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PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2015 – 2016

Deputy Director for Planning and Quality Assurance, Institute for Language and Culture of Asia, Mahidol University

2010 – 2012

Deputy Director for Research and Academics Affair, Institute for Language and Culture of Asia, Mahidol University

2009 – 2010

Lecturer, Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia, Mahidol University

1999 – 2008

Researcher, Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia, Mahidol University

1988 – 1999

Registered Nurse (1988- 1994), Head Nurse (1994-1999), Kapor Hospital, Ranong province

EDUCATION

2013-2014

Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (in Gerontology), The Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University, Japan

2004-2008

Mahidol University, Institute for Population and Social Research, Ph.D. in Demography

1996-1998

Mahidol University, Institute of Languages and Cultures for Rural Development, M.A. in Cultural Studies (Culture in Public Health)

1985-1988

Boromarajonani College of Nursing, Bangkok, Thailand, BSN in Nursing Science

MAJOR FIELDS OF INTEREST

Cultural differences and health among ethnic minorities and migrants
 Cultural integration and cultural competency in multicultural society
 Cross-cultural gerontology

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2018 Stipendien aus Mitteln des ASEA-Uninet, Austrian Federal Ministry for Science and Research in the frame of the ASEA UNINET, Austria
(Research title: Transcultural Lives of Myanmar Migrant Children in Thailand: Self-identity and Sense of Belonging)
- 2015 Stipendien aus Mitteln des ASEA-Uninet, Austrian Federal Ministry for Science and Research in the frame of the ASEA UNINET, Austria
(Research title: Cultural integration of unskilled migrant workers: A lesson learned from Austria for Thailand)
- 2013- 2014 The JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship for Foreign Researchers, Japan
- 2013 Stipendien aus Mitteln des ASEA-Uninet, Austrian Federal Ministry for Science and Research in the frame of the ASEA UNINET, Austria
(Research title: Health care for immigrants: A lesson learned from the European Union for the ASEAN Communities)
- 2012 Stipendien aus Mitteln des ASEA-Uninet, Austrian Federal Ministry for Science and Research in the frame of the ASEA UNINET, Austria
(Research title: Burmese Migration in Thailand- Lessons learned on Health and Migration from the European Union)
- 2012 ASEA-UNINET Staff Exchange, Office of the Higher Education Commission: OHEC, Thailand
- 2012 Outstanding Academic Staff (Institutional level), Mahidol University, Thailand
- 2011 Good Thesis Award (PhD thesis, titled “Inequality of Child Mortality among Ethnic Groups in Thailand: A Quantitative and Qualitative Study”), National Research Council of Thailand
- 2008 ASEAN Research Fellowship, Asian Research Institute, National University of Singapore
- 2002 The Wellcome Trust/IPSR Scholarship, The Wellcome Trust, UK
- 2002 Lecture Development Scholarship, Ministry of Education, Thai Government

COURSES TAUGHT

Methodology in Socio-cultural Studies, Research Methodology in Multicultural Studies, Health and Migration, Seminar on current issues in medical, anthropology, Health Policy and Equity

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- 2018-2019 Program Development for Media literacy in aged people (co-researcher)

