

04/2022 – 01/2023

- Taught college level art education theory courses to performing arts students

Skills/Certifications:

- China Higher Education Teacher Qualification Certificate
- IELTS 6.5
- Certificate of English for International Communication
- China Primary School English Teacher Qualification Certificate
- Red Cross Primary Rescuer Qualification Certificate,
- Mandarin Proficiency Test 2A

Research Experience:**Under review** | China's aid to Cambodia under the Belt and Road initiative from the perspective of moral realism

- **Supervisor** | Prof. Fumitaka Furuoka
- **Methods** | Mixed-methods (Qualitative and Quantitative)
- **Findings** | Previous studies on China's BRI and other investment behavior tend to focus on economic effects, or how China can increase its influence in countries that receive economic assistance in various forms. However, this paper argues that it is also important to examine whether China's aid is moral. China's growing influence on the global stage has attracted much attention to its foreign aid policy. Understanding the moral basis of its aid can help improve or shape the country's image.

The Reasons for the Prosperous Trade of Chinese Diaspora in Southeast Asia: A Case Study of Malaysia

- **Supervisor** | Dr. Kevin Fernandez
<https://umexpert.um.edu.my/kevin.html>
- **Methods** | Mixed-methods (Qualitative and Quantitative)
- **Findings** | The main objective of this paper is to critically analyze the key factors driving the prosperity of the Chinese diaspora trade in Southeast Asia, especially in the case of Malaysia. The paper found that the commercial success of the Chinese diaspora in Malaysia stems from multiple factors, including strong family networks, cultural adaptability, and strategic use of local and transnational trade networks.

Analysis and Suggestions on the Refugee Issue in Malaysia from the Perspective of Human Security Theory

- **Supervisor** | Dr. Nurliana Binti Kamaruddin
<https://umexpert.um.edu.my/nurliana-k.html>
- **Methods** | Documentary Analysis; Interviews; Case Studies; Comparative Analysis
- **Findings** | This paper explores the refugee issue as Malaysia's non-traditional security concern. It analyzes why Malaysia attracts refugees, including its Islamic background, convenient geographical location, inclusive social environment, and multilingual background. Although refugees have a certain role in promoting humanitarian development in Malaysia, they have also harmed social security, such as increased crime rates, disease transmission, and human rights issues.