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#### **EDUCATION**

| 2021-2024(Expected) | Ph.D. in Japan Studies, specialization in Japanese Religions,<br>Kyushu University                         |
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|                     | Tentative Dissertation: "Travel, Pray, Play: Ludic Peregrinations in Contemporary Japan"                   |
|                     | Committee: Dr. Caleb Carter (Chair), Dr. David Weiss, Dr. Shuji lijima Expected Defense Date: June 1, 2024 |
| 2018-2020           | M.A. in Japan Studies, specialization in Japanese Religions,<br>Kyushu University                          |
| 2016-2017           | B.A. in International Affairs, Temple University   |
| 2015-2016           | Japan in Today's World (JTW) Exchange Program at Kyushu<br>University                                      |
| 2014-2015           | Arizona State University (Transferred)   |
| 2013-2014           | University of West Florida   |

### **Publications**

**Book Review** Horie Norichika's "Poppu supirichuariti: Media ka saretashūkyōsei" in *Religious Studies in Japan* Vol 6, 2022

**Column** Untitled Edited Volume on Japanese Pilgrimages

Manuscript Accepted and Submitted (Scheduled to be published in 2023)

Article "The Anime Network: Materiality in Anime Pilgrimage"

Revisions Under Review for the *Journal of Religion In Japan* 

## Scholarships and Grants

2018-2020 Konosuke Matsushita Memorial Foundation Scholarship

2021-2023 Sōjitsu Foundation Scholarship

2021-2024 Support for Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next Generation Program (SPRING) Kyushu University Fellowship

# Conferences and Workshops

| 2020 | Mutual Images 8 <sup>th</sup> International Workshop "Japan Pilgrimages Ryukoku<br>University, Japan (Virtual).   |
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|      | "Anime Pilgrimage In Situ: The Case of Hitoyoshi."  |
| 2021 | The Kyoto Conference on Arts, Media and Culture (KAMC) Kyoto, Japan (Virtual).  |
|      | "The World of Makoto Shinkai: Spirits in Your Name and Weathering With You."  |
| 2022 | Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference.   |
|      | Panel Organizer. Panel: "Pop Pilgrimages in and Beyond Japan: Meanings, Experiences and Materiality" Talk Title: "Pray, Love, Demons: Layers of Imaginations at Kamado Shrine, Fukuoka Prefecture." |
| 2022 | Mechademia Conference in Los Angeles (Virtual)  |
|      | "A Space Between Worlds: Anime Pilgrimage in Contemporary Japan."   |
| 2022 | UN/REAL Transcultural Perspectives on Digital Living Workshop   |
|      | "Spaces of Negotiation: Connecting Narratives and Constructing Realities in Anime Pilgrimage."  |
| 2023 | EAJS (European Association for Japanese Studies)  |
|      | Panel Organizer. Panel: "Ruptures and Junctions: Tracing Ritual Practices of Japan." Talk: "Illuminating a Tradition: Anime Pilgrimage Through the Yuwaku Bonbori Festival."                        |
| 2023 | 25 <sup>th</sup> Asian Studies Conference in Japan (ASCJ)   |
|      | "From A Pilgrimage to A Tradition: The Case of the Yuwaku Bonbori Festival"   |
| 2023 | Approaching Modernity in Japan's Mountains Workshop at Kyushu University  |
|      | "Votive Engravings: Material Dimensions of Kamado Shrine"   |

2023 AAR (American Academy of Religion)

Panel Presentation. Panel Title: "Tensions on the Ground: Navigating Conflicts of Ritual Practice and Authority In-Situ"

"Ludic Votives: Unsanctioned Material Presence in Anime-related Shrines."

#### **Invited Talks**

Sainsbury Institute for the Study of Japanese Arts and Cultures (August 2022) Speaker for a Roundtable Discussion in the Online Summer Program in Japanese Cultural Studies Theme: Tourism and Heritage

**Nerd Nite Kyushu #6 (**February 2023**)** "Travel, Pray, Anime: Liminal Journeys in Contemporary Japan"

**Seinan Gakuin University** (June 2023) Guest Lecturer for Dr. Kaori Hatsumi's Course. Title: "Meaningful Matter: Objects, Things, and Material Culture in Anime Pilgrimage"

Wake Forest University (April 2024) Guest lecturer for Dr. Emily B. Simpson's "Religion in Manga, Anime, and Popular Media" Course

Pacific University (Fall 2024) Guest Lecturer for Dr. Dana Mirsalis' course on Japanese Religions

## Teaching Experience

2022 Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Buddhism

Lectured, led student discussions, and gave assignments to an introductory course in the Department of Humanities at Kyushu

University

2021-Present Teaching Assistant for SALC (Self Access Learning

Center)

Provided guidance for second-language learners,

gave talks, and led student discussions

2021-Present Teaching Assistant for Ez-Plat Multilingual Center

Provided guidance for second-language learners, organized events, gave

talks, and led student discussion

#### **Professional Affiliations**

Association for Asian Studies

European Association for Japanese Studies

Society for the Study of Japanese Religions

American Academy of Religion

Japanese Association for Religious Studies (Nihon Shūkyō Gakkai)

## **Work Experience**

2018 Japanime Publishings (Internship)

Managed social network accounts and homepage updates

Japanese-English translation Editing and Proofreading

2019 Tandem Project at Kyushu University

Provided guidance for language partners

2019-Present Teaching Assistant at Kyushu University

Graded homework and provided assistance for students of the "Research,

Reading and Methods" course

2020 ELF English School (Kasuga, Fukuoka)

English language instructor

2021-Present Teaching Assistant at Kyushu University

Organize lecture sessions with guest scholars

Coordinate lecture topics and contents with guest scholars

Moderate Q&A sessions during lectures

2021-Present Research Assistant at Kyushu University 2021-Present

Compile and create bibliographic entries for research materials

Data processing for a multiyear project in the Linguistics department

Host for New Books Network Podcast Channel "New Books in Japanese Studies" 2021-Present

"Miyazakiworld: A Life in Art" Author: Susan Napier

"Pilgrims Until We Die: Unending Pilgrimage in Shikoku" Authors: JohnShultz and Ian

Reader

"The Bloomsbury Handbook of Japanese Religions" Editors: EricaBaffelli, Andrea Castiglioni and Fabio Rambelli

"A Path into the Mountains: Shugendō and Mount Togakushi" Author: Caleb Carter

"The God Susanoo and Korea in Japan's Cultural Memory: Ancient Myths and Modern Empire" Author: David Weiss

"Overseas Shinto Shrines: Religion, Secularity, and the Japanese Empire"

Author: Karli Shimizu

Spirituality and Alternativity in Contemporary Japan: Beyond Religion?"

Author: Ioannis Gaitanidis

## Language Skills

Native Indonesian
Fluency in English and Japanese