

YONG TANG

CURRICULUM VITAE

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- Dec 2012 **Ph.D. in Mass Communications**
 The Pennsylvania State University
 College of Communications
 University Park, Pennsylvania
 Dissertation title: *Chinese Freedom of Information: An Evaluation of the Legislative History, Rationales, Significance and Efficacy of Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Open Government Information*
 Cumulative GPA: 3.92/4.00
- May 2008 **Master of International Policy and Practice (MIPP)**
 The George Washington University
 Elliott School of International Affairs
 Washington, District of Columbia
 Cumulative GPA: 3.63/4.00
- Jul 2004 **Ph.D. in International Journalism**
 The Communication University of China
 Institute of Communication Studies
 Beijing, China
- Jul 1995 **Bachelor of Arts in English News Reporting and Editing**
 China School of Journalism
 Beijing, China
- Jul 1993 **Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature**
 Sichuan International Studies University
 Department of English
 Chongqing, China

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- June 2017-present
Associate Professor of Journalism and Media Law (Tenured)
Director of the Journalism Program

Department of Broadcasting and Journalism
 College of Fine Arts and Communication
 Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois

July 2015-April 2017

Assistant Professor of Journalism and Media Law
Director of the Journalism Program
 Department of Broadcasting and Journalism
 College of Fine Arts and Communication
 Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois

December 2014-present

Visiting Professor
 College of Humanities/General Education, Southwestern University of Finance and
 Economics, Chengdu, China

August 2011-July 2015

Assistant Professor of Journalism and Media Law
 Department of English and Journalism
 College of Arts and Sciences
 Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois

August 2009-May 2011

Teaching/Research Assistant
 The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania

September 2000-September 2003

Research Assistant
 The Communication University of China, Beijing, China

Professional Training

Oct. 2017 Best Practices in Teaching Online Certificate of Completion
 Center for Innovation in Teaching and Research
 Western Illinois University
 Macomb, Illinois

May 2017 Google Summer Academy Certificate of Completion
 Center for Innovation in Teaching and Research
 Western Illinois University
 Macomb, Illinois

May 2015 GoPro Summer Academy Certificate of Completion
 Center for Innovation in Teaching and Research
 Western Illinois University

Macomb, Illinois

Apr 2011 Teaching with Technology Certificate
The Graduate School of The Pennsylvania State University
University Park, Pennsylvania

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Mass communications law and policy
- First Amendment
- Global freedom of information laws
- News and foreign policy
- History of journalism and mass communications
- Chinese and American media

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Books

Yong Tang, *Freedom of Information Law in China* (in progress)

Yong Tang, *Media Law in China* (in progress)

Yong Tang, Face-to-Face Dialogues with U.S. Political and Business Leaders, vol. 1 of *America Through Yong Tang's Eyes* (Beijing, China: People's Daily Press, May 2014) [published in Chinese]

Yong Tang, One-on-One Conversations with U.S. Cultural and Educational Elites, vol. 2 of *America Through Yong Tang's Eyes* (Beijing, China: People's Daily Press, May 2014) [published in Chinese]

Yong Tang, Stories behind Stories, vol. 3 of *America Through Yong Tang's Eyes* (Beijing, China: People's Daily Press, May 2014) [published in Chinese]

Yong Tang, Places Where News Breaks, vol. 4 of *America Through Yong Tang's Eyes* (Beijing, China: People's Daily Press, May 2014) [published in Chinese]

Book Chapters

Yong Tang, "America's Medical Care System: Two Mountains to Climb," in Yan Cui (ed.), *Chinese Journalists' Observation: Medical Care Systems in Foreign Countries* (Beijing, China: Central Party School Press, April 2008) [published in Chinese].

Yong Tang, "How to Become An Effective Foreign Correspondent," in Xiaojian Zhang and Qinqin Min (eds.), *Notes of Foreign Correspondents* (Beijing, China:

China Radio and Television Publishing House, October 2007) [published in Chinese].

