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**Education**

2024	PhD (Sociology)	The University of Hong Kong
2021	MPhil (Sociology)	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
2019	BSSc (Sociology)	The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Professional Experience

January 2025	Research Assistant Professor
–Present	Department of Social Work and Social Administration The University of Hong Kong

Research Interests

- Migration and immigration
- Refugee studies
- Social inclusion
- Urban sociology

Refereed Publications

Li, N., **Lam, K. W. K.**, & Fong, E. (Forthcoming). Transnational family and friendship networks of Hong Kong residents: Evidence from the Hong Kong General Social Survey. In Chinese. *Journal of Sociological Studies*.

Lam, K. W. K. (Forthcoming). Navigating research and ethics when working with forced migrant populations. In P. Y. F. Lau (Ed.), *Sage research methods inclusive research methodologies*. Sage.

Lam, K. W. K., Fong, E., & Wang, X. (2025). Narrative of governing emigration: A case study in Hong Kong. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 51(18), 4726–4743.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/1369183X.2025.2544087>

Lam, K. W. K., & Fong, E. (2025). Time to leave? Emigration tendencies in Hong Kong after the 1997 handover and 2019 social unrest. *Population, Space and Place*, 31(3), e70027. <https://doi.org/10.1002/psp.70027>

Lam, K. W. K., & Fong, E. (2025). The impact of post-2019 migration on Hong Kong population dynamics. In Y. W. Chan & Y. To (Eds.), *Global Hong Kong: Post-2019 migration and the new Hong Kong diaspora*. Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003544159-12>

Lam, K. W. K. (2024). Changing tactics in negotiating refugee assistance policies and practices: A case study of an asylum seeker-led organisation in Hong Kong. *Journal of Refugee Studies*, 37(2), 503–517. <https://doi.org/10.1093/jrs/feae018>

Lam, K. W. K. (2024). The roles of asylum seeker-led organisations in settlement processes and determinants: Evidence from Hong Kong. *Journal of International Migration and Integration*, 25(4), 2431–2448. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12134-024-01179-0>

Zhong, H., **Lam, K. W. K.**, & Gu, G. Y. (2024). Classic assimilation or self-selection? An analysis of the central–local political trust among highly educated Mainland migrants in Hong Kong. In Chinese. *Studies on Hong Kong and Macao*, 2024(1), 134–158.

Shui, K., **Lam, K. W. K.**, Chen, J., & Fong, E. (2023). Entry visa categories, current experiences and future expectations of highly educated migrants and their intention to stay. *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal*, 32(1), 152–172. <https://doi.org/10.1177/01171968231174055>

Lam, K. W. K., Zhong, H., & Gu, G. Y. (2023). Classic assimilation, self-selection and parent status: An analysis of the central–local political trust among highly educated Mainland migrants in Hong Kong. *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal*, 32(1), 83–104. <https://doi.org/10.1177/01171968231167922>

Lam, K. W. K., & Fong, E. (2022). Migration flows in the region of Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. *Asian Population Studies*, 18(2), 109–112. <https://doi.org/10.1080/17441730.2022.2087934>

Under Review

Man, P. K., **Lam, K. W. K.**, & Fong, E. Revisiting the migration intentions of Hong Kong residents towards the Greater Bay Area: A progressive model exploring group differences.

Wong, S. Y. B., & **Lam, K. W. K.** What comes after voicing: Understanding the drivers of immobility and strategies for coping with a dissatisfying status quo.

Lam, K. W. K., Wong, S. Y. B., & Lo, K. C. Migration regimes, coincidences, and the dynamics of irregularity among migrant domestic workers in Hong Kong.

Research Grants

PI, Seed Fund for Basic Research, “Understanding the Asylum–Migration Nexus in Hong Kong.” Funded by the University of Hong Kong (June 2025–June 2027).

Conference Presentations

Lam, K. W. K., Wong, S. Y. B., & Lo, K. C. (2025, December 6). Examining the asylum–migration nexus: Preliminary findings from migrant domestic workers claiming asylum in Hong Kong. Paper to be presented at the Annual Conference of the Hong Kong Sociological Association, Hong Kong, China.

Lam, K. W. K. (2024, December 7). Tactical change in negotiating refugee assistance policies: A case study of an asylum seeker-led organisation in Hong Kong. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Hong Kong Sociological Association, Hong Kong, China.

Lam, K. W. K., Fong, E., & Wang, X. (2024, November 27–30). Narrative of governing emigration: A case study in Hong Kong. Paper presented at the Asian Population Association Conference, Kathmandu City, Nepal.

Lam, K. W. K., & Fong, E. (2024, July 1–3). Political preferences in understanding migration intentions of Hong Kong residents towards the Greater Bay Area. In Chinese. Paper presented at the International Academic Conference on Global Bay Area Development, Shenzhen, China.

Lam K. W. K., & Fong, E. (2023, December 2). Comparing the emigration tendencies in Hong Kong after the 1997 handover and 2019 social movement. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Hong Kong Sociological Association, Hong Kong, China.

Lam, K. W. K., & Fong, E. (2023, November 4). Migration intentions of Hong Kong youths towards the Greater Bay Area. Paper presented at the Youth Conference of the Social Research Centre of Hong Kong Shue Yan University, Hong Kong, China.

Lam, K. W. K., & Fong, E. (2023, August 17–21). Comparing the emigration tendencies in Hong Kong after the 1997 handover and 2019 social movement. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, the United States.

Lam, K. W. K. (2022, August 5–9). The processes of establishing support networks in refugee settlement: Evidence from Hong Kong. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Los Angeles, the United States.

Teaching Experience

Instructor

- The Basics of Sociology, HKU SPACE Community College

Tutor

- Criminology, The University of Hong Kong
- Global Migration, The University of Hong Kong
- Introduction to Sociology, The University of Hong Kong
- Social Problems, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Sociology of Crime and Deviance, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- The Hong Kong Story, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Invited Lectures

- Facilitator, Responsible Conduct of Research Seminar, The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China (October 17, 2025)
- Speaker, “Global Perspectives on Anti-Asian Racism: Overcoming the Hate” Webinar, Association of Pacific Rim Universities (January 14, 2022).

Professional Qualifications

- Associate Fellow (AFHEA), Higher Education Academy of the United Kingdom

Journal Ad Hoc Reviewer

- Current Sociology
- International Journal of Qualitative Methods
- Journal of Drug Issues
- Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies
- Journal of Infrastructure, Policy and Development
- Journal of Refugee Studies

Internal Services

- Field Supervisor, Hong Kong Shue Yan University (2023–Present)
- Student Activities Advisor, The University of Hong Kong (2024–2025)
- Hostel Tutor, R. C. Lee Hall, The University of Hong Kong (2022–2025)

External Services

- Consulting Member, Paws Guardian Rescue Shelter (2025–Present)
- Executive Committee Member, Principal Chan Free Tutorial World (2017–Present)