2018	A survey of out of school children for migrant early childhood development, funded by Save the Children (principle investigator)
2016- 2017	Grateful Thai Youths Caring for the Elderly Health in a Family Context, funded by Thai Health Promotion Foundation (principle investigator)
2016-2017	Promoting Thai traditional values to enhance dignity of elderly in urban area, funded by Department of Cultural Promotion (co-researcher)
2014- 2016	A Cross-cultural Comparison on Functional Decline in Community-dwelling Older Adults between Thailand and Japan, funded by Sumitomo Foundation (principle investigator)
2015	Multidisciplinary research project: Model development in holistic care for the elderly, funded by National Research Council of Thailand (co-researcher)
2015	Buddhist Social Network and Well-being of the Elderly: Second wave of the survey, funded by Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) KAKENHI (co-researcher)
2013- 2014	Healthcare Design for the Elderly supported by Buddhist Network funded by Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research, FY 2013) (principle investigator)
2012- 2014	Promoting Well-being of International Migrants through “Cultural Competence”, funded by Thai Health Promotion Foundation (principle investigator)
2012	Religious Organizations and Preparedness for an Aging Society, funded by National Research Council of Thailand (co-researcher)
2012	Social Well-being: The model development for the elderly care, funded by National Research Council of Thailand (co-researcher)
2010	The well-being of ethnic-aged in the Greater Mekong Sub-region (GMS): A comparison between Thailand and People Republic of China focusing on the northern part of Thailand and southern Yunnan, funded by International Fund for Science and Mahidol University (co-researcher)
2008-2010	Integration of Thai Traditional Medicine and Modern Medicine in Fractured Bone Treatment, by National Research Council of Thailand (principle investigator)
2008-2009	Child Mortality Differentials among Thai Buddhists and Thai Muslims: Does Inequality matter?, funded by National Research Council of Thailand (principle investigator)
2008-2009	Youth Researcher: Local History of the Central Region, funded by The Thailand Research Fund (co-researcher)
2005-2007	Inequality of Child Mortality among Ethnic Groups in Thailand: A Quantitative and Qualitative Study, funded by National Research Council of Thailand (principle investigator)
2001-2004	The Study of Local History: The Way of life in Nakhon Chaisri Basin, funded by The Thailand Research Fund (co-researcher)
2002-2004	The use of Health Care Services of Burmese Migrant Workers in Ranong Province, funded by

- National Research Council of Thailand (principle investigator)
- 2001-2002 World view of Ethnic Groups in Thailand: Hokkien Health Care Beliefs and Practices, funded by National Research Council of Thailand (principle investigator)
- 2000-2002 Community Strengthening in Dengue Fever Prevention: Muslim community, Bangkok Metropolitan, funded by Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health (co-researcher)
- 1999-2001 The Prevention of Severe Diarrhea by the Thai and Burmese community: Research and Development, funded by Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health (co-researcher)
- 1999-2000 Encyclopedia of Ethnic Groups in Thailand: Hokkien, funded by National Research Council of Thailand (principle investigator)

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- Sasiwongsaroj, k. & Burasith, Y. (2019). Managing Thailand's Ageing Population. *Perspective*, 32, 1-15.
- Iwasaki, M., Kimura, Y., Sasiwongsaroj, K., Kettratad-Pruksapong, M., Suksudaj, S., Ishimoto, Y., ...Miyazaki, H. (2018). Association between objectively measured chewing ability and frailty: A cross-sectional study in central Thailand . *Geriatric and Gerontology International*, doi: 10.1111/ggi.13264
- Sakamoto, R., Okumiya, K., Ishine, M., Sasiwongsaroj, K. et al (2016). Predictors of difficulty in carrying out basic activities of daily living among the old-old: A 2-year community-based cohort study. *Geriatric and Gerontology International*, 16(2), 214-222.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K., Wada, T., Okumiya, K. et al. (2015). Buddhist social networks and health in old age: A study in central Thailand. *Geriatric and Gerontology International*, 15 (11), 1210-1218.
- Kiyohito, O., Sakamoto, R., Fujisawa, M., Sasiwongsaroj, K. et al. (2015). Effect of Early Diagnosis and Lifestyle Modification on Depressive Symptoms in Community-Dwelling Elderly Adults with Glucose Intolerance: 5-Year Longitudinal Study *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 63(2), 393-395.
- Kiyohito, O., Sakamoto, R., Fujisawa, M., Sasiwongsaroj, K. et al. (2015). Effect of early diagnosis and lifestyle modification on functional activities in community-dwelling elderly adults with glucose intolerance: 5-year longitudinal study. *the American Geriatrics Society*, 63 (1), 190-192.
- Sakamoto, R., Okumiya, K., Wang, H., Sasiwongsaroj, K. et al. (2015). Oxidized Low Density Lipoprotein Among the Elderly in Qinghai-Tibet Plateau. *Wilderness Environ Med*, 26 (3), 343-349.
- Roumsuk, P., K., Sasiwongsaroj, Doungphummes, N., & Wongkalasin, K. (2015). Development of a tale for kids to enhance the construction of tales to enhance ethic behavior of generosity in early childhood (การสร้างสื่อนิทานเพื่อพัฒนาพฤติกรรมคุณธรรมด้านความมีน้ำใจในเด็กปฐมวัย). *Veridian E-Journal, Silpakorn University* 8 (1): 903-922.