Yong Tang, "Popularizing Science in the United States," in Yingchun Wu (ed.), *Chinese Journalists' Observation: Popularization of Science in Foreign Countries* (Beijing, China: Central Party School Press, April 2007) [published in Chinese].

Yong Tang, "American Farmers Have Mixed Feelings," in People's Daily International News Department (ed.), *Rural Development in Foreign Countries in the Eyes of Chinese Journalists* (Beijing, China: Central Party School Press, May 2006) (published in Chinese).

Refereed Journal Articles

Yong Tang, "Defaming Officials and Celebrities: Evolution of Libel Law and the SULLIVAN Impact in China," *Journal of Media Law and Ethics* [accepted, pending publication].

Yong Tang, "Merely Window Dressing? Accomplishments and Challenges in Enforcing China's First Freedom of Information Law," *Journal of Information Policy* [submitted for review].

Yong Tang, Xue Dou & Mary Beth Oliver, "Harmonious Middle Kingdom and Dangerous Beautiful Country?" Exploring Cultivation Effects of Domestic and U.S.-Made TV Programs on Chinese College Students," *International Journal of Communication*, 12 (2018), 4421–4442.

Yong Tang, "For Whose Eyes Only? China's Journalistic Internal Reference System and Its Legal and Political Implications," *Journal of Information Policy*, 7: 1-37 (2017).

Yong Tang, "'Laws Are A Big Bell...It Will Never Ring Itself!' Journalistic Role in China's First Freedom of Information Law," *Journal of Media Law and Ethics*, 5 (3-4): 77-105 (2016).

Tessa M. Pfafman, Christopher J. Carpenter & Yong Tang, "The Politics of Racism: Constructions of African Immigrants in China on ChinaSMACK," *Communication, Culture and Critique*, 8(4): 540-556 (2015) [doi:10.1111/cccr.12098].

Yong Tang, "Feeling for Rocks while Crossing the River": Analysis of the Statutory Language of China's First Freedom of Information Law," *Journal of Information Policy*, 4: 342-376 (2014).

Yong Tang, "Journalistic Right in the 'First Rough Draft of History:' A Comparative Study of News Copyright in the United States and the People's Republic of China," *Chinese Journal of Communication*, 6 (1): 24-44 (2013).

Yong Tang, "Avatar: A Marxist Saga on the Far Distant Planet," *tripleC*:

Communication, Capitalism & Critique, 9 (2): 654-664 (2011).

Yong Tang & Yuqiang Zhang, "The Use of Mainstream News Media as Soft Power for Achieving U.S. Foreign Policy Goals," *Journal of Modern Communication*, 5: 127-128 (2005) [published in Chinese].

Refereed Conference Papers

Yong Tang, "Defaming Officials and Celebrities: Evolution of Libel Law and the SULLIVAN Impact in China," presented at the 2017 International Communication Association annual convention, San Diego, California, 25-29 May 2017.

Yong Tang, "Merely Window Dressing? Accomplishments and Challenges in Enforcing China's First Freedom of Information Law," presented at the 2016 International Communication Association annual convention, Fukuoka, Japan, 9-13 June 2016.

Yong Tang, Xue Dou & Mary Beth Oliver, "Harmonious Middle Kingdom and Dangerous Beautiful Country? Exploring Cultivation Effects of CCTV and US Television Programs on Chinese Viewers," presented at the 2014 National Communication Association annual convention, Chicago, Illinois, November 20-23, 2014.

Yong Tang, "Journalistic Role in Chinese Freedom of Information," presented at the 2013 International Communication Association annual convention, London, United Kingdom, 17-21 June 2013.

Yong Tang, "Journalistic Internal Reference: Exemption from China's Freedom of Information Law," presented at the 2013 AEJMC Southeast Colloquium, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, February 28-March 2, 2013.

