Chi Nguyen

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EDUCATION

2020 Ph.D., Educational Leadership & Comparative and International Education (dual-title degree), *The Pennsylvania State University*

Dissertation: Education in the Reform Era: How Policy and Politics Transformed Vietnamese Students, School Leaders, and Communities

Advisors: Kai Schafft (co-chair) and Soo-yong Byun (co-chair)

2014 M.S. Ed., Education, Culture and Society, *University of Pennsylvania*

Thesis: Equity in Access to Higher Education in Vietnam: Influences of the Soviet and American Educational Paradigms and the Problematic Role of the National University Entrance Exam

Advisor: John Puckett

2011 B.A., International Studies, *Hanoi University*

MAJOR FIELD & SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

Educational equity and access, social justice leadership, immigrant education, comparative and international education, international students, rural education, ethnography, mixed methods.

ACADEMIC POSITION

2021- Assistant Professor, *University of Arizona*

Department of Educational Policy Studies & Practice College of Education

EDL 622- Research and Data-Based Decision Making in Educational Leadership

EDL 626- Leadership for Social Justice: Ethics and Law

EDL 696A- Educational Ethnography: Theories, Methods, and Applied Research

HONORS & AWARDS

2022 Smith Junior Faculty Award, *University of Arizona*

2021	Donald J. Willower Dissertation Award, The Pennsylvania State University
2021	Inspirational Person Award, Association of Vietnamese Students and Professionals in the United States
2017-18	Donald and Catherine Willower Endowment in Educational Administration, <i>The Pennsylvania State University</i>
2015-17	Jay Smink Graduate Assistantship in Education, <i>The Pennsylvania State University</i>
2015-17	Bartges Family Endowment in Education, The Pennsylvania State University
2015	Graham Scholarship, The Pennsylvania State University
2013	Merit-based Scholarship, University of Pennsylvania

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

REFERRED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Nguyen, C. (accepted, forthcoming). Going or not going to college? Explaining the college expectation gaps between rural and non-rural Vietnamese high school students. *Comparative and International Review.*

Choi, J., **Nguyen**, C., Li, A. (conditionally accepted). Threads of faith and belonging: An exploration of international Christian students' journeys in American higher education. *Review of Education*, *Pedagogy*, and *Cultural Studies*.

Nguyen, C. (2023). Nationally standardized policy and locally interpreted implementation: How Vietnamese school leaders enact education reform. *International Journal of Leadership in Education*, 26(3), 397-426.

Modeste, M. E., Pavlakis, A. E., & **Nguyen, C.** (2022). Theory amid policy and practice: A typology of theory use in educational leadership scholarship. *Journal of Research on Leadership Education*, 17(1), 55-89.

Modeste, M. E., **Nguyen**, **C.**, Nafziger, R. N. & Hermansen, J. (2022). Socially distributed leadership in elementary schools: Teacher and staff leadership practice in Denmark and the United States. *Journal of Educational Administration*, 60(20), 188-206.

^{*}Indicates graduate student co-author at time of publication or writing.

