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Publications in SCOPUS





Course units



Percentage of all Taiwan publications





## Research

#### Law, Human Rights, and Transnational Labor Mobility

The NYCU International Institute for Cultural Studies received funding for the "Conflict, Justice, Decolonization: Critical Studies of Inter-Asian Societies Project" as part of the Featured Areas Research Center Program of the Ministry of Education's Higher Education Sprout Project. In particular, the sub-project "Unequal Citizens and Legal Reform in the Inter-Asian Context: Trans-local GHI Collaboration Platform" aims to build transnational partnerships to address different forms of social conflict and inequality in developing countries, especially concerning refugees, migrant workers, stateless persons, and human trafficking in the context of mass migration. The project integrates the research of interdisciplinary academics to discuss the mentality, laws, and institutions of discrimination, oppression, and violence that contributed to the marked exclusion in societies. Academics and multinational NGOs have shared their experiences to promote academic research interventions, legal deliberation, and policy formation. This year, the project organized a series of workshops under the title "Law, Human Rights, and Transnational Labor Mobility," addressing issues such as the human rights of flagless fishermen, the international labor equality policy of the temporary transnational labor system, statelessness, and labor exploitation.

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#### **Cold War Research**

The existing Cold War research in international academia, along with the declassification of historical archives in various countries and the broadening of research perspectives, have not only highlighted regional differences and associations concerning perspectives on the global Cold War (particularly with regard to developing countries) but also revealed how cross-referencing multiple archives is conducive to understanding important diplomatic and military events during the Cold War and the roles of key actors. For this reason, the Cold War research group of NYCU's Institute of Social Research and Cultural Studies established the academic research website "Cold War Frontier" to gather the works of NYCU academics that have long researched the Cold War. The website helps researchers systematically integrate existing research results, reference the Cold War history of other countries and societies, and grasp international Cold War research trends. This body of comparative and cross-border research will continue to accumulate, expand, and deepen Taiwan's research on the Cold War. NYCU also holds regular events to connect researchers interested in relevant issues.

## Studying the Immune Response of COVID-19 Cases to Provide a Reference for Vaccine Administration Policies

To understand the existence of antibodies in those who were infected with COVID-19 in Taiwan and the possible risk of re-infection, the Taiwan Centers for Disease Control (CDC) of the Ministry of Health and Welfare entrusted NYCU's Research Center for Epidemic Prevention with conducting a study on the immune response of COVID-19 patients and analysis of their antibody titer (the period of time the antibody remains in the body). This is Taiwan's first official COVID-19 patient immune response report, which can serve as an important reference for future vaccine administration policies. Researchers will evaluate whether there are differences in antibody changes between infected and vaccinated patients. The data can be used as a reference to determine the duration of protection following vaccine administration.

## **Social Impact**

#### "Hakka Language Development Act" Local Citizens Forum

After the 2018 amendment to the Hakka Basic Act designated Hakka as a national language, the Hakka Affairs Council drafted the "Hakka Language Development Act" after considering other countries' legislation or measures that promote minority languages and after consulting academics and experts in relevant fields. NYCU's International Hakka Research Center helped organized citizen forums in Hsinchu to promote the spirit of civic participation, where experts, academics, the general public, civil organizations, and relevant stakeholders who care about the development of Hakka language had opportunities to express their opinions and participate in the legal process of bringing in Hakka language development policies. The forums produced new insight into the opinions of the general public and relevant NGOs, and they will provide a reference for future amendments.

#### Lecture and Forums of the School of Law

The NYCU School of Law regularly holds lectures and forums to discuss issues related to human rights, labor rights, digital governance during the pandemic, democratic governance in times of pandemic prevention, and disobedience under democracy and the rule of law. The forums provide an open platform for everyone to join in the discussion.



### Promoting the Application of PPP in the Big Health Industry

A public-private partnership, or PPP, refers to a cooperative model that combines the strengths of the public and private sectors to jointly achieve public policy goals. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Taiwan's pandemic prevention system promoted some successful cases of PPP but also caused much controversy. To identify the most suitable PPP model for Taiwan's epidemic prevention scientific R&D and industry-academia collaboration, NYCU's Research Center for Epidemic Prevention, One Health, and the Asia Pacific Public-Private Partnership Association worked together to organize the seminar "Application of PPP in the Big Health and Epidemic Prevention Industries," in the hopes of gathering opinions from various parties to find the most suitable cooperation mode.



## **Student Cultivation**

#### Muslim Film Festival "Tafakkur"

The three-day "Tafakkur" Muslim Film Festival was organized by the NYCU International Institute for Cultural Studies and featured three main themes: politics and religion, women's voices in Muslim society, and Islamic theology debates among contemporary Muslims. A number of films and documentaries that observe and explore various conflicts and injustices in the Muslim world were screened at the festival, while keynote speeches and director talks were also arranged. A number of academics and directors were invited to discuss contemporary Muslims as reflected in different communities and the problems they face in the social, cultural, and political environments in which they live. The discussions and exchanges aimed to enable participants to experience, reflect on, and understand the Muslim world.



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## Staring into Suffering, Reflections on War

As part of its courses, the NYCU Liberal Arts College designed a series of events under the title "Staring into Suffering, Reflections on War." In the context of the back end of the COVID-19 pandemic and the waging Russo-Ukrainian War, students and teachers were encouraged to examine wars that have been fought between groups and reflect on the human experiences that result from war through online courses, board game workshops, documentary discussions, and landscape surveys.

### **Precision Health Regulatory Science Camp**

To promote professional training on forward-looking topics such as precision medicine and smart medicine, the Department of Bioscience and Technology and the School of Law worked together to organize the "Precision Health Regulatory Science Camp." Regulatory science refers to the development of laws and regulations to control pharmaceuticals based on verified science. It is closely tied to the launch of biotech products, business strategies, and industrial policies. Course topics cover relevant laws and regulations such as drug marketing, biologics, medical device marketing, vaccine research and development, and gene editing-related methods in response to important issues in the public health and biotechnology industries, as well as the urgent need for domestic talent training.



## **Stewardship**

## Open Declaration of Anti-Corruption and Pro-Academic Freedom

To state NYCU's firm stance on anti-corruption and its support for academic freedom, NYCU has formulated and publicly released the "National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University Anti-Corruption Declaration" and "National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University Academic Freedom Declaration." In addition to relevant provisions regarding personnel appointment, such as the prohibition of appointing persons with corruption or other criminal charges resulting in a prison sentence, the anti-corruption declaration sets out regulations that the faculty should abide by as well as the relevant punishments for violating the declaration. NYCU fully supports academic freedom. It protects the rights and interests of teachers and researchers and respects free and open academic discussions. The declaration clearly states that our teachers and researchers are protected by academic freedom and enjoy autonomy within legal boundaries.