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## **EDUCATION**

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- PhD Communication & Rhetoric, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 2012  
Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Study, Tsinghua University, 2006-2007
- MA East Asian Studies, Duke University, 2004
- BS Foreign Service, Georgetown University, 2003  
Major: Comparative Studies: Asia & U.S.

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

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- Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Communication Studies, Pace University  
January 2014- Present
- Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Comparative Media Studies  
July 2012- July 2014
- Visiting Scholar, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, Institute of Youth and Juvenile Studies  
Sept. 2009- Aug. 2010

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### **Books**

*The Losers of China's Internet: Digital Gaming and the Politics of Youth Desire in Urban China* [ms in preparation]

### **Refereed Journal Articles**

- 2015 Szablewicz, M. "The Spectacle of Spectatorship: e-Sports events and the crafting of China's digital gaming image" *Games and Culture*, Special Issue: Chinese Game Studies. [Published Online First: July 2015]
- 2014 Szablewicz, M. "The Losers of China's Internet: Memes as 'Structures of Feeling' for Disillusioned Young Netizens" *China Information*, Special Issue: Political Contestation in Chinese Digital Spaces.
- 2010 Szablewicz, M. The Ill Effects of 'Opium for the Spirit': A Critical Cultural Analysis of China's Internet Addiction Moral Panic, *Chinese Journal of Communication*, 3(4): 453-470.

## **Book Chapters**

- 2015 Szablewicz, M. "The Losers of China's Internet: Memes as 'Structures of Feeling' for Disillusioned Young Netizens" In Yang, G. (Ed.) *China's Contested Internet (Governance in Asia)*. NIAS Press.
- 2011 Lindtner, S. & Szablewicz, M. China's Many Internets: Participation and Digital Game Play across a Changing Technology Landscape. In Herold, D. & Marolt, P.W. (Eds.), *Online Society in China*. New York: Routledge.

## **Peer-Reviewed Open Access Publications**

- 2011 Szablewicz, M. From Addicts to Athletes: Participation in the Discursive Construction of Digital Games in Urban China. *Selected Papers of Internet Research (SPIR)*. Association of Internet Researchers. Available Online: <http://spir.aoir.org/papers/szablewicz.pdf>

## **Book Reviews**

- 2015 Szablewicz, M. Book Review: Youth and Internet Addiction in China, written by Trent Bax. *Asiascape: Digital Asia*, Volume 2, Issue 1-2, pages 172-174. [Published 2015]

## **Academic Blogging**

- 2012 "Desperate Mothers, Only Sons: The 'Moral Reformation' of China's Internet Addicted Youth," *Points: The Blog of the Alcohol and Drugs History Society*, December 12, 2012. Available Online: <http://pointsadhsblog.wordpress.com/2012/12/04/desperate-mothers-only-sons-the-moral-reformation-of-chinas-internet-addicted-youth/>
- "Points Forward: 'From Addicts to Athletes: Youth Mobilities and the Politics of Digital Gaming in Urban China'" *Points: The Blog of the Alcohol and Drugs History Society*, July 19, 2012. Available Online: <http://pointsadhsblog.wordpress.com/2012/07/19/points-forward-from-addicts-to-athletes-youth-mobilities-and-the-politics-of-digital-gaming-in-urban-china/>
- 2011 "From Monkey King to Mao: Cultivating Online Games with 'Chinese Characteristics'" *The China Beat*, August 10, 2011. Available Online: <http://www.thechinabeat.org/?p=3665>

## **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

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### **Organized Panels**

- 2014 "(In)visibility on the Chinese Web" (with Fan Yang, UMBC), Association for Asian Studies, Philadelphia, PA.

### **Refereed Conference Papers**

- 2015 "Digital Games and Heteronormativity: The Case of China's Losers," Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference, IR 16, Phoenix Arizona.
- 2015 "(Un)Civil Society: Digital Gaming, Heteronormativity and Sexual Slang on the Chinese Internet," China Internet Research Conference, University of Alberta, Canada.

- 2013 “Creating a Spectacle: Live E-Sports Events and China’s Digital Games Market,” Association for Internet Researchers Annual Conference, IR 14, Denver, CO.
- 2013 “Game Studies: A View from Outside,” International Communication Association Annual Conference: Challenging Communication Research, London, England.
- 2012 “Patriotic Leisure: E-Sports, Government Policy and National Image,” 10<sup>th</sup> Annual China Internet Research Conference, University of Southern California.
- 2011 “From Addicts to Athletes: Participation in the Discursive Construction of Digital Games in Urban China,” Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference, IR 12, Seattle, WA.  
\*Best Student Paper Award\*
- 2011 “Defending Azeroth: Chinese WoWers War of Internet Addiction,” Technologies of Migration: Media, Mobility and East Asia, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
- 2011 “From Interaction to Participation: Revisiting Urban China’s Shifting Landscapes of Technology and Digital Game Play” with Silvia Lindtner, Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Honolulu, HI.
- 2010 “From Wangba to Elite Entertainment: China’s Many Internets” with Silvia Lindtner, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual China Internet Research Conference, Beijing University.  
\*Best Student Paper Award\*
- 2009 “The Chinese Internet Café as Third Place,” Intercultural Communication Between China and the World, Beijing, China.
- 2008 “MySpace as ‘Play’Space: Using Technology to Network and Signify on the Jazz Tradition,” National Communication Association 2008 Annual Convention, San Diego, CA.
- 2008 “Identification” on Facebook.com: Defining Ourselves [and being defined] by “Others,” New Jersey Communication Association Annual Conference, New York, NY.
- 2006 “New Directions in Chinese Culture,” Northeast Regional Council on the Social Studies Conference, Boston, MA.

