



**SHARON A. BONG**  
Associate Professor

#### Academic qualifications

Ph.D. Religious Studies, Lancaster University, UK, 2002 'Partial visions: Knowing through doing rights, cultures and religions from an Asian-Malaysian feminist standpoint epistemology' Sept 2002

M.A. Women and Religion, Lancaster University, UK, 1997 'Theologies of, for and by Asians: (Re)formulating dialogue' Sept 1996

M.A. English Literature, University of Malaya, Malaysia, 1996 'Aspects of madness and the subversion of patriarchy: A reading of selected Shakespearean texts' Aug 1995 University of Malaya

B.A. (Honours II Upper) English Literature, University of Malaya, Malaysia, 1991

#### Professional qualifications

Licentiate of the Trinity College of Music, LTCL (Teacher's Diploma), 1991

#### Job Experience

Apr 2003-present | **Monash University** | Bandar Sunway, Malaysia

##### **Associate Professor (Gender Studies), 2014**

- Lecturer in Gender Studies
- Deputy Head of School Education (2017-2018)
- Gender Studies major Coordinator (2015-)
- Internship Coordinator (2011-2018)

##### **Senior Lecturer (Gender Studies), 2007**

- Lecture in Women's Studies and Creative Writing
- Arts Undergraduate Course Coordinator (2006, 2010 S2)
- Arts Postgraduate Coordinator (2009-)

May 1998-May 1999 | **ARROW** | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
(Asian-Pacific Resource & Research Centre for Women)

**Programme Officer (Publications)**

- Wrote for and edited the bulletin *ARROWs For Change*
- Researched, analysed data and networked nationally, regionally and globally on women's reproductive health and rights
- Organised workshop on 'Health, Reproductive Rights and Globalisation' in conjunction with the Third International Women's Conference Against APEC
- Represented ARROW at the 43<sup>rd</sup> UN Commission on the Status of Women

Mar 1997-Feb 1998 | **New Straits Times** | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

**Specialist Writer (Features)**

- Highlighted gender perspective in social issues i.e. incest, role of NGOs, HIV and AIDS, human rights, development, culture, religion and globalisation
- Wrote reviews on books, restaurants and novelty shops, personality profiles

## RESEARCH

**Research interests**

Feminist standpoint epistemologies; genders, sexualities in religions and theologies; climate justice and gender justice; qualitative researching and analyses using ATLAS.ti and NVivo (Computer-Assisted Qualitative Data Analysis Software)

**Academic publications**

**Book**

Bong, Sharon A. (2020). *Becoming queer and religious in Malaysia and Singapore*. London: Bloomsbury.  
Bong, Sharon A. (2006). *The tension between women's rights and religions: The case of Malaysia*. New York: the Edwin Mellen Press.

**Edited Book**

Goh, Joseph N., **Bong, Sharon A.** and Kananatu, Thaatchayini (Eds.). (2020). *Gender and sexuality justice in Asia: Finding resolutions through conflict*. Singapore: Springer.  
Bong, Sharon A. (Ed.). (2014). *Trauma, Memory and Transformation in Southeast Asia*. Petaling Jaya, Malaysia: Strategic information and Research Development Centre (SIRD).  
Bong, Sharon A. and Joseph, Pushpa (Eds.). (2008). *Re-imagining marriage and family in Asia: Asian Christian women's perspectives*. Petaling Jaya, Malaysia: Strategic information and Research Development Centre (SIRD).

### Book chapters

- Bong, Sharon A. (2020). The power of transformation and transforming power: A Malaysian female-to-male transgender person's narrative. In Joseph N. Goh, Sharon A. Bong and Thaatchayini Kananatu, *Gender and sexuality justice in Asia: Finding resolutions through conflict* (pp. 139–153). Singapore: Springer.
- Goh, Joseph N., **Bong, Sharon A.** and Kananatu, Thaatchayini (2020). Introduction: Revisiting gender and sexuality justice in Asia – Bridging academic and activism. In Joseph N. Goh, Sharon A. Bong and Thaatchayini Kananatu, *Gender and sexuality justice in Asia: Finding resolutions through conflict* (pp. ix–xxv). Singapore: Springer.
- Bong, S. A. (2020). Gender. In Kenneth R. Ross, Francis D. Alvarez and Todd M. Johnson (Eds.) *Christianity in East and Southeast Asia* (pp. 413–424). Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press.
- Bong, S. A. (2020). Doing justice to issues of gender. In Ernst M. Conradie and Hilda P. Koster (Eds.) *T & T Clark handbook on Christian theology and climate change* (pp. 655–658). London and New York: T & T Clark, Bloomsbury Publishing.
- Bong, S. A. (2019). Feminine genius: Revisiting gender complementarity today. In Gunter Prüller-Jagenteufel, Sharon Bong and Rita Perintfalvi (Eds.) *Towards just gender relations: Rethinking the role of women in church and society* (pp 137–145). Vienna: Vienna University Press.
- Bong, S. A. (2019). Religious identity and gender: The case of Malaysia. In Marianne Heimbach-Steins and Judith Könnemann (Eds.) *Religiöse Identitäten in einer globalisierten Welt* (Religious identities in a globalized world) (pp. 155–161). Münster: Aschendorff Verlag.
- Bong, S. A. (2019). You are what you eat: The ethics of eating meat and queer ecofeminism. In Kristine C. Meneses and Christine E. Burke (Eds.). *Foodscapes: Beyond the food environment – a feminist theological take on food issues in Asia* (pp. 9–30). Bengaluru, India: Dharmaram Publications.
- Bong, S. A. (2018). Gender studies major. In Cecilia Ng, Rusalina Idrus and Lai Wan Teng (Eds.) *Overview of women's and gender studies in Malaysia* (pp. 46–56). Petaling Jaya: Institut Wanita Berdaya.
- Bong, S. A. (2018). The feminist praxis of Talitha Kum Southeast Asia: Combatting trafficking in persons to realizing human dignity. In Virginia Saldanha and Metti Amirtham, SCC (Eds.) *The 21<sup>st</sup> century woman still claiming her space: Asian feminist theological perspectives* (pp. 87–107). New Delhi: Media House.
- Bong, S. A. (2018). Transgender. In Lisa Isherwood and Dirk von der Horst (Eds.) *Contemporary Theological Approaches to Sexuality* (pp. 40–52). London and New York: Routledge. ([Invitation to publish](#))
- Bong, S. A. (2017). Not only for the sake of man: Asian feminist theological response to Laudato Si. In Grace Ji-Sun Kim and Hilda P. Koster (Eds.) *Planetary solidarity: Global women's voices on Christian doctrine and climate justice* (pp. 81–96). Minneapolis: Fortress Press. ([Invitation to publish](#))
- Bong, S. A. (2017). The roots of human dignity in a Southeast Asian context. In Klaus Krämer and Klaus Vellguth (Eds.) *Human dignity: Discourses on Universality and Inalienability* (pp. 71–78). Quezon City: Claretian Communications Foundation, Inc.
- Bong, S. A. (2016). A God by any other name. In Lúcas Chan Yiu Sing, James F. Keenan and Shaji George Kochuthara (Eds.), *Doing Asian theological ethics in a cross-cultural and an interreligious context* (181–193). Bangalore: Dharmaram Publications.