Yong Tang, "Feeling for Rocks while Crossing the River": Analysis of The Statutory Language of China's First Freedom of Information Law," presented at the 2013 AEJMC Southeast Colloquium, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, February 28-March 2, 2013.

Yong Tang, "Secrecy and Transparency of the Chinese Government: A Historical Perspective," presented at the 2012 AEJMC annual convention, Chicago, Illinois, 9-12 August 2012.

Yong Tang & Martin E. Halstuk, "Flying Dragon Seeking Freedom of Information: A Critique of Chinese Open Government Information Regulations," presented at the 2011 AEJMC annual convention, St. Louis, Missouri, 10-13 August 2011.

Yong Tang, "Who Owns the 'First Rough Draft of History'? -A Comparative Study of News Copyright in the United States and the People's Republic of China," presented at the 2011 International Communication Association annual convention, Boston, Massachusetts, 26-30 May 2011.

Yong Tang, “Avatar: A Marxist Saga on the Far Distant Planet,” presented at the 2011 International Communication Association annual convention, Boston, Massachusetts, 26-30 May 2011.

Invited Panel Presentations

Panelist for session “Managing the Information Revolution: The Future of FOI Laws Globally,” Freedom of Information Laws on the Global Stage: Past, Present and Future Symposium, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, November 2016.

Panelist for session “Defaming Public Figures in Asia: A Half Century of Impact of *New York Times Co. v. Sullivan*,” 2014 AAS (Association for Asian Studies)-in-ASIA Conference, National University of Singapore, Singapore, July 2014.

Panelist for session “The Constitution and Freedom of the Press,” Annual Constitution Day program sponsored by Centennial Honors College and University Libraries, Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois, September 2013.

Advising Visiting Scholars

Advised Xiaojun Huang, associate professor of journalism and communication from Nanchang University School of Journalism & Communication, China (Fall 2017-Fall 2018)

Advised Ningfeng Sun, lecturer and chairperson of Department of Business Journalism from Southwestern University of Finance and Economics College of Humanities/General Education, China (Fall 2015)

TEACHING INTERESTS

- Mass media law and ethics
- International communication and foreign press/comparative media systems
- International reporting
- Mass communication research methods
- Problems of contemporary mass communications
- Digital media skills (e.g., social media, data visualization, multimedia reporting, and multimedia editing)
- Newspaper and magazine feature writing
- History of mass communications

Courses Taught

- Mass Communication Law and Ethics
- Problems of Contemporary Mass Communications

- Reporting for Mass Media I
- Reporting for Mass Media II
- Digital Media Skills for Journalists and Public Relations Professionals
- International Communication and Foreign Press
- Magazine and Newspaper Feature Writing
- Mass Communications Research Methods
- History of Mass Communications

Average student evaluation scores of teaching effectiveness since 2011: About 4.5/5.0

INVITED LECTURES AND SHORT-TERM TEACHING

July 2018

Short-term visiting professor, Faculty of International Media, Communication University of China
Beijing, China
Courses taught: Digital media skills workshop (blogging, social media reporting, data visualization and multiplatform storytelling)

July 2018

Short-term visiting professor of University Immersion Program (UIP), College of Literature and Journalism, Sichuan University
Chengdu, China
Courses taught: American mass communications law: Freedom and its boundaries/news reporting and writing in the digital world

July 2018

Short-term visiting professor, College of Humanities/General Education, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics
Chengdu, China
Courses taught: American mass communications law: Freedom and its boundaries

June 2018

Guest speaker, School of Journalism and Communication, Tsinghua University
Beijing, China
Lecture topics: Chinese and American journalism and mass communication education; doctoral candidacy at American universities: How to survive and thrive; how to get published in the United States; Ups and downs of American Journalism

July 2017

Short-term visiting professor, College of Humanities/General Education, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics
Chengdu, China
Courses taught: Mass media law/news reporting and writing

