

# Yi-Chun Chien

No. 64, Sec. 2, Zhinan Rd., Wenshan District, Taipei,  
Taiwan 116

Tel: +886-2-2939-3091

[ychien@nccu.edu.tw](mailto:ychien@nccu.edu.tw)

<https://www.yichunchien.com/>

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

---

- National Chengchi University, Taiwan** **Aug 2019-present**  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science
- University of Ottawa, Canada** **2019**  
Postdoctoral Fellow, School of Political Studies and Research Chair in Taiwan Studies

## EDUCATION

---

- University of Toronto, Canada** **March 2019**  
*PhD, Department of Political Science*  
Dissertation: *Rights to Settle: Comparing Migrant Care Worker Policies in Taiwan and South Korea*  
Committee: Ito Peng (co-chair), Joseph Wong (co-chair), Phil Triadafilopoulos
- University of Toronto, Canada** **Nov 2010**  
*Master of Arts, Department of Political Science*
- National Taiwan University, Taiwan** **June 2005**  
*Bachelor of Arts, Department of Political Science*

## PUBLICATIONS

---

### Journal Articles

- 2023 "All Are Not Equal: Taiwanese Public Opinion on Southeast Asian Immigration." (with Timothy Rich, Eliassen, Einhorn and Dahmer) *International Journal of Taiwan Studies*, Vol 6, pp.60-81.
- 2021 "‘We Are Not Foreigners’: Constructing Migrant Subjects through Korean Chinese Migrants’ Claims-Making in South Korea." (with Yang-Sook Kim) *International Journal of Korean History*, Vol 26, Issue 2, p.11-38.
- 2020 "Culture or context? Comparing recent trajectories of eldercare development in China and Taiwan." (with Alex Payette) *Asian Journal of Social Science*, Vol 48, Issue 3/4, pp. 227-249
- 2018 "The Struggle for Recognition: The Politics of Migrant Care Worker Policies in Taiwan," *Critical Sociology*, Vol 44, Issue 7/8, 2018. pp. 1147–1161
- 2017 "The Making of ‘Skilled’ Overseas Koreans: Transformation of Visa Policies for Co-Ethnic Migrants in South Korea," (with Sohoon Lee), *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, Vol. 43, Issue 13, pp.

2193-2210.

*In French*

2021 "Le care pour les personnes âgées en République populaire de Chine et à Taiwan: une question de culture?" (with Alex Payette) *Asiatische Studien/Études Asiatiques*, Vol 74, Issue 4, pp. 853-608

**Book Chapters**

*Forthcoming* "Migrant Care Worker Policies in Taiwan and South Korea." in *Migration and Citizenship: Political Science, Policies and Research in Global Comparative Perspective*, edited by Yasmeen Abu-Laban, Mireille Paquet, and Ethel Tungohan, McGill-Queens University Press

*Forthcoming* "Care Migration in Taiwan and South Korea." In the *Handbook on Migration in Asia*, edited by Nana Oishi, Maria Asis and Binod Khadra, Edward Elgar Publishing

*Forthcoming* "Korean-Chinese, Ethnic Nationalism and the Politics of Identity in South Korea," with Yang-Sook Kim In *South Korea and the Politics of Ethnic Nationalism*, edited by Timothy C. Lim, Lynne Rienner Publishers.

2018 "Not all in the same family: Diverging approaches to family policy in East Asia" with Ito Peng, in *Handbook of Child and Family Policy*, edited by Guðný Björk Eydal and Tine Rostgaard, Edward Elgar Publishing.

**Edited Volume**

2017 *Emotions, Community, Citizenship: Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives*, co-edited with Rebecca Kingston, Kiran Banerjee, James McKee and Constantine Christos Vassiliou, University of Toronto Press.

**Work in Progress**

- "Care Citizenship? the development of migrant care worker policy in Taiwan"
- "When the Migrant Caregiver Needs Care: The Plight of Pregnant Migrant Caregivers in Taiwan"
- "The End of the Regional Regime or Late Developers' Advantages? Changing Migration Policies and Transnational Social Protection for Migrants in East Asia" (with Nana Oishi)

**RESEARCH GRANTS**

---

2023-2026 **The Developmental Migration State: A Comparative Study of Japan, South Korea and Taiwan**

The Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan  
Principal investigator (PI)

2020-2023 **Care and International Migration: A Comparative Study of the Migrant Care Worker Policies in East Asia**

The Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan  
Principal investigator (PI)

2016 **Rights to Settle? Comparing Migrant Care Worker Policies in Taiwan and South Korea**

Doctoral Fellowship, Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange  
Taipei, Taiwan

