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Education

PhD Candidate

School of Law
University of Auckland
New Zealand
2007 – present

Postgraduate Programme for International Economic Law (High Distinction)

Institut d'Etudes Europeennes (Institute of European Studies)
Universite Libre de Bruxelles (Free University of Brussels)
Belgium
2005-2006

Bachelor of Arts (First Class Honours in Chinese Studies)

Thesis: The Reform of State-Owned Enterprises in China
The University of Adelaide
Australia
1997

Bachelor of Commerce

The University of Adelaide
Australia
1994 – 1996

Vocational/Professional Training and Qualifications

Certificate

World Bank Trading Institute
E-learning on Trade in Services
30 March-30 June 2006

Diploma

18th Trade Policy Course, World Trade Organisation (WTO)
17 September – 30 November 2001, Geneva, Switzerland

Graduate Certificate

Short Professional Course on “Trade Policy and Structural Adjustments”
National Centre for Development Studies
The Australian National University
1st – 27th March 1999, Canberra, Australia

Certificate

Course on “Using the Internet”
Harcourt Learning Direct Australiasia
(Formerly known as International Correspondence School)
April 1997 – April 2000, Australia

Certificate

Advanced Chinese Language Studies
East China Normal University
December 1995 – January 1996, Shanghai, China

Diploma

Business Management and Administration, (Correspondence Course)
Cambridge Tutorial College, 1993, London, UK

Employment History**1) As a PhD candidate in Auckland:**

From December 2008 – March 2010

Postgraduate Law Casebook Coordinator (Part-Time)
School of Law, The University of Auckland

From June 2008 – March 2010

Examination Assistant Supervisor (Part-Time)
School of Law, The University of Auckland

From May 2007 – September 2007

Postgraduate Student Advisor (Part-Time)
School of Law, The University of Auckland

2) As an official in Government

From April 2010 – Feb 2011 (Suspended my PhD studies for eleven months on the request of Fiji's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and National Expo Coordinating Committee)

Manager and Team Leader of Fiji's Participation at the 2010 Shanghai World Expo
Pacific Pavilion, Shanghai, China

From Oct 2006 – April 2007

Senior Economist/Acting Principal Economic Planning Officer
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade, Suva, Fiji

From January 2003 – September 2006

Second Secretary (WTO & Trade)
Embassy of the Republic of Fiji to the European Union, Brussels, Belgium

From 16 May 2001 – January 2003

Acting Principal Assistant Secretary
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade, Suva, Fiji

From 03 December 1999 – 15 May 2001

Acting Senior Economic Planning Officer
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, External Trade and Sugar, Suva, Fiji

From 22 January 1998 – 2 December 1999

Economic Planning Officer
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade, Suva, Fiji

Additional Skills:

1. Fluent in Chinese (speak 3 dialects including Cantonese and Mandarin)
2. Computer literate
3. Business Management Skills (assisted in the running of the family business in general merchandising for many years)
4. Communication and Public Speaking Skills (Have given lectures to law students and practicing accountants, presentations at workshops to Members of Parliaments, Senators, senior government officials, NGOs as well as participated in many international conferences)

Achievements:

1. Elected by colleagues of the fifteen Pacific Island Countries and the South Pacific Tourism Organisation (SPTO) as the 'Best Team Leader' of the Pacific Pavilion at the 2010 Shanghai World Expo; I also negotiated and facilitated the successful sale of the Pacific Pavilion at the close of the Expo
2. Winner of the Civil Service of Fiji's Exemplary Employee of the Year, Prime Minister's Award in 2005 for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade
3. Awarded EC Fellowship to study the European Postgraduate Program on International Economic Law in Brussels (2005-2006)
4. Awarded AustAid scholarships to study in Australia (1993 –1996, 1997)
5. Awarded Eynesbury College's Certificate of Merit for Excellence in Language and Communication. (1993, Australia)
6. Fiji Public Service Commission Scholarship for Form Seven (1992)
7. Won trophies and prizes for outstanding performance in Economics, Accounting and Chinese Studies at Yat-Sen Secondary School.

Other Affiliations

1. Elected President of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities' Doctoral Students Network (APRU-DSN), July 2010 – July 2011
2. Elected Secretary of the Association of APRU-DSN, July 2009 – July 2011
3. Member of the Asian Society of International Law since 2007

Publication:

1. "The costs and benefits of a free trade area among Forum Island Countries" in **Pacific Economic Bulletin**, Volume 14, Number 1, 1999. National Centre for Development Studies, the Australian National University.