- July 2016
Short-term visiting professor, College of Humanities/General Education,
Southwestern University of Finance and Economics
Chengdu, China
Courses taught: Mass media law/news reporting and writing
- June 2016
Invited guest speaker, School of Journalism and Communication, Beijing Normal
University and China University of Political Science and Law
Beijing, China
Topics: U.S. mass media law
- July 2015
Short-term visiting professor, College of Humanities/General Education,
Southwestern University of Finance and Economics
Chengdu, China
Courses taught: Mass media law/news reporting and writing
- Dec 2014
Invited guest speaker, College of Humanities/General Education, Southwestern
University of Finance and Economics
Chengdu, China
Topics: Mass media law and how to conduct effective interviews with high-profile
newsmakers
- Mar 2014
Invited guest speaker, Western's English as a Second Language (WESL) Institute,
Western Illinois University
Macomb, Illinois
Topics: My teaching career at Western Illinois University
- Jul 2013
Short-term visiting lecturer, School of Journalism and Communication, Xiamen
University
Xiamen, China
Topics: U.S. media law and American journalism
- Summer 2013
Invited guest speaker, China Youth University for Political Sciences, Capital
Normal University, Beijing Technology and Business University
Beijing, China
Topics: U.S. media law and American journalism
- Summer 2013
Invited guest speaker, Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics, Jiangxi
Normal University, Jiangxi University of Traditional Chinese Medicine
Nanchang, China

Topics: U.S. media law and American journalism

Aug 2013

Invited guest speaker, *The Global People* magazine
Beijing, China
Topics: Old media and new media

Jun 2013

Invited guest speaker, the Dongxiang County Party Committee and People's Government
Dongxiang County, China
Topics: Relationship between the U.S. government and mainstream media

Oct 2012

Invited guest lecturer, World Media System class, College of Communications, The Pennsylvania State University
University Park, Pennsylvania
Topics: The changing landscape of Chinese media and communication

Mar 2011

Invited guest lecturer, International Communication class, College of Communications, The Pennsylvania State University
University Park, Pennsylvania
Topics: The changing landscape of Chinese media and communication

Nov 2010

Invited guest lecturer, Advanced News Reporting and Writing Methods class, College of Communications, The Pennsylvania State University
University Park, Pennsylvania
Topics: The changing landscape of Chinese media and communication

Sept 2010

Invited guest lecturer, International Communication class, College of Communications, The Pennsylvania State University
University Park, Pennsylvania
Topics: The changing landscape of Chinese media and communication

Sept 2011

Invited guest lecturer, Media Law class, College of Communications, The Pennsylvania State University
University Park, Pennsylvania
Topics: Legal implications of intrusion and other torts of invasion of personal privacy

Jan 2010

Invited guest lecturer, International Reporting class, College of Communications,

The Pennsylvania State University
 University Park, Pennsylvania
 Topics: The role of the *People's Daily* in China

Sep 2008

Short-term visiting scholar and invited guest speaker, Westminster College
 Salt Lake City, Utah
 Topics: Chinese media and the Sino-American relations

Jul 2006

Invited guest speaker, the global media panel of Distance Education Class of 2006,
 The United States Army War College
 Carlisle, Pennsylvania
 Topics: Foreign media and its role in U.S. national security

Aug 2002

Invited guest speaker, School of Journalism and Communication, Tsinghua
 University
 Beijing, China
 Topics: Working at the *People's Daily* as an international news editor

Aug 2000

Invited guest speaker, China Central Television Movie Channel (CCTV-6)
 Beijing, China
 Topics: *The Legend of the Half Bowl Village* and movie portrayal of primary
 education in rural China