- Bong, S. A. (2016). Women's and Feminist Activism in Southeast Asia. *The Wiley Blackwell encyclopedia of gender and sexuality studies* (pp. 1–5). Retrieved from: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/9781118663219.wbegss593/pdf> (institutions/organisations). DOI: 10.1002/9781118663219.wbegss593. (Invitation to publish)
- Bong, S. A. (2016). Women's Ways of Knowing. *The Wiley Blackwell encyclopedia of gender and sexuality studies* (pp. 1–3). Retrieved from: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/9781118663219.wbegss597/pdf> (philosophy/ethics). DOI: 10.1002/9781118663219.wbegss597. (Invitation to publish)
- Bong, S. A. (2016). Zum pluralismus der Menschenwürde im südostasiatischen kontext (On the pluralism of human dignity in the Southeast Asian context). In Klaus Krämer and Klaus Vellguth (Eds.), *Menschenwürde: Diskurse zur universalität und unveräußerlichkeit (Human Dignity: Discourse on universality and inalienability)* (pp. 100–110). Freiburg, Basel and Vienna: Herder.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2015). Going beyond the universal-versus-relativist rights discourse and practice: The case of Malaysia. In Sanja Bahun-Radunović and V. G. Julie Rajan (Eds.), *Violence and gender in the globalised world: The intimate and the extimate* (pp. 27–44) (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). Aldershot, Hampshire: Ashgate.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2015). Negotiating tensions in the discourses of gender, sexuality and religion. In James Chin and Joern Dosch (Eds.), *Malaysia post-Mahathir: A decade of change?* (pp. 169–194). Singapore: Marshall Cavendish.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2014). Gender, sexuality and Christian feminist movements in Asia. In Felix Wilfred (Ed.), *The Oxford handbook of Christianity in Asia* (pp. 182–194). Oxford: Oxford University Press. (Invitation to publish)
- Bong, Sharon A. (2014). In the name of Allah: Containment of trauma and memory in Malaysia. In Sharon A. Bong (Ed.), *Trauma, memory and transformation: Southeast Asian experiences* (pp. 145–167). Petaling Jaya, Malaysia: Strategic information and Research Development Centre (SIRD).
- Bong, Sharon A. (2014). Sacralizing time and space through an epistemology of peace: A feminist reading of DiscipleSFX of Malaysia. In Agnes M Brazal and Kochurani Abraham (Eds.), *Feminist Cyberethics in Asia: Religious Discourses on Human Connectivity* (pp. 119–139). New York: Palgrave MacMillan.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2014). The Ecclesia of Women in Asia: Liberating theology. In Linda F. Hogan and A. E. Orobator (Eds.), *Feminist Catholic Theological Ethics: Conversations in the World Church* (pp. 64–71). Maryknoll, New York: Orbis Books. (Invitation to publish)
- Bong, Sharon A. (2012). Theologies of, for, and by Asians: Reformulating dialogue. In David Joy and Joseph F. Duggan (Eds.), *Decolonizing the Body of Christ: Theology and theory after empire?* (pp. 79–106). New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2011). The narratives of GLBTQ persons: Towards an epistemology of the body. In Judette Gallares and Astrid Lobo-Gajiwala (Eds.), *Feminist Theology of Liberation Asian perspectives: Practicing Peace* (pp. 81–100). Quezon City, Philippines: Claretian Publication.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2010). The suffering Christ and the Asian body. In Kwok Pui-Lan (Ed.), *Hope abundant: Third World and indigenous women's theology* (pp. 186–193). Maryknoll, New York: Orbis Books (Invitation to reprint).
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- Bong, Sharon A. (2021). The queer-postcolonial turn. *Religion and Gender*, 1, 63–66.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2019). Ecclesiology: Becoming the queer, postcolonial, (eco)feminist body of Christ in Asia. *Concilium*, 5, 70–80.
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- Bong, Sharon A. (2011). Negotiating resistance/resilience through the nexus of spirituality-sexuality of same-sex partnerships in Malaysia and Singapore. *Marriage and Family Review*, 47(8), 648–665. doi: 10.1080/01494929.2011.619305.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2011). Beyond queer: An epistemology of bi choice. *Journal of Bisexuality*, 11(1), 39–63. doi: 10.1080/15299716.2011.545304.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2009). Not 'for the sake of peace': Towards an epistemology of the sacred body. *Asian Christian Review*, 3(1), 50–68.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2007). Debunking myths in CAQDAS use and coding in qualitative data analysis: Experiences with and reflections on grounded theory methodology. *Historical Social Research* [The official journal of Quantum and Interquant; an international journal for the application of formal methods to history], 19(Supplement), 258–275.
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### Social Commentaries