### **Invited Talks**

- 2015 Roundtable Participant: The Chinese Internet or the Internet in China? China Internet Research Conference, 2015, University of Alberta, Edmonton, CA
- 2014 Discussant for “Behavioral Change of Chinese Youth in a Commercialized Digital Era” Brookings Institution Conference “How China’s Youth are Transforming Chinese Society: New Research Findings from the PRC”
- 2014 “Digital Gaming in Urban China,” for the Media Trends in Asia Panel at the Harvard Project for Asian International Relations (HPAIR), Harvard University.
- 2013 “Nostalgia for a not-so-distant youth: Digital games and affect in urban China,” Comparative Media Studies Colloquium Series, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- 2011 “Youth Culture in Contemporary China,” China Institute Professional Development Course, “China Into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”

- 2010 “Youth Culture in Contemporary China,” China Institute Professional Development Course, “China Enters the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”
- 2010 “China’s Many Internets: Participation and Digital Game Play across a Changing Technology Landscape,” Shanghai Urban Research Laboratory, Xindanwei, Shanghai China.
- 2009 “Popular Media Culture in Contemporary China,” China Institute Professional Development Course, “Capturing ‘Real’ China: Documentaries, Film and Media”
- 2009 “Youth Culture in China,” China Institute Workshop on “Family and Gender in China”

## **TEACHING**

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### **Courses Designed**

- 2015 “Digital Youth Activism in Everyday Life,” Pace University Learning Community
- 2014 “Technopanics: Moral Panics about Technology” Massachusetts Institute of Technology OpenCourseWare. Available Online: <http://ocw.mit.edu/courses/comparative-media-studies/cms-s60-technopanics-moral-panics-about-technology-spring-2013/>

### **Courses Taught**

- 2015 COM 113 “Media, Culture & Society,” Pace University  
 COM 196A “Digital Youth Activism in Everyday Life,” Pace University  
 COM 242 “New Communication Technologies and Moral Panic,” Pace University  
  
 COM 244 “Digital Cultures,” Pace University  
 COM 245 “Communication and Popular Culture,” Pace University  
 COM 336 “Propaganda,” Pace University
- 2014 COM 113 “Media, Culture & Society,” Pace University  
 COM 239 “Milestones in Communication Research,” Pace University  
 COM 213 “Intercultural Communication,” Pace University  
  
 COM 245 “Communication and Popular Culture,” Pace University  
 COM 244 “Digital Cultures,” Pace University  
 COM 200 “Public Speaking,” Pace University
- 2013 CMS.701 “Behind the Headlines: Current Debates in Media,” MIT  
 CMS.S60 “Technopanics,” MIT

## **GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS**

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### **Research Grants**

- 2015 Association for Asian Studies China and Inner Asia Research Council Small Grant (\$2000)  
  
 Pace University Dyson Faculty Summer Research Grant (\$1000)

- Pace University Spring 2015 Kenan Professional Development Fund Award (\$891)
- 2009 William J. Fulbright U.S. Student Grant to conduct doctoral research in China:  
“Online and Offline Practices of Everyday Life in Chinese Internet Cafes”
- 2009 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant  
“Youth Identity and Internet Technologies: The Case of China” Award #0921216
- 2004 Duke University Summer Research Grant to conduct Master’s research in Shanghai

### **Fellowships**

- 2013 MIT Hyperstudio Fellow
- 2012 MIT Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Humanities
- 2010 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences (HASS) Fellowship
- 2006 Blakemore Foundation Advanced Asian Language Fellowship  
(For Study of Advanced Mandarin at the Inter-University Program (IUP), Tsinghua University)
- 2004 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship

### **AWARDS & HONORS**

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- 2013 Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools (NAGS) Doctoral Dissertation Award
- 2011 Best Student Paper Award for “From Addicts to Athletes: Participation in the Discursive Construction of Digital Games in Urban China” at the Association of Internet Researchers 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (IR 12)
- 2010 Best Student Paper Award (with co-author Silvia Lindtner) for “In Between Wangba and Elite Entertainment: China’s Many Internets” at the 8<sup>th</sup> Chinese Internet Research Conference

### **UNIVERSITY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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#### **Service to the Discipline**

##### **Affiliations**

Association for Asian Studies (AAS)  
Association of Internet Researchers (AoIR)  
China Internet Research Conference (CIRC)  
International Communication Association (ICA)

##### **Ad-Hoc Journal Referee**

*New Media & Society* (2014-present)  
*China Information* (2015)  
*Asiascape: Digital Asia* (2015)

**Conference Paper Referee**

Association of Internet Researchers (2011, 2013, 2015)

**Department & University Service****Pace University New York Faculty Council**

Curriculum Committee (Fall 2015- ongoing )

Student Affairs Committee (Fall 2014- ongoing)

Academic Resources Committee (Fall 2014- Summer 2015)

**Tenure-Track Search Committees**

Film and Screen Studies Tenure-Track Faculty Search Committee (Fall/Spring 2015/16)

Communication Studies Tenure-Track Faculty Search Committee (Spring 2015)

**Curriculum Development**

Digital Media Studies Minor, Pace University, Spring/Fall 2014-15

**Faculty Advisor**

Social Media Club

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE**

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Mandarin, Chinese (Advanced)