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL SERVICE

Department Service

Fall 2017-present

Member, Department Scholarship Committee

Department of Broadcasting and Journalism, Western Illinois University

Fall 2017-present

Member, Department Personnel Committee

Department of Broadcasting and Journalism, Western Illinois University

Fall 2016

Writer, journalism program review report

Department of Broadcasting and Journalism, Western Illinois University

Fall 2016-present

Content creator, Chinese-language department website

Department of Broadcasting and Journalism, Western Illinois University

Fall 2016-present
 Producer, Chinese-language TV program “Macomb Face to Face”
 Department of Broadcasting and Journalism, Western Illinois University

July 2015-present
 Director of Journalism Program
 Department of Broadcasting and Journalism, Western Illinois University

March 2015
 Presenter, SSP (Sponsors of School Publications of Greater St. Louis) Spring Journalism Conference at Webster University [promoting the WIU journalism program for student recruitment]

Fall 2014-Spring 2015
 Member, public relations faculty search committee
 Department of English and Journalism, Western Illinois University

Spring 2014-Spring 2015
 Faculty coordinator, Journalism Day
 Department of English and Journalism, Western Illinois University

Fall 2014-Spring 2015
 Advisor, WIU Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists
 Department of English and Journalism, Western Illinois University

March 2014
 Presenter, SSP (Sponsors of School Publications of Greater St. Louis) Spring Journalism Conference at Webster University [promoting the WIU journalism program for student recruitment]

Fall 2012-Spring 2013
 Member, Academic Integrity Committee
 Department of English and Journalism, Western Illinois University

February 2013-February 2013
 Presenter, Scott Community College / Eastern Iowa Community Colleges [promoting the WIU journalism program]

Spring 2012/Spring 2013/Spring 2014/Spring 2015
 Member, Ad Hoc Student Scholarship Committee
 Department of English and Journalism, Western Illinois University

August 2011-May 2015
 Member, Journalism Committee of the Whole
 Department of English and Journalism, Western Illinois University

August 2011-December 2011
 Coordinator, WIU journalism program assessment
 Department of English and Journalism, Western Illinois University

College Service

Fall 2018-present
 Chair, COFAC (College of Fine Arts and Communication) Committee on
 International Recruitment and Relations

Fall 2014-Spring 2015
 Member, Faculty Council Subcommittee for Weekend Degree Program and
 Summer School Academy
 College of Arts and Sciences, Western Illinois University

University Service

Fall 2018-present
 Co-chair, Council on International Education
 Faculty Senate, Western Illinois University

Fall 2017
 Member, Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching Committee
 Western Illinois University

Fall 2016
 Member, Provost's Award for Excellence in Internationalizing the Campus
 Committee
 Western Illinois University

Fall 2016-Spring 2017
 Member, Bachelor of General Studies Advisory Committee
 Western Illinois University

Spring 2016-present
 Advisor, Chinese Students and Scholars Association
 Western Illinois University

Fall 2014-Spring 2018
 Member, Council on International Education
 Faculty Senate, Western Illinois University

Summer 2014-present
 Faculty Ambassador for International Recruitment (China)
 Western Illinois University

Fall 2014-present

Member, Western Courier Publications Board
Western Illinois University

Fall 2014
Member, International Education Week Committee
Western Illinois University

Off-Campus Service

September 2015
Helped create U.S.-China Friendship House in Muscatine, Iowa where Chinese President Xi Jinping stayed for several days in 1985

May 2013
Organizer and interpreter, media law forum, School of Journalism and Communication, Tsinghua University
Beijing, China

November 2009-present
Reviewer for AEJMC, AEJMC Southeast Colloquium, ICA, NCA, CCA (Chinese Communication Association), BEA (Broadcast Education Association), Routledge, Oxford University Press, *Asian Journal of Communication*, *The International Journal of Press/Politics*, and *Journal of Information Policy*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

March 2016-present
Lifetime member, Western Illinois University Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi National Scholastic Honor Society (Phi Kappa Phi)

July 2015-present
Institutional member, the Broadcast Education Association (BEA)

November 2015-Fall 2016
Individual member, the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ)

September 2014-Fall 2016
Individual member, the National Communication Association (NCA)