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- Bong, Sharon A. (2020, May 1). New normal, old gender norms in the time of coronavirus. *The First* (Newsletter of the Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church). Retrieved from <https://catholicethics.com/forum/new-normal-old-gender-norms/>
- Bong, Sharon A. (2019, March 28). Whose dignity? Abolishing child marriage for the girl child. *The First* (Newsletter of the Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church). Retrieved from <http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/whose-dignity-abolishing-child-marriage-for-the-girl-child#comments>
- Bong, Sharon A. (2018, September 30). Compassionate caning: To educate not hurt the person. *The First* (Newsletter of the Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church). Retrieved from <http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/compassionate-caning-to-educate-not-hurt-the-person>
- Bong, Sharon A. (2018, February 3). EWA tasting and seeing Christ as the Bread of Life, Rice of Life and the Meat of Life. *The First* (Newsletter of the Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church). Retrieved from <http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/ewa-tasting-and-seeing-christ-as-the-bread-of-life-rice-of-life-and-the-meat-of-life>
- Bong, Sharon A. (2017, May 30). Asia's diversity and gender diversity. *The First* (Newsletter of the Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church). Retrieved from <http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/asias-diversity-and-gender-diversity>
- Bong, Sharon A. (2016, October 30). What's gender got to do with climate justice? *The First* (Newsletter of the Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church). Retrieved from [http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/whats-gender-got-to-do-with-climate-justice?utm\\_source=November+1%2C+2016&utm\\_campaign=CTEWC+Constant+Contact+&utm\\_medium=email](http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/whats-gender-got-to-do-with-climate-justice?utm_source=November+1%2C+2016&utm_campaign=CTEWC+Constant+Contact+&utm_medium=email).
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- Bong, Sharon A. (2015, September 2). Citizen's call out. *The First*. Retrieved from [http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/citizens-call-out?utm\\_source=September+FIRST%2C+2015&utm\\_campaign=CTEWC+Constant+Contact+&utm\\_medium=email](http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/citizens-call-out?utm_source=September+FIRST%2C+2015&utm_campaign=CTEWC+Constant+Contact+&utm_medium=email).
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- Bong, Sharon A. (2014, September 3). A home to call one's own. *The First*. Retrieved from <http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/a-home-to-call-ones-own>.
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- Bong, Sharon A. (2012, October 15). To cut or not to cut: that is not the question. *The First*. Retrieved from <http://www.catholicethics.com/forum-submissions/to-cut-or-not-to-cut-that-is-not-the-question>.
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- Bong, Sharon A. (2004). Restoration and conservation of no. 8 Heeren Street. *Resource*, 11(3), 65-68.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2004). Moving forward by remembering our past: Conserving Malaysia's built heritage. *Resource*, 11(1), 61-67.

## AWARDS AND COMMENDATIONS

### Education

- 2018 Vice Chancellors Diversity and Inclusion Award (for 'Understanding gender inclusivity in Malaysia, CEED module)
- Pro Vice-Chancellor's Letter of Commendation for Excellence in Education (March, 2017) – establishment of the Gender Studies major
- Vice-Provost's (Learning and Teaching) commendation on outstanding unit evaluation result for AMU2907 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Global Contexts, Semester 2, 2016
- Vice-Provost's (Learning and Teaching) commendation on outstanding unit evaluation result for AMU3858 Writing Experiments, Semester 2, 2015
- Vice-Provost's (Learning and Teaching) commendation on outstanding unit evaluation result for AMU3560 Contemporary Feminisms in Asia, Semester 1, 2015
- Pro Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching (Round 2, 2012)
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- Pro Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching (Round 2, 2011)
- Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President's (Education) commendation on outstanding unit evaluation result for ATS3858 Writing Experiments, Semester 2, 2012
- Deputy Vice-Chancellor's (Education) commendation on outstanding unit evaluation result for ATS2906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia, Semester 2, 2011
- Deputy Vice-Chancellor's (Education) commendation on teaching excellence for GND2070/3070 Rethinking Global Culture: Sex, Race, Consumption, Semester 2, 2010
- Dean's Commendation of Excellence in teaching for outstanding teaching in WRT3421 Writing Techniques and GND2010/3010 Contemporary Feminist Theory, Semester 1, 2010; GND2070/3070 Rethinking Global Culture: Sex, Race, Consumption, Semester 2, 2009

### Research

- Pro Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research (Round 2, 2011)

### Engagement

- Pro Vice-Chancellor's Community Service Award, Monash University 2007

### Supervision

- Supervisor of the Year Award – Appreciation Award 2020 (School of Art and Social Sciences)

### Service

- Pro Vice-Chancellor's Long Service Award (2018) – 15 years of service in Monash University Malaysia
- Pro Vice-Chancellor's Long Service Award (2013) – 10 years of service in Monash University Malaysia
- Pro Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Academic Service (Round 1, 2012)

### Scholarships

- Chevening (British High Commissioner's Award) 1999-2002
- Chevening (British High Commissioner's Award) 1995-1996



## RESEARCH GRANTS

### External grants

1. Pickering, S., Tazreiter, C., Powell, R., and Bong, S. A., 2014-2016: Women's decision-making and information sharing in the course of migration. DIBP-ANU (Department of Immigration and Border Protection and Australian National University) Collaborative Research Programme, AUD\$33,813.

### Internal grants

1. Goh, Joseph N.; Bong, S. A., and Kananatu, T., 2018: International Conference on Gender and Sexuality in Asia. Global Asia 21 (GA21), Monash University Malaysia, RM15,000
2. Fagenblat, M., Landau, M., Mews, C., Barton, G., George, S., Wolski, N., Aly, W., Bong, S. A., 2008: Internationalising interreligious studies: Collaboration, International Strategic Initiatives Fund, Monash University Australia, AUD\$15,000.
3. Bong, S. A. 2007: Re-imagining marriage and faith through the narratives of same-sex partners in Southeast Asia, New Appointee's Research Grant Plan, Monash University Australia, AUD\$6.000.

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### Keynote address

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| Nov 2020 | Presented, 'What's gender got to do with it?' TEQIP-III sponsored 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on 'Gender equity: Challenges and opportunities', 25-27 November 2020, Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology (SVNIT), Surat, Gujarat, India [virtual] |
| Jan 2018 | Presented 'You are what you eat: The ethics of eating meat and queer ecofeminism', EWA 8 <sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference, 18-21 January 2018, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam  |
| Mac 2012 | Presented 'Refining qualitative data', QRAM 9 <sup>th</sup> National Research Seminar, 31 March 2012, Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur<br>Symposium II: Reporting and Writing Qualitative Data (Dos & Don'ts)—panelist  |
| Aug 2009 | Presented 'Opportunities and challenges for women in Asia Pacific in the 21 <sup>st</sup> century', World YWCA Asia and Pacific Regional Training Institute: 'Women Creating Safe and Secure Communities, 2-7 August 2009, Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia                           |

### Plenary speaker

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| Nov 2020 | Presented, 'Religion and LGBT communities: Is God's love exclusive for the straight people?' 26 November 2020, organised by the Interfaith Cooperation Forum and Asia and Pacific Alliance of YMCAs [virtual] |
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Nov 2014 Presented 'Freedom of Religion and Gender', Podium 2, International Conference on 'Freedom of Religion: A Human Right Claimed and Instrumentalised', 26-27 November 2014, Münster, Germany, organized by Missio (Aachen), the Franz-Hitze-Haus Academy and Institute for Christian Social Sciences, University of Münster

Mac 2014 Presented 'Critical qualitative researching amid academic conservatism', QRAM 2014 AGM and seminar, 29 March 2014, Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur

### By invitation

Mac 2021 Presented, 'Rare earth and rare practice of "integral ecology": A feminist-postcolonial reading of 'Save Malaysia, Stop Lynas' protests', Symposium on 'Women, mining and toxic contamination', 14 March 2021, organised by the Laudato Si' Research Institute, University of Oxford, UK [virtual]

