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## EDUCATION

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- 2021 DPhil in Politics & International Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London.  
Thesis: *Institution Building, Organisational Restructuring and Everyday Negotiations in Uganda's Roads Sector* (supervision committee: Julia C. Strauss, Stephen Chan, Alastair Fraser)
- 2016 MSc in Development Studies, École Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS-Paris).
- 2012 MA in Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University.
- 2009 Bachelor in Political Science, University of Paris-X Nanterre.
- 2009 Bachelor of Law in International Politics, School of Politics, Sichuan University.

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Journal Articles

- Hang, Z. 'Sectoral governance in times of China: the case of Uganda's roads sector' (under revision with *African Affairs*)
- Mayers, J., Assembe-Mvondo, S. & Hang, Z. 'Enterprise in the undergrowth: Exploring the ways Chinese companies operate in the Dja forest in Cameroon' (submitted to *African Spectrum*).
- Hang, Z. 'China's balancing act in the Western Sahara conflict', *Africana Studia*, No. 29, 2019, pp.145-156, Centro de Estudos Africanos, Universidade do Porto.
- Hang, Z. 'Dragon under the blue helmet: a quantitative analysis of China's motivation for participation in UN peacekeeping operations', *African East-Asian Affairs*, no. 3, 2013, pp.31-61, Stellenbosch University.

### Book Chapters

- Hang, Z. 'African Yuan', in the *Critical Muslim (West Africa)*, edited by Ziauddin Sardar, 89-98, the Muslim Institute & Hurst Publishers, London, 2019.
- Hang, Z. 'Une coopération agricole triangulaire en Ouganda: une relation Nord-Sud plus horizontale?', in the *L'Afrique face aux pays émergents: vers des relations renouvelées*, edited by Gilles Ferréol, 63-74, EME Éditions, Louvain-la-Neuve, 2017.

### Working Papers

- Hang, Z. 'China-Britain-Uganda: Trilateral development cooperation in agriculture', Working Paper No. 2018/20. China Africa Research Initiative, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, October 2018.

Mathieu, D., Olivier, B. & Hang, Z. 'China's globalizing interests: China's slow shift away from non-intervention', SIPRI Policy Paper 41, June 2014.

### Translations

Hang, Z. '写作语言中的追忆 [Anamnesis in the Language of Writing]', by 阿西亚·吉巴尔 [Assia Djeba]. 非洲文学：评论史稿 [African Literature: An Anthology of Criticism and Theory], edited by Tejumola Olaniyan & Ato Quayson (translated by Feng Yao et al.), East China Normal University Press, Shanghai, 2020.

Hang, Z. '直立革命：或人类为何直立行走？ [The Upright Revolution: Or Why Humans Walk Upright]' by 恩古齐·瓦·提安哥 [Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o], *Jalada Translation Issues* 01, online, August 2017.

### Policy Reports

Hang, Z., & Katharina, S. 'Maritime Insecurity in Gulf of Guinea: A Greater Role for China?', with Katharina Seibel, *China Brief*, Vol.15, Issue 1, January 2015.

Mathieu, D. Olivier, B. & Hang, Z. 'China's globalizing interests: China's slow shift away from non-intervention', SIPRI Policy Paper 41, June 2014.

Hang, Z. 'Testing the limits: China's expanding role in the South Sudan civil war', *China Brief*, Vol.14, Issue 19, October 2014.

### Commentaries

Hang, Z. 'China's evolving security footprint in Africa', *Global Policy Opinion*, 3 May 2019.

Hang, Z. 'China and South Sudan: economic engagement continues amid conflict', *African Arguments*, 12 September 2014.

Hang, Z. 'China's emergency relief to South Sudan', *the Diplomat*, 26 October 2014.

## TEACHING

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2018-2020 Graduate teaching assistant, Department of Politics & International Studies, SOAS, University of London

Comparative Political Sociology of Asia and Africa (2018-2019)

International Relations of Africa (2019-2020)

Government and Politics of China (2019-2020)

Introduction to Political Analysis (2019-2020)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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### 2020

Workshop 'Infrastructure Globalities: The Remaking of Transnational Practices in Africa', University of Bayreuth, online.

Workshop 'Chinese Positionality: A Reflective Discussion on Conducting Research in Africa', SOAS & LSE.

### 2019

Congress 'Colonial and Postcolonial Landscapes: Architecture, Cities, Infrastructure', Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon.

**2018**

Annual conference China-Africa Research Initiative, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University, Washington DC.  
Conference 'Vision of China-Africa Relationship under One Belt One Road', Makerere University & Xiangtan University, Kampala.

Conference Africa-Asia, a New Axis of Knowledge - Second Edition, University of Dar es Salaam, Dar es Salaam

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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2015	Programme Officer, China and the Development World, Oxfam Hong Kong, Beijing.
2014-2015	Researcher, China and Global Security Programme, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, Beijing/Stockholm.
2012-2013	Researcher assistant, China and Global Security Programme, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, Beijing/Stockholm.

**CONSULTANCY & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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2019	Research Assistant, "The State and SDGs in Africa: Emerging Africa and its Interactions with China", Africa Leadership Center (ALC), King's College London.
2019	Consultant, "China-Africa Forest Action (Dja, Cameroon)", International Institute for Environment and Development, London.
2018	Consultant, "The Knowledge Attitude Practices on Illegal Wildlife Trade of Chinese Diasporas in Uganda", Wildlife Conservation Society, Kampala.
2018	Consultant, "Chinese New Strategies on Trilateral Development Cooperation, China Center for International Knowledge on Development, Beijing.
2015-2016	Research Assistant, "Chinese Maritime Security and Administration", European Council on Foreign Relations, Paris.

**GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS**

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2016-2019	Doctoral scholarship, China Scholarship Council.
2018-2019	Fellowship, Global Governance Futures 2030, Robert Bosch Foundation Multilateral Dialogues.
2017	Fieldwork Grant, SOAS, University of London.
2016	Fieldwork Grant, China Africa Research Initiative at Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS-CARI) Fellowship.

## SKILLS & ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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- 2020 – Certificate Courses on Geographical Information System, University of Leeds, online.
- July 2020 Professional Development Course on Global Development Policy and Perspectives, Institute of Development Studies & China International Development Research Network, online.
- 2015-2018 University Diploma in Yoruba Language, Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (INALCO), Paris.

**Languages:** Mandarin Chinese & Cantonese (mother tongue), English (C1), French (C1), Portuguese (B1), Yoruba (66 ECTS obtained in INALCO)

**Fieldwork experience:** Uganda (17 months), Cameroon (1 month)

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

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- 2020 – Reviewer for: Journal of Chinese Political Science

## REFERENCES

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Emeritus Research Director  
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