# Dr. Jason P. Abbott

# ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

## Current:

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, Visiting Professor, August 2024 to present

## Previous:

Montclair State University, Adjunct Professor, Jan 2023-May 2024 University of Louisville, Professor in Political Science 2016-May 30 2022 University of Louisville, Associate Professor in Political Science, 2010-16 University of Surrey (UK), Lecturer in International Relations 2007-2010 University of London, School of Oriental and African Studies, Research Fellow, 2006-2007 University of Ljubljana (Slovenia), Visiting Research Fellow, 2002-2003 The Nottingham Trent University (UK), Lecturer in International Politics and International Political Economy, 1995-2002

## **EDUCATION**

Nottingham Trent University	Doctorate in Political Economy, 1998
University of Newcastle	BA Joint Hons in Politics and History, 1992

## TEACHING

*Current*: Comparative Politics of Internet and Social Media, Comparative Politics, Comparative Political Economy, Government and Politics of Southeast Asia, Government and Politics of Western Europe, Key Issues in World Politics.

*Previous*: International Relations Theory, International Political Economy, Government and Politics of the European Union; Government and Politics of Peoples Republic of China; International Politics of the Asia-Pacific region; The International Relations of Global Development; World History since 1945.

## PUBLICATIONS

• Peer Review Journal Articles (Published)

- Abbott, Jason. P; Gainous, Jason anWagner, Kevin, M. (2023) "Social Media and Protest Behavior in a Restrictive Traditional Media Environment: The Case of the Philippines". *International Journal of Communication*, v. 17, pp. 345-364
- Abbott JP, Gainous J, Wagner KM. (2020) "Active vs. Passive Social Media Engagement with Critical Information: Protest Behavior in Two Asian Countries". *The International Journal of Press/Politics*. October 2020. doi:10.1177/1940161220963606
- Wagner KM, Gainous J, Abbott JP. (2019) "Gender Differences in Critical Digital Political Engagement in China: The Consequences for Protest Attitudes. *Social Science Computer Review*. August. doi:10.1177/0894439319865907
- Abbott, Jason P. (2019) "Of Grass Mud Horses and Rice Bunnies: Chinese internet users challenge Beijing's censorship and Internet controls." Asian Politics & Policy. Vol. 11, No. 1 pp. 162-177
- Abbott, J.P., J. Gainous, & K.M. Wagner. (2018)"Traditional Versus Internet Media in a Restricted Information Environment: How Trust in the Medium Matters." *Political Behavior* 41, pp.401–422. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11109-018-9456-6 \*\* Online version 2018, print version 2019.
- 6. Abbott, Jason, and John Wagner Givens. (2015) "Strategic Censorship in a Hybrid Authoritarian Regime? Differential Bias in Malaysia's Online and Print Media." *Journal of East Asian Studies*.
- Abbott, Jason P. with Jason Gainous and Kevin M. Wagner. (2015) "Civic Disobedience: Does Internet Use Stimulate Political Unrest in East Asia?." *Journal of Information Technology & Politics*
- 8. Abbott, Jason and Kevin Fahey. (2014) "The State and Direction of Asian Comparative Politics: Who, What, Where, How?" *Journal of East Asian Studies*.
- 9. Abbott, Jason, John Wagner Givens and Andrew MacDonald. (2013) "New Social Media and (Electronic) Democratization in East and Southeast Asia: China and Malaysia Compared." *Taiwan Journal of Democracy*.
- 10. Abbott, Jason. (2013) "Introduction: Assessing the Social and Political Impact of the Internet and New Social Media in East Asia," *Journal of Contemporary Asia*.
- 11. Abbott, Jason. (2012) "Democracy@internet.org Revisited: Analysing the socio-political impact of the Internet and new social media in East Asia", *Third World Quarterly*.
- 12. Abbott, Jason. (2012) "Cacophony or Empowerment? Analysing the impact of New Information Communication Technologies and New Social Media in Southeast Asia", *Journal of Current Southeast Asian Affairs*.
- 13. Abbott, Jason. (2011) "Electoral Authoritarianism and the Print Media in Malaysia: Measuring Political Bias," *Asian Affairs: An American Review*.
- 14. Abbott, Jason and Sophie Gregorios-Pippas. (2010) "Islamization in Malaysia: processes and dynamics", *Contemporary Politics*.
- 15. Abbott, Jason. (2009) "Malaysia's transitional moment? Democratic transition theory and the problem of Malaysian exceptionalism", *South East Asia Research*.

