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Contract researcher, Sciences po Paris
Translator in social sciences
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Research interest

China.
Childhood.
Migrations.
Epistemology of social sciences.
Translation.

Languages

French (mother tongue).
English (fluent).
Chinese (fluent).
Spanish (intermediate)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN RESEARCH

- 2022 (Fall) –** Contract researcher, CERI, Sciences po (Paris).
- 2022 (Spring)** Associate researcher, department of Foreign Languages, University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC), Chengdu
- 2019-22** Postdoctoral researcher, South China Normal University, department of Geography (associate Pr. : Zhu Hong)
- 2016-18** Postdoctoral researcher, Sun Yat-sen University, Philosophy department (associate Pr: Wu Chongqing)

EDUCATION

- 2006-15** PhD in sociology, EHESS, Paris. Prof. Didier Fassin, advisor.
- 2002-03** Visiting Student, Johns Hopkins University, Humanities Center, Baltimore.
- 2000-05** License in Sociology, University Paris 7. Master in Social sciences, EHESS. Student at the Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris.

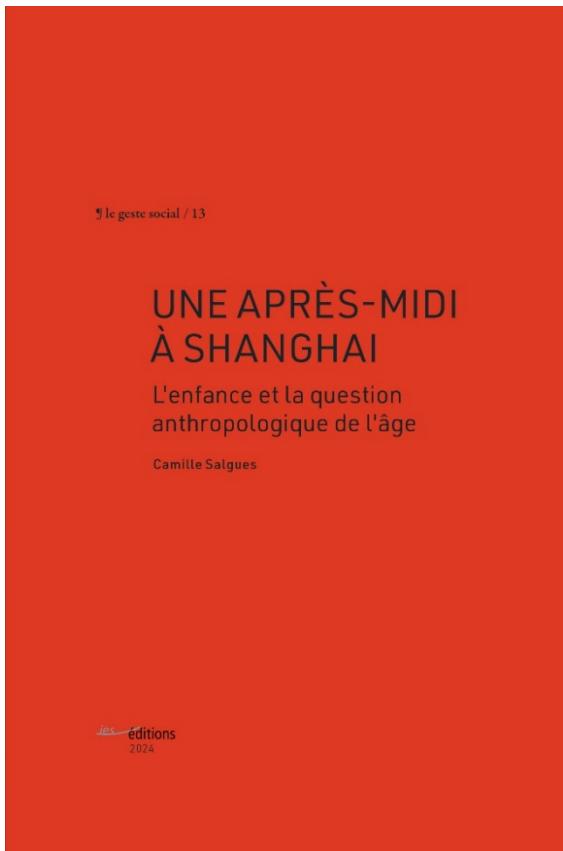
TEACHING EXPERIENCE (SELECTION)

- 2024 (Spring) Contemporary China, Sciences po Paris.
- 2020 (Spring) Anthropology of age and of childhood, Paris 8-St Denis University.
- 2019 (Fall) English teacher at a primary public school in a rural school (Guangdong Province)
- 2016 (Spring). Seminar on Bourdieu and contemporary French Sociology, Sun Yat-Sen Univ.
- 2006-2008 (Spring). English teacher at a primary private school for rural migrants in Shanghai.
- 2006 (Fall)-2007 (Fall). Teaching Assistant in sociology, University Paris 13.
- 2004-2005. Teaching Assistant in French, East China Normal Univ. (华东师范大学), Shanghai

PUBLICATIONS

Book :

2024 : *Une après-midi à Shanghai. L'enfance et la question anthropologique de l'âge*. Genève, Editions ies. ISBN 978-2-88224-247-1



“The investigation therefore lasted three years, not an afternoon. But with this title, I wanted to retain something of the long moments spent hanging out with the children. And, as readers have realised already, this is not the Shanghai we usually see. It is not an afternoon shopping on the Bund that we are dealing with here. Rather, it is the Shanghai of Lu Xun's Wild Grass, with degraded housing between two renovation zones. This is where the children I studied lived, coming from the Chinese countryside with their parents, who were seeking work. It is there that we will follow the ordinary thread of these small lives, through the encounters and places of ethnography that organize the course of the book. (...) The concern to (re)open the discussion of childhood in social sciences is carefully intertwined in these wanderings, like a book within another book. The thread can be followed through the subtitle system. Each chapter is thus an opportunity to focus on a key moment in what could be a reflection on childhood in social sciences or rather, a reflection on the anthropological question of age, approached from childhood.” (Back cover)

Peer-reviewed articles:

Avec Myriem Alnet, 2024 : Fragilité et résilience des liens entre le milieu insulaire et ses populations. Le cas de Peng Chau à Hong-Kong, *Espace Populations Sociétés* 2024/2-2024/3.

