

Overseas Chinese Students: Expression, Identity, and Politics

Date: December 16th and 17th 2024

Location: Room 900, 9 rue de la chaise, Sciences Po, 75007, Paris

Organisers: Jérôme Doyon (Sciences Po) and Thomas Gold (Berkeley)

December 16th

Introductions (10-10:30)

Stéphanie Balme & Thomas Gold & Jérôme Doyon

Panel 1: Trajectories of overseas students (10:30-12:30)

Speakers:

- Claudia Astarita (Sciences Po) and Wang Simeng (CNRS), “Thoughts on the Chinese students’ mobilities to France and Europe: paths and impacts”
- Claire Hao (Oxford), “The transition of Chinese international Students from high schools in China to universities abroad”
- Ma Yingyi (Syracuse), “Driven but drifted: how overseas Chinese students with American degrees navigate global job market”
- Camille Salgues (Sciences Po) and Jean-Louis Rocca (Sciences Po), “The debate on Work among Chinese students: a qualitative approach”

Chair/discussant: Stéphanie Balme (Sciences Po)

Panel 2: Political Socialization (14-16h)

Speakers:

- Diana Fu (Toronto) and Jessica Teets (Middlebury), “Liberated Minds? The Political Socialization of China’s Overseas Gen-Z”
- Han Rongbin (Georgia) and Wendy Zhou (UVA), “US vs. China? Chinese overseas youths’ positioning amid geo-political tensions”
- Jiang Shanshan (Berkeley), “Chinese students’ self-censorship and attitudes about social activism”

Chair/discussant: Chloé Froissart (Inalco)

Panel 3: Overseas Students' Identity Formation (16:30-18:30)

Speakers:

- Wu Yidi (Elon), "Re-establishing Alma Mater Overseas: St. John's in Hong Kong and Taiwan"
- Guo Weirong (Harvard) and Liu Qing (SUNY Albany), "Privilege or Marginalization: How Chinese Youth from Divergent Class Backgrounds Experience Racialization in the United States and Australia"
- Anthony Spires (Melbourne), "Queer Chinese diasporic activism"
- Zhou Yunyun (Queen Mary), "Feminist and Queer Activism among Chinese Overseas Students in UK and France"

Chair/discussant: H el ene Le Bail (CNRS)

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Panel 4: Political pressure and state-led mobilisation (10-12h)

Speakers:

- Sofia Graziani (Trento) and Laura De Giorgi (Venice), "Preliminary survey on Chinese students in Italy during the Cold War, 1949-1991"
- Dimitar Gueorguiev and Ma Yingyi (Syracuse), "Under-serviced and Under Pressure: Insights from Chinese International Students in New York Universities"
- J er ome Doyon (Sciences Po), "Cultivating Chinese Student Abroad: the CSSA, the State and the Party"
- Liu Jiaqi (Singapore Management), "Opportunistic diplomacy: diaspora youths and the mirage of Global China."

Chair/discussant: Konstantinos Tsimonis (KCL)