- Li, A., **Nguyen, C.**, & Choi, J. (2019). "Because of the fellowship, I decided to stay": How participating in Christian fellowship shapes the social and academic experiences in Chinese international students. *Social Sciences*, 8(8), 234.
- **Nguyen, C.** & Quinn, R. (2018). "We share similar struggles": How a Vietnamese immigrant youth organizing program shapes participants' critical consciousness of interracial tension. *Race, Ethnicity, and Education, 21*(5), 626-642.
- Quinn, R. & **Nguyen**, C. (2017). Immigrant youth organizing as civic preparation. *American Educational Research Journal*, 54(5), 972-1005.
- **Nguyen, C.** & Kebede, M. (2017). Immigrant students in the Trump era: What we know and do not know. *Educational Policy*, 31(6), 716-742.
- **Nguyen, C.**, Li, A., & Himes, H. (2017). Supporting all Pennsylvania Dreamers: A policy brief advocating the Pennsylvania DREAM Act. *The Beacon*, 12, 1.
- **Nguyen, C.**, Li, A., & Choi, J. (2016). Religion and higher education: How does participation in Christian church activities shape Chinese and South Korean international students' academic and social experiences in an American university? *Comparative and International Higher Education*. 8, Winter.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- **Nguyen, C.** (2021) Thực trạng dạy thêm và học thêm ở Việt Nam: Nghiên cứu phân tích từ ba học thuyết Thuyết chức năng, Thuyết xung đột và Thuyết thể chế mới [Shadow education in Vietnam An analysis from functional, conflict, and neo-institutional theories]. In Duong, H. B.; Hoang, D. A.; Bui, H. T. M. (Eds), *Giáo Dục Phổ Thông Việt Nam: Chuyển Biến và Sáng Tạo [General Education in Vietnam: Challenges, Innovation, and Change]*. Dân Trí Publishers.
- **Nguyen, C.** (2020) Rural youth, schools, and communities in transition: Ten years after Hanoi's administrative boundary extension. In Schafft, K.; Stanic, S.; Horvatek, R. (Eds), *Rural Youth at the Crossroad: Contemporary Challenges Within Transition Societies in Central Europe and Beyond*. Routledge.
- Fleet J.V., Dinh, T., Nguyen, K., Luc, M., & **Nguyen, C.** (2013). Making: Art forger. In Sasges, G. (Ed.), *It's a Living: Work and Life in Vietnam Today* (pp. 122-124). National University of Singapore (NUS) Press.
- Dinh, T., Nguyen, K., Luc, M., & **Nguyen, C.**, Fleet J.V. (2013). Selling: Fish feeder. In Sasges, G. (Ed.), *It's a Living: Work and Life in Vietnam Today* (pp. 137-135). National University of Singapore (NUS) Press.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Trinh, T.*, Le, T.*, Le, M., **Nguyen, C.** & Tran, T.* (in progress). Shaping college readiness: Factors influencing Vietnamese high school students' transition to higher education. To be submitted at *Higher Education*.

Li, A., **Nguyen**, C., Le, T.*, & Choi, J. US or Canada? How do Chinese international students make college choices? To be submitted at *Journal of International Students*.

Dang, C.*, Le, M. & **Nguyen, C.** (in progress). Fostering high school seniors' opportunities through context-responsive local leadership: a multi-site case study of educational leadership in Hanoi, Vietnam. To be submitted at *International Journal of Educational Management*.

Nguyen, C., Richard, M., Deolindo, T.* (in progress). Defining social justice leadership in education: A critical systematic review. To be submitted at *Review of Educational Research*.

Nguyen, C., Dang, C.*, Cao, P. (in progress) "This is worse than rural!": How Vietnamese high school leaders, teachers, and students define rurality in the context of the extended Hanoi metropolitan area. To be submitted at *Journal of Rural Studies*.

Le, K*, Tran, T.*, Le, M*, Cao, C*, Cao, P.*, & **Nguyen, C.** (in progress). Exploring the relations of gender and STEM career aspirations for high school seniors in Vietnam: A mixed methods approach.

Le, K.*, Tran, T.*, **Nguyen, C.**, Cao, C.* & Le, B.* (in progress). Exploring the educational aspirations of Vietnamese high school seniors: A mixed-methods approach.

Richard, M., Nguyen, C., Deolindo, T.* (in progress). Social justice leadership in practice.

Wang, Y & Nguven, C (in progress). Theory building and testing in educational leadership.

Sun, J & **Nguyen**, C. (in progress). Asian American education literature before and after Covid-19: Epistemic Network Analysis of Asian American Education Literature.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIP

NONFICTION BOOKS

Nguyen, C. (2023). 9 Quy Tắc Vàng Cho Một Cuộc Sống Hiệu Năng [9 Golden Rules for an Effective Life]. The Present Writer. [Ebook in Vietnamese]

Nguyen, C. (2018) *Một Cuốn Sách về Chủ Nghĩa Tối Giản [Holistic Minimalism]*. Thế Giới Publishers. [National best-seller in Vietnam; 20,000+ copies sold]

NONFICTION BOOK CHAPTERS

Nguyen, C. (2023). *Lòi giới thiệu [Forward]*. In: Russ Harris, *Bẫy Hạnh Phúc [The Happiness Trap]*. Dân Trí Publishers.

