

## Tongdong BAI

**Research and teaching interests:** traditional Chinese political philosophy; political philosophy

**Non-research teaching interests:** early analytic philosophy, philosophy of science, philosophy of physics

### TEACHING POSITIONS

2011-present Dongfang Chair Professor, School of Philosophy, Fudan University

2010-present Professor, School of Philosophy, Fudan University

2009-2010 Associate Professor, Tenured, Philosophy Department, Xavier University

2003-2009 Assistant Professor, Tenure Track, Philosophy department, Xavier University

May 2008 Visiting Professor, School of Philosophy, Renmin University, Beijing

May 2004 Visiting Professor, Philosophy Department and the Institute of Foreign Philosophy, Peking University, Beijing

### EDUCATION

1996-2004 Department of philosophy, Boston University

Ph.D., Dissertation: "Philosophy and Physics: Action-at-a-distance and Locality." First reader: Dr. John Stachel

2001-2002 Dibner Institute for the History of Science and Technology, MIT  
Dibner Graduate Student Fellow.

1994-1996 Peking (Beijing) University, China

M.A. in Philosophy of Science. Thesis: "On the EPR Paradox."

1989-1994 Peking (Beijing) University, China

B.S. in Nuclear Physics.

### Selected works:

-*China: The Middle Way of the Middle Kingdom*. Forthcoming by Zed Books in the *Global Political Theory Series*.

-*A New Mission of an Old State: The Contemporary and Comparative Relevance of Classical Confucian Political Philosophy* (Chinese). Peking University Press, May, 2009.

-*Tension of Reality: Einstein, Bohr, and Pauli in the EPR Debates* (Chinese). Peking University Press, May, 2009.

- "Against Democratic Education", *Journal of Curriculum Studies*, 43:5, 2011, 615-622.

- "Preliminary Remarks: Han Fei Zi—First Modern Political Philosopher?", *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*, Vol. 38, No. 1/March 2011, 4-13.

- "What to Do in an Unjust State? -- On Confucius's and Socrates's Views on Political Duty", *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, Vol. 9, No. 4/December, 2010, 375-390.

- "Studies in Analytic Philosophy in China," co-authored with Yi Jiang, *Synthese*, Vol. 175, No. 1/June, 2010, 3-12.

- "How to Rule without Taking Unnatural Actions (无为而治): A Comparative Study of the Political Philosophy of the *Laozi*", *Philosophy East & West*, Vol. 59, No. 4/October, 2009, 481-502.

- "The Price of Serving Meat: On the Confucian and Mencian Views of Animal and Human Rights", *Asian Philosophy*, Vol. 19, No. 1/March 2009, 85-99.

- "An Ontological Interpretation of *You* (something) (有) and *Wu* (Nothing) (无) in the *Laozi*", *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*, June 2008, Vol. 35, Issue 2, 339-351.

- "A Mencian Version of Limited Democracy", *Res Publica*, Vol. 14, No. 1/March, 2008, 19-34.

- “Back to Confucius: A Comment on the Debate on the Confucian Idea of Consanguineous Affection”, *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*, Vol. 7, No. 1, March, 2008, 27-33.
- “The *Analects* and Forms of Governance”, in *Dao Companion to the Analects*, edited by Amy Olberding, Springer, forthcoming.
- “Early Confucians’ Political Philosophy”, in *Dao Companion to Classical Confucianism*, edited by Vicent Shen, Springer, forthcoming.
- “Chinese Political Philosophy”, in *Routledge Companion to Political and Social Philosophy*, edited by Fred D’Agostino and Jerry Gaus, forthcoming.

**Courses Taught:**

*Han Fei Zi*, Comparative Philosophy (Chinese and Western), Western Moral Philosophy, Early Analytic Philosophy, The *Analects* and the *Mencius*, Pre-Qin Confucianism and Legalism, Traditional Chinese political philosophy (pre-Qin); Democracy and Its Critics; Ethics as an Introduction to Philosophy; Philosophy of Science; Symbolic Logic; Theory of Knowledge.

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