

## Curriculum Vitae: Ming SING

**Academic Appointments:** Associate Professor  
Division of Social Science  
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST)  
(Since August, 2007)

Visiting Fulbright Scholar  
School of International Relations & Pacific Studies,  
University of California, San Diego  
(January 2007 – late July 2007)

Associate Professor (late 2000 – August 2007)  
Department of Public & Social Administration  
City University of Hong Kong  
(obtained tenure in 2000)

Assistant Professor (1993 – mid-2000)  
Department of Public & Social Administration  
City University of Hong Kong

**Education:**

- Doctor of Philosophy:                   Sociology, Oxford University  
September 1988 - August 1993  
(Obtained D.Phil. in August 1993)
- Political Science Department  
Yale University  
(Exchange Student for Oxford-Yale Program 1990)
- M. Phil & Bach. Soc. Sci.               Sociology Department  
Chinese University of Hong Kong  
September 1981 – August 1987  
(Minor in Political Science as an undergraduate)

**Research and Teaching Interests:**

- Comparative Democratic Institutions & Governance
- Comparative Democratic Transitions & Survival
- Politics & Government in Hong Kong
- Comparative Political Culture in Asia

### **Recent Research Projects:**

1. Explaining the Origins and Divergent Outcomes in the Sunflower and Umbrella Movement (HK \$ 349,141 funded by CCK Grant, Principal Investigator, 2016-18).
2. Explaining the Public Support for Democracy in Hong Kong: Revaluation after the Umbrella Movement (HK \$554,000 funded by GRF, Principal and only investigator, 2016-18).
3. Research for an edited book project over the Umbrella Movement (U.S. \$50,000 funded by UCLA-HKUST Faculty Collaborative Grant; as an co-investigator working together with C.K. LEE, 2015-18)
4. Limited Mobilization Power of Hong Kong's Labor Unions for democracy: the case of Hong Kong's Umbrella Movement (HK \$50,000 funded by UGC block grant, 2016-17).
5. A panel study of media effects on Hong Kong youth's political participation (HK \$661,176 funded by Public Policy Research Grant, as a Co-Investigator) (2015-17).
6. Hong Kong –wide Survey of Public Support for Umbrella Movement (HK \$91000 funded by miscellaneous funds of HKUST) (Nov., 2015).
7. On-site Survey of 850 Supporters of Umbrella Movement in Admiralty (Oct., 2014).
8. Public support for democracy: duration of democratic regimes & general governance (HK \$ 50,000 funded by SBI Grant, HKUST) (2012-2013).
9. Democratic Stability in the World (1960-2010) (HK \$50,000, funded by FSGRF fund). (2012-2014)
9. Asian Values and Cultural Democratization: A Retest of the Asian Values Thesis for 39 countries (HK \$496,973 funded by General Research Fund from Research Grant Council for 2010-2012).

7. A Holistic Explanation for Democratic Breakdown (HK \$60,000 funded by SBI Grant for 2011).
8. Public Support for Democracy in East Asia (HK \$457,250 funded by General Research Fund from Research Grant Council) for 2008-2010 – Analyze mass support for democracy in China, Taiwan, Japan, Singapore, South Korea and Hong Kong.

### **Awards and Honors (since 2007):**

1. Visiting Scholar to the Academia Sinica of Taiwan in 2013-14.
2. POSCO Visiting Fellowship Program, East-West Center, University of Hawaii in Summer, 2010.
3. Visiting Fulbright Scholar at University of California, San Diego in 2007.

### **Research Publications (since 2009; all publications are authored by myself alone unless otherwise stated)**

#### **Book:**

1. *Democracy and Hong Kong's Governance*, edited by Ming SING, Hong Kong, Hong Kong: One Step Forward, 2016.
2. *Constitutional Reform for Good Governance in Hong Kong Special Administrative Region*, published by Centre for Comparative and Public Law, University of Hong Kong (2010). (I have contributed to about 60% of it).

3. *Politics and Government in Hong Kong: Crisis under Chinese Sovereignty*, edited by Ming Sing, Routledge, London, 2009 (as sole editor and contributor of two chapters; a refereed book).

**Journal Articles since 2009 (all by myself alone)**

1. Spring, 2014, "Democratic and Semi-democratic Institutions." *Router: A Journal of Cultural Studies*, p. 159-69.
2. 2013. Book Review on "Confucianism and Democratization in East Asia: DC Shin" (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012). *Journal of Contemporary Asia*, 43(3), 562-564 (SSCI).
3. 2012. "Explaining Support for Democracy in East Asia." *East Asia*, Vol. 29 (112):1-20.
4. 2010. "Explaining Democratic Survival Globally (1946–2002)." *Journal of Politics*, Vol. 72(2):438-55. (SSCI).
5. 2010. "Explaining Mass Support for Democracy in Hong Kong." *Democratization* 17, no. 1: 175-205. (SSCI).
6. January 2009. "Hong Kong's Democrats Hold Their Own," *Journal of Democracy*, Vol. 20(1): 98-112. (SSCI).
7. June 2009. "The Quality of Life in Hong Kong," *Social Indicators Research*, Vol. 92(2): 295-335. (SSCI).

