

Nicholas Loubere

Qualifications

PhD (East Asian Studies) (Awarded with *No Corrections and Research Excellence*),
University of Leeds, UK, 2015

MA (Asia-Pacific International Relations) (*Distinction; Valedictorian*), Xiamen University,
PRC, 2011

BA, (English Literature) (*Full University Honours*), Northern Illinois University, USA, 2006

Awards/ Scholarships

Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, 2014-2015

University of Leeds Fully-Funded International Research Scholarship, 2011-2014

China Scholarship Council Postgraduate Scholarship for Master's Study, 2009-2011

International Co-operative Alliance Committee on Co-operative Research – Young Scholars
Best Paper Award (2nd Place), 2015

Universities' China Committee in London Fieldwork Grant, 2012

Worldwide Universities Network Researcher Mobility Programme, 2012

Professional History

November 2015 onwards: Postdoctoral Fellow, Australian Centre on China in the World,
College of Asia and the Pacific, Australian National University

2013-2015: Teaching Assistant for MA and BA modules (*lectures/seminars*), Department of
East Asian Studies, University of Leeds

2009-2015: Examiner (*speaking/writing*), International English Language Testing System
(IELTS), Xiamen, Guangzhou and Leeds

2012-2013: Visiting Scholar, College of Public Administration, Zhejiang University

2012-2013: Second Supervisor, 'Exploring the Lattimore Collection' project, funded by the
Leeds Humanities Research Institute

2012: Research Assistant, University of Leeds 50th Anniversary project

2009-2010: English Instructor, Xiamen University of Technology

2008-2009: English Instructor, Xiamen University

2007-2008: English Instructor, Web International English, Shanghai

2006: Research Assistant, Proyecto Arqueológico Norte Chico, Supe Valle, Perú – run by the
Chicago Field Museum and Northern Illinois University

Professional Associations

White Rose East Asia Centre

National Institute of Chinese Studies (UK)

Cultures of Credit White Rose Network

Association for Asian Studies

Chinese Studies Association of Australia

Asian Studies Association of Australia

European Association for Chinese Studies

British Association for Chinese Studies

International Co-operative Alliance Emerging Scholars Network

Other Languages

Chinese

Spanish

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Loubere, Nicholas and Zhang, Heather Xiaoquan (2015). Co-operative Financial Institutions and Local Development in China. *Journal of Co-operative Organization and Management*, 3(1): 32-39. <http://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcom.2015.03.001>
- Lin, Ka, Yin, Pingjun and Loubere, Nicholas (2014). Social Support and the 'Left Behind' Elderly in Rural China: A Case Study from Jiangxi Province. *Journal of Community Health*, 39(4): 674-681. link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10900-014-9864-4

The China Story

- Loubere, Nicholas (2016). Inside Out: Owen Lattimore on China, *The China Story Journal*. Available at: <http://www.thechinastory.org/2016/01/inside-out-owen-lattimore-on-china/>

Edited Volumes

- Crawford, Gordon, Kruckenberg, Lena, Loubere, Nicholas and Morgan, Rosemary (eds.) (Forthcoming 2016). *Understanding Global Development: Reflections on Fieldwork Experiences*. London and Thousand Oaks: SAGE.

Book Chapters

- Chambers, Robert and Loubere, Nicholas (Forthcoming 2016). Liberating Development Inquiry: Freedom, Openness and Participation in Fieldwork. In Gordon Crawford et al. (eds.), *Understanding Global Development: Reflections on Fieldwork Experiences*. London and Thousand Oaks: SAGE.
- Pearce, Jenny and Loubere, Nicholas (Forthcoming 2016). Under Threat: Working in Dangerous Environments. In Gordon Crawford et al. (eds.), *Understanding Global Development: Reflections on Fieldwork Experiences*. London and Thousand Oaks: SAGE.
- Zhang, Heather Xiaoquan and Loubere, Nicholas (2015). Rural Finance and Development in China: The State of the Art and Ways Forward. In Heather Xiaoquan Zhang (ed.), *Rural Livelihoods in China: Political Economy in Transition* (pp. 151–174). London and New York: Routledge.

Working Papers

- Zhang, Heather Xiaoquan and Loubere, Nicholas (2013). Rural Finance, Development and Livelihoods in China. *Duisburg Working Papers on East Asian Studies*, No. 94: 1-28. Available at: <http://www.uni-due.de/in-east/fileadmin/publications/gruen/paper94-2013.pdf>

Open Access Publications

- Loubere, Nicholas (2014). Rice Wine and Fieldwork in China: Some Reflections on Practicalities, Positionality and Ethical Issues. *The London School of Economics and Political Science - Field Research Method Lab*. Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/fieldresearch/2014/04/10/rice-wine-and-fieldwork-in-china/>
- Loubere, Nicholas, Morgan, Rosemary, Kruckenberg, Lena, De Beukelaer, Christiaan, and Hernandez Montes De Oca, Paola (eds.) (2012). *RiDNet Practical Fieldwork Notes*, Leeds: Researchers in Development Network. Available at: <http://www.polis.leeds.ac.uk/centre-global-development/about-centre/researchers-development-network/conducting-fieldwork-development-contexts.php>.
- Loubere, Nicholas (2012). Gānbēi (Bottoms Up): Navigating the Chinese Drinking Culture during Empirical Fieldwork. In Nicholas Loubere et al. (eds.), *RiDNet Practical*

Fieldwork Notes, Leeds: Researchers in Development Network. Available at:
<http://www.polis.leeds.ac.uk/centre-global-development/about-centre/researchers-development-network/conducting-fieldwork-development-contexts.php>.

