

Curriculum vitae

Education

PhD, East Asian Languages and Civilizations (Harvard, 2007)

MA, Chinese Studies (Auckland, 1995)

BMus, Composition (Auckland, 1989)

Academic Appointments

Professor of Buddhist Studies, Cluster of Excellence "Asia and Europe in a Global Context",
University of Heidelberg, 2018

Associate Professor in Religious Studies, Victoria University of Wellington, School of Art History,
Classics and Religious Studies, 2005-2017

Alexander Von Humboldt Research Fellowship for Experienced Researchers, University of Hamburg
Numata Center for Buddhist Studies, 2015

Numata Visiting Professorship in Buddhist Studies, University of Hamburg Numata Center for
Buddhist Studies, 2013-2014

Visiting Associate Professor, Kyoto University Graduate School of Human and Environmental Studies,
2009

International Research Collaborations

"The Encounter of Chinese Buddhists with Indian Yogācāra Texts: A Comparative Study of Indian and
Chinese Commentaries on Vasubandhu's Twenty Verses (Viṃśikā)." Led by Prof. Lin Chen-kuo
(Chengchi U., Taipei). NT\$2,689,080 (US\$88,912). Funded by the Sheng Yen Education Foundation.
Four scholars. 2014-2017.

"Negotiating Modernity: Buddhism between Tibet and China." Led by Profs. John Makeham (ANU),
John Powers (ANU) and Jay Garfield (Smith/ Melbourne). AU\$540,000 spread over three years.
Funded by the Australian Research Council. Fourteen scholars. 2011-2013. (Withdrew.)

"Indian Buddhist Thought in Sixth and Seventh Century China." Led by Prof. Lin Chen-kuo, Chengchi
University, Taipei. Funded by the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation. Approx. fifteen scholars. 2010-2012.

"Paramartha and His Times." Led by Prof. Funayama Tōru, Kyoto University. 29 scholars. 2006-2011.

Other Teaching

Victoria University of Wellington

- Reli 103, Introduction to Asian Religions, 2005-2016
- Reli 108, The World's Religions, 2008, 2014, 2016, 2017
- Reli 110, Myth and Ritual, 2012

- Reli 206, Introduction to Buddhism, 2005-2017
- Reli 327, Special Topic: The Body in Religion, 2009
- Reli 425, Advanced Studies in Asian Religions, 2005, 2006, 2009
- Reli 427, Advanced Studies in Religious Texts, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2014, 2017
- Reli 424, Advanced Studies in Religion and Society, 2012, 2013, 2016
- Guest lectures: Reli 108, Reli 301, Reli 322, Reli 210, Reli 305, Asia 101, Japa 221, Chin 112, Reli 110, Reli 106; Ttxt 201, 2005-2014

University of Hamburg, 2013-2014

- Buddhism in China 381-581
- Issues in the Study of the *Mahāparinirvāṇa-mahāsūtra*

Harvard University

- Various Teaching Fellow (Teaching Assistant) positions, 2002-2005

Graduate Student Supervision (Completed)

PhD

Benno Blaschke. "Consciousness of God as God Is: The Phenomenology of Christian Centering Prayer." 2017. Recipient of a Dean's award.

Atsushi Iseki. "The Presentation Form of the Inference in Dharmakīrti." Primary supervisor. 2014.

David James (David Murphy). "Māori Orality and Extended Cognition: A Cognitive Approach to Memory and Oral Tradition in the Pacific." Second supervisor. 2014.

Donna Hendry. "Religion, Ethnicity and Identity in Burma." Ph.D. Second supervisor. 2012.

Wil Hoverd. "Gluttony & Sloth: The Moral Politics of Obesity Discourse." Primary supervisor. 2011.

Andrew Mahoney. "The Evolutionary Origin and Biological Utility of Supernatural Expertise." Second supervisor. 2011.