- Pornsiripongse, S., Burasith, Y., Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2014). Buddhist temples and preparedness for aging society. (วัดในพุทธศาสนากับความพร้อมในการรองรับสังคมผู้สูงอายุ). *Journal of Languages and cultures*, 33 (1), 1-24.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2013). The central region amid a wave of changes: A synthesis of research projects on local history of the central region by youth historians (ท้องถิ่นภาคกลางท่ามกลางกระแสการเปลี่ยนแปลง: บทสังเคราะห์จากโครงการยูวีวิจัยประวัติศาสตร์ท้องถิ่นพื้นที่ภาคกลาง). *Humanities & Social sciences*, 30 (2), 107-132.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K., Pornsiripongse, S., Burasith, Y., Ketjamnong, P., & Koosakulrat, N. (2012). Buddhist Temple: The Well-Being Space for the Aged in Thailand. *Journal of Population and Social Studies*, 20 (2), 1-12.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K., Pornsiripongse, S., Burasith, Y., Ketjamnong, P., & Koosakulrat, N. (2012). Buddhist Temple: The Well-Being Space for the Aged in Thailand. *Journal of Population and Social Studies*, 20 (2), 1-12.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2010). Socioeconomic Inequalities in Child Mortality: A Comparison between Thai Buddhists and Thai Muslims. *Journal of Health Research*, 24 (2): 81-86.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2010). Does the Role of Assimilation Matter in Child Mortality of Immigrant Minorities? (การผสมกลมกลืนทางวัฒนธรรมมีผลต่อการตายของเด็กชนกลุ่มน้อยที่เป็นผู้อพยพหรือไม่). *Journal of Nurses' Association of Thailand, North-Eastern Division*, 28 (3): 5-13.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2010). Religion and Health in the Elderly (ศาสนากับสุขภาพของผู้สูงอายุ). *The Journal of Thammasat University Medical School*, 10 (3): 327-334.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2009). Colon Cleansing: An Alternative Therapy (การสวนล้างลำไส้: การแพทย์ทางเลือก). *Journal of Bureau of Alternative Medicine*, 3 (2): 4-15.
- Rityoue, A., & Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2009). Pseudo-Orthodontics among Thai Teenagers and Its Effects on Oral Health (การจัดฟันเทียมและผลกระทบต่อสุขภาพช่องปากในวัยรุ่นไทย). *Thailand Journal of Dental Public Health*, 14(1): 7-19.
- Chuchai, K., & Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2009). Health Behavior and Consequences of Obesity Children, Bangkok Metropolitan (พฤติกรรมและผลกระทบต่อสุขภาพของเด็กอ้วนในเมืองหลวง). *Bulletin of Department of Medical Services*, 34 (5): 391- 399.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2009). Health Care Utilization among Burmese Migrant Workers in Ranong Province (การใช้บริการสุขภาพของแรงงานต่างชาติพม่าในจังหวัดระนอง). *Journal of Health Science*, 18 (4): 575-586.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K., Sathaput, C., Vapattanawong, P., & Ford, K. (2008). Child Mortality Inequality between Thais and Hilltribes in Thailand: Study from Population and Housing Census. *Journal of Population and Social Studies*, 16 (2), 143-164.
- Pornsiripong, S., Sasiwongsaroj, K., Ausupharat, P., & Pangpinij, T. (2001). Model development for controlling and preventing severe diarrhea by the community (การพัฒนาารูปแบบในการป้องกันและควบคุมอุจจาระร่วงอย่างแรงโดยชุมชน). *Journal of Medical social Science*, 12 (1): 57-79.

