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APPOINTMENTS

CORDA Democracy
Fellow, April 2026 - Present
[Interactive dashboard](#) | [2025 edition report](#)

Internet Society
Pulse Research Fellow, March 2026 - Present

Chulalongkorn University
C2F Postdoctoral Fellow, March 2026 - Present

Electric Sheep
Futurekind AI Fellow (Winter), November 2025 - March 2026
AI-focused Animal Welfare & Policy Risk Index prototype:
[Interactive dashboard](#) | [Empirical paper](#)

EDUCATION

University of Cambridge, Ph.D. in Sociology (2025)
Note: PhD intermission for one year (2022-23)

University College London, M.A. in Education, Gender & Int. Dev. (2020)

London School of Economics, M.Sc. in Sociology (2019)

University of Warwick, B.A. (Hons) in Sociology & Quan. Methods (2018)

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Centre for Reducing Suffering, Intro to S-Risk Fellowship (2026, February - March)

Bluedot, AGI Strategy Course (2025, November)

Dunin-Deshpande Innovation Centre, Queen's University, Explore Entrepreneurship (2025, April - June)

FOUNDING INITIATIVE

[AI in Society](#)
- A software-engineered web app designed for AI safety professional community with a non-paywalled Articles section exploring the societal impacts of AI and a curated opportunities board

[GrantGlobe](#)
- an automated, geographically and institutionally comprehensive global funding search engine prototype, where I am considering either to seek modest funding to cover the running costs as an open-source tool, or to scale it up as a university spinout for commercialisation

RESEARCH INTERESTS

sociology, gender studies, public health (sexual health, mental health, environmental health, social determinants of health), education, international development, public policy, geopolitics, society & technology, AI research, data science/computational social science, information science, delinquency

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Datasets

- 2026 **Snell, C., Hung, J., Wypyski, C., & Mohamed, E.** (published). "CORDA Democratic AI-Readiness Index 2025", <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/BGJ4PS>, **Harvard Dataverse**.
- Hung, J.** (published). "Gen Z, Social Media, Society & Technology (Gen Z SMST) Dataset". <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/ZYXGZV>, **Harvard Dataverse**.
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- Hung, J.** (published). "Global AI Dataset (GAID) Project", <https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/gaidproject>, **Harvard Dataverse**.
- Hung, J.** (published). "Global Artificial Intelligence Indicator Database (GAID), 1998–2025 (Version 2)", <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/PUMGYU>, **Harvard Dataverse**, V1.
- 2025 **Hung, J.** (published). "Global Artificial Intelligence Indicator Database (GAID), 1998–2025", <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/QYLYSA>, **Harvard Dataverse**, V1,
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Journal Articles