Nguyen, C., (2021). Quản lý tài chính ngay từ khi còn trẻ [Financial management at young ages]. In Dinh, V. (Ed.), *Cẩm Nang Quản Lý Tài Chính cho Sinh Viên [The Financial Handbook for College Students]* (pp. 80-81). Thanh Niên Publishers.

INVENTION

Nguyen, C. (2023). *The Present Day Planner*. Thế Giới Publishers. [Productivity planner in English; 8,000+ copies sold]

MEDIA MENTIONS

Dominguez, A. (2023, October). *Immigrant students in the U.S., Navigating Higher Ed. & Knowledge mobilization w/ Dr Chi Nguyen.* Willing to Learn Podcast.

Vietnam Television (VTV3) (2023, September 14). *Podcast: "Chú ngựa ô" của làng truyền thông [Podcast: The "black horse" in media]*. <u>VTV3.</u>

Nguyen, Nhi (2023, June). Tiến sĩ giáo dục Chi Nguyễn: Động lực đến từ những lời từ chối. [Dr. Chi Nguyen: Motivations come from rejections]. Dep Magazine.

Chaubuinet (2022, March 8). #HelloIAm Chi Nguyễn: "Chi luôn tin rằng phụ nữ càng độc lập thì sẽ càng tự tin để làm tất cả những gì mình muốn." [#HelloIAm Chi Nguyen: "I always believe that the more independent women are, the more confident they will be in achieving what they want]. Chaubui.net

Cao, M. (2022, April 16). Tại sao người Việt nên sống tối giản? [Why should Vietnamese people follow a minimalist lifestyle?]. Vietcetera

Minh, H. (2022, July 9). 'Ngộp thở' trong chính nhà mình, nữ TS Việt ở Mỹ tìm ra lối sống giúp thành công vượt bậc ['Suffocating' in her own home, a Vietnamese female professor in the U.S. found a lifestyle to help her succeed]. Soha

Pham, N. (2022, February 10). 미국에서 베트남 출신 여교수의 그녀만의 미니멀 라이프 (최소주의 생활) 화제 [A Vietnamese female professor in the U.S. with her minimalist lifestyle]. Newskorea

Vietnam Television (VTV1) (2022, December 20). Góc nhìn văn hóa: Thanh lọc mạng xã hội [Cultural perspective: Purifying social networks]. <u>Vietnam Television (VTV1)</u>

Vietnam Television (VTV4) (2022, December 7). Giới trẻ Việt Nam và xu hướng "thanh lọc" mạng xã hội [Vietnamese youth and the trend of "purifying" social networks]. <u>Vietnam</u> Television (VTV4)

Vietnam Television (VTV4) (2022, October 22). The Present Writer & lối sống tối giản [The Present Writer & the minimalist lifestyle]. <u>Vietnam Television (VTV4)</u>

Vietsuccess (2022, July 7). *Tối giản không chỉ ở vật chất mà còn ở tư duy [Minimalism in material and mindset]*. Thought Show Podcast.

Mai, C. (2021, March). Để sống tối giản, đôi khi mình phải sống tối đa trước đã [To follow minimalism, sometimes we need to experience maximalism first]. The Influencer

Ha, M. (2019, September 6). Blogger Chi Nguyễn - Một "người mẹ tối giản": Ban đầu mọi thứ sẽ vượt khỏi tầm kiểm soát [Blogger Chi Nguyen – A "minimalist mother": At first everything will get out of control]. Eva

Vietnam Television (VTV1). (2021, October 5). Podcast - Sân chơi mới cho người sản xuất nội dung số [Podcast – A new platform for digital content creators]. Vietnam Television (VTV1)

