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Education

- 09.2019 – Present Ph.D. in Regional and Urban Planning Studies
Department of Geography and Environment, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK
Thesis title: Heritage construction in China: Negotiation and contestation of decision-making and heritage discourses
- 08.2017 – 05.2019 M.S. in Historic Preservation (Preservation Planning)
Stuart Weitzman School of Design, University of Pennsylvania, USA
- 09.2012 – 07.2017 B.E. in Urban Planning
College of Urban and Environmental Sciences, Peking University, China

Publications

Peer-reviewed articles:

- Wei, R., & Wang, F.** (2022). Is colonial heritage negative or not so much? Debating heritage discourses and selective interpretation of Kulangsu, China. *Built Heritage*, 6(21). Doi:10.1186/s43238-022-00069-7.
- Wei, R.** (2022). Tyrannical participation approaches in China's regeneration of urban heritage areas - A case study of baitasi historic district, Beijing. *International Journal of Heritage Studies*, 28(3), 279-296.
- Wei, R.** (2021). Urban locality and liveability based on the experience of Zhangdefu City of Anyang in the Ming and Qing Dynasties (安阳古城地方性和宜居性研究). *China Ancient City (中国名城)*, 35(9), 43-49.
- Wang, F., Peng, X., **Wei, R.**, Qin, Y., & Zhu, X. (2019). Environmental behaviour research in resources conservation and management: A case study of *Resources, Conservation and Recycling*. *Resources, Conservation and Recycling*, 141, 431-440.
- Wang, F., Jiang, C., & **Wei, R.** (2017). Cultural landscape security pattern: Concept and structure (文化景观安全格局: 概念与结构). *Geographical Research (地理研究)*, 36(10), 1834-1842.

Conference paper:

- Huo, X., Shen, B., **Wei, R.**, & Zhang, J. (2019). *Study on the settlements and dwellings for military defense in the mountainous areas of Southern China in the Ming and Qing Dynasties: Taking the regional defense system in Fenghuang, West Hunan and the Hakka Round Houses in South Jiangxi as an example*. ICOFORT Symposium on the Conservation of Historic War & Fortification Monuments and Sites, Shenyang.

Working papers:

- Wang, F., **Wei, R.**, Yang, Y., & Han, G. Strategies for constructing ageing-friendly communities under the pandemic: Based on an analysis of the elderly's needs of "Existence-Relatedness-Growth".
- Wei, R.** Failed urbanism and the struggle of small cities' urban regeneration: Mismatched ambition and

infrastructural power.

Cai, M., **Wei, R.** Policies and mechanisms for safeguarding the Territorial Spatial Planning of watershed regions in China.

Conferences and Presentations

- 08.2022 RC21: Ordinary Cities in Exceptional Times (in person, Athens, Greece)
Presentation: Mismatched ambition and capacity of urban regeneration in small cities: A case study of South Street project in Anyang, China
- 05.2021 Early Career Symposium of the Association of Critical Heritage Studies (online)
Presentation: Inclusive and Holistic Regeneration of Urban Heritage Area in China? Reinforced Inequalities through the Tyranny of Participation

Forthcoming:

- 06.2023 AMPS (Architecture, Media, Politics, Society) Conference: Prague – Heritages: Past and Present – Built and Social (in person, Prague, Czech Republic)
Presentation: Voluntary Relocation: an improved heritage policy or not? A case study of the Cangxiang Street Historic District, China
- 12.2022 Association of Critical Heritage Studies Biannual Conference: Interculturalities (in person, Santiago de Chile)
Presentation: Colonial heritage as embodiment of interculturality? Heritage discourses and selective interpretation of Kulangsu, China

Grants, Scholarship, and Awards (Selected)

- 05.2022 Postgraduate Travel Fund, LSE
- 09.2019 LSE Ph.D. Studentship
- 05.2019 The Anthony Nicholas Brady Garvan Award for an Outstanding Thesis, UPenn
- 08.2017 School of Design Scholarship, UPenn
- 07.2017 Outstanding Graduate Award, Peking University
- 10.2016 Outstanding Scientific Research Award, Peking University
- 05.2015 LOTUS+ Scholarship, Erasmus Mundus Programme
- 06.2014 Principal Fund for Undergraduate Research, Peking University

Academic and Professional Employment

- 12.2020 – Present Research Assistant
NSFC-DFG Sino German Cooperation Group on Urbanisation and Locality (UAL), Peking University, China
- 09.2020 – Present Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA)
Department of Geography and Environment, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK
Courses: Digital GTA (for web maintenance); GY140 Introduction to Geographical Research; GY247 Field Methods in Geography with Economics; GY311 The Political Economy of Urbanisation
- 06.2019 – 08.2019 Junior Engineer & Research Fellow
Division of Cultural and Natural Resources, Department of Historical and

08.2018 – 05.2019	Cultural City, Tsinghua Tongheng Planning & Design Institute, Beijing, China Teaching Assistant Stuart Weitzman School of Design, University of Pennsylvania, USA <i>Courses: HSPV 661 Theories in Historic Preservation; HSPV 625 Preservation Economics.</i>
06.2018 – 05.2019	Project Assistant Heritage Consulting Inc., USA
06.2018 – 08.2018	Assistant Planner Haixi Planning Office, Tsinghua Tongheng Planning & Design Institute, Quanzhou, China
06.2016 – 09.2016	Research Assistant Division of Cultural and Natural Resources, Department of Historical and Cultural City, Tsinghua Tongheng Planning & Design Institute, Beijing, China

Other Professional Activities and Service

02.2022 – present	Department member Department of Academics and Technology, Chinese Students and Scholars Association UK
11.2021 – 06.2022	Secretary, reviewer & session chair Shifting Landscapes 2022, PhD Conference by Department of Geography and Environment, LSE
09.2012 – 07.2017	Student Assistant, Head of Editing Department Department of Student Affairs, Peking University, China

Academic Visiting

08.2015 – 01.2016	Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands
07.2015 – 08.2015	School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

Languages and Skills

Languages	Mandarin Chinese (native) English (spoken and written: proficient) French (spoken and written: basic)
Computer skills	ArcGIS, Auto CAD, Sketch Up, Nvivo, Stata, Adobe Photoshop/Illustrator/InDesign/Bridge/Lightroom