External Professional Service

Member, Board of Consulting Editors, Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, 2015-present

Member, Advisory Board, Oxford Translations of Chinese Thought Series, 2015-present

Member, Editorial Board, Singaporean Journal of Buddhist Studies, 2012-present

Member, Executive Committee, Australasian Association of Buddhist Studies, 2012-present

Member of External Review Board, Theology and Religious Studies, University of Otago, 2014

Treasurer, New Zealand Asian Studies Society, 2009-2012

Peer reviewing

University of Hamburg Buddhist Studies Series (University of Hamburg Press),

Austrian Science Fund, *Brill's Encyclopedia of Buddhism*, *Oxford Journal of Buddhist Studies*,

Buddhist Studies Review, Central Asiatic Journal, New Zealand Journal of Asian Studies, Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, Singaporean Journal of Buddhist Studies, Indo-Iranian Journal, Relegere, Taida Foxue yanjiu 臺大佛學研究.

Scholarships, Prizes, Research Grants

- Alexander von Humboldt Foundation Fellowship for Advanced Researchers, 2015
- VUW Contestable Research Grant for two weeks' travel to Kyōto to collect materials for Paramārtha research project, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Victoria University of Wellington, 2006
- Departmental Fellowship, East Asian Languages and Civilizations, Harvard University, 2000-2005
- CUE (Bok Center) Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University, Spring 2003
- University of Auckland Masters Scholarship, 1995

Research Languages

English, classical Chinese, Sanskrit, Pali, classical Tibetan, Mandarin, Japanese, German, French, Italian.

Other Languages

Te Reo Māori (intermediate).

Professional Memberships

- International Association of Buddhist Studies
- Indogaku Bukkyōgaku Kenkyūkai 印度学佛教学研究会 (Japanese Association of Indian and Buddhist Studies)
- Society for the Study of Chinese Religions
- New Zealand Asian Studies Society
- Australasian Association of Buddhist Studies

Selected publications

Radich, Michael. "The **Suvarṇabhāṣottama-sūtra*." In *Buddhist Stone Sutras in China. Sichuan Province, Volume 5: Wofuyuan Section E-F*, edited by Manuel Sassmann and Sun Hua 孫華, 64-91. Chinese translation: He Shuqun 何書群, "Wofuyuan ben *Jin guangming jing*" 卧佛院本《金光明經》, 42-63. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag/Hangzhou: China Academy of Art Press, 2021.

Campbell, Duncan, Stephen McDowall and Michael Radich, trans. "Yellow Mountain Travels: Four Accounts." *New Zealand Journal of Asian Studies* 23, no. 2 (2021): 1-22.

Lin Qian and Michael Radich. "A Computer-assisted Analysis of Zhu Fonian's Original Mahāyāna Sutras." *Buddhist Studies Review* 38, no. 2 (2021): 145-168.

Zacchetti, Stefano. *The Da zhidu lun 大智度論 (*Mahāprajñāpāramitopadeśa) and the History of the Larger Prajñāpāramitā: Patterns of Textual Variation in Mahāyāna Sūtra Literature*. Edited for posthumous publication by Michael Radich and Jonathan Silk. Hamburg Buddhist Studies 14. Hamburg: Numata Center for Buddhist Studies; Bochum/Freiburg: projekt verlag, 2021.

Lin Qian 林乾 and He Shuqun 何书群 [Michael Radich]. "Zhu Fonian suo 'yi' dasheng jingdian de jisuanji fuzhu wenben fenxi yanjiu" 竺佛念所"译"大乘经典的计算机辅助文本分析研究. *Shijie zongjiao wenhua* 世界宗教文化 (2020), no. 6: 16-22.

"Reading the Writing on the Wall: 'Sengchou's' Cave at Xiaonanhai, Early Chinese Buddhist Meditation, and Unique Portions of *Dharmakṣema's *Mahāparinirvāṇa-mahāsūtra*." *Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies* 42 (2019 [2020]): 515-632.

"Was the *Mahāparinirvāṇa-sūtra* 大般涅槃經 T7 Translated by 'Faxian'? An Exercise in the Computer-Assisted Assessment of Attributions in the Chinese Buddhist Canon." *Hualin International Journal of Buddhist Studies: E-journal* 2, no. 1 (2019): 229-279.