- 16. Abbott, Jason, and Oliver Franks. (2007) "Malaysia at 50: Conflicting Definitions of Citizenship?", *Asian Affairs (Journal of the Royal Society for Asian Affairs)*.
- 17. Abbott, Jason and Owen Worth. (2006) "Land of False Hope? The Contradictions of British Opposition to Globalization," *Globalizations*.
- 18. Abbott, Jason. (2001) 'Vanquishing Banquo's Ghost: The Anwar Ibrahim Affair and its impact on Malaysian politics', *Asian Studies Review*.
- 19. Abbott, Jason. (2001) 'Democracy@internet.asia. The challenges to the emancipatory potential of the Net: lessons from China and Malaysia, *Third World Quarterly*.
- 20. Abbott, Jason. (2000) 'Treasure Island or Desert Island? Offshore Finance and Economic Development in Small Island Economies: The case of Labuan, Malaysia', *Development Policy Review*.
- 21. Abbott, Jason. (2000) 'Bittersweet Victory: The Malaysian General Election of 1999', The Roundtable: *The Commonwealth Journal of International Affairs*.
- 22. Abbott, Jason and Neil Renwick. (1999) 'Piratical Violence and Maritime Security in Southeast Asia', *Security Dialogue*.
- 23. Abbott, Jason and Neil Renwick. (1999) 'Pirates? Maritime Piracy and Societal Security in Southeast Asia', *Pacifica Review*.
- 24. Abbott, Jason. (1999) 'Export Processing Zones and the Developing World', *Contemporary Review*.

#### **Book Chapters**

- 1. Abbott, Jason P. (2018) "The Politics of the Internet and Social Media in Asia: Mobilization, Participation, and retrenchment?" in Shiping Hua (ed.) *The Routledge Handbook of Politics in Asia*, London, Routledge.
- 2. Abbott, Jason, P. (2014) "Hype or Hubris: The Political Impact of the Internet and Social Networking in Southeast Asia", in William Case (ed) *The Routledge Handbook of Southeast Asian Democratization*, Oxon and New York, Routledge.
- Abbott, Jason. (2012) "Social Media", In Kersting, Norbert (ed), *Electronic Democracy* (World of Political Science: The Development of the Discipline Series), Leverkusen, Barbara Budrich.
- Abbott, Jason, P. (2009) "Economic Development in the East Asian (Semi)Periphery: Reintroducing dependency as a conceptual tool of analysis." in Owen Worth and Phoebe Moore (ed.) *Globalization and the New Semi-Peripheries of the 21st century, London*: Palgrave.
- 5. Abbott, Jason, P. (2005) 'Not Like the Rest: Differential Development in Malaysia and Thailand (The Case of the Automotive Industry)', in Linda Low (ed) *Developmental States: Relevancy, Redundancy or Reconfiguration?*, NovaScience.
- 6. Abbott, Jason. (2004) "The Internet, Reformasi and Democratisation in Malaysia", in Edmund Gomez (ed.), *The State of Malaysia: Ethnicity, Equity and Reform*, London, RoutledgeCurzon.

- 7. Abbott, Jason, P. (2004) "The Internet and development in Vietnam: bamboo networks and the digital diaspora". In Abbott, Jason, P. (ed) *The Political Economy of the Internet in Asia and the Pacific: Digital Divides, Economic Competitiveness, and Security Challenges*. Westport, Praeger.
- 8. Abbott, Jason, P. (2004) 'Mahathir, Malaysia and the Multimedia Super Corridor: Development Catalyst, White Elephant or Cultural Landmark?', in Mohd Hazim Shah and Phua Kai Lit (ed.) *Public Policy, Culture and the Impact of Globalisation in Malaysia*, Kuala Lumpur: Persatuan Sains Sosial.
- 9. Abbott, Jason, P. and Owen Worth, (2002) "The 'Many Worlds' of Critical International Political Economy", in Abbott, Jason, P. and Owen Worth (eds) *Critical Perspectives on International Political Economy*. London, Palgrave.
- Abbott, Jason, P. (2002) "The Internet and the Digital Divide: Representational Space or Representation of Space?", in Abbott, Jason, P. and Owen Worth (eds) *Critical Perspectives on International Political Economy*. London, Palgrave.
- Abbott, Jason P. (1999) "Mahathir, Malaysia and the Labuan International Offshore Financial Centre: Treasure Island, Pet Project or Ghost Town?" in Mark Hampton and Jason Abbott, (eds). Offshore Finance Centres and Tax Havens: The Rise of Global Capital. Purdue University Press
- 12. Abbott, Jason and Mark Hampton (1999). "The Rise (and Fall?) of Offshore Finance in the Global Economy" in Mark Hampton and Jason Abbott (1999) *Offshore Finance Centres and Tax Havens: The Rise of Global Capital*. Purdue University Press.