Jun 2021 Presented, 'Rare earth and rare practice of "integral ecology": A feminist-postcolonial reading of 'Save Malaysia, Stop Lynas' protests', Conference on 'Women, Solidarity and ecology, 2 June 2021, organised by the Laudato Si' Research Institute, University of Oxford, UK [virtual]

Jun 2021 Presented, 'Women decolonising theologies of, for and by Southeast Asians', 11<sup>th</sup> International Fu-Jen Academia Catholica Conference, 'Asian theologies and theologies in Asia', 2 June 2021, organised by Fu-Jen Academia Catholica, Taiwan [virtual]

Jun 2019 Delegate, International Conference on Cohesive Societies, 19-21 May, Raffles Convention Centre

Jul 2016 Presented, 'A Gender Perspective on Catholic Sexual Ethics: Who Defines the roles and issues', Joint symposium of DAKATEO, ET and INSeCT (International Network of Societies for Catholic Theology) 2016, 'Gender and Ecclesiology: An Intercultural Dialogue', 14-17 July 2016, Tagaytay, Philippines

Jun 2016 Presented, 'Talitha Kum Southeast Asia: A feminist "network of salvation"', Panel 3 "Religious identity and gender' (followed by a seminar, on the same day, Friday 10 June, 1500-1800), International Theological Conference (themed, 'Religious identities in a globalized world'), 9-12 June, Catholic Theological Faculty, University of Munster, Munster, Germany

Jun 2015 Presented, 'The Ecclesia of Women in Asia: Liberating Theology', FTESEA/ATESEA Women Theological Educators and Women in Theological Movements Conference, 21-25 June 2015, UCCP Shalom Centre, Manila, the Philippines

- Apr 2014 Presented, 'Rethinking the discourse of victimhood: The case of the Obedient Wives' Club' at the Monash-Warwick Alliance Workshop, themed, 'Rethinking violence against women: Comparative and transnational perspectives', 9-10 April 2014
- Jan 2011 Presented 'Women's rights and religions in Malaysia' at seminar, 20 January 2011, organized by the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS), Singapore
- Oct 2010 Presented 'The suffering Christ and the Asian body' at the American Academy of Religion, 30 October- 1 November 2010, Atlanta, Georgia, USA
- Jul 2010 Presented 'Narratives of sexuality and belonging' at the Second Conference of the Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church, 24-27 July 2010, Trent, Italy
- July 2009 Presented 'Queering narratives of belonging' at the Workshop on 'Revisiting Pluralism in Malaysia', 9-10 July 2009, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, National University of Singapore

#### Paper presenter

- Nov 2018 Presented, 'You are what you eat: The ethics of eating meat and queer ecofeminism', the International Conference on Gender and Sexuality in Asia (CoGen 2018), 12-14 November 2018, Monash University Malaysia
- Jun 2016 Presented, 'Spirited closets' for the panel "Queering 'Spirit' in the Real and the Reel: Vignettes of Hope, Agency and Empowerment from Malaysia and Indonesia", AAS-Asia Conference 2016 (themed, 'Asia in Motion: Horizons of Hope'), 24-27 June 2016, Doshisha University in Kyoto, Japan
- Jan 2016 Presented, 'The Feminist Praxis of Talitha Kum Southeast Asia: Combatting Trafficking Trafficking in Persons to Realising Human Dignity', 7<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Ecclesia of Women in Asia (themed, '21<sup>st</sup> Century Women Still Claiming Her Space: Asian Feminist Theological Perspectives'), 19-25 January 2016, Tagaytay, Manila, Philippines
- Jul 2015 Presented 'A God by any other name', 1<sup>st</sup> Asian Cross-Cultural Conference for Catholic Theological Ethicists (themed, 'Doing Catholic Theological Ethics in an Interfaith Context in Asia'), 17-20 July 2015, Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram (DVK), Bangalore, India
- Nov 2013 Presented 'The power of *transformation* and *transforming* power: A Malaysian female-to-male *transgender* person's narrative', Sixth Biennial Conference of the Ecclesia of Women in Asia, 14-18 November 2013, Bangalore, India
- Nov 2011 Presented 'Sacralising time and space: DiscipleSFX of Malaysia' at the Fifth Biennial Conference of the Ecclesia of Women in Asia, 6-9 November, Archdiocesan Pastoral Centre, Kuala Lumpur

- Jun 2010 Presented 'In the name of "Allah": The containment of trauma and memory in Malaysia' at the 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference of the School of Arts and Social Sciences, Monash University Sunway Campus, 22-24 June 2010, Bandar Sunway, Malaysia
- Feb 2010 Presented 'Using ATLAS.ti for grounded theory analysis: the case of analysing GLBTO persons in same-sex relationships' at Computer-Aided Qualitative Research Asia 2010, 3-4 February 2010, Kuala Lumpur
- Aug 2009 Presented 'Practising peace in the narratives of GLBTIQs towards an epistemology of the body' at the 4<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Ecclesia of Women in Asia, 26-29 August 2009, Hua Hin, Thailand
- Jun 2009 Co-organised and presented 'The sexual other in religion', Interreligious studies collaboration two day internal workshop, Monash University Sunway Campus, Malaysia, 8-9 June
- Nov 2008 Presented 'Sexualising faith and spiritualising sexuality in postcolonial narratives of same-sex intimacy' at the 5<sup>th</sup> Global Conference on 'Persons and Sexuality' organised by the Inter-Disciplinary.Net, 3-5 November 2008, Salzburg, Austria
- Aug 2008 Presented 'Negotiating resistance/resilience through the nexus of faith-sexuality of same-sex unions in Malaysia and Singapore' at the Conference on Resilience and Transformation of Families in Asia, 4-5 August 2008, Asia Research Institute (ARI), National University of Singapore (NUS)
- Sep 2007 Presented 'Re-imagining marriage and faith through the narratives of same-sex partners in Southeast Asia: Ethics of Researching on Sensitive Topics' at the 4<sup>th</sup> International Qualitative Research Convention, Malaysia, 3-5 September 2007, PJ Hilton, Malaysia
- Nov 2005 Presented 'Partial visions: Toward an Asian-Malaysian feminist standpoint epistemology' at the American Academy of Religion, 19-22 November 2005, Philadelphia, USA
- Aug 2004 Presented 'Politicising spirituality: An Asian-Malaysian feminist standpoint epistemology' at the 4<sup>th</sup> International Malaysian Studies Conference (MSC4), 3-5 August 2004, National University of Malaysia, Bangi, Malaysia