May 2013-present
Individual member, the Chinese Communication Association (CCA)

May 2011-present
Individual member, the International Communication Association (ICA)

August 2011-present

Individual member, the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)

JOURNALISTIC/MEDIA EXPERIENCE

June 2008-July 2009

Center for Terrorism and Intelligence Studies

Washington-based research assistant

- Assisted senior researchers with investigating and analyzing both existing and emerging global asymmetrical and unconventional security threats
- Monitored media coverage of incidents of terrorism in China and added new cases to the Global Terrorism Database, an open-source database archiving information on terrorist events around the world since 1970

February 2004-August 2007

The People's Daily

[The *People's Daily* is the largest and most politically influential newspaper in China, with a daily circulation of about three million]

Washington, D.C.-based residential correspondent

- Covered a wide variety of issues ranging from U.S. economy, science, education and culture to American politics, foreign policy and Sino-American relations
- Reported on many major news events such as the U.S.-China Strategic Economic Dialogue in 2007, the Virginia Tech campus shootings in 2007, Chinese President Hu Jintao's state visit to the United States in 2006, Hurricane Katrina in 2005, the G-8 Summit in 2004, the 2004 presidential election, and the Iraq prisoner abuse scandals in 2004
- Published one-on-one and face-to-face in-depth interviews with many high-profile newsmakers. Interviewees included former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, former Secretary of State Colin Powell, former Presidential National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski, Yale University President Richard Levin, General Motors CEO Richard Wagoner, Washington Post Managing Editor Philip Bennett, Utah Governor and former U.S. Ambassador to China Jon M. Huntsman, International Monetary Fund Managing Director Rodrigo de Rato, DuPont Chairman and CEO Chad Holliday, President of the University of Michigan Mary Sue Coleman, Ogilvy & Mather Worldwide Chairman and CEO Shelly Lazarus, Texas Instrument President and Chief Executive Officer Richard Templeton, Yale University President Richard Levin, President of the University of Pennsylvania Amy Gutmann, Princeton University President Shirley M. Tilghman, Johns Hopkins University President William Brody, World Bank President Paul Wolfowitz, U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Cornell University President David J. Skorton, Columbia University President Lee C. Bollinger, and Boston Consulting Group President and CEO Hans-Paul Buerkner
- Wrote regularly on sensitive and controversial issues involving Sino-U.S. relations for *People's Daily Internal Report* and made policy recommendations to top leaders

- Published frequently in the *People's Daily*, the *Global Times*, the *Global People*, the *People's Daily Overseas Edition* and other major media outlets in China
- Reported across multimedia platforms and filed numerous news photos and some audiovisual stories to the *People's Daily* website <http://www.people.com.cn>
- Interviewed via telephone by China National Radio and Beijing Television Station as their guest journalist
- Wrote Chinese-language and English-language columns for *People's Daily Online*
<http://world.people.com.cn/GB/8212/62454/index.html>
http://english.people.com.cn/zhuanti/Zhuanti_475.html

August 1995-January 2004

The *People's Daily*

Beijing-based international news editor

- Assisted senior editors in coordinating international news coverage and maintaining constant contacts with correspondents based overseas
- Aided foreign correspondents in covering important international news events by providing logistical and research support. Such events included the Iraq War in 2003, China's entry into the World Trade Organization in 2001, the Afghanistan War in 2001, the EP-3 spy plane collision incident in 2001, the NATO bombing of the Chinese embassy in Belgrade in 1999, and the Kosovo Conflict in 1999
- Flew in July 2000 on the Chinese equivalent of Air Force One with Chinese President Jiang Zemin and covered his state visits to Tajikistan and Turkmenistan as well as the "Shanghai Five" Summit held in Dushanbe. Conducted interviews with Jiang and other heads of state attending the Summit
- Visited Romania and Hungary in 1998 as a member of the *People's Daily* delegation and interviewed senior executives of major newspapers in these two post-communist countries
- Worked night shifts as a copy editor