- Hung, J.** (under review). Animal Welfare and Policy Risk Index (AWPRI): Constructing and Validating a Cross-National Governance Risk Measure, 25 Countries, 2004–2022. *Journal of Applied Animal Welfare Science*.
- Hung, J. & Smith, A.** (under review). Structural barriers to social protection and HIV prevention services for sex workers in Southeast Asia: a fixed-effects panel data analysis, 2018–2025. *BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health*. <https://doi.org/10.64898/2026.04.12.26350700>.
- Hung, J. & Smith, A.** (under review). Policy Levers of HIV Control: Targeted Service Coverage, Financial Protection, and Estimated New HIV Infections in Southeast Asia, 2013–2022. *PLoS Digital Health*. <https://doi.org/10.64898/2026.04.11.26350590>.
- Hung, J. & Thongsawang, S.** (under review). From Brown to Green: An Analysis of the Strategic Transition in Chinese Development Finance and Environmental Governance in Thailand (2000–2023). *Global Environmental Politics*.
- Hung, J. & Thongsawang, S.** (under review). Post-BRI Sino-Thai Geoeconomic Relations: An Empirical Analysis of Chinese Development Finance Transition, Institutional Heterogeneity and Off-Budget Chinese Debt in Thailand (2000–2023). *Contemporary Southeast Asia*.
- Hung, J.** (under review). Trajectories and Comparative Analysis of Global Countries Dominating AI Publications, 2000–2025. *Telematics and Informatics Reports*. <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2509.25298>.
- Hung, J.** (under review). Structural Inequalities in Education in China: How Are Non-Han Chinese Students Educationally and Linguistically Disadvantaged? *Oxford Intersections: Racism by Context* [Abstract accepted on 12th June 2025]
- 2026 **Hung, J.** (published). AI Export and Digital Silk Road: A Comparative Analysis of China’s Influences on Digital Economies and Geopolitics across Southeast Asia. *Frontiers in Political Science*, 7:1685231 <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpos.2025.1685231>.
- 2025 **Hung, J.** (published). Competing for AI Talents: Comparative Analysis of AI Adoption in Asia’s Labour Markets within the Asia-Pacific Region. In Majority World, *Oxford Intersections: AI in Society*. Ed. Rachel Adams, Fola Adeleke, Urvashi Aneja, Leah Junck. Oxford, England: Oxford University Press. <https://doi.org/10.1093/9780198945215.003.0185>.
- Hung, J.** (published). Political, Economic and Population Geography of Visa-Free Travel Destinations: A Study of China’s Passport Power. *Chinese Journal of International Review*, 7(3), 1–37. <https://doi.org/10.1142/S2630531325500131>.
- Hung, J.** (published). China’s Passport Power: A Comparative Analysis of Visa-Free Access in Advanced Economies. *Frontiers in Political Science*, 7:1550833. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpos.2025.1550833>.
- Hung, J.** (published). China’s Passport Power and Belt-and-Road Initiative: An Investigation of Passport Relations. *Politics*, 45(4), 572–93. <https://doi.org/10.1177/02633957251337866>.
- 2024 **Hung, J.** (published). Policy Implications for the Nexus of Climate Change and Gender-Based Issues in Thailand: Case Study of Waste Management. *Environmental Reviews*, 32(4), 726–33. <https://doi.org/10.1139/er-2024-0050>.
- Hung, J.** (published). Transitioning to Greener Sino-Thai Belt and Road Initiative: How China Finance Thailand’s Environmental Sustainability. *Environmental Health Insights*, 18, 1–9. <https://doi.org/10.1177/11786302241258348>.
- Hung, J.** (published). Sociological and Policy Examination of Poverty-Led Crime in Indonesia: Case Study of (Child) Prostitution. *Journal of Poverty*, 30(2), 180–201. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10875549.2024.2379766>.
- 2023 **Hung, J., Chen, J. & Chen, O.** (published). The Practice of Social Protection Policies in China: A Systematic Review on How Left-Behind Children’s Mental Health Can Be Optimised. *Perspectives in Public Health*, 145(4):220–9. <https://doi.org/10.1177/17579139231205491>.
- Hung, J.** (published). Why Legalising Prostitution in Thailand Can Help Bangkok Regulate Commercial Sex and Curb Sex-Trafficking Systematically and Institutionally. *Frontiers in Sociology*, 8: 1227247. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fsoc.2023.1227247>.
- Hung, J.** (published). Indonesia’s Anti-Extramarital Sex Legislation: Why and How Should Policymakers Respond to Prostitution. *Journal of Poverty and Social Justice*, 31(3), 417–22. <https://doi.org/10.1332/175982721X16911706077120>.
- Hung, J.** (published). The Benefits, Risks and Regulation of Using ChatGPT in Chinese Academia: A Content Analysis. *Social Sciences*, 12(7): 380. <https://doi.org/10.3390/socsci12070380>.
- Hung, J.** (published). Is Psychologically Vulnerable Rural-to-Urban Migrants’ Mental Health Further at Stake under China’s Tightened COVID-19 Measures: How Should the Government Respond? *Frontiers in Sociology*, 8: 1095810. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fsoc.2023.1095810>.
- Hung, J.** (published). Pragmatic Approaches to Control Inbound Sex Tourism and Prostitution in Thailand and Cambodia: The Suggestion of Multifaceted Policy Development. *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy*, 43(11/12), 1175–89. <https://doi.org/10.1108/IJSSP-03-2023-0048>.
- Hung, J., Chen, J., & Chen, O.** (published). Are the Relationship between Mental Health Issues and Being Left-Behind Gendered in China: A Systemic Review and Meta-Analysis. *PLoS ONE*, 18(4): e0279278. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0279278>.
- 2021 **Hung, J. & Ramsden, M.** (published). The Application of Human Capital Theory and Educational Signalling Theory to Explain Parental Influences on the Chinese Population’s Social Mobility