Radich, Michael, and Diamantis Panagiotopoulos. "Editorial Note." *The Journal of Transcultural Studies* 10, no. 2 (2019): vii-xiv.

"Fei Changfang's Treatment of Sengyou's Anonymous Texts." *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 139, no. 4 (2019): 819-841.

"Kumārajīva's 'Voice'?" In *China and the World—the World and China: A Transcultural Perspective*, edited by Barbara Mittler, Joachim and Natascha Gentz and Catherine Vance Yeh, 131-145.

Deutsche Ostasienstudien 37. Gossenberg: Ostasien Verlag, 2019.

He Shuqun 何書群 [Michael Radich]. "Zhu Fahu shifou xiuding guo T474?" 竺法護是否修訂過 T474? *Foguang xuebao* 佛光學報, n.s., 5, no. 2 (2019): 15-38.

Silk, Jonathan A., editor-in chief. Richard Bowring, Vincent Eltschinger, and Michael Radich, editors. *Brill's Encyclopedia of Buddhism. Volume II: Lives*. Leiden: Brill, 2019.

Keng Ching and Michael Radich. "Paramārtha." In *Brill's Encyclopedia of Buddhism. Volume II: Lives*, edited by Jonathan A. Silk (editor-in chief), Richard Bowring, Vincent Eltschinger, and Michael Radich, 752-758. Leiden: Brill, 2019.

"A Triad of Texts from Fifth-Century Southern China: The **Mahāmāyā-sūtra*, the *Guoqu xianzai yinguo jing*, and a *Mahāparinirvāṇa-sūtra* ascribed to Faxian." *Journal of Chinese Religions* 46, no. 1 (2018): 1-41. DOI: 10.1080/0737769X.2018.1435370.

"On the *Ekottarikāgama* 增壹阿含經 T 125 as a Work of Zhu Fonian 竺佛念." *Journal of Chinese Buddhist Studies* 30 (2017): 1-31.

"Problems of Attribution, Style, and Dating Relating to the "Great Cloud *Sūtras*" in the Chinese Buddhist Canon (T 387, T 388/S.6916)." In *Buddhist Transformations and Interactions: Papers in Honor of Antonino Forte*, edited by Victor Mair, Tansen Sen, and Chen Jinhua, 235-289. Amherst, NY: Cambria Press, 2017

"Were the *Ekottarika-āgama* 增壹阿含經 T 125 and the *Madhyama-āgama* 中阿含經 T 26 Translated by the Same Person? An Assessment on the Basis of Translation Style." In *Research on the Madhyama-āgama*, edited by Dhammadinnā, 209-237. Dharma Drum Institute of Liberal Arts Research Series 5. Taipei: Dharma Drum Publishing Corporation, 2017 (with Anālayo Bhikkhu).

"Perfected Embodiment: A Buddhist-Inspired Challenge to Contemporary Theories of the Body." In *Refiguring the Body: Embodiment in South Asian Religions*, edited by Barbara A. Holdrege and Karen Pechelis, 17-58. Albany, NY: SUNY Press, 2016.

"Pure Mind in India: Indian Background to Paramārtha's **Amalavijñāna*." *Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies* 39 (2016): 249-308.

"Chō toshite no tamashii, arui wa chō no tamashii 蝶としての魂 あるいは蝶の魂 [Butterfly Souls]." Special Issue for the Retirement of Professor Shingū Kazushige 新宮一成教授 退職記念号. *Ningen sonzairon* 人間存在論/*Menschenontologie* 22 (2016): 17-27.

"A 'Prehistory' to Chinese Debates on the Survival of Death by the Spirit, with a Focus on the Term *shishen* 識神/*shenshi* 神識." *Journal of Chinese Religions* 44, no. 2 (2016): 105-126.

"Tibetan Evidence for the Sources of Chapters of the Synoptic *Suvarṇaprabhāsottama-sūtra* T664 Ascribed to Paramārtha." *Buddhist Studies Review* 32, no. 2 (2015): 245-270.