## SUPERVISION

### PhD (Main Supervisor)

Cheah Wui Jia	Commenced 29 April 2019 (part-time) (Un)broken faith: Doubt and departure in the Fundamentalist Church of Malaysia'
Krishna R. Vishinpir	Commenced 1 April 2019 'Negotiating Islam: A study on female entrepreneurship among Muslim refugees in Malaysia'
Vizla Kumaresan	Commenced 10 September 2018 'Becoming Men: Examining the psychological and decision making processes in becoming men'
Laura Eva Wong	Commenced 1 September 2016 (awarded PhD in 2020) Making masculinity: Beyond "butch" in Singapore
Alwyn Lau Wing Wang	Commenced 12 September 2011 (awarded PhD in 2016, part-time) Intimating the unconscious: Politics, psychoanalysis and theology in malaysia
Ng Siow San	Commenced February 2012 (awarded PhD in 2016) 'Inner guidance of Malaysian-Buddhist pilgrims'
Joseph N. Goh	Commenced January 2012 (awarded PhD in 2015) 'Piercing transcendence: Condomless sex between men in Malaysia and spiritual considerations'
Sheila Tan	Commenced April 2010 (supervisor change 2014) 'Stress, social support and well-being among Malaysians: The role of spirituality and religiosity'

### PhD (Associate Supervisor)

Jacqui Kong Huiyi	Commenced 1 August 2011 (converted to part-time status in 2015, awarded PhD in 2020) 'Serving up Ethnicities: Asian Celebrity Chefs and the Search for Identity'
Shafizan Mohamed	Commenced 2008-2012, 2012-2014 (awarded PhD) 'Blogging and Citizenship: the Lived Experience of Malaysian Bloggers'

### MA Coursework (Main Supervisor)

Rohini Rajadorai	Completed 2015 'Healthy Masculinities: Analysing Representations of Men's Health and Constructions of Masculinity in <i>Men's Health Malaysia</i> '
Tania Wee Tien Ning	Completed 2013 'A Comparison of Beauty on American And Malaysian Magazine Covers'

### MA Research (Associate Supervisor)

Eugene Chua Kee Hong	Completed 2010 'Black Humour: Comic Darkness in Joseph Heller and Kurt Vonnegut's Fiction' (Associate Supervisor)
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### Honours (Main Supervisor)

Ramya Gopal	Current (2021) '(In)visible Diasporas: Navigating race, citizenship and desire among queer Indian-Malaysian women'
Serena Kaan Tsu Li	Completed 2020 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) 'Breaking the stained glass ceiling: Women church leaders in Malaysia'
Amani Atieno Onyango	Completed 2019 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) 'Not just for White girls: How Asian young feminists perceive and practice feminisms' (received <a href="#">National Award for Special Achievement</a> )
Hannah R. Jambunathan	Completed 2018 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) 'Sexism in the streets: Dynamics of street harassment within a Malaysian context'
Jasmine Gomez	Completed 2018 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) 'Decolonisation of the wardrobe: The intersection of the self, body and clothing in the context of "Brown" girls in Malaysia'
Krishna R. Vishinpir	Completed 2018 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) 'In search of the silver lining: A study on female entrepreneurship amongst Myanmarese Muslim refugees living in Malaysia'
Leann E Fernandez	Completed 2018 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Upper Honours)



`#MeToo in Kuala Lumpur: Understanding the effects of sexual harassment movements in an Asian context`

Laura Eva Wong	Completed 2015 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) `Feminine lesbians: invisibility and Experiences of Femmes in Singapore and Malaysia`
Leila May Nair	Completed 2015 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Upper Honours) `Women's Leadership in the Catholic Church: Perspectives from Diverse Stakeholders in Malaysia`
Cheah Wui Jia	Completed 2012 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) `Persuasion and Promises: The Study of the Christian Protestant Church in Malaysia and its Tithing Practices`
Chiam May Yen	Completed 2012 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) `Malleable Bodies: The Militarisation of Asian Women in Non-Fiction`
Syahirah Anwar	Completed 2012 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Upper Honours) `The Veiled Tension: Negotiating the Hijab in Singapore`
Kong, Jacqui Huiyi	Completed 2010 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) `Feasting on "the Other": The Commodifications of Difference and the Performance of Authenticity in Food Adventuring Television Programmes`
Sidhu-Brar, Ujval Singh	Completed 2007 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours)  `The Twilight of Duality: Transgressive Aggression, Religious Anti-Religiosity and the Arrival at the Absolute Self in Vedic Metal`
Cheong, Sarah Jane	Completed 2006 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Upper Honours) `Construction of Self: Subversion of Service Provide/Sex Worker Binarism through a Deconstructive Reading of Embodied Narratives` (
Leow, Natalie	Completed 2005 (1 <sup>st</sup> class Honours) `Spiritual Persuasions: On Loving and Leaving the Church`

**Postgraduate Diploma (Main Supervisor)**

Ng Siow San	Completed 2011 'Inter-generational Voices: Identity, Traditions and Modernity'
Wong Sook Jinn	Completed 2007 'Deconstructing Stereotypes on Student Motivations, Study Approaches and Confidence in CS/IT'

**EDUCATION**

**School of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS), Monash University, Malaysia (April 2003 – present)**

**Key contributions and achievements**

**Deputy Head of School Education (2017-2018)**

- Coordinated market survey (Green Zebra) for SASS to assess marketability of: new majors (Film, TV and Screen, Development Studies); name change of existing degrees (Bachelor of Communication and Media Studies to Bachelor of Digital and Media Studies)
- Facilitated unit enhancement across majors
- Facilitated expansion of SASS's course offering:
  - development of new major – Film, TV and Screen Studies (commencing 2019)
  - unit enhancement of AMU2685 Malaysian Studies (transformed to an intensive unit commencing Winter 2019, comprising a study trip to Georgetown, Penang)
  - Formalisation of 'In search of' study trips as a credit-bearing unit, AMU2690 Discovering the Asia-Pacific Study Trips (commencing Summer A, 2019)

**Gender Studies major Coordinator (since 2016)**

- Introduced the **Major in Gender Studies** in 2016 with four new home-grown units written, e.g. AMU1310 Introduction to Gender Studies, AMU1309 Introduction to Sexuality Studies, AMU2908 Critical Methodologies for Action Research and AMU2907 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Global Contexts
- Introduced and established the Minor in Gender Studies, since 2010 which includes writing ATS2906/3906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia (first offered in 2011)