- 2018 Opportunities. *Social Sciences*, 10(10): 362. <https://doi.org/10.3390/socsci10100362>.
Hung, J. (published). Parenting Styles, Academic Demands and Children's Psychosocial Well-being: Why Today's Hong Kong Chinese Students Are So Stressed. *The Columbia Journal of Global Health*, 8(2), 1-5. <https://doi.org/10.7916/thejgh.v8i2.4854>.

Books

- 2024 **Hung J.** (published). *Left-Behind Children's Juvenile Delinquency and Substance Abuse in China: Policy Examination and Analysis*. Singapore: **Springer**.
Hung, J. (published). *Visiting Sexual Exploitation: How Should Indonesia Strengthen Its Policies to Curb Sex Work in Response to Its Extramarital Sex Criminalisation*. Singapore: **ISEAS Publishing**.
Hung, J. (published). *Legalising Prostitution in Thailand: A Policy-Oriented Examination of the (De-)Construction of Commercial Sex*. Singapore: **Springer**.
2023 **Hung, J.** (published). *Indonesian and Philippine Media on China and COVID-19*. New York, N.Y.: **Routledge**.
Hung, J. (published). *The Socially Constructed and Reproduced Youth Delinquency in Southeast Asia: Advancing Positive Youth Involvement in Sustainable Futures*. London: **Emerald Group Publishing**.

Book Chapters

- 2023 **Hung, J.** (published). How Southeast Asian Countries Can Better Arrange and Deliver Internet Policies so as to Defy Digital Divide. In Danica Radovanovic (eds.), *Digital Literacy and Inclusion: Stories, Platforms, Communities* (pp. 61-77). Cham: **Springer**. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-30808-6_5.
Hung, J. (published). Digital Education, Academic Performance, and Mental Health: How Can Chinese Students' Development Be Facilitated While Engaging in E-Learning. In Christine Coombe, Jacqueline Stephen and Georgios Vlasios Kormpas (eds.), *Global Perspectives on Higher Education: From Crisis to Opportunity* (pp. 485-94). Cham: **Springer**. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-31646-3_32.

Dissertation

- 2024 **Hung, J.** (deposited). Point-Based *Hukou* Policy Direction: An Examination of Reproduction of Social Inequalities in China, 2010-14 [Doctoral thesis]. <https://www.repository.cam.ac.uk/handle/1810/393248>.

Editorial

- 2023 **Hung J.** (published) How to Capitalise on Media Communications to Promote Mental Healthcare for Left-Behind Children in China. *International Journal of Public Health*, 68: 1606023. <https://doi.org/10.3389/ijph.2023.1606023>.

Book Reviews

- 2022 **Hung, J.** (published). How the Application of Satellite Imagery Offers New Opportunities to Explore China's Urbanisation and Development. *Quality and Quantity*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11135-022-01588-2>.
Hung, J. (published). Critical Review on the Trajectory of Educational Policymaking and How Migrant Children Have Been Affected in China. *Fudan Journal of the Humanities and Social Sciences*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40647-022-00357-7>.

Working Papers

- 2021 **Hung, J.** (published). How Will Final-Stage Clinical Trial Results of Chinese COVID-19 Vaccines Impact on China-Indonesia Vaccine Diplomacy. *Issues & Insights Vol. 21 Working Paper 11*. Washington, D.C.: Pacific Forum.
Hung, J. (published). The Climate of Civil Disobedience: How Different Parties Have Capitalised on Liberal Studies as a Political Instrument under Hong Kong's Secondary Education Curriculum. *Issues & Insights Vol. 20 Working Paper 1*. Washington, D.C.: Pacific Forum.