July 1996-July 1997

The *Global Times*

[The *Global Times* is a popular daily focusing on international issues. Published both in Chinese and English, the newspaper is a part of the *People's Daily* newspaper group]

Beijing-based front-page editor

- Edited front-page news stories
- Spearheaded the publication of a successful front-page story about food shortages in North Korea
- Maintained constant contacts with foreign correspondents, suggesting story ideas and discussing possible story angles
- Doubled the newspaper's print circulation
- Interviewed Peter Stothard, editor of one of the most prestigious British newspapers *The Times*

January 1995-July 1995

The Xinhua News Agency

[Xinhua is the official news service of the Chinese government]

Beijing-based international news intern

- Followed news events in the Middle East on a daily basis
- Paraphrased news stories from English to Chinese
- Translated news stories from Chinese to English
- Edited news stories written by Xinhua correspondents based in the Middle East
- Contributed news articles to Chinese-language newspapers and magazines in Beijing, Guangzhou and Hong Kong

JOURNALISTIC TRAINING

October 2002-May 2003

Participated in “The Journalists in Europe Program” in Paris under the auspices of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- Attended seminars given by experts on European politics, economics and culture
- Interviewed chateau owners in Bordeaux and other locations in Southern France and published an online story about the declining French wine industry
- Visited Sweden as a part of the program assignment and interviewed many people there
- Developed friendships with program participants who were journalists from around the world

March 2001-March 2001

Participated in “The International Courses on the Role of Opinion Molders in the Conflict Areas” in Tel Aviv under the invitation of the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- Attended seminars held by scholars from Israeli think tanks and universities
- Explored how global media outlets such as CNN and BBC have shaped global public opinion on matters pertaining to Middle East conflicts
- Visited Jerusalem, The Golan Heights and the Jordan River
- Cultivated friendships with reporters from non-Western countries

HONORS/AWARDS/DISTINCTIONS/GRANTS

May 2018 **Western Illinois University**

College of Fine Arts & Communication Dean’s Award for Excellence in Internationalizing the Campus

May 2017 **Scripps Howard Foundation**

Recipient of grant awarded for participation in the 2017-18 Visiting Professors in Social Media Program

- May 2017 **Western Illinois University**
President's Award for Excellence in Diversity Service
- May 2017 **Western Illinois University**
College of Fine Arts & Communication Dean's Award for Excellence in Scholarly/Professional Activities
- May 2017 **International Communication Association**
Travel grant for paper presentation at the 2017 ICA annual convention, San Diego, California
- Mar 2017 **Western Illinois University**
Professional Achievement Award
- Apr 2016 **Western Illinois University**
College of Fine Arts & Communication Dean's Award for Excellence in Teaching
- Oct. 2015 **China Enyang High School**
Distinguished Alumni Award
- May 2015 **Chinese Communication Association**
Outstanding Service Award
- Mar 2015 **Western Illinois University**
Professional Achievement Award
- Mar 2014 **Western Illinois University**
Professional Achievement Award
- June 2013 **International Communication Association**
Travel grant for paper presentation at the 2013 ICA annual convention, London, United Kingdom
- Mar 2013 **The Pennsylvania State University**
Faces of Penn State
<http://web.archive.org/web/20130916072307/http://faces.psu.edu/faces/yong-tang/>
- Aug 2012 **The Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Law and Policy Division**
First Place Faculty Paper Award
- Jun 2012 **Journalismdegree.org**
Top 50 Journalism Professors in 2012
<http://journalismdegree.org/top-professors/>
http://www.wiu.edu/news/newsrelease.php?release_id=9938