Conference Papers

- Loubere, Nicholas (2016). Indebted to Development: Microcredit as (De)marginalisation in Rural China. In The Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference. Seattle, USA.
- Loubere, Nicholas (2015). Taking Credit for Development: Microcredit as (De)marginalisation in Rural China. In The British Association for Chinese Studies Conference. Leeds, UK.
- Loubere, Nicholas and Shen, Qiu (2014). The Policy and Practice of Development Microcredit in Rural China: Observations from Three Jiangxi Townships. In The European Association for Chinese Studies 20th Conference. Braga/Coimbra, Portugal.
- Loubere, Nicholas and Zhang, Heather Xiaoquan (2014). Understanding Cooperative Financing in China: The Case of Credit Cooperatives. In The International Co-operative Alliance Research Conference. Pula, Croatia.
- Loubere, Nicholas, Zhang, Heather Xiaoquan, & Shen, Qiu (2014). Financing Rural China under Urban-rural Integration: Observations from Three Jiangxi Villages. In The Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference. Philadelphia, USA.
- Loubere, Nicholas (2014). To Transcribe or Not to Transcribe?: Some Reflections on the Analysis of Rich Qualitative Data in Area Studies. In New Research in Language-Based Area Studies Conference. University of Manchester, UK.
- Loubere, Nicholas and Shen, Qiu (2013). Development Microcredit in Rural China: Policy and Practice. In The Eighth International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS 8). Macao, China.
- Loubere, Nicholas and Zhang, Heather Xiaoquan (2013). Rural Finance, Development and Livelihoods in China. In The 11th European Conference on Agriculture and Rural Development in China (ECARDC XI). Old University of Wuerzburg, Germany.
- Loubere, Nicholas (2012). Gānbēi (Bottoms Up): Navigating the Chinese Drinking Culture During Empirical Fieldwork. In The Inaugural Researchers in Development Network Conference - Conducting Fieldwork in Development Contexts: Reflexive Approaches to Practical Issues. University of Leeds, UK.
- Loubere, Nicholas (2012). Microfinance in Rural China: Towards an Actor-oriented Livelihoods Approach. In The British Association for Chinese Studies Annual Conference. University of Oxford, UK.
- Loubere, Nicholas (2012). Rural Microfinance in China: Poverty Alleviation, Commercialisation or State-led Financial Expansion. In The China Postgraduate Network 2012 Annual Conference. University of Edinburgh, UK.
- Munro, Neil, Verkleij, Helma, Loubere, Nicholas and Chan, Sander (2012). Environmental Democracy: A European Perspective. In The Launch Conference of the Local-level Partnership Project of the EU-China Environmental Governance Programme 浙江省公众参与环境保护现场推进会暨中欧环境治理地方伙伴项目启动会. 嘉兴市, 中国.
- Lin, Ka and Loubere, Nicholas (2012). An Evaluation of the Roles of Governmental and Non-Governmental Organisations in Charitable Activities: Key Issues for the Development of Philanthropy in China. In The Sino-Swedish Workshop. Lund University, Sweden.
- Lin, Ka, Yin, Pingjun and Loubere, Nicholas (2012). The "Left Behind" Elderly and Social Support in Underdeveloped Rural Areas: Survey Data from Pingxiang City, China. In 老龄化和社会保障国际会议. 浙江大学, 中国.

Invited Lectures and Presentations

“The Importance of Being Earnest... and Systematic: Using Zotero, Feedreader and NVivo for research”: University of Leeds East Asian Studies Research Hub seminar, November 5, 2014.

“50 Years in 15 Minutes – The History of East Asian Studies at the University of Leeds”: Talk given as part of the induction for new students in East Asian Studies on September 22, 2014.

“Early Days at Leeds – Owen Lattimore and his Students”: Talk given as part of the 50th Anniversary of East Asian Studies at the University of Leeds on October 26, 2013.

“Microcredit in Rural China”: Lecture given at the Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics (JUFE), Department of Sociology on May 20, 2013.

“Lessons from my Fieldwork”: Researchers in Development Network (RiDNet) Seminar, University of Leeds, January 30, 2013.

Professional Activities

Principle panel organiser – ‘(De)marginalising Rural China’, Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Seattle, USA, 2016

Co-organiser (with Lena Kruckenberg) – ‘Social Innovations for Energy Access: Organizing Sustainable Energy for All’, UNESCO Tech4Dev Conference, Lausanne, Switzerland, 2016

Representative for the Australian Centre on China in the World to the College of Asia and the Pacific (ANU) Indigenous Australian Reconciliation Committee, 2016-2018

Principle organiser – Centre for Global Development (CGD) and Applied Institute for Research in Economics (AIRE) Lecture, University of Leeds ["The Microfinance Delusion: Explaining the Destructive Rise of Local Neoliberalism"](#)

Initiator and co-organiser of the [University of Leeds Postgraduate China Forum](#), 2013 to 2015

Editorial Assistant for Heather Xiaoquan Zhang (ed.), *Rural Livelihoods in China: Political Economy in Transition*. London and New York: Routledge, Spring and Summer 2014