Policy Papers

- 2021 **Hung, J.** (published). Under the Hong Kong's National Security Law, How Can Western Democratic Countries Support Politically Persecuted, Exiled Anti-Beijing Dissidents. *Oxford Monitor of Forced Migration*, 10(1), 133-40.
2020 **Hung, J.** (published). COVID-19 and Protests Need Not Cripple Tourism-Heavy Hong Kong. *PacNet Commentary*, No. 15.
Hung, J. (published). How Hong Kong Hurts Itself by Financially Excluding Foreign Domestic Workers. *PacNet Commentary*, No. 5.
2019 **Hung, J.** (published). The Prison Crisis in England and Wales: How Those Incarcerated are Psychosocially Harmed? *Cornell Policy Review*. Retrieved from <http://www.cornellpolicyreview.com/the-prison-crisis-in-england-and-wales-how-incarcerated-populations-are-psychosocially-harmed/?pdf=5131>
2018 **Hung, J.** (published). Immigration Removal Centres in England and Wales: Ensuring the Safety and Well-being of Immigration Detainees. *Cornell Policy Review*. Retrieved from

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<http://www.cornellpolicyreview.com/immigration-removal-centers/?pdf=4724>

Commentaries

- 2021 **Hung, J.** (published). Why Taiwan Should Develop Exclusive Refugee Laws for Hong Kong Political Asylum Seekers as to Defy Beijing's Interference. *Contemporary Chinese Political Economy and Strategic Relations*, 7(1), 173-85.
- Hung, J.** (published). In China's 'Vaccine Diplomacy' with the Philippines, Both Sides Are Taking Big Risks. *East-West Wire*. Honolulu, H.A.: East-West Centre.
- 2020 **Hung, J.** (published). Civil Liberties Are Rotten in the Aftermath of the Hong Kong's Social-Political Unrest (2019-20): A Discussion on the City's Financial (Un)Sustainability. *Contemporary Chinese Political Economy and Strategic Relations*, 6(3), 1445-55.

Other Peer-Reviewed Publications

- 2021 **Hung, J.** (published). Indonesia's Sinovac Rollout Sets High Stakes for China's Vaccine Diplomacy. *East Asia Forum*. Canberra: Australia National University Press.
- 2018 **Hung, J.** (published). Urban Paradise Actually Purgatory for China's Migrant Workers. *East Asia Forum*. Canberra: Australia National University Press.

SELECTED RESEARCH GRANTS (COMPUTE)

- 2026 **Lambda**—Research Grant (US\$2,000)
Cohere Labs—Catalyst Grants (US\$1,000)

SELECTED FUNDING

- 2023 **Institute for Humane Studies (HIS)**—Graduate Sabbatical Grant (US\$15,000)
- 2022 **Academia Sinica**—Fellowships for Doctoral Candidates in the Humanities and Social Sciences (US\$16,300)
Sino-British Fellowship Trust (SBFT)—Grant (£7,000)
United Nations University (UNU)—UNU-IIGH Global Health PhD Fellowship (US\$6,000)
- 2021 **Universities' China Committee in London (UCCL)**—UCCL Doctoral Research Grant (£2,000)
- 2019 **Rotary International**—Rotary Global Grant Scholarship (US\$36,000)
University College London (UCL)—UCL Hong Kong Scholarship Fund (£5,000)
- 2017 **Tsinghua University**—Summer Exchange Scholarship (£2,000)

SELECTED HONOUR(S) & AWARD(S)

- 2026 **Runner-Up of Inaugural Micsion Global Scholarship & Fellowship 2026**—One of the five global winners from thousands of applicants across 36 countries, where I represented the "Research & Advocacy" track.
- 2022 **University of Oxford, Social Sciences Division**—One of the 100 Global Leadership Challenge (CLC) Emerging Leaders

