

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

- 2019**            **University of Oxford**  
DPhil (PhD) Anthropology
- 2014**            **University of Oxford**  
MSc Cognitive & Evolutionary Anthropology
- 2010**            **The University of Sydney**  
Bachelor of Arts (Languages, Honors Class 1 & University Medal) Social Anthropology  
and Chinese Studies
- Other**            Peking University (Department of Sociology & Social Anthropology, 2008)  
Liaoning University (Diploma of Chinese language, 2006)

### EXPERIENCE

- 2020 -**            **The Brookings Institution**  
Fellow, Center for Sustainable Development (2022 - )  
Senior Project Manager (Learning & Innovation) for the 17 Rooms Initiative, Center for  
Sustainable Development, Global Economy and Development Program (2020 - 2022)
- 2018 -**            **Asian Bureau of Economic Research, Australian National University**  
Visiting Research Fellow (2018 - )  
Program Coordinator (2019 - 2020)
- 2019 - 2020**        **Aptima, Inc.**  
Consulting Scientist to Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)  
program Artificial Social Intelligence for Successful Teams (ASIST)
- 2019 - 2021**        **University of Oxford**  
Postdoctoral Associate, Social Body Lab, Institute of Cognitive and Evolutionary  
Anthropology (ICEA)
- 2016 - 2019**        **Elite Rugby 精英橄榄球**  
Co-founder & Director (International)
- 2009 - 2012**        **Rugby Australia**  
Professional Rugby Player, Australian Rugby 7s Team

## PUBLICATIONS & RESEARCH

### Articles in peer-reviewed journals

**Taylor, J.** & Cohen, E. (Under review). "Social Bonding Through Joint Action: When the team clicks."

Cohen, E., Davis, A., & **Taylor, J.** (2022). Interdependence, Bonding, and Support Are Associated with Improved Mental Well-being Following An Outdoor Team Challenge. *Applied Psychology: Health and Well-being*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/aphw.12351>

Kaufmann, R., Gupta, P., & **Taylor, J.** (2021). [An active inference model of collective intelligence](https://doi.org/10.3390/e23070830). *Entropy*, 23, 1–27. <https://doi.org/10.3390/e23070830>

**Taylor, J.** & Davis, A. (2018). "[Social Cohesion](https://doi.org/10.1002/9781118924396.wbiea2297)." International Encyclopedia of Anthropology. <https://doi.org/10.1002/9781118924396.wbiea2297>

Davis, A., **Taylor, J.**, & Cohen, E. (2015). "[Social bonds and exercise: Evidence for a reciprocal relationship](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0136705)." PLoS ONE, 10(8). <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0136705>

### Pre-prints

**Taylor, J.** & Freeman, J. (2020). "A free energy model of social intelligence in Human-Machine teams" [DARPA ASIST working paper]

### Policy projects

The Brookings Institution & Rockefeller Foundation. (2021). [Coming Together: Forging new paths to action for the Sustainable Development Goals](#). *Brookings Report*. November 17.

The Brookings Institution & Rockefeller Foundation. (2021). [17 Rooms: A new approach to spurring action for the Sustainable Development Goals](#). *Brookings Report*. February 23.

Asian Bureau of Economic Research. (2020). [An Asian strategy for recovery and reconstruction after COVID-19](#). June 3. (Contributing authors: Armstrong, S., Basri, C., Bery, S., de Brouwer, G., Drysdale, P., Huang, Y.P., Itoh, M., Quah, D., Smith, H., Sta Maria, R., Tangkitvanich, S., **Taylor, J.**, Triggs, A., & Wang, J.)

**Taylor, J.** (2019). [Hidden Narratives: Reimagining the China story in strategic thought](#). *East Asia Forum Quarterly*. 11(4).

Drysdale, P., Zhang, Y, & **Taylor, J.** (2018). The Proposal for an Australia-China Commission. *ABER Working Paper Series*. May 1.