Hoang, M (2021, July 30). "The Present Writer": Kênh podcast về những câu chuyện cuộc sống ["The Present Writer": A podcast about life stories]. Sinh Vien Viet Nam

Thao Nguyen (2021, November 4). Chi Nguyễn The Present Writer: "Làm nội dung là một quá trình phát triển bản thân" [Chi Nguyen-The Present Writer: "Creating content is a process of self-development"]. Lofficiel Vietnam

Tien Phong Online (2021, July 8). Nữ tiến sĩ Việt tại Mỹ đưa lời khuyên định hướng tương lai, bạn trẻ đua nhau 'thả tim' [Vietnamese-American female professor's advices on future orientation receive applauses from youth]. <u>Tien Phong</u>

Rice, J. (August, 2020). *Data analyst brings new perspective to College*. Scholar: The magazine of The Schreyer Honors College.

LaJeunesse, S. (August 29, 2019). *Religious communities may help provide social support to international students*. Penn State News.

Ninh, L. (2019, May 16). Sống tối giản 4 năm, blogger Chi Nguyễn: "Nhiều người hiểu sai, loại bỏ đồ đạc chỉ là "lối sống sạch sẽ", không phải lối sống tối giản"! [Minimalist living for 4 years, blogger Chi Nguyen: "Many people misunderstand, getting rid of furniture is just a "decluttering lifestyle", not a minimalist lifestyle"!]. Cafef

Thuy Dung (2021, January 26). Chi Nguyễn chia sẻ về Tết trên đất Mỹ và cách sống tối giản khi có con nhỏ [Chi Nguyen shares about Vietnamese New Year in the U.S. and the minimalist lifestyle with children]. Thoi Trang Tre

Vietnam Television (VTV1). (2019, July 14). *Xu hướng sống tối giản [The minimalism trend]*. Vietnam Television (VTV1)

The Voice of Vietnam (VOV5). (2017, March 20). "Mình là người Việt Nam thì nên sử dụng nguồn lực ở nước ngoài để phục vụ cho Việt Nam"["We are Vietnamese, so we should use overseas resources to serve Vietnam"]. The Voice of Vietnam (VOV5)

PEER-REVIEWED NATIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Li, A., Choi, J., & **Nguyen, C.** (2023, November). *US or Canada? How do Chinese international students make college choices?* Asian Conference on Education Conference (ACE), Tokyo, Japan.

Sun, J & **Nguyen**, C. (2023, October). *Asian American education literature before and after Covid-19*. International Conference on Quantitative Ethnography (ICQE), Melbourne, Australia.

Nguyen, C. (2023, April). "This is worse than rural!" How Vietnamese high school leaders, teachers, and students define rurality. American Educational Research Association (AERA), Chicago.

Sun, J & Nguyen, C. (2023, April). Asian American education literature before and after Covid-19: Epistemic Network Analysis of Asian American Education Literature. American Educational Research Association (AERA), Chicago.

Nguyen, C. (2022, November). *Defining Social Justice Leadership: Research, Theories, and Best Practices.* University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA), Seattle.

Nguyen, C. (2021, April). *Vietnamese youth, schools, and communities in transition: A decade after the administrative boundary extension of Hanoi*. Comparative and International Education Society (CIES), Online.

Nguyen, C. (2020, April). Rural youth, schools, and communities in transition. American Educational Research Association (AERA), San Francisco, CA.*Cancelled due to COVID-19

Nguyen, C. (2019, November). *Nationally standardized policy and locally interpreted implementation: How Vietnamese school leaders enact education reform.* University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA), New Orleans.

Modeste, M. & **Nguyen**, C. (2019, November). *Expansive leadership practice: School leadership and dynamic partnerships in rural and urban school districts*. University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA), New Orleans.

Modeste, M., **Nguyen, C.**, Huff, B. (2019, April). *Building nested learning communities: A second-order factor analysis of teacher and staff leadership practice*. American Educational Research Association, Toronto, Canada.