Books

- Sasiwongsaroj, K. & Burasith, Y. (2019). "Features and Challenges of an Ageing Population" In M.J. Montesano, T. Chong, T. & M. Heng (eds.), *After the Coup: The National Council for Peace and Order Era and the Future of Thailand* (pp. 357-380). Singapore: ISEAS Publishing.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2016). "Living together" in the era of migration ("การอยู่ร่วมกัน" ในยุคไร้พรมแดนจากการย้ายถิ่น). In K. Sasiwongsaroj, N. Dounghummes, & M. Meyer A (eds.), *Living together in multicultural societies (การอยู่ร่วมกันในสังคมพหุวัฒนธรรม)* (pp. 3-33). Bangkok, Charansanitwong Press.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2014). Irregular immigrants from Myanmar, Cambodia and Lao PDR in Thailand: Trends and the difficulties they face. In K. Husa, A. Trupp & H. Wohlschlägl (eds.), *Southeast Asian Mobility Transitions: Recent Trends in Tourism and Migration*. University of Vienna.
- Pornsiripongse, S. Sasiwongsaroj, K., & Ketjamnong, P. (2014). "Thai Buddhist temples: A religious capital approach for preparing Thailand towards the aging society" In P. Liamputtong (ed.), *Contemporary Socio-Cultural and Political Perspectives in Thailand*. Dordrecht, The Netherland: Springer.
- Pornsiripongse, S., Ausupharat, P., Bausuang, A., Khumnoonwat, D., & Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2008). *The Dynamic of Nakhon Chaisri Community : An Eco-cultural perspectives* (พลวัตของชุมชนลุ่มน้ำนครชัยศรี: มิติทางนิเวศวัฒนธรรม). Bangkok, Thailand Research (TRF).
- Pornsiripongse, S., Ausupharat, P., Bausuang, A., Khumnoonwat, D., & Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2005). *The Way of life in Nakhon Chaisri Basin* (วิถีชุมชนลุ่มน้ำนครชัยศรี). Bangkok, Ak-Tai Press.
- Vivatpanit, K., & Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2004). Beliefs and Health Behavior (ความเชื่อและพฤติกรรมสุขภาพ). In *Medical Sociology and Anthropology* (pp. 94-143). Bangkok, Sukhothai Thammathiraj Press.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2000). *Encyclopedia of Ethnic Group in Thailand: Hokkien* (สารานุกรมกลุ่มชาติพันธุ์ในประเทศไทย: ฮกเกี้ยน). Bangkok, Sahadhammic Press.

Conference Proceedings/presentation

- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2018). The challenges of family care for elderly in Thailand: Focusing on cultural values. The Center for Southeast Asia Studies, Kyoto University, Japan, April 14.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2017). Filial piety and sustainability of family care for the elderly in Thai society. Kyoto University International Symposium: 5th Southeast Asia Network Forum/ 23rd Southeast Asia Forum. Bangkok, Thailand, April 4.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2015). Features and challenges of aging population in Thailand. Proceedings of Thailand Forum, Institute of Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, Singapore, 27-28 July.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2014). Healthcare Design for the Elderly supported by Buddhist Social Network. Third Creative University Conference Creative economy, Creative University and Creative development: Ideas, Knowledges and Paths towards Sustainability, Happiness & Wellbeing. Royal University of Bhutan, Thimphu: Bhutan, April 14-16.

- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2014). Hmong Clan and well-being in later life. Family care in Asia. The Center for Southeast Asia Studies, Kyoto University, Japan, March 21.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2012). Irregular immigrants from Myanmar, Cambodia and Lao PDR in Thailand: Trends and the difficulties they