SELECTED RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

- 2023-24 Funded Researcher, **Institute for Humane Studies** (for an exploratory project/pilot study across Thailand)
- 2022-23 Fellow, **Harvard University**, Asia Centre
- 2022-23 Visiting Doctoral Fellow, **Academia Sinica**, Institute of Sociology
- 2022 Global Health Ph.D. Fellow, **United Nations University**, International Institute for Global Health
- 2022 Paid Intern, **Asian Development Bank**, East Asia Department
- 2019-20 Young Leaders Fellow, **Pacific Forum**
- 2019 Visiting Student Researcher, **Stanford University**, Rural Education Action Programme
- 2019 Socioeconomic Transformation Intern, **United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific**
- 2018 Visiting Student Researcher, **UC Berkeley**, School of Public Health
- 2017 Research Assistant, **University of Warwick**, Department of Sociology

TEACHING

- 2021-22 Undergraduate Supervisor, **University of Cambridge**, Department of Sociology
Taught Module: Paper Soc 13: Health, Medicine and Society
- 2021-22 Undergraduate Supervisor, **University of Cambridge**, Department of Sociology
Taught Module: Paper Soc 3: Global Social Problems

PRESENTATIONS

- 2026 IEEE International Conference on Responsible Artificial Intelligence (IRAI) 2026 (*Title: Benchmarking Open-Weight Foundation Models for Global AI Technical Governance*), **IEEE IES**, Melbourne, Australia (forthcoming; paper accepted for conference presentation in September 2026)
- 2022 17th Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies (*Title: Government Disorganisation, Vaccine Hesitancy and Public Dissatisfaction in Thailand: How the Poor Arrangement and*

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- 2020 *Delivery of Mass Inoculation Would Harm the Thai Economy*), **National University of Singapore**, Singapore
- 2020 The British Association for Chinese Studies (BACS) Conference (*Title: Social Barriers to, and Gender Gaps in, Educational Attainment Faced by Rural Citizens in China*), **King's College London**, United Kingdom
- 2019 Asian Conference on Education (*Title: Internal Migration in China: Are Rural Migrant Workers Uniquely Socially Vulnerable?*), **Tokyo**, Japan
- 2019 International Graduate Student Conference (*Title: Psychosocial Wellbeing among Rural-Urban Migrant Workers in China: Did the 2008 Financial Crisis Worsen their Vulnerability?*), **East-West Centre**, H.A., United States
- 2018 Development in Asia-Research Conference (*Title: Educational Investment and Sociopsychological Wellbeing among Rural Chinese Women*), **Yale-NUS College**, Singapore
- 2017 International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Science Studies (*Title: Good Muslim, Bad Muslim: The Existence or Absence of Cultural Tolerance towards American Muslims in Los Angeles?*), **St. Anne College, University of Oxford**, United Kingdom
- 2016 International Conference of Undergraduate Research (*Title: Refugee Crisis in British Newspapers*), **University of Warwick**, United Kingdom

WEBINAR(S)

- 2022 Webinar Topic: Review of the People's Republic of China (PRC) Elderly Care Projects, **Asian Development Bank**, East Asia Department

RESEARCH GRANT REVIEWS

- 2026 **AI4PG 2026** (Selected as one of the reviewers for the AI for Decision Making in Public Goods Grants Programme 2026)
- 2025 **UKRI Metascience AI Early Career Fellowships** (Reviewed and scored 10 UKRI grant applications)

SELECTED LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY SERVICES EXPERIENCE

- 2021 Fully-Funded Delegate, **Yenching Global Symposium**, Peking Academy, Peking University
- 2021 Fully-Funded Delegate, **Forum for American-Chinese Exchange Stanford**, Stanford University & Peking University
- 2020-21 Co-founder, **Book4Kids**, Asia & Tanzania
Description: Co-founded a social initiative known as Book4Kids to contact Asia's donors who were willing to give out second-hand English kid books, collected the donations, and shipped them to Tanzania for orphans to learn English
- 2019-20 CGI U Commitment Maker, **Clinton Global Initiative University (CGI U)**, **Clinton Foundation**
- 2016-18 Co-founder, **The Gateway**, Coventry, United Kingdom
Description: Co-founded a social initiative known as the Gateway to provide soft skills development and work placement opportunities to refugees and asylum seekers
- 2015-16 Visiting Primary School Teacher, **Earlsdon Primary**, Coventry, United Kingdom

SOFTWARE

STATA; Python

REFEREES

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