- Modeste, M., **Nguyen, C**., Hermansen, J. (2018, November). *Socially Distributed Leadership: Teacher and Staff Leadership Practice in Denmark and the United States*. Commonwealth Council for Educational Administration and Management (CCEAM), Malta.
- Li, A., **Nguyen, C.**, & Choi, J. (2018, March). *Religion and higher Education: The experiences of Christian Chinese international students in an American university*. Comparative and International Education Society (CIES), Mexico City, Mexico.
- **Nguyen, C.** & Xu, C. (2018, April). *Public versus private school students' performance in Mainland China, Japan, South Korea, and Vietnam.* American Educational Research Association (AERA), New York City, N.Y.
- **Nguyen, C.** (2017, November). How do racial stereotypes influence Asian students' schooling experiences? A critical review of research in education. University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA), Denver, CO.
- **Nguyen, C.** (2017, November). The role of school leaders in shaping students' college aspirations in Vietnam. University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA), Denver, CO.
- Li, A., **Nguyen, C**., & Choi, J. (2017, November). *Religion and higher education: How does participation in Christian church community shape Chinese international students' academic and social experiences in an American university*. Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE), Houston, TX.
- **Nguyen, C.** (2017, November). *College aspirations of rural and urban Vietnamese students*. Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE), Houston, TX.
- **Nguyen, C.** (2017, October). "This is worse than rural!": How Vietnamese high school leaders, teachers, and students define rurality in the context of the extended Hanoi metropolitan area. Annual Rural Studies Graduate Conference. University Park, PA.
- Choi, J., **Nguyen**, C., Li, A. (2017, June). Spiritual capital and informal learning: Experience of Chinese and South Korean young adults in a higher education institution in the U.S. Asian Diaspora Pre-Conference, Adult Education Research Conference (AERC), Norman, OK.
- **Nguyen, C.** (2017, March). Revisiting the relative efficacy of private and public schools in developing countries: The case of Vietnam. Comparative and International Education Society (CIES), Atlanta, GA.
- **Nguyen, C.** (2017, March). How do Vietnamese textbooks teach students morality? A content analysis of Vietnamese moral education textbooks. Comparative and International Education Society (CIES), Atlanta, GA.

- **Nguyen, C.** (2016, November). Absent and voiceless: The role of Asian educators in combating the Asian "model minority" myth. University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA), Detroit, MI
- **Nguyen, C.** & Quinn, R. (2016, April). "We share similar struggles": The impact of a political education curriculum on Vietnamese youth. American Educational Research Association (AERA), Washington, D.C.
- **Nguyen, C.** & Quinn, R. (2016, April). *Immigrant youth organizing as civic preparation*. Association for Asian American Studies (AAAS), Miami, FL.
- Nguyen, A. & Nguyen, C. (2016, April). How do textbooks teach L2 students to make requests? Analysis of English textbooks in Vietnam. American Educational Research Association (AERA), Washington, D.C.
- Nguyen, A. & **Nguyen**, C. (2016, April). How do textbooks teach L2 students "it"-non-referential extra position of complements in discourse? Analysis of English textbooks in Vietnam. American Association for Applied Linguistics (AAAL), Orlando, FL.
- Quinn, R. & Nguyen, C. (2015, April). Journey Home: The impact of a political education curriculum on the lived experiences of Vietnamese youth. American Educational Research Association (AERA), Chicago, IL.
- Crawford, E., Fuller, E., **Nguyen, C.**, & Bennet, H. (2015, April). A dream attained or deferred? Examining the production and placement of Latino administrators. American Educational Research Association (AERA), Chicago, IL.
- **Nguyen, C.**, Fu, H., Park, H., & Lee, S. (2015, March). Moral education in modern Confucian countries: A comparative study of teaching and learning moral education in Vietnam, China, and South Korea. Comparative and International Education Society (CIES), Washington, D.C.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- **Nguyen, C.** (2022, November). *Strategic storytelling in academia and media*. Guest lecturer in Strategic Communication, a Seoul School of Integrated Sciences and Technologies (aSSIST), South Korea
- **Nguyen, C.** (2021, November). *Using life lessons and personal history as research materials and beyond*. Guest lecturer in Education and Life History (Advanced Qualitative Research Method Class), Seoul National University, South Korea
- Tran, Nam T. & **Nguyen**, C. (2021, November). *Study abroad and mental health issues*. Webinar panelist at the Vietnam-France Psychology Institute, Vietnam

