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Current Position

Visiting Predoctoral Fellow, Department II, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science

PhD Candidate, Faculty of History, University of Cambridge

Research Interest

Primary: History of Science, Media Studies, Modern British History,

Secondary: STS, Modern Japanese History

Education

PhD in History [in Progress], Faculty of History, University of Cambridge

Thesis Title: 'The Scientific Rationality of Early Statistics, 1833–1877'

Supervisor: Prof. Simon Szreter

MA in Socio-Information and Communication Studies, Graduate School for the Interdisciplinary Information Studies, University of Tokyo, 2010

BA in Economics, Faculty of Economics, Kyoto University, 2008

Publication and Presentations

Book Chapters

2017a 'Why Does Taste Matter to Sociology', in Akihiro Kitada and Kaitai-Ken¹ (eds.)

Hobby, Taste, Everyday Life (Tokyo: Kawade Shobo Shinsha) [in Japanese]

(Japanese Original Title: 「なぜテイストは社会学の問題になるのか」

『社会にとって趣味とは何か』河出書房新社)

2017b (with Yasuaki Dan) 'Who Cares What You Read? [book edition]', in Akihiro Kitada and Kaitai-Ken² (eds.) *Hobby, Taste, Everyday Life* (Tokyo: Kawade Shobo Shinsha) [in Japanese]

(Japanese Original Title: 「読者たちの「ディスタクシオン」」 『社会にとって趣味とは何か』河出書房新社)

¹ Kaitai-ken is a research group whose members include **Yasuhiro Okazawa**, Ryo Okazawa, Masato Kudo and Yasuaki Dan.

² See the pervious footnote.

Refereed Journal Article

- 2016 (with Yasuaki Dan) 'Who Cares What You Read? : Reconsidering Bourdieu's Theory of Taste in 'Postmodern' Japan' *Journal of Mass Communication Studies*, vol. 89, pp.63-81. [in Japanese]

Academic Translation (to Japanese)

- 2012 Ian Hacking, 'Biopower and the Avalanche of Printed Numbers,' *Humanities in Society*. Vol.5, (1982), pp. 279-295 / Yasuhiro Okazawa (tr.) 'Seikenryoku to Insatsusareta Sūzi no Nadare (生権力と印刷された数字の雪崩)' *Shisō*, 2012 May, pp. 76-101. [with a translator's note]

Survey Reports

- 2013a (with Akihiro Kitada, Yusuke Shindo, Masato Kudo, Yasuaki Dan, Mikito Terachi, and Tomu Ogawa) 'Subcultural Practices and Communication of Young People: A survey research addressed to the young people in the Nerima ward in 2010,' *Research Survey Reports in Information Studies, Interfaculty Initiative in Information Studies, University of Tokyo*, vol.29, pp.105-153 [in Japanese]
- 2013b (with Yusuke Shindo), 'Questionnaire Design (Reading Novels)' in Akihiro Kitada (ed.) *Survey Report of "A Sociometric Approach to the "Subcultural Capital" and the Sociality of Young" Project*. [internet resource], pp. 11-17. [in Japanese]

Conferences and Presentations (Selected)

- 2018 'The Blindness of the Statistical Gaze: Statistical Observers and Their Use of the Questionnaire in Early Victorian Britain' (British Society for the History of Science Postgraduate Conference 2018)
- 2017 'Faceless Facts, Nameless Gatherers: The role of the Statistical Society of London in the production of statistical facts, c. 1830–1850' (British Society for the History of Science Annual Conference 2017)

Work Experience

- **Research Assistant - University of Tokyo** (May–June, 2011)
Working for Prof. Akihiro Kitada's cultural sociology project at the Interfaculty Initiative in Information Studies.

Collaboration

2010–2013 Project Member, 'A Sociometric Approach to the "Subcultural Capital" and the Sociality of Young People' (Project Leader: Akihiro Kitada, University of Tokyo)

Grants and Prizes

- **2018: St Catharine's College (University of Cambridge) Eric Stokes Fund**
Financial support for attending the British Society for the History of Science postgraduate conference 2018
- **2018: Butler Eyles Grant, British Society for the History of Science**
Travel grant for attending the British Society for the History of Science postgraduate conference 2018
- **2017: St Catharine's College (University of Cambridge) Eric Stokes Fund**
Financial support for attending the British Society for the History of Science annual meeting 2017
- **2014: Japan Student Services Organization, Student Exchange Support Program Scholarship for Long-Term Study Abroad**
Scholarship awarded for 4-year PhD study at the University of Cambridge
- **2012: Heiwa Nakajima Foundation Scholarship for Study Abroad**
Scholarship awarded for 2-year study at the University of Essex
- **2011: Friends of UTokyo FUTI International Leadership Award**
Financial support for attending a summer school at the Yale English Language Institute
- **2010: Excellent Master's Thesis Award, University of Tokyo**
Awarded from the Interfaculty Initiative for the Information Studies, University of Tokyo

Professional Associations

British Society for the History of Science

Japan Society for Studies in Journalism and Mass Communication

Japan Sociological Society