- Aug 2011 **The Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Law and Policy Division**
Best Research Scholar-to-Scholar Presentation Award
- Jan 2010 **The Pennsylvania State University**
Gene and Fran Goodwin Journalism Scholarship
- Apr 2009 **The Pennsylvania State University**
University Graduate Fellowship in Mass Communications
- Mar 2007 **The George Washington University**
Elliott School of International Affairs Freeman Fellowship
- 2005-2006 **The People's Daily International News Department**
Outstanding Journalist of the Year
- 2004-2006 **The Global Times**
Most Published Foreign Correspondent Award
- May 2004 **All-China Journalists Association**
China News Award [the most prestigious journalism award in China]
- May 1993 **Sichuan International Studies University**
Second Prize Award for TEM-8 [Test for English Majors-8 is the highest level test required for all Chinese college students majoring in English]
- 1991-1992 **Sichuan International Studies University**
Outstanding Academic Achievement Award

MEDIA APPEARANCES

“Dr. Yong Tang from Western Illinois University Gives Lecture at Tsinghua University.” *The Tsinghua University Website*, June 7, 2018, available at http://news.tsinghua.edu.cn/publish/thunews/9671/2018/20180607153939336260733/20180607153939336260733_.html

“WIU Professor Translates University Website into Chinese for Recruitment Efforts.” *The Western Illinois University Website*, March 6, 2018, available at http://www.wiu.edu/news/newsrelease.php?release_id=15300

“University Chatroom featuring Yong Tang.” *WIU-TV3*, January 7, 2018, available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0lYtubp_XaQ&feature=youtu.be

“Closer to China with Robert Lawrence Kuhn on China’s People-to-People

Diplomacy.” *China Central Television*, February 7, 2016, available at <http://english.cntv.cn/2016/02/07/VIDEXWH36ANxh7Od4CJnMnSi160207.shtml>

“Journalist-turned professor brings into his American journalism classroom something Chinese.” [华人新闻从业者摇身变教授 中式新闻理念融入美国新闻教学]” *SinoVision*, February 2, 2016, available at <http://video.sinovision.net/?id=32651&cid=124&sts=1455581019846>

“Former AEJMC president to speak at WIU.” *The Western Courier* (interviewed by Pamela Peigler), March 13, 2015, Issue 66, Volume 115, p.1, available at <http://westerncourier.com/5377/news/former-aejmc-president-to-speak-at-wiu/>

“Professor Tang publishes.” *The Western Courier* (interviewed by Pamela Peigler), February 20, 2015, Issue 57, Volume 115, p.1 and p.2, available at <http://westerncourier.com/5834/news/professor-tang-publishes/>

“Yong Tang appointed visiting professor of SWUFE in China.” *The Western Illinois University Website*, January 26, 2015, available at http://www.wiu.edu/news/newsrelease.php?release_id=12248

“Graduate studies at Penn State help shape journalist-turned-educator.” *The Penn State University Website* (interviewed by Joel Wee), November 10, 2014, available at <http://news.psu.edu/story/333856/2014/11/10/academics/graduate-studies-penn-state-help-shape-journalist-turned-educator>

“Professor receives Penn State recognition.” *The Western Courier* (interviewed by Hannah Schrodtt), April 12, 2013, Issue 77, Volume 113, p.1 and p.2, available at <http://westerncourier.com/9905/news/professor-receives-penn-state-recognition/>

“Tough childhood motivates professor.” *The Western Courier* (interviewed by Alyse Thompson), September 23, 2011, Issue 14, Volume 112, p.1 and p.3, available at <http://westerncourier.com/13929/news/tough-childhood-motivates-professor/>

“I would never start writing without thorough interviews.” *The People’s Daily Online* (interviewed by Chen Cheng), September 3, 2007, available at <http://tv.people.com.cn/GB/14644/6208290.html>

Contact Information

Associate Professor of Journalism and Media Law (Tenured)
 Director of the Journalism Program
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Professional blog: <https://yongtang2015.wordpress.com>

Faculty webpage: http://www.wiu.edu/cofac/bcj/directory/yong_tang.php