Avec Liu Wenling, 2023 : Repenser par le bas les échanges universitaires afro-chinois, *Revue internationale des études du Développement*, 2023/252

(*Based on interviews, an investigation into the situation of African students in China and the internationalisation of Chinese universities in the Covid era.*)

2022: “Childhood Studies in France.” In *Oxford Bibliographies in Childhood Studies*. Ed. Heather Montgomery. New York: Oxford University Press.

(*A review of what can be considered the French equivalent of childhood studies and the debates that run through this field. Provides annotated references, by discipline.*)

2021: “In the Midst of Rubble, Bordering the Wasteland: Landscapes of Ruins and Childhood Experiences in China”, *China Perspectives* 2021/4, p. 31-40, SSCI.

(Ethnographic explorations of the mutual relations between children and ruins in peripheral spaces in China, from a structural geography and qualitative demography perspective).

2021: “[The Socially Vulnerable Children’s Playtime: Sociology of Childhood and ‘Structural Holism’](#)” (in French), *Sociétés politiques comparées* 53, January-April 2021.

(An epistemological rewriting of the sociology of childhood based on V. Descombes’ “structural holism”, applied to ethnographical data on Chinese migrant rural children’s playtime).

2018: 《通过整体论社会学来思考农民工子女就学现象的民族志研究》, *开放时代* (Open times), 277/1, p. 166-182, **SSCI**.

(A Durkheimian approach of migrant children’s schooling. Translation: Hong Tao).

2018: “[Bourdieu without childhood: Methods and theoretical postulates of a study on French working-class children](#)”, *Childhood*, 25/1, p. 109-122, **SSCI**.

(A comparison between two sociological traditions – French-written Bourdieusian sociology and English-written Childhood studies – applied to a research on working-class children).

2012: “Ethnographie du fait scolaire chez les migrants ruraux à Shanghai. L’enfance, une dimension sociale irréductible”, *Politix*, n°99, p. 129-152, **SSCI**.

(A detailed description of the school life of rural migrants children in Shanghai, from a holistic perspective. Published in one of the major French journals of political sciences).

2009: “La Chine, entre cadre et contexte. Une recherche sur les enfants de *mingong*, plusieurs constructions du savoir”, *Terrains et travaux*, n°16, p. 175-193.

(About the different ways of framing an ethnographical research in China).

2008: “Un nouveau Wittgenstein encore inapprochable. Le rôle et la place du philosophe dans l’anthropologie”, *l’Homme*, 3/4, n°187-188, p. 201-222, **SSCI**.

(About the philosopher L. Wittgenstein and his influence on contemporary anthropology, both in France and in America. Published in French most influential anthropological journal).

Other:

2023, 《观察上海郊区游戏厅——借助实用主义社会学，重新思考童年社会学》 (An arcade on the outskirts of Shanghai. Milestones for a rewriting of childhood with pragmatic sociology), in Florence Padovani (ed.), *实用主义社会学的革新：中法学者面对面*, Beijing Normal University Press.

2017, “[Penser le souci public pour l’enfance en Chine. Le cas des enfants de migrants internes](#)”, *Monographies Sud-Nord*, 3, p. 7-14.

2012, “‘Ici c’est comme le Sichuan après le tremblement de terre.’ Paysage moral des enfants de migrants ruraux à Shanghai”, in D. Fassin, J.-S. Eidelman (ed.), *Economies morales contemporaines*, La découverte, p. 73-93.

(About the moral life of rural migrants’ children, from an anthropological point of view).

TRANSLATIONS

Book:

2024, *Fixer la valeur monétaire des enfants. Du travail des champs à l’industrie hollywoodienne*

(1870-1930), Viviana A. Zelizer (translation from *Pricing the Priceless Child*, English), Éditions de la rue d'Ulm, Paris.

2024, *Enfances inégales. Classe, race et vie de famille*, Annette Lareau (translation from *Unequal childhoods. Class, Race and Family Life*, English), ENS Éditions, Lyon.

2013, *Voyage en terres bipolaires. Manie et dépression dans la culture américaine*, Emily Martin (translated from *Bipolar Expeditions*, English), Éditions de la rue d'Ulm, Paris.

