



FEDERICA CICCI

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

September 2019-March 2024
Ca' Foscari University of Venice and
Heidelberg University.

Ph.D., INTERNATIONAL DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAM BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OF ASIAN AND AFRICAN STUDIES, CA' FOSCARI UNIVERSITY, AND INSTITUTE FOR CHINESE STUDIES, HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY (Supervisors: Laura De Giorgi; Joachim Kurtz)

Research project: "Caring Women: Transnational Activism and Humanitarian Relief Efforts during wartime China (1937-1945)."

Magna Cum Laude

September 2020- September 2021
Universität Heidelberg, Germany.

EXCHANGE Ph.D. CANDIDATE

Research and analysis of documents, materials and publications related to my doctoral research project; participation in numerous courses, seminars and conferences.

October 2018- September 2018
Ca' Foscari Challenge School, Venice.

MASTER EXECUTIVE IN "LUXURY, CUSTOMER ADVISOR"

Specialization in the sale of luxury products, with visits to boutiques, workshops and exchanges with professionals from the Maisons to discover the culture of luxury and observe craftsmanship, acquiring solid professional skills in the sector. In collaboration with the Istituto dei Mestieri d'Eccellenza (IME), entirely financed by the Veneto Region.

September 2016- October 2018
Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy.

M.A. IN LANGUAGES, ECONOMIES AND INSTITUTIONS OF ASIA AND NORTH AFRICAN, DEPARTMENT OF EAST ASIAN STUDIES.

Thesis: "The mobilization of Chinese women in the War of Resistance against Japan (1937-1945): new models of female activism."

Summa cum laude.

September 2017- January 2018
Renmin University of China, Beijing,
China.

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Courses: Advanced Chinese Language (II), International Management, Management Communication.

February 2017- June 2017
Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University,
Suzhou, China.

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Courses: Advanced Chinese Language (I), Family and Society in China, Politics and Government of China, Doing Business in China.

September 2013-October 2016
Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy.

B.A. IN LANGUAGES, CULTURE AND SOCIETIES OF ASIA AND MEDITERRANEAN AFRICA, DEPARTMENT OF EAST ASIAN STUDIES.

Thesis: "Translation into Italian from the Chinese article 'The economic, commercial, scientific and technological exchanges between Italy and the city of Guangzhou in the mid-Qing Dynasty' by Leng Dong and Wu Doyan."

Summa cum laude.

September 2015- October 2016
Capital Normal University, Beijing

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Courses: Intermediate-advanced Chinese Language.

September 2008- June 2013
Institute of Higher Education G.
Mazzatinti, Gubbio (PG), Italy.

CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL DEGREE

96/100

WORKING EXPERIENCES

February 2025- Now
University of Perugia, Italy

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

Chinese Language 1, 2, 3, within the Bachelor's Degree program in Foreign Languages and Cultures (L-11), at the Department of Letters - Languages, Literatures, and Ancient and Modern Civilizations. The courses aim to provide students with a fundamental and practical level of knowledge of the Chinese language and the linguistic reality of contemporary China, from the basics to a B2 level of the Common European Framework – HSK level 4/5.

September 2024- Now
Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

"History of China 2"

This is one of the mandatory courses within the China curriculum of the Corso di Laurea in "Lingue, Culture e Società dell'Asia e dell'Africa Mediterranea." It aims at offering the students a knowledge and understanding of modern and contemporary Chinese history, from the seventeenth century to the beginning of the twenty-first century. It provides the students with a basic capacity to analyze the question of modernity in China in its political, economic-social and cultural dimensions, allowing them to acquire the methodological skills necessary to understand and contextualize the transformation of Chinese empire into a modern nation-state from a global perspective.

March 2024- Now
Roma Tre University, Italy.

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

"History of Asia and Southeast Asia"

The course is part of the related and supplementary educational activities of the degree course in Language and Linguistic-Cultural Mediation, and specifically among the related activities aimed at providing basic notions in the historical-political field. It aims to provide the chronological framework of imperial, modern and contemporary Chinese and East-Asian history; critically address salient aspects of the macro issues concerning the sociopolitical, economic and cultural spheres of the empire; frame the issue of modernity in China on the political, socio-economic and cultural levels; and enable students to acquire the basic methodological tools to understand and contextualize globally the transformation of the Chinese empire into a modern nation-state.

March 2023- May 2023
Ca' Foscari School for International
Education (CFSIE), Venice, Italy.

FACULTY TUTOR

Providing tutoring classes in Italian language and culture within the QEM program (Erasmus Mundus Joint Diploma).

September 2019- September 2023
Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy.