The Mahāparinirvāṇa-mahāsūtra and the Emergence of Tathāgatagarbha Doctrine. Hamburg Buddhist Studies 5. Edited by Michael Zimmermann. Hamburg: Hamburg University Press, 2015.
Review of *The Body Incantatory: Spells and the Ritual Imagination in Medieval Chinese Buddhism*, by Paul Copp. Sheng Yen Series in Buddhist Studies. New York: Columbia University Press, 2014. *Tang Studies* 33 (2015): 91-110.

"*Tathāgatagarbha* Scriptures." In *Brill's Encyclopedia of Buddhism, Volume One: Literature and Languages*, edited by Jonathan Silk, Oskar von Hinüber, and Vincent Eltschinger, 261-273. Leiden: Brill, 2015.

Lin, Chen-kuo and Michael Radich, eds. *A Distant Mirror: Articulating Indic Ideas in Sixth and Seventh Century Chinese Buddhism*. Hamburg: Hamburg University Press, 2014.

Radich, Michael. "Ideas about 'Consciousness' in Fifth and Sixth Century Chinese Buddhist Debates on the Survival of Death by the Spirit, and the Chinese Background to **Amalavijñāna*." In *A Distant*

Mirror: Articulating Indic Ideas in Sixth and Seventh Century Chinese Buddhism, edited by Chen-kuo Lin and Michael Radich, 471-512. Hamburg: Hamburg University Press, 2014.

Radich, Michael and Chen-kuo Lin. "Introduction." In *A Distant Mirror: Articulating Indic Ideas in Sixth and Seventh Century Chinese Buddhism*, edited by Chen-kuo Lin and Michael Radich, 15-31.

Hamburg: Hamburg University Press, 2014.

"On the Sources, Style and Authorship of Chapters of the Synoptic *Suvarṇaprabhāsottama-sūtra* T664 Ascribed to Paramārtha (Part 1)." *Annual Report of The International Research Institute for Advanced Buddhology* 17 (2014): 207-244.

"Immortal Buddhas and Their Indestructible Embodiments: The Advent of the Concept of *Vajrakāya*." *Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies* 34 (2011 [2013]): 227-290.

"External Evidence Relating to Works Ascribed to Paramārtha, with a Focus on Traditional Chinese Catalogues." In *Shintai sanzō kenkyū ronshū* 真諦三藏研究論集 [*Studies of the Works and Influence of Paramartha*], edited by Funayama Tōru 船山徹, 39-102[L]. Kyoto: Kyōto daigaku jinbun kagaku kenkyūjo/Institute for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University, 2012.

How Ajātaśatru Was Reformed: The Domestication of "Ajase" and Stories in Buddhist History. Studia Philologica Buddhica Monograph Series XXVII. Tokyo: The International Institute for Buddhist Studies, 2011.

"Embodiments of the Buddha in Sarvāstivāda Doctrine: With Special Reference to the **Mahāvibhāṣā*." *Annual Report of The International Research Institute for Advanced Buddhology* 13 (2010): 121-172

"Budda no 'karada' ['Bodies' of the Buddha]." *Jinkan Forum* ['Forum', Bulletin of the Graduate School of Human and Environmental Studies, Kyoto University] 26 (2010): 48-53.

"The Doctrine of **Amalavijñāna* in Paramārtha (499-569), and Later Authors to Approximately 800 C.E." *Zinbun* 41 (2008): 45-174.

"Problems and Opportunities in the Study of the Bodies of the Buddha", *New Zealand Journal of Asian Studies* 9, 1 (June, 2007): 46-69.

"Being Irrational": Lacan, the Objet a, and the Golden Mean (Tokyo: Gakujū Shoin, 2004), translation of Shingū Kazushige, Rakan no seishinbunseki (Kōdansha).

"*Shōbōgenzō* 'Kaiin zanmai'." Translated with Carl Bielefeldt, *Dharma Eye*, No. 14 (Spring, 2004).