**Internship Coordinator (2011-2018)**

- Formalised internship by facilitating the unit for assessment ATS2744 Faculty of Arts Workplace Internship (first offered in Summer B, 2011/2012)
- Promoted AMU3744 through biannual pre-departure briefings
- Strengthened student learning experience evidenced by increased enrolment: 11 (SSB 2012), 10 (SSB 2013), 13 (SSB 2014), 19 (SSB 2015), 10 (SSB 2016), 38 (SSB 2017), 71 (SSB 2018)

**Unit Coordinator – creative writing units (2003-2015)**

- Enhanced student learning through practical learning in creative writing laboratories since 2003

**TEACHING PORTFOLIO**

2021 S1	AMU3560 Contemporary Feminisms in Asia AMU4720 Research Issues and Methodology (team-taught)
2021 S2	AMU2906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia AMU2907 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Global Contexts
2020 S1	AMU3560 Contemporary Feminisms in Asia AMU4720 Research Issues and Methodology (team-taught)
2020 S2	AMU2906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia AMU2907 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Global Contexts
2019 S1	AMU3560 Contemporary Feminisms in Asia
2019 S2	AMU2906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia AMU2907 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Global Contexts AMU4727 Readings in Social, Political and Cultural Theory (team-taught)
2019 Winter	<b>AMU2685 Malaysian Studies</b> (team-taught)
2018 S1	AMU1310 Introduction to Gender Studies
2018 S2	AMU2906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia AMU2907 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Global Contexts
2017 S1	AMU1310 Introduction to Gender Studies
2017 S2	AMU2907 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Global Contexts
2016 S1	<b>AMU1310 Introduction to Gender Studies</b> AMU3744 Workplace Learning Internship AMU4720 Research Issues and Methodology (team-taught)
2016 S2	AMU2906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia <b>AMU2907 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Global Contexts</b> AMU4727 Readings in Social, Political and Cultural Theory (team-taught)
2015 S1	<b>AMU3560 Contemporary Feminisms in Asia</b>

		AMU4720 Research Issues and Methodology (team-taught)
2015	S2	AMU2906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia AMU3858 Writing Experiments AMU3744 Workplace Learning Internship AMU4727 Readings in Social, Political and Cultural Theory (team-taught)
2014	S1	OSP (sabbatical)
2014	S2	AMU2906 Genders, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia AMU3858 Writing Experiments AMU3744 Workplace Learning Internship
2013	S1	ATS2560/3560 Theorising Sexed Bodies: Contemporary Feminist Theory ATS3857 Writing Techniques APG4382 Contemporary Issues in Asia (Master of Communication and Media Studies, team-taught)
2012	S1	ATS2560/3560 Theorising Sexed Bodies: Contemporary Feminist Theory ATS3857 Writing Techniques
2012	S2	ATS2906/3906 Gender, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia ATS3858 Writing Experiments ATS4727 Readings in Social, Political and Cultural Theory ATS2744 Faculty of Arts Workplace Internship (summer)
2011	S1	ATS2560/3560 Theorising Sexed Bodies: Contemporary Feminist Theory ATS3857 Writing Techniques ATS4720 Research Issues and Methodology
2011	S2	<b>ATS2906/3906 Gender, Sexualities and Religions in Southeast Asia</b> ATS3858 Writing Experiments ATS4727 Readings in Social, Political and Cultural Theory <b>ATS2744 Faculty of Arts Workplace Internship (summer)</b>
2010	S1	<b>GLO2000/3000 Global Studies</b> GND2010/3010 Contemporary Feminist Theories WRT3421 Writing Techniques COM4010 (H) Research Issues and Methodology (Honours coursework unit) AST4000/5000 Contemporary Issues in Asia (MA coursework unit)

2010 S2	GND2070/3070 Rethinking Global Culture: Sex, Race, Consumption WRT3422 Writing Experiments
2009 S1	WRT3421 Writing Techniques COM4010 (H) Research Issues and Methodology (Honours coursework unit)
2009 S2	GND2070/3070 Rethinking Global Culture: Sex, Race, Consumption WRT3422 Writing Experiments
2008 S1	GND2010/3010 Contemporary Feminist Theories WRT3421 Writing Techniques COM4010 (H) Research Issues and Methodology (Honours coursework unit)
2008 S2	<b>OSP</b> (1 July 2008-1 January 2009)
2007 S1	WRT3421 Writing Techniques COM4010 (H) Research Issues and Methodology (Honours coursework unit)
2007 S2	<b>WMN2150/3150 Consuming Otherness: Global and Global Culture</b> WRT3422 Writing Experiments
2006 S1	<b>WMN2240/3240 Introduction to Contemporary Feminist Theories</b> WRT3421 Writing Techniques COM4010 (H) Research Issues and Methodology (Honours coursework unit)
2006 S2	WRT3422 Writing Experiments
2005 S1	MAL1000 Malaysian Studies WRT3421 Writing Techniques COM4010 (H) Research Issues and Methodology (Honours coursework unit)
2005 S2	WRT3422 Writing Experiments
2004 S1	MAL1000 Malaysian Studies WRT3421 Writing Techniques
2004 S2	WRT3422 Writing Experiments
2003 S1	<b>GSC2407 Authorship and Writing</b> <b>GSC3421 Writing Techniques</b> <b>MAL1000 Malaysian Studies</b>
2003 S2	<b>GSC3422 Writing Portfolio</b>

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**Gender Studies Programme, University of Malaya, Malaysia**