TEACHING ASSISTANT SENIOR

Collaboration and support of the teaching staff in the preparation of extracurricular activities for the courses "History of China 1", "History of China 2" and "Contemporary Chinese Society"; assistance and support in the preparation and correction of the final tests.

January 2019- September 2019
Loro Piana, Venice, Italy.

CUSTOMER ADVISOR

Internship Trainee in the sales process of luxury products according to company standards, and management of commercial and personal relations with customers.

February 2018-June 2018
Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy.

FACULTY TUTOR

Providing tutoring sessions in "Legal Institutions of Eastern Asia" with specific reference to Asian legal theory, constitutional organization and civil and commercial law.

September 2017- January 2018
N.27 Middle School of Beijing, China.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHER

Teaching STEM disciplines (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics).

September 2017- January 2018
Senmiao School of Beijing, China.

ITALIAN LANGUAGE TEACHER

Teaching Italian language level A1-A2.

June 2017- July 2017
Biesse Group, Dongguan, China

INTERPRETER AND TRANSLATOR

Internship as language support and cultural mediation in the R&D and Production departments.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

September 2019- November 2022

3-year PhD full scholarship, Italian Ministry of University/Ca' Foscari University of Venice

November 2020-September 2021

Financial contribution with EU funds Erasmus+ at Universität Heidelberg

April 2018

Awarded the third prize at "Chinese Speech Contest", sponsored by the China East Normal University of Shanghai, in collaboration with the Department of East Asian Studies, Ca' Foscari University of Venice. Winner of a six-month scholarship at ECNU.

September 2015- January 2018

Scholarship awardee from Confucius-Hanban Institute and awarded the "Overseas" Program by Ca' Foscari University, Venice.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

ITALIAN: NATIVE SPEAKER

ENGLISH: ADVANCED (C1, CLA CA' FOSCARI UNIVERSITY OF VENICE)

CHINESE: ADVANCED (C1, HSK 5 CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE, VENICE)

GERMAN: ELEMENTARY (B1, CLA CA' FOSCARI UNIVERSITY OF VENICE)

FRENCH: BASIC (A2, DELF)

ARABIC: BASIC

MEMBERSHIPS

European Association of Chinese Studies (EACS)

Associazione Italiana per gli Studi Cinesi (AISC)

Società Italiana per lo Studio della Storia Contemporanea (SISSCO)

Società Italiana delle Storie (SIS)

Società Italiana di Storia internazionale (SISI)

PARTICIPATION IN EDITORIAL BOARDS OF JOURNALS

Member of the Editorial Board of the journal *DEP. Deportate, Esuli e Profughe*. Journal of Women's Memory Studies. ISSN: 1824-4483

PUBLICATIONS

-Federica Cicci, *Evolving Practices: Hunting, Wildlife Consumption, and Gender Dynamics in China's Cultural Landscape*. Review on the special issue: *Eco-feminism and hunting in DEP. DEPORTATE, ESULI, PROFUGHE*, no.52 December 2023, pp. 197-202 (ISSN 1824-4483).

<https://www.unive.it/pag/49091/>

-Federica Cicci, *Signals of Dialogue: Exploring Sino-Vatican Relations*. Review Chu, Cindy Yik-yi, and Paul Philip Mariani, eds. *People, Communities, and the Catholic Church in China*. Singapore: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020. xix+157 pp. (ISBN: 978-981-15-1679-5), in *ASIA MAIOR*, Vol. XXXIII/2022, pp.505-507 (ISSN 2385-2526)

<https://www.asiamaior.org/the-journal/asia-maior-vol-xxxiii-2022>

-Federica Cicci, *Report of the workshop "Women's transnational activism in the Twentieth Century: framing the Chinese case in a global perspective"*, International Conference, Oct. 21, 2022, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy, in *DEP. DEPORTATE, ESULI, PROFUGHE*, no.50 February 2023, pp. 160-63 (ISSN 1824-4483).

<https://www.unive.it/pag/47939/>

-Federica Cicci, *Dorothy*, in *LEI*, no.4 November 2021, pp. 45-49 (ISSN 2724-2692).