## Books

- 1. Abbott, Jason, P. and Ronen Palan. (2005) *State Strategies in the Global Political Economy*. London, Continuum Studies in Global Politics Academic. (\*\*Reissued)
- 2. Abbott, Jason, P. (2004) *The Political Economy of the Internet in Asia and the Pacific: Digital Divides, Economic Competitiveness, and Security Challenges.* Westport, Praeger.
- 3. Abbott, Jason, P. (2003) *Developmentalism and Dependency in Southeast Asia: The case of the automotive industry.* London, Routledge.
- 4. Abbott, Jason, P. and Owen Worth. (2002) *Critical Perspectives on International Political Economy*. London, Palgrave.
- 5. Abbott, Jason, P. and Ronen Palan. (1999) *State Strategies in the Global Political Economy*. London, Cassel Academic. (Revised paperback edition new publisher).
- 6. Abbott, Jason P. and Mark Hampton (1999). *Offshore Finance Centres and Tax Havens: The Rise of Global Capital*. London Macmillan Business and Purdue (Ichor) University Press.
- 7. Abbott, Jason P. and Palan, Ronen, (1996) *State Strategies in the Global Political Economy.* London, Pinter.

# **Presentations at Scholarly Meetings**

## Papers presented for presentation (\*since 2010 only)

- Abbott, Jason P., J. Gainous, and K.M. Wagner, (2020) "A Democratic Patriarchal Society? Gender Differences in Digital Political Engagement in Malaysia." Kentucky Political Science Association (KPSA), Annual Meeting, Morehead State University, March 6-7.
- Abbott, Jason P. (2019), "The Great Firewall and the #Metoo Movement: Chinese Censorship and Regulation of Digital Activism." European Conference on Political Research (ECPR), General Conference, Wroclaw, 4-7 September.
- Abbott, Jason P., J. Gainous, K.M. Wagner, (2019) "Gender Differences in Critical Digital Political Engagement in Asia: The Consequences for Protest Attitudes across Regime Type." Kentucky Political Science Association (KPSA), Annual Meeting, University of Louisville, March 1-2.
- Abbott, Jason P. (2018) Contribution to Roundtable on Hegemony in International Political Economy. (FLASCO-ISA) Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales Sede Ecuador & International Studies Association, Quito, Ecuador July 25-27
- Abbott, Jason P.; Jason Gainous, and Kevin M. Wagner (2018) "Cat Videos Don't Cause Political Protest (Critical Exchange Does): Social Media Effects in the Philippines", presented at the Mid-West Political Science Association Annual Convention, Chicago, April 5-8.
- Abbott, Jason P. and Jason Gainous. "Jason Abbott and Jason Gainous The Attitudinal Consequences of Digital Dissidence in the Philippines." (2017) Presented at the Kentucky Political Science Association Annual Convention, March 3-4, Center College.
- Abbott, Jason P.; Jason Gainous, and Kevin M. Wagner (2016), "Government Control of Information Flows: Social Media and Participation", presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Convention, Philadelphia, 1-4th September
- Abbott, Jason P.; and Jason Gainous (2016), "Social Media and Political Participation in Semi-Closed States: the case of Malaysia", International Political Science Association World Congress, Poznan, July 23-28
- Abbott, Jason P.; Jason Gainous, and Kevin M. Wagner (2015), "Political Tinder Box: The Internet and Political Participation in Semi Authoritarian States", presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, 3-6th September.
- Abbott, Jason, 2015, "Southeast Asian Politics: Democracy's Travails?" Paper presented at the Asian Studies in the Contemporary World conference Friday, April 24, Eastern Kentucky University
- Abbott, Jason P., Meagan Floyd and Michael Zeller, (2014) "Refugee Life in Absentia of Global Norms: The Case of Burmese Refugees in Malaysia", poster presented at ASIANetwork Annual Conference, April 11-13, Bloomingdale, IL