Jan-Feb '99      Lectured in women and religion  
Nov-Dec '97

**English Department, University of Malaya, Malaysia**

Aug '91-'94      Tutored in English Literature

**Education presentations – academia (beyond Monash)**

**Gender, sexuality and theology for postgraduate students, staff and public audience**

- Jun 2021      Presented 'Christian ethics and sexuality', summer short-term course on 'Asian and Asian American feminist theologies', webinar organised by Kwok Pui-Lan, Dean's Professor of Systematic Theology, the Candler School of Theology, Emory University, U.S., in partnership with Pacific, Asian, and North-American Asian Women in Theology and Ministry (PANAAWTM), 2 June 2021 [virtual]
- Mac 2021      Presented, 'Becoming queer, postcolonial and feminist body of Christ in Asia', seminar organised by Stefanie Knauss, Associate Professor of Systematic/Constructive Theology on Module 5: Asian feminist and LGBTQ theologies, THL 9200-001 Feminist and queer theologies: Global perspectives unit, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, Villanova University, U.S., 30 March 2021  
[my journal article is a requisite reading in that week, Bong, Sharon A. (2019). Ecclesiology: Becoming the queer, postcolonial, (eco)feminist body of Christ in Asia. *Concilium*, 5, 70–80.]
- Nov 2020      Presented, 'Gender, sexuality and Christian feminist movements in Asia', 30 November 2020, German-Iranian Intensive Study Programme, Exploring Christianity in Asia I, 12 October – 24 December 2020, organised by the University of Munster, Germany and Ferdowsi University of Mashhad [virtual]
- Aug 2018      Presented, 'Women and political transformation in Malaysia', Methodist Building, KL, 17 August 2018 (for staff from the Chinese University of Hong Kong)
- Feb 2017      Presented, 'Feminine genius: Revisiting gender complementarity today', 4<sup>th</sup> Biblical Studies seminar, 'Bible and Gender', 27 February 2017, STM (Seminary Theology Malaysia)
- Mac 2016      Presented 'The feminist praxis of Talitha Kum Southeast Asia: Combatting trafficking in persons to realizing human dignity', Gender Studies Seminar Series 02/2016, 28 March 2016, University Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur
- Apr 2015      Presented, 'To marry or not to marry: The law and sexuality rights in Malaysia', Tonan Talk: A Brown Bag Lecture Series, 15 April 2015, Centre for Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS), Kyoto, Japan



Presented, 'To marry or not to marry: The law and sexuality rights in Malaysia', Seminar Series, 14 April 2015, Nara Women's University, Nara, Japan

Sep 2014 Presented, 'Gender, Sexuality and Christian Feminist Movements in Asia', Christianity in Asia, Intensive Summer Programme, 17-19 September 2014, University of Münster, Germany

Feb 2011 Presented 'Women's rights and religions in Malaysia' at seminar, 12 February 2011, organized by the Center for Gender and Women's Culture in Asia, Nara Women's University, Nara, Japan

#### **Education presentations – academia (within Monash)**

##### **Gender, sexuality and theology for staff and students**

Apr 2021 Served as a panelist for the Health Awareness Campaign – Day 5 (on reproductive health, contraception, virginity), organised by the Monash University Student Association (MUSA), 28 April 2021 [virtual]

##### **Qualitative researching at postgraduate level**

Mac 2021 Presented, 'Linking data with theory', seminar for APG5742 Communications research project, Master of Communication and Media Studies, Monash University Malaysia, 18 March 2021 [virtual]

Mac 2020 Presented, 'Linking data with theory', seminar for APG5742 Communications research project, Master of Communication and Media Studies, Monash University Malaysia, 31 March 2020 [virtual]

Jun 2019 Presented, 'Grounded theology methodology: Introduction' (Part I), Graduate Research Development Programme, Monash University Malaysia, 13 June 2019

Jun 2019 Presented, 'Grounded theology methodology: Application' (Part II), Graduate Research Development Programme, Monash University Malaysia, 28 June 2019

May 2017 Presented, 'Introduction to Grounded theology method (GTM) I for Arts and Social Sciences', Graduate Research Development Programme, Monash University Malaysia, 11 May 2017

May 2017 Presented, 'Grounded theology method (GTM) II: Conducting interviews and using ATLAS.ti for analysis', Graduate Research Development Programme, Monash University Malaysia, 17 May 2017

May 2017 Presented, 'Grounded theology method (GTM) III: Application and analysis', Graduate Research Development Programme, Monash University Malaysia, 24 May 2017

### Qualitative researching at Honours level

- Mac 2021 Presented, 'Constructing and analyzing interviews', AMU4720 Research issues and methodology unit, Monash University Malaysia, 30 March 2021 [virtual]
- Mac 2020 Presented, 'Constructing and analyzing interviews', AMU4720 Research issues and methodology unit, Monash University Malaysia, 31 March 2020 [virtual]
- Apr 2016 Presented, 'Tools of the Trade 4: Conducting and Analyzing Interviews', AMU4720 Research issues and methodology unit, Monash University Malaysia, 18 April 2016
- Apr 2015 Presented, 'Tools of the Trade 4: Conducting and Analyzing Interviews', AMU4720 Research issues and methodology unit, Monash University Malaysia, 14 April 2015

### Education presentations – industry

#### Gender and sexuality studies

- May 2021 **Bar Council Malaysia**  
Presented, 'What does gender got to do with me?' gender-sensitisation workshop organised by the Bar Council Malaysia, 19 May 2021 [virtual]
- Mac 2021 **Bar Council Malaysia**  
Presented, 'Getting from de jure to de facto gender equality: The intersectional approach', Panel 3 of the Inaugural Women's Rights Conference of the Malaysian Bar – 'Malaysian women lawyers fit for the 21<sup>st</sup> century', organised by the Women's rights committee, Bar Council Malaysia, 20 March 2021 [virtual]
- Jan 2021 **Malaysian Philosophy Society**  
Presented, 'Covid-19: Exploring State power through a pandemic', webinar organised by the Malaysian Philosophy Society, 30 January 2021 [virtual]
- Oct 2018 **UNHCR Malaysia (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees)**  
Facilitated 'Gender and development awareness training for stakeholders (Part I)', for female refugee community leaders, 29-30 October 2018, UNHCR Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur
- Nov 2018 **UNHCR Malaysia (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees)**  
Facilitated 'Gender and development awareness training for stakeholders (Part II)', for female and male refugee community leaders, 26 November 2018, UNHCR Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur
- Nov 2018 **UNHCR Malaysia (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees)**  
Facilitated 'Gender and development awareness training for stakeholders (Part III)', for UNHCR staff and partners, 28 November 2018, UNHCR Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur

- Jul 2017      **Imagined Malaysia**  
Presented 'Freedom of religion and gender equality', 16 July 2017, public seminar organised by Imagined Malaysia (progressive youth reimagining a socially inclusive Malaysia), Ara Damansara
- Mac 2017      **Pelangi Campaign**  
International Women's Day Seminar 'Is feminism queer?' 11 March 2017, Pusat Rakyat Loyar Buruk, Kuala Lumpur
- 2009      **Friends-In-Conversation, RoH Malaysia and The Micah Mandate**  
Presented at the forum on, 'The politics of gender and public morality', Bangsar Lutheran Church, Kuala Lumpur, 7 March 2009
- 2008      **Seksualiti Merdeka**  
Presented at forum on, 'Probing sexualities—recent research into sexual diversity in Malaysia' (annual public forum on sexuality rights in Malaysia), The Annexe, Kuala Lumpur, 30 August 2008
- 2004      **Amnesty-International Malaysia**  
Presented at forum on, 'It's in our hands: Stop violence against women' in conjunction with launch of *Global Report on Violence Against Women*, Petaling Jaya, 11 March 2024

#### Education-related publications and resources

- Bong, Sharon A. (2020). The sexuality-spirituality project. In Lyn Richards (Ed.), *Handling Qualitative Data, 2nd edition, Companion Website*. Sage. Retrieved from: <https://study.sagepub.com/richards4e/student-resources/methods-in-practice/the-sexuality-spirituality-project> (Invitation to publish)
- Bong, Sharon A. (2019). Ecclesiology: Becoming the queer, postcolonial, (eco)feminist body of Christ in Asia. *Concilium*, 5, 70–80.
- Bong, Sharon A. (2007). Debunking myths in CAQDAS use and coding in qualitative data analysis: Experiences with and reflections on grounded theory methodology. *Historical Social Research* [The official journal of Quantum and Interquant; an international journal for the application of formal methods to history], 19(Supplement), 258–275.