<http://doi.org/10.30687/Lei/2724-6094/2021/04>

(In press):

- In the name of the Red Cross Society of China: women's activism and humanitarian aid during the war (1937-1945) (*KERVAN*- International Journal of African and Asian Studies

<https://ojs.univ.it/index.php/kervan/index>)

- The feminization of Catholic Missionary Education: The Commitment of Catholic Ingenbohl Sisters in the 1930s and 1940s Manchuria (*CONTEMPORANEA*- XIXth and XXth Century History Review. II Mulino <https://www.rivisteweb.it/issn/1127-3070>)

CONFERENCES

Aug.27-30, 2024- 25th Biennial Conference of the European Association for Chinese Studies (EACS) (Tallinn University, Estonia): "In the Hands of Others: Female Medical-Missionary Practices and Relief Activities during Wartime China (1937-1945)"

June 17, 2024- International Workshop, University of Birmingham "Navigating the Politics of Gender and Sexuality in PRC, from Historical Insights to Contemporary Perspective": *Inter arma caritas: Women's humanitarian activities in the Red Cross during wartime China (1937-1945)*

June 14, 2024- Chinese Feminism Reading Group, University of Freiburg: *Caring Women: Transnational Activism and Humanitarian Relief Efforts in Wartime China (1937-1945)*.

Sept.21-23, 2023-19th AISC (Italian Association of Chinese Studies) Conference (La Sapienza University, Rome): "Politics, Ideology, and Scientific Development: The Role of Science, Medicine, and Technology in the Construction of the Modern Chinese State."

March 27, 2023- Workshop per il gruppo di coordinamento giovani studiosi AISC "Slide e Criticità nelle Ricerche sulla Cina: Metodologie, fonti e approcci teorici": *Note d'Archivio: la mobilitazione delle donne*

missionarie cattoliche in Cina durante la Seconda Guerra Mondiale.

Febr.8, 2023- International History of East Asia Seminar, Hilary Term 2023, University of Oxford: "In the name of the Chinese Red Cross: Women's activism, gender roles and humanitarian relief efforts during wartime (1937-1945)"

Oct. 21, 2022- International Conference (Ca' Foscari University of Venice): "Women's transnational activism in the Twentieth Century: framing the Chinese case in a global perspective."

Aug.24-27, 2022- 24th Biennial Conference of the European Association for Chinese Studies (EACS) (Palacký University Olomouc, Czech Republic): "In the name of the Chinese Red Cross: Women's activism, gender roles and humanitarian relief efforts during wartime (1937-1945)."

Nov.26.27, 2021- Online 15th Annual Conference on Asian Studies: "Continuity and Change" (Palacký University Olomouc): "Moving toward a modern humanitarianism: Chinese women's activism in the Red Cross during wartime (1937-1945)."

Nov. 18-20, 2021- 18th AISC (Italian Association of Chinese Studies) Conference (University of Turin): "Rethinking the CCP's relationship with society 100 years later: approaches, visions and policies from the foundation to Mao's death (1921-1976)."

Nov. 17-18, 2021- 2nd International Ph.D. Student Symposium (Ca' Foscari University, Venice): "In the name of the Chinese Red Cross: 'feminine' virtues in humanitarian discourses during wartime (1937-1945)."

Sept. 2-3, 2021- Online International Conference (University of Edinburgh) "East Asia on the Move: Shifting Dynamics": Moving toward a modern humanitarianism: "Chinese women's activism in the Red Cross during wartime (1937-1945)."

May 20-22, 2021- Online International Conference (College for Central European Studies, 4EU+ Universities): "Dilemmas of Modernity 200 Years of Central Europe Cultures and Societies": "The birth of the Modern Humanitarianism: The Long Path of the International Committee of the Red Cross."

Febr.6-7, 2020- Ph.D. workshop "Asian and North African Studies in a Globalized and Interconnected World" (Sapienza University, Rome): "Women at war: beyond the national boundaries for a sustainable international peace."

SUMMER SCHOOLS

June 28-29, 2023: International Workshop *Service – Duty – Care: Theorizing Civic Engagement from Asia to Europe and beyond*, Ca' Foscari University of Venice (It was financed through the Swiss National Science Foundation funded Eccellenza project "Quiet Aid: Service and Salvation in the Balkans-to- Bengal Complex")

June 13-17, 2022: VIU (Venice International University) International Ph.D. Academy: *The State of the Art of Area Studies*.

Sept. 30, 2021- International Graduate Summer School in *Gender History* (University of Naples Federico II): Chinese Women at War Struggling for Freedom: the case of Zhou Meiyu and the nursing educational programs.

Aug. 25-28, 2021: Scuola Estiva SIS (Società Italiana delle Storiche), *Ambiente. Storie, conflitti, movimenti in una prospettiva di genere*

ADMINISTRATIVE AND INSTITUTIONAL EXPERIENCE

June 2024-Now: City Councilor, Municipality of Gubbio (PG), Umbria, Italy.

DRIVING LICENCE

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Gubbio, 04/02/2025

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