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**EDUCATION**

**University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)**

PhD in Sociology Anticipated June 2025  
Dissertation: Labor Migration Regimes in Japan: A Three-Step Pathway to Permanent Residence, and Precarious Labor for All  
Committee: Professor Rubén Hernández-León (Chair), Professor Roger Waldinger, Professor Min Zhou, Professor Gracia Liu-Farrer (Waseda University, Japan)

**Kobe University, Japan**

MA in Culture and Globalization 2015  
Thesis: Japan's Technical Intern Training Program (TITP) in Practice: Interviews with Chinese Interns (written in Japanese)

**Qingdao University, China**

BA in Japanese 2011

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

Li Rosenberg, Qiaoyan. 2023. "The Control and Agency Dialectic of Guest Worker Programmes: Evidence from Chinese Construction Workers in Japan's Technical Intern Training Program (TITP)." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, May, 1-19.

<https://doi.org/10.1080/1369183X.2023.2208739>

- 2022 Notehelfer Prize for the Best Unpublished Paper by UCLA Terasaki Center for Japanese Studies.

**Public Writing**

Holbrow, Hilary J., and **Qiaoyan Li Rosenberg**. "Japan has to do more for migrant rights than drop 'intern' label." *Nikkei Asia*, March 1, 2024.

<https://asia.nikkei.com/Opinion/Japan-has-to-do-more-for-migrant-rights-than-drop-intern-label>

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

UCLA Dissertation Year Award	2024 – 2025
Philanthropic Educational Organization (P.E.O.) Chapter GA Scholarship (declined)	2024 – 2025
UCLA Center for the Study of Women Paula Stone Legal Research Fellowship	2023 – 2024
Association for Asian Studies Conference Japan Studies Graduate Student Travel Grant	2024
UCLA Terasaki Center for Japanese Studies Sasakawa Graduate Fellowship	2023 – 2024

UCLA Department of Sociology Summer Fellowship	2021, 2023
UCLA Department of Sociology Dorothy L. Meier Dissertation Fellowship	2023 – 2024
Fulbright - Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad	2020 – 2021
Japan Foundation Doctoral Fellowship Program (declined)	2020 – 2021
UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship	2019 – 2020
UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship	2019
UCLA Burkle Center Alice Belkin Memorial Scholarship	2018 – 2019
UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship (declined)	2018
UCLA Terasaki Center for Japanese Studies Herbert and Helen Kawahara Fellowship	2018
UCLA Asia Pacific Center Hiroshi Wagatsuma Memorial Fellowship	2018
UCLA Department of Sociology Graduate Student Fellowship	2017 – 2018
Japan Nitori International Scholarship	2014 – 2015
Japan-China Friendship Association Shimonoseki City Mayor Prize	2010
Shimonoseki City University, Japan International Communication Friendship Prize	2010
Qingdao University Honor of A Distinguished Student	2009
Qingdao University Sumitomo Corporation Scholarship	2008 – 2009

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“A Semi-Skilled Guest Worker Regime: Specified Skilled Workers (SSW) in Japan,” American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, August 2023.

“The Control and Agency Dialectic of a Guest Worker Program: Evidence from Chinese Construction Workers in Japan’s Technical Intern Training Program (TITP),” Japan Association for Migration Policy Studies (JAMPS) Annual Meeting, May 2022.

“The Control and Agency Dialectic of Guest Worker Program: Evidence from Chinese Construction Workers in Japan’s Technical Intern Training Program (TITP),” Chicago Ethnography Conference hosted by University of Wisconsin-Madison (virtually), April 2022.

“Guest Worker Program in Japan: Chinese Workers’ Mobility in Constructing the 2020 Olympic Games’ Infrastructure,” American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, August 2020.

### **INVITED TALKS**

“Labor Migration in East Asia: Chinese Migrant Workers in Japan’s Guest Worker Program,” UCLA Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), April 2022.

### **GUEST LECTURES**

“The Control and Agency Dialectic of Guest Worker Programmes: Evidence from Chinese Construction Workers in Japan’s Technical Intern Training Program (TITP),” Professor Tetsu Sakurai’s graduate seminar at Kobe University, Japan, July 2023.

## **WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS**

“Punish and Criminalize a Female Migrant Worker in Japan: A Case Study of Forbidden Pregnancy and Isolated Childbirth,” Migration Working Group Meeting in the Department of Sociology at UCLA, March 2024.

"The Specified Skilled Worker (SSW) Regime in Japan: A Three-Step Pathway to Permanent Residence, And Precarious Labor For All," Migration Working Group Meeting in the Department of Sociology at UCLA, November 2023.

"Guest Worker Program in Japan: Chinese Workers' Mobility in the Construction of the 2020 Olympic Games' Infrastructure," Migration Working Group Meeting in the Department of Sociology at UCLA, May 2019.

## **UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **UCLA Department of Sociology**

#### Teaching Fellow

- Sociology of the Body Winter 2022
- Sociology of Mental Illness Fall 2021

#### Teaching Associate

- Comparative Acculturation and Assimilation Spring 2021
- Comparative Immigration Winter 2021
- Sociology of Emotions Fall 2020

#### Teaching Assistant

- Occupations and Professions Spring 2019
- Economy and Society Winter 2019
- Sociological Theory Fall 2018

### **Kobe University, Japan, Graduate School of Intercultural Studies**

#### Teaching Assistant

- Global Justice Seminar Fall 2013 – Spring 2014

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Fulbright Research Fellow at Waseda University, Japan 2022 – 2023  
Title: Labor Migration in East Asia: Control Labor Mobility in Japan's Guest Worker Program

UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship with Professor Rubén Hernández-León 2019 – 2020  
Title: Labor migration from China and Vietnam to Japan

UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship with Professor Rubén Hernández-León 2019  
Title: Guestwork Program in Japan: A Perspective of Migration Industry and the Sending State

UCLA Department of Sociology Master's Thesis Research 2017 – 2019  
Title: Guest Worker Program in Japan: Chinese Workers' Mobility in Constructing the 2020 Olympic Games' Infrastructure

## **SERVICES**

UCLA Department of Sociology Migration Working Group: Coordinator 2023 – 2024

BOND, a NPO for Migrants and Refugees in Japan: Volunteer 2022 – 2023

Kobe University, Japan, International Student Committee: Tutor 2013 – 2014

## **LANGUAGES**

Chinese (native), English (proficient), Japanese (proficient)

## **RERERENCES**

Professor Rubén Hernández-León  
Full Professor at UCLA Department of Sociology, Dissertation Committee Chair  
[rubenhl@soc.ucla.edu](mailto:rubenhl@soc.ucla.edu); 310-825-3059

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