Condensed Academic Resume

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Dr. Paul Evans

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**Citizenship**

Canadian, born in Calgary, Alberta, June 1951

**Education**

University of Alberta, B.A. Hons., Political Science, 1973

University of Alberta, M.A., Political Science, 1974

Dalhousie University, Ph.D. (with distinction), Political Science, 1982

**Teaching, Administrative and Professional Appointments**

Acadia University, Lecturer, 1980-81

York University, Lecturer, Assistant Professor and Professor of Political Science, 1981-99

Associate Director, Director, University of Toronto-York University, Joint Centre for Asia Pacific Studies, 1986-96

University of British Columbia, Professor 1999-2023

Co-CEOand Chairman of the Executive Committee, Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada, 2005-08

Director, Institute of Asia Research, UBC, 2009-12, 2017-18

**Visiting Research Appointments**

Australian National University, 1988-89; East-West Center (Honolulu), 1995; Harvard University, 1997-99; University of Hong Kong, 2012-14; Singapore Management University, 2014-17; National University of Singapore, 2019-20 and 2025-; Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, 2022-23

**Visiting Lectures and Presentations**

50 different universities and research institutes in Asia, 6 in Australia and New Zealand, 15 in the United States, 8 in Europe, 30+ in Canada.

**Graduate and Undergraduate Teaching and Supervision**

York University, University of British Columbia, Harvard University, Singapore Management University, University of Hong Kong.

Courses included theories and theorists of international relations, Asia Pacific multilateralism, Canada and Asia, human security, Global China and world order.

**Major Grants and External Funding**

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Canadian Institute for International Peace and Security, Department of External Affairs/DFAIT/GAC (Ottawa), Canadian International Development Agency, Ford Foundation, Max Bell Foundation, Japan Center for International Exchange, Power Corporation of Canada, Public Safety Canada.

**Awards and Distinctions**

Abe Fellowship, Social Science Research Council and Japan Foundation, 1998-99;

Appointment by the Government of Canada to the ASEAN Regional Forum’s Experts and Eminent Persons Group, 2009-current;

Lee Kong Chian Visiting Professorship, Singapore Management University, 2015-2017;

HSBC Chair in Asian Research, UBC, 2021-23;

Pok Rafeah Chair, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, 2022-23.

**National and International Leadership**

Co-director (with David Dewitt), North Pacific Cooperative Security Dialogue, 1990-93;

Director, Southeast Asian Cooperation Program, 1993-2003; Northeast Asia Cooperation Program, 1999-2002;

Co-founder, Council for Security Cooperation in Asia Pacific, co-chair CSCAP’s Canadian Member Committee, 1994-1998; Co-director of CSCAP’s North Pacific Working Group, 1994-97;

Co-founder and organizer, Canada-Korea Forum, 1996-2008;

Co-founder, Canadian Consortium on Human Security, 2001-02;

Academic and track-two exchanges with 20+ institutes and universities in the Asia Pacific region; head of academic delegations to Taiwan, Vietnam, Laos, Mongolia, India, and North Korea;

Canadian representative, ASEAN Regional Forum’s Experts and Eminent Persons Group, 2013-current.

**Academic Service**

Editorial boards: The Pacific Review, Pacific Affairs, Chinese Journal of International Politics, The Global Responsibility to Protect, The China Quarterly of International Strategic Studies, Journal Mexico y la Cuenca del Pacifico, Bristol Studies in East Asian International Relations.

Series Editor: Eastern Asia Policy Papers; North Pacific Policy Papers;

Reviewer: 20+ journals; 12 academic presses; 12 programs and institutes; multiple awards panels.

**Consulting and Parliamentary Committees**

Department of External Affairs, Canadian International Development Agency, Department of National Defence, Public Safety Canada, United States Institute of Peace, University of Hong Kong, University of Alberta, Singapore Management University;

Parliamentary appearances on 9 occasions.

**Media Appearances + Conference, Workshop and Public Presentations**

Television: 125+ including CBC, CTV, Global, BBC, PBS, CNA;

Radio: 300+ including CBC, Radio Canada, NPR, Voice of America, BBC;

Newspaper and Magazine: 150+ including Globe and Mail, National Post, New York Times,

Montreal Gazette, LaPresse, Straits Times, NHK, Macleans, iPolitics, Reuters, Bloomberg, CP, New Statesman, The Guardian;

Conference and workshops: 150+;

Public Lectures and Presentations: 500+.

**Selected Publications**

Books:

*John Fairbank and the American Understanding of Modern China*. New York and Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1988.

With B. Michael Frolic, co-editor and contributor, *Reluctant Adversaries: Canada and the People's Republic of China, 1949-1970*, University of Toronto Press, 1991.

With David Capie, *The Asia-Pacific Security Lexicon*, 2002 and 2007 editions.

*Engaging China: Myth Aspiration and Strategy in Canadian Policy from Trudeau to Harper*, University of Toronto Press, 2014.

 Essays:

“The Prospects for Multilateral Security Cooperation in the Asia/Pacific Region,” *Journal of Strategic Studies*, September 1995.

“Human Security and East Asia: In the Beginning,” *Journal of East Asian Studies*, June 2004

“Between Regionalization and Regionalism: Policy Networks and the Nascent East Asian Institutional Identity,” in T.J. Pempel, ed., *Remapping East Asia*, 2005.

“Historians and Chinese World Order: Fairbank, Wang and the Matter of ‘Indeterminate Relevance’,” in Zheng Yongnian, ed., *China and International Relations: The Chinese View and the Contribution of Wang Gungwu*, 2010.

“A Farewell to Trans-Pacific Cosmopolitanism? On the Passing of Robert Scalapino, Kim Kyung Won and Yamamoto Tadashi,” *Global Asia*, Winter 2013.

“Dancing with the Dragon,” lead essay, *Literary Review of Canada*, April 2013.

“Middle Powerism in the 21st Century: Mission Impossible?”, *Global Asia*, Spring 2016.

“Techno-nationalism in China-US Relations: Implications for Universities, *East Asian Policy*, April/June 2020.

With Cheng-Chwee Kuik, “Middle Power Agency in an Indo-Pacific Era,” lead essay in a collection of 9 pieces from our July 2023 workshop in Kuala Lumpur. *Global Asia*, Vol 18, No. 3, September 2023. <https://www.globalasia.org/v18no3/cover/middle-power-agency-in-an-indo-pacific-era_paul-evanscheng-chwee-kuik>

With David Dewitt and Brian Job, “Cooperative Security in the Asia-Pacific: Canadian Track-Two Initiatives, 1989-2005,” *International Journal*, 24 April 2025, <https://doi.org/10.1177/00207020251337746>

Reports:

With Don Campbell and Pierre Lortie, *Securing Canada’s Place in Asia: Means, Institutions and Mechanisms*, Task Force Report to the Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada, 6 September 2012. <http://www.asiapacific.ca/research-report/securing-canadas-place-asia-means-institutions-and-mechanism>

With Wendy Dobson, *The Future of Canada’s Relationship with China*, IRPP Policy Horizons Essay, Institute for Research on Public Policy, November 2015. <http://irpp.org/research-studies/the-future-of-canadas-relationship-with-china/>

“Canadian Universities and China: Research Collaboration in Question,” Institute for Peace and Diplomacy, 18 September 2022. <https://peacediplomacy.org/2022/09/19/canadian-universities-china-research-collaborations-in-question/>.

**In Progress**

“The Fairbank Legacy,” a supplement to my 1988 biography, *John Fairbank and the American Understanding of Modern China*.

A report on Canadian universities and China in the era of techno-nationalism and Sino-American Cold War.