#### Education conference organised

- Jul 2017      Organised [Genderworks](#), the inaugural Gender Studies conference for undergraduates at Monash University Malaysia, themed, 'Genderworks: Dialogue and action across our differences', 8 July 2017, in collaboration with the Gender Equity Initiatives of the Association of Women Lawyers (comprising other institutions of higher learning, e.g.

Nottingham University of Malaysia) with a publishable outcome for the five best student essays

Publication:

Bar Council Malaysia (2018). Genderworks. *Praxis: Chronicle of the Malaysian Bar*, Jan-Mac, 47–70.

## ENGAGEMENT

### Academic community

- **Qualitative Research Association of Malaysia**  
Committee member (<http://www.myqra.org/>), 2012-  
Life member
- **Ecclesia of Women in Asia** (academic forum of Catholic women theologizing in Asia)  
Local conference team (head) 2020 (EWA 9)  
Consultant 2016-2018, 2018-2020  
Local conference team (head) 2011 (EWA 5) and 2020 (EWA 9)  
Ex-officio 2009-2011  
Coordinator 2007-2009  
Executive Coordinator 2004-2006
- **Asian Regional Committee of the Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church**  
Forum writer ([http://catholicethics.com/forum\\_writers](http://catholicethics.com/forum_writers)), 2011-  
Member of the Asian Regional Committee (<http://catholicethics.com/regional>)
- **UNESCO Chair in Interreligious and Intercultural Relations Asia-Pacific**  
Associate, 2010-
- **Postcolonial Networks**  
Member ([www.postcolonialnetworks.com](http://www.postcolonialnetworks.com)), 2012-
- **Catherine of Siena Virtual College**  
Academic Patron (<http://www.catherineofsiena.net/about/patrons1.asp>), 2009-
- **John Wijngaards Catholic Research Centre**  
Academic Patron (<http://www.wijngaardsinstitute.com/who-we-are/>), 2013-

### Editorial board

Concilium (International journal of theology) 2019–2022

Brill (Religion global series) 2021–

Bloomsbury

- Religion, gender and sexuality

T&T Clark (imprint of Bloomsbury)

- Theology. Gender and Ecology,

#### Peer reviewer

*Asian Ethnicity*

*Asia-Pacific Journal for Public Health*

*Pacific Affairs*

#### Government

##### Malaysian Qualifications Agency

Consultant—panel to draft Programme Standards for Communications, 2012-2013

##### Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development (MWFCD)

Participant (academic stakeholder) – ‘Output 2: Gender mainstreaming framework and policy recommendations for the implementation of the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan’, organised by the MWFCD, 30 August 2018, Putrajaya Marriott Hotel, IOI Resort City

Consultant—wrote the Third Malaysian government report on the status of women for CEDAW (Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women), July 2005

#### Civil society/women’s movement/public

##### Global

- Participated as a ‘Sokoni (market) consultant’ at the World YWCA Council 2007 and International Women’s Summit, Nairobi, Kenya, 6 July.
- Participated at the Women’s Pre-Assembly of the 7<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the World Conference on Religion and Peace, Amman, Jordan, 22-29 November 1999;
- Represented the YWCA (Young Women’s Christian Association) at the 7<sup>th</sup> Women’s Global Leadership Institute, organised by the Center for Women’s Global Leadership, Rutgers State University, New Jersey, 7-18 June 1999;
- Represented ARROW (Asian-Pacific Resource & Research Centre for Women) at the United Nations’ 43<sup>rd</sup> Session on Commission on the Status of Women, New York, 2-10 March 1999

##### Regional

##### Asian-Pacific Resource & Research Centre for Women (ARROW)

- Worked as a Programme Officer (publications), 1997-1998

##### National

##### UNHCR Malaysia

- Facilitated ‘Gender and development awareness training for stakeholders’, for the UNHCR Malaysia involving female and male refugee community leaders, UNHCR staff and partners, 29 October – 28 November 2018

### Gender Equity Initiative (GEI)

- Representing Monash as a member institution of GEI (organized by the Bar Council and Association of Women Lawyers) to host a forum to be held in August 2016

### All Women's Action Society (AWAM)

- Co-wrote the Adolescent Reproductive Health Module (Trainer's Manual & Guide), commissioned by the Federation of Family Planning Associations of Malaysia, September 1999;
- Have been a member since 1998

### Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA)

- First Vice-President, 2004-2006, 2006-2008
- Conceptualised and facilitated a national workshop, 'Moving Forward With Courage', Kuala Lumpur, 11-12 September 1999;
- Have been a member since 1995
- Editor of Blue Triangle (for issues: October 2006-November 2009)

### National Council of Women's Organisations (NCWO)

- Coordinated the Commission on Human Rights Report for the regional Beijing+5 prepcom (UN Preparatory Committee), August 1999;
- Co-organised and facilitated an interfaith workshop, 'Impact of Culture and Religion on Women's Experience', NGO Forum, Huairou, China, September 1995 in conjunction with the UN 4<sup>th</sup> World Conference on Women, Beijing, China

### Media

#### BFM radio

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| 2021 | 'What is patriarchy? And how does it hurt women & men? BFM (The Bigger Picture – Today I learned), 8 June, podcast available at: <a href="https://www.bfm.my/podcast/the-bigger-picture/today-i-learned/what-is-patriarchy-and-how-does-it-hurt-women-men">https://www.bfm.my/podcast/the-bigger-picture/today-i-learned/what-is-patriarchy-and-how-does-it-hurt-women-men</a> |
| 2021 | 'Does sugar dating really empower women?' BFM (Evening Edition), 5 February, podcast available at: <a href="https://www.bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/does-sugar-dating-really-empower-women">https://www.bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/does-sugar-dating-really-empower-women</a>   |
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