2015 **Korea Foundation Fellowship for Field Research**

2014 **Asiatic Research Institute Fellowship for Northeast Asian Studies**  
Research Fellow, Korea University, South Korea

## **AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS**

---

2020/ 2021 Excellent Teaching Award for Undergraduate Core Course in English: Comparative Government  
2019 Dr. Lincoln M. Alexander Award by the Cambridge Society, Canada  
2017-2018 China Times Cultural Foundation Young Scholar Award  
2016 Doctoral Associate Fellowship, Centre for Global Social Policy, University of Toronto  
2015-2016 Doctoral Completion Award, Faculty of Arts and Science, University of Toronto  
2010-2015 University of Toronto Doctoral Fellowship

## **INVITED TALKS**

---

2024 “Care Citizenship? The Development of Migrant Care Worker Policies in East Asia” Duke University  
2020 “Care and International Migration: Comparing Migrant Care Worker Politics in Taiwan and South Korea” Global Asia Research Center, National Taiwan University  
2019 “Rights to Settle? Comparing Migrant Care Worker Policies in Korea.” University of Ottawa, Canada  
2018 “The Politics of Migrant Care Worker Policy in Taiwan” The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel  
2017 “Co-ethnic Eldercare Workers in South Korea” Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto  
2016 “Taiwanese Youth” Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto  
2015 “Rights to Settle? Comparing Migrant Care Worker Policies in Korea.” Korea University

## **Guest Lectures**

2022 “Care Migration in East Asia” National Sun Yat-Sen University  
2019 “Social Movement and Democratization in Taiwan” at University of Ottawa POL4378 Guest Lecture  
2017, 2016, 2014, 2012 “Democratization in Taiwan” at University of Toronto, POL 215Y Guest Lecture  
2014 “Social Movement and Democratization in Taiwan” at University of Toronto JPA 331Y Guest Lecture  
2012 “Compassion and Empathy” at University of Toronto, POL 373Y Guest Lecture

## **SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- “Deciphering Migrant Worker Policy Divergence in Taiwan and South Korea” (with Guan-Jia Chen) American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 2024, Philadelphia, PA, USA
- “The Middle-Skilled Migrant Workers and the Developmental Migration State in Taiwan” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 2023, Los Angeles, USA
- “Care and Citizenship: Migrant Care Worker policies in Taiwan and South Korea” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 2022, Montreal Canada
- “Care Citizenship: Comparing Diverging Care Migration Policies in East Asia” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, October 2021 (virtual meeting).
- “Migrant Care Worker Policies in Japan, Taiwan and South Korea” *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, August 2020 (virtual meeting)
- “Rights to Settle: Comparing Migrant Care Worker Policies in Taiwan and South Korea” *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Washington DC, USA, August 2019
- “Immigrants or Workers? The Claims-Making Strategies of *Joseonjok* Migrant Care Workers in South Korea” AAS-in-Asia 2019 Annual Conference, Bangkok, Thailand, July 2019

- “Outsourcing Care Work: State and Migrant Care Workers in Taiwan”, *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, San Diego, USA, April 2019 (panel co-organizer with Ethel Tungohan)
- “Long-Term Care and Migrant Labour: Comparing Migrant Care Worker Policies in Taiwan and South Korea” and “Not Migrants? Not Workers? The Political Mobilization of *Joseongjok* Migrant Care Workers in South Korea” XIX ISA World Congress of Sociology, Toronto, Canada, July 2018
- “Rights to Settle: Migrant Care Worker Policies in East Asia.” *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, USA, September 2017 (recipient of APSA travel grant)
- “Long-Term Care and Migrant Labour: Comparing Migrant Care Worker Policies in Korea and Taiwan” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Canada, August 2017
- “Caring for the State—Korean-Chinese migrant care workers and South Korea’s Long Term Care System.” *The World Congress for Korean Politics and Society 2017*, Seoul, South Korea, June 2017
- “Long-Term Care and Migrant Care Worker’s Rights in East Asia.” *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Baltimore, USA, February 2017
- “Long Term Care and International Migration: Comparing Migration Care Worker Policies in Taiwan and South Korea” *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, USA, September 2016
- “Different Norms for Care? Migrant Care Workers in East Asia” *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Las Vegas, USA, April 2015 (panel co-organizer with Ethel Tungohan)
- “Integrating Care Regime and Migration Regime: A Case Study of Taiwan,” *International Sociology Association Annual Meeting*, Yokohama, Japan, July 2014
- “East Asian Migration Regimes: Comparing Migrant Worker Policies in Japan, South Korea and Taiwan,” *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Toronto, Canada, March 2014

## **MEMBERSHIP**

---

- APSA Migration and Citizenship Section
- 2019-2023 APSA Working Group on “Inequality and Social Policy in East Asia” Steering Committee