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- Administrative thought
- Professions and occupations in the public sector
- Cultural policy/ Heritage policy
- Management of cultural organizations
- Museums and cultural institutions

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His work has an international and comparative dimension. In 2015, he wrote a book Arts Management and Cultural Policy Research (Palgrave) on the diversity of academic and intellectual traditions in cultural policy analysis. In 2019, he published Cultural Policy and Federalism (Palgrave) and presented a synthesis of his work on the effects of intergovernmental dynamics on the cultural sector of a number of federal institutions. He is presently principal investigator on a research project funded by SSHRC on the interactions between intercultural relations and cultural policy in the production of new heritage norms in Hong Kong and Southeast Asia.

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