Nguyen, C. (2019, December). Convergent parallel designs in mixed-methods research. Guest lecturer in The Use of Mixed Methods in Educational and Social Scientific Research, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

Nguyen, C. (2017, March). *How to systematically code qualitative data*. Guest lecturer in Applied Qualitative Study, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

Nguyen, C. (2016, May). Forming a writing group in graduate school. Guest lecturer in Improving Educational Writing, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

AWARDED GRANTS

2023	New Ph.D. Incubation Project, <i>Beijing Union University</i> (Co-PI: 30% effort, 20,000 yuan=\$2,741.87). PI: Anke Li
2016-19	Robert and Donna Nicely Doctoral Student Research Fund, <i>The Pennsylvania State University</i> (PI: 100% effort; \$1,300)
2017-18	Comparative and International Education Summer Research Grant, <i>The Pennsylvania State University</i> (PI: 100% effort; \$2,000)
2016-17	College of Education Dissertation Research Initiation Grant, <i>The Pennsylvania State University</i> (PI: 100% effort; \$600)

SUBMITED GRANTS

2023	International Research Grants, <i>University of Arizona</i> (PI: 40% effort; \$50,000 – Under Review). Chi Nguyen (PI), Jinhee Choi, Anke Li.
2023	The National Social Science Fund of China (Co-PI: 30% effort; 200,000 yuan =\$27,357.53– Under Review). Anke Li (PI), Chi Nguyen , Jinhee Choi.
2022	International Research Grants, <i>University of Arizona</i> (PI: 40% effort; \$50,000 – Not Awarded). Chi Nguyen (PI), Jinhee Choi, Anke Li.

SERVICE/OUTREACH

Founder, <u>The Present Writer</u>—a community outreach project producing free educational content in Vietnamese with over 1.5 million audiences across platforms: <u>Blog</u>: 5 million views+ since 2016; <u>YouTube</u>: 603,000 subscribers; <u>Podcast</u>: 179,000 Spotiy followers, <u>Facebook</u>: 561,000 followers, <u>Instagram</u>: 134,000 followers (International Outreach)



DISSERTATION ADVISEES

Ana Isabel Mendoza, Educational Leadership (Ph.D.), College of Education (graduated)

Role: Member

Francisco Mendoza, Educational Leadership (Ph.D.), College of Education (current)

Role: Chair

Kevin Mcbeth, Educational Leadership (Ph.D.), College of Education (current)

Role: Member

Julie Kasper, Educational Leadership (Ph.D.), College of Education (current)

Role: Member

Thaina Deolindo, Educational Leadership (Ph.D.), College of Education (current)

Role: Member

Madiha Imran, Educational Leadership (Ph.D.), College of Education (current)

Role: Member

Colleen Marie Johnson, Educational Leadership (Ed.D.), College of Education (current)

Role: Member

Aviva Doery, Educational Leadership (Ph.D.) College of Education (current)

Data Analyst, The Pennsylvania State University

Role: Member

2019-21

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

,,,,	Schreyer Honors College
2015-19	Research Assistant The Pennsylvania State Unive

2015-19 Research Assistant, The Pennsylvania State University

Department of Education Policy Studies College of Education

2015-17 Instructional Support, The Pennsylvania State University

SCOPE (Summer College Opportunity Program in Education) Program

College of Education

2014-15 Research Assistant, University of Pennsylvania

Graduate School of Education

2011-12 **Program Administrator**, Vietnam National University

International School

2010-11 Co-founder & Leader, Vietnam Youth Education Support Center (4T)

Development Department

2009-11 English Teacher

English and Cultural Center (Vietnam)
Eden Social Welfare Foundation (Taiwan)