**Book chapters (since 2009):.**

1. "Explaining the Mass Support for the Umbrella Movement" in a book on the Umbrella Movement edited by Ngok Ma, Amsterdam: University of Amsterdam Press, 2018.
2. "Politics and Government in Hong Kong" in *Global Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Public Policy, and Governance*, edited by Farazmand, Ali, N.Y., Springer, 2018.

3. “Anti-national education in Hong Kong” in C.Y. Leung’s Administration, edited by Joseph Y.S. Cheng, Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong Press, 2018.
4. “Does Democracy Clash with Economic Development” in *Ten Questions on Democracy*, edited by Ngok Ma, City University of Hong Kong Press, 2016.
5. “How Will Democratic System Affect Hong Kong’s Governance”, in *Democracy and Hong Kong’s Governance*, edited by Ming SING, Hong Kong, Hong Kong: One Step Forward, 2016.
6. “The Quality of Life in Hong Kong” in *Happiness Across Cultures*, edited by Helaine Selin, N.Y. Springer, 2012.
7. “Mobilization & Conflicts over Hong Kong’s Democratic Reform” in *Contemporary Hong Kong Politics*, edited by Lam Wai Man et. al., Hong Kong, University of Hong Kong Press, 2012 (co-authored with YS Tang).
8. “Introduction: Hong Kong in Crisis under Chinese Sovereignty” in *Politics and Government in Hong Kong: Crisis under Chinese Sovereignty*, edited by Ming Sing, Routledge, London, 2009, 1-13.
9. “Hong Kong at the Crossroads: Public Pressure for Democratic Reform” in *Politics and Government in Hong Kong: Crisis under Chinese Sovereignty*, edited by Ming Sing, Routledge, London, 2009, 112-135.
10. "Governance and Social Values in Hong Kong," in *Human Beliefs and Values in East and Southeast Asia in Transition : 13 Country Profiles on the Basis of the AsiaBarometer Surveys of 2006 and 2007*, edited by Takashi Inoguchi, Tokyo: Akashi Shoten, 2009, 71-86.

**Presentations in conferences:**

1. “Governance Crisis in Hong Kong: Occupy Movement and its Causes” – A Conference on Public Governance and Avoidance of Collective Risks, Taipei, December 5-6, 2014.
2. “Anti-media monopoly Movement in Taiwan” – Annual Conference Organized by Taiwanese Sociological Association, Taipei, December 6, 2015.
3. “Press Freedom in Hong Kong” – Annual Conference Organized by the Chinese Communication Society, Taipei, June, 2014.
4. “Determinants of Breakdown of Democracies – A Global Study” in Madrid, World Congress of International Political Science Association, July, 2012.

**Working Papers / Projects in progress:**

*“Youth and Umbrella Movement”, submitted to a referred journal.*

*Editing a book of Umbrella Movement with Ching Kwan Lee, and will submit it to various university presses by late 2017.*

*Working on a book comparing the Sunflower Movement in Taiwan and Umbrella Movement in Hong Kong. The initial draft will be completed in the first half of 2018.*

*Determinants of Breakdown of Democracies- inequality and assassination – two articles under preparation.*

**Public, Community and Societal Services:**

Have been interviewed by local and international presses (including BBC, Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Voice of America, Apple Daily).

Have given 3 talks on Hong Kong's politics in universities and community centers in Hong Kong.

As an initiator and leader of a webpage for democratic education, i.e., the Classroom for Democratic Education: Create and update a highly informative and attractive website to educate the public on the nature and effects of democracy, plus the impact of Hong Kong's non-democratic system including the functional constituencies. The hit rate has reached more than 400,000. It is the best educational website in the world with regard to Hong Kong's functional constituencies that include over 22 cases of effects of functional constituencies in our legislature.

**External Reviewer:**

Invited to review submissions to the following international and local journals: *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Politics*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *China Quarterly*, *Japanese Journal of Political Science*, *East Asia*, *Journal of Contemporary Asia*, *International Journal of Peace and Development Studies*, *Asian Journal of Political Science*, *The Journal of Comparative Asian Development*, *Social Transformation in Chinese Societies*, *Asian Politics and Policy*, *Journal of Policy Viewers*, and *Hong Kong Journal of Social Sciences*.