Articles:

2008, "L'hégémonie fondée sur les relations dans l'industrie du bâtiment", Shen Yuan (沈原) (translated from Chinese, Mandarin), in J.-L. Rocca (ed.), *La société chinoise vue par ses sociologues. Migrations, villes, classe moyenne, drogue, Sida*, Presses de la fondation nationale des sciences politiques, Paris, p. 93-129.

2010, "Ceux qui sapent l'édifice social. Le délit d'initié comme économie informelle et son coût social", Hansen Laura (translated from English), in L. Fontaine et F. Weber (ed.), 2010, *Les paradoxes de l'économie informelles. A qui profitent les règles ?* Karthala, Paris, p. 161-183.

2015, « Le triage social et les limites du care : penser la catastrophe, le care et les capacités à travers l'exemple de Katrina », Anne Lovell (translated from English), *Raison Publique*.

2016, « Town meeting et race en Amérique », Sandra M. Gustafson, *Participations*, 2.

2016, « D'une manière pacifique et ordonnée. Town meeting et assemblées populaires à l'époque de la fondation des États-Unis », Robert W. T. Martin, *Participations*, 2.

PRESSENTATION

In international symposiums:

2019 (with Xu Yiru), "Pluralité des systèmes de référence à l'âge et à la génération dans le sud de la Chine : une approche anthropologique et linguistique", conference : Languages, Cultures and Education in South East Asia: Identity and Diversity, Royal University of Phnom Penh, October 16th-19th 2019.

2019, "Approches critiques dans les études anglophones et francophones sur l'enfance : repenser la place de la géographie et de la démographie", Conference : Approches critiques de la dimension spatiale des rapports sociaux : débats transdisciplinaires et transnationaux, Caen University, Caen.

2018, "(Absent) childhood and resilience to urbanization in Southern China", Royal Geographical Society Annual International Conference, Cardiff University, Cardiff.

2015, "Migrants children in Shanghai. A view from urban anthropology", 3rd International Conference of The International Childhood And Youth Research Network, Cyprus European University.

2014, "The Making and Limitations of Chinese Compassionate Government: A Case Study of Rural Migrants' Children", Conference *The Making of Chinese Subjects*, CERI, Sc Po, Paris.

2007, "Can Peasant-Workers Children Teach us Something about Contemporary China?", conference : Quels outils pour analyser les sociétés contemporaines ?, CEFC, Beijing.

Other (selection):

2025, « Qu'est-ce qu'un enfant ? Viviana Zelizer x Norbert Elias », journée *Actualité de Viviana Zelizer*, ENS, Paris (23 janvier 2025).

2024, « Quels modèles du côté du genre pour penser l'âge ? Scènes ethnographiques d'une enfance défavorisée à Shanghai », Journée d'études « L'âge, un rapport social ? », Tours.

2022, "Penser ensemble enfance et adultéité. Problèmes et apports de la traduction d'Unequal childhoods (A. Lareau) pour le débat français", Conference on "l'adultéité en question", Besançon.

2019, "Des enfants ruraux dans une Chine urbaine. L'arrangement du monde vu du bas ", as part of a series of conferences on "Renouveau de la sociologie pragmatique", Beijing Normal University, Beijing.

2018, “Modes of age. Social sciences and the discussion of childhood”, Sun Yat-sen University, philosophy department, Guangzhou (China).

2017, “Une mise en perspective du souci contemporain de l'enfance”, CEFC, Hong Kong.

2015, “Penser le souci public pour l'enfance en Chine *via* une sociologie de l'âge. Le cas des migrations internes”, Journées d'études “Enquêter aujourd'hui sur la Chine contemporaine. Jeunes chercheur-e-s, nouveaux objets et nouvelles méthodes” Université Paris I- IEDES, Paris.

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

2025, Co-organizer of the two-day meeting and conference for the China Horizons DWARC project (April 10-11, 2025)

2025, Co-organizer of the day « Actualité de Viviana Zelizer », January 23, ENS Paris.

2024, Co-organizer of the « The Local China Project » days, with the University of Sydney, September 30-October 2, Sciences Po, Paris.

2023, Organizer of the half-day « From Common to Public. What tools for understanding ‘opinion’ in contemporary China? » (with the participation of L. Thévenot and I. Thireau), October 6, Sciences Po, Paris.

2016, Co-organizer of the study day for junior researchers, « Expériences urbaines des enfants et traitement institutionnel des mineurs : repenser la question des âges dans la ville », 4 of February.

2013, Co-organizer of the international workshop, “Which discipline do children belong to ?”, 22-23 of May. <http://jedisconf2013.sciencesconf.org/>

2010, Organizer of the public lecture / debate : “Le jeu dans la cité”, 13th of March, Paris.