- Abbott, Jason P., (2014), "Did David Slay Goliath? A Comparison of political bias in the online and print media during the 2013 Malaysian General Election Campaign", presented at Association for Asian Studies, Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, 28th March.
- Abbott, Jason P., and Jason Gainous (2013)"Does Internet Use Stimulate Political Participation in Asia?", paper presented to European Communication Research and Education Political Communication Section workshop 'New Trends in Political Communication: Evidence, Theories, implications, opportunities', Milan, 19-20 September.
- Abbott, Jason (2012), "New Social Media and (Electronic) Democratization in East and Southeast Asia: China and Malaysia Compared", presented at *Taiwan Journal of Democracy Annual Workshop*, Buenos Aires, Argentina, November 17<sup>th</sup>,
- Abbott, Jason (2011) "Cacophony or empowerment? Analyzing the socio-political impact of the Internet in Asia." *Electronic Democracy Workshop*, Portoroz, Slovenia, International Political Science Association, Research Committee 10, 2 June to 4 June.
- Abbott, Jason, (2010) "Electoral Authoritarianism and the print media in Malaysia: Measuring political bias and analyzing its cause", Paper presented at the *Asian Studies Association Southeast Conference*, Louisville, Jan 15-17

## **Research submitted for publication.**

Abbott, Jason and J.Gainous (2024) "The Ethnic Political Divide in Malaysia Persists: Chinese and Malay Public Opinion." Submitted awaiting responses.

# GRANTS (Since 2010)

2018, **\$50,000** Facebook/WhatsApp Social Science and Misinformation Research Award. With Jason Gainous, and Kevin M. Wagner, "How does the consumption of false or misleading information through the WhatsApp platform influence political behavior in Malaysia?" (Not funded)

2015, **\$19,675** ASIANetwork-Freeman Foundation Student-Faculty Fellows Program For Collaborative Research In Asia -- Abbott, Jason P., Baulmer, William, Halberstadt, Autumn; Thomas, Joel. Project title: "Reconstructing Equity: The Consequences of multi-ethnic strife vis-à-vis Malaysia's New (Old) Economic Policy". (**Not funded**)

\*2013, **<u>\$15,785</u>** ASIANetwork- Freeman Foundation Student-Faculty Fellows Program For Collaborative Research In Asia Awarded ---- Abbott, Jason P., Meagan Floyd and Michael Zeller. Project title: "State of Suspension: Refugee Life In Absentia of Global Norms and Models For Resolution" (ACCEPTED AND FUNDED)

# **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY**

Director, Center for Asian Democracy, University of Louisville (2011-22).

Funded via a State Department endowment and the State of Kentucky's 'Bucks for Brain Program'.

## Journal Editor: Sage Open (Since 2015)

*Journal Manuscript Reviewer* for a wide range of disciplinary and inter-disciplinary journals that have included: Asian Journal of Political Science, Asian Survey, British Journal of Politics, Chinese Sociological Review, Communications of the ACM, Ethnicities, Online Information Review, The International History Review, The International Journal of Information Management, The Journal of Information Communication and Society, The Journal of Information Communication and Technology (2020), Journal Of Contemporary Asia, Journal of Contemporary Politics (2019), Democratization, Southeast Asian Research, Comparative Politics, Journal Of Current Southeast Asian Affairs, Journal Of Politics And Law, Globalizations, Government and Opposition, Journal Of Press/Politics, Issues And Studies, Pacific Review, Politics and Governance, Politics and the Life Sciences, Politics and Governance, Pacific Affairs, Review Of Policy Research, Springer Open.

**Group Leader and/or Lecturer** for McConnell Center/US Army Strategic Broadening Seminars (September 2020, September 2018, 2017, July 2016, July 2015, June 2014). These programs were funded by the **Department of Defense**.

## Media Interviews:

I have given over **30 interviews** with media organizations: international, national and local. These have included: **BBC World Service**, **BBC World**, BBC local radio UK, **CNN**, **Al-Jazeera**, **Radio Australia**, the **Voice of America**, local NPR and Network TV affiliates in Louisville (WFPL, WHAS 11 and WDRB), World Politics Review: Trendlines, The World Today, Oxford Analytica.

Commentary has largely concerned Southeast Asian Politics (election results and major domestic news events in Burma/Myanmar, Malaysia, Thailand), foreign policy in East Asia (nuclear proliferation in North Korea and the Kim Jong Un-Trump summit) and the visit of Asian speakers to Louisville.

## **Professional Membership**

Dr. Abbott has been a member of:

The International Studies Association (ISA) The American Political Science Association (APSA) The Asian Studies Association (ASA) The British International Studies Association (BISA) The Political Studies Association (PSA) of the United Kingdom The Kentucky Political Science Association

Related Community Activity: Board Member of the World Affairs Council of Louisville and Southern Indiana 2014-22 <u>References</u> References provided on request