Leisure Interests:

1. Travelling
2. Reading
3. Playing badminton and table tennis

Referees:

1. Name: **Prof. Jane Kelsey**
Position: Professor of Law
School of Law
The University of Auckland
Address: Law School
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2. Name: **H.E. Ratu S. T. Cavuilati**
Position: Roving Ambassador/former Ambassador of the Fiji Mission to the European Union
Address: Level 9, Suvavou House
Suva
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3. Name: **Zhang Yongfen**
Position: Associate Professor of Applied Linguistics
Address: The School of Teaching Chinese as a Foreign Language
East China Normal University
Shanghai 200062, CHINA
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Major Meetings and Conferences Attended

1. 11th ARRU-Doctoral Students Conference, 12-16 July 2010, Universitas Indonesia, Jakarta, Indonesia.

2. 10th APRU-Doctoral Students Conference, 6-10 July 2009, University of Kyoto, Kyoto, Japan.
3. 11th Pacific Islands Political Studies Association Conference, 3-4 December 2009, University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand.
4. 17th ANZSIL Annual Conference, 2-4 July 2009, Wellington, New Zealand.
5. The Pacific Wave Conference: Weathering the Economic Storm, 3-4 June 2009, Auckland, New Zealand.
6. Forum Trade Officials Meeting (FTOM) and Forum Trade Ministers Meeting (FTMM), 21-22 July 2008, Rarotonga, Cook Islands.
7. Capacity Building Workshop on Services Liberalisation for Forum Island Countries, 9-11 June 2008, Nadi, Fiji.
8. 1st Informal Official Meeting on PACER-Plus, 26-28 May 2008, Auckland, New Zealand.
9. Postgraduate Workshop and the 15th Australia and New Zealand Society of International Law (ANZSIL) Annual Conference, 27 – 30 June 2007, Canberra, Australia.
10. Participated in various negotiating sessions, formally and informally, bilaterally and multilaterally, under the auspices of the Doha Development Agenda (DDA), 2001-2006, Geneva, Switzerland.
11. Attended the informal Head of Delegation (HOD) meetings, agriculture and services committee meetings, prior to the July 2004 General Council Meeting in which the “July Package” was adopted.
12. Attended as an official delegate in various ACP Senior Officials and Ministerial Trade Committee meetings, 2003-2006, Brussels, Belgium.
13. Official delegate, 6th WTO Ministerial Conference, 13-18 December 2005, Hong Kong, China.
14. Official delegate, 5th WTO Ministerial Conference, 10-14 September 2003, Cancun, Mexico.
15. 33rd Pacific Islands Forum Meetings, 15-17 August 2002, Suva, Fiji.
16. 3rd Summit of ACP Heads of State and Government, 18 July 2002, Nadi, Fiji.
17. Official delegate, the Hon. Prime Minister’s official visit to the People’s Republic of China, 27 May – 1 June 2002.
18. Fifth FAO Roundtable Meeting for Pacific Island Countries on WTO Agreements, 8-12 April 2002, Portland Hotel, Wellington, New Zealand.
19. Official delegate, the Honorable Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade’s official visit to New Zealand, 10 – 15 March 2002.
20. Forum Islands Trade Officials Meeting; Forum Trade Officials Meeting; Forum Trade Ministers Meeting; and 1st Pacific-ACP Trade Ministers Meeting, 21-30 June 2001, Apia, Samoa.
21. Fourth FAO Roundtable Meeting for Pacific Island Countries on Uruguay Round Agreement on Agriculture, 2 –6 April 2001, Portland Hotel, Wellington, New Zealand.
22. Pacific Regional Trade Agreement (PARTA, later known as PICTA) Working Party Meeting, 26 – 27 February 2001, Tanoa International Hotel, Nadi, Fiji.
18. Third Follow-up Round Table Meeting on Uruguay Round Agreement on Agriculture: Present and Future Implications for Agriculture and Fisheries in the Region, 3rd – 7th April, 2000, Hotel Grand Chancellor, Auckland,

New Zealand.

19. Melanesian Spearhead Group (MSG) Trade and Economic Officials Meeting, 16-17 July 1998, Suva, Fiji.
20. Forum Economic Ministers Meeting (FEMM), 7 – 8 July 1998, Nadi, Fiji.
21. Chinese Studies Association of Australia's Fifth Conference, 16-18 July 1997, the University of Adelaide, South Australia.