### Op-Eds and blogs

Bracken, A., McArthur, J.W., & **Taylor, J.** (2021). [A new approach to problem-solving across the Sustainable Development Goals](#). *Up-Front (Brookings)*. March 12.

**Taylor, J.** (2020). [The tech wars hide a bigger challenge for the world](#). *Australian Financial Review*. September 22.

**Taylor, J.** (2020). [What resilience really means as a guide for Australian policymaking](#). *The Interpreter (The Lowy Institute)*. July 9.

**Taylor, J.** (2019). [We need to rethink strategic narratives about China](#). *Australian Financial Review*. December 2.

Taylor, J., Davis A., & Cohen E. (2016). ["Moving in sync allows the body to do things it couldn't do alone."](#) *Aeon Magazine*. July 18.

## Presentations

- 2021 ["An active inference model of collective intelligence."](#) Poster Presentation with Kaufmann, R. and Gupta, P. at ACM Collective Intelligence Conference 2021. Winner, Most Inspiring Research Paper Awards (Poster Category).
- 2017 "When Joint-action Clicks: Do perceptions of joint-action predict social bonding among professional athletes?" Poster Presentation with J. & Cohen, E. at 2017 European Evolution and Human Behaviour European Association Conference
- 2016 "Social Bonds & Exercise", Oral Presentation with Davis, A. Human Behaviour & Evolution Society Conference
- 2016 ["Do people who move together bond together?"](#) Oxford University Social Science Video Explainer
- 2016 "Exercise, Social Bonding, & Flow", Public Lecture, Yosum Psychology Lecture Series, Beijing, China. February 15.

## Teaching

- 2019 Program Facilitator for ["How Chinese Policies are made."](#) Crawford School of Public Policy Executive Education Program, Australian National University. Convened by Prof. David Lampton and Dr Ryan Manuel, October - November.
- 2017 Program Lecturer, "Anthropology and cross-cultural understanding" Oxford University Summer School Teaching Program, August 2017
- 2017 Program Lecturer, "Introduction to Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology" Oxford University Summer School Teaching Program, July 2017
- 2010 - 2012 Academic Tutor, Social Sciences, University of Sydney

## OTHER EMPLOYMENT

- 2017 - 2018 Chinese Olympic Committee (COC) - International Consultant
- 2016 - 2018 St John's College, University of Oxford - Junior Dean
- 2015 Chinese Central Television CCTV Sport - Expert commentator for 2015 Rugby World Cup
- 2013 Chinese Rugby Football Association - Coach of Chinese youth men's Rugby 7s team for the 2013 Nanjing Asian Youth Olympics
- 2008 Sportsmark - Supervisor for Coca Cola's Hospitality Program, Beijing 2008 Olympics

## SERVICE & LEADERSHIP

2014	Captain, Oxford University Rugby Football Club
2014	Facilitator, Good Lad Workshop
2012	Co-founder & NSW State Manager, Engaging China Project
2011 - 2013	Design & Innovation Manager, Australia-China Youth Dialogue
2008 - 2012	Youth Worker, Glebe Youth Service, Sydney

## HONORS & AWARDS

2018	Inaugural Australian Fellow, Australia-China National Parliamentary Fellowship Program
2013	Rhodes Scholar (New South Wales & Keble College)
2009 - 2012	Australian Institute of Sport Scholarship (Rugby Union)
2011	Shortlisted Nomination, University of Sydney Alumni Association Convocation Medal
2010	University Medal for Combined Honours, University of Sydney
2010	University of Sydney Richard B Davis Prize for Asian Anthropology
2010	Sydney University Sport & Fitness Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship
2009	University of Sydney Walter Reid Memorial Prize for Academic Achievement
2007	Australian Universities Twenty20 Cricket Representative Team
2007	University of Sydney Entry Scholarship
2006	Australia-China Council "Year in China" Scholar
2006	HSK (Chinese Proficiency Examination) Level 6
2005	NSW Premier's Award for All-Round Academic Excellence
2005	NSW Board of Studies Young Writers Showcase Award for Film "Alterity"