

## **HKCAAVQ Non-local Member**

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XIE Shi received his B.A. in History from Department of History, Sun Yat-sen University in 2004, and obtained his Ph.D. in Historical Geography from Center for Historical Geographic Studies, Fudan University in 2009. He specializes in social economic history, historical geography and historical anthropology in China.

Recruited as Scholar of “100 Top Talents Program”, he has been teaching and researching in Sun Yat-sen University after his postgraduate study. He was appointed Full Professor in 2015, Head of Department of History (2017-2023), Dean of Boya (Liberal Arts) College in 2018, Dean of Institute for Advanced Studies in Humanities in 2022. Since 2023, He has been appointed as Vice President of Sun Yat-sen University. He is a research fellow of Joint Centre for Historical Anthropology, Chinese University of Hong Kong and Sun Yat-sen University, a key Research Institute of Humanities and Social Science of Chinese Ministry of Education, and Executive Editor of *Journal of History and Anthropology* published by the Centre. He is Adjunct Research Fellow of Centre for Chinese History and Culture Studies, the Confucius Institute of Hong Kong (2012- ). He once worked as a visiting fellow of Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies at Yale University (2015-2016).

He has been selected into China’s National High-level Talent Program for Special Support of Young Outstanding Talents in 2013, China’s National Major Talent Program for Young Talents in 2020 and China’s National Special Support Program for High-level Talents in 2024.

He has acted as Member of Strategic Advisory Committee for Development of Independent Knowledge Systems in Philosophy and Social Sciences at Higher Education Institutions (2023), Member of History Section in Expert Committee for Evaluating Chinese Humanities and Social Sciences Journals (2022-), Member of 10th Council of Association of Chinese Historians (2021-), Secretary-general of Teaching Steering Committee of History Major of China’s Ministry of Education (2018-), Member of Professional Committee of Historical Geography of China’s Geographical Science Society (2018-), Deputy Chairman of Professional Committee of Environmental History of China’s Environmental Science Society (2018-).

His book *High Land and Low Land: Research on the Regional Historical Geography of the Lower Yangtze Delta (11th -16th Century)* was published by SDX Joint Publishing Company (Beijing, 2015), which was awarded First Prize of Outstanding Achievement Award of Philosophy and Social Science of Guangdong Province (2017), Puying Prize of Humanities Studies (2019), Outstanding Youth Scholar Achievement Award on New History (2019), MOE Award for Scientific Research Achievements in Higher Education (2020), Global Chinese Best Young Scholar of Traditional Chinese Learning (2020), Simian Original Awards to Young Scholars (2022). His book *Mobility of People within Mountains of Seas: the Maritime History and Island Society in Zhejiang Province in Ming-Qing* was published Peking Normal University Press (Beijing, 2020), which was awarded Third Prize of 9th MOE Higher Education Scientific

Research Outstanding Achievement Award (2024). He has published articles on leading academic journals such as *Historical Research* (China), *Bulletin of The Institute of History and Philology*, *Academia Sinica*. He has also conducted several national research projects.

He has substantial teaching experience in both undergraduate and postgraduate courses such as *Early Modern China* (Major Required for undergraduates), *Historical Geography of China* (GE & Major Required for undergraduates), *An Environmental History of China* (GE for undergraduates), *Method and Theories of Historical Geography* (Major Required for M.A. students), *Selected Readings of Important Historical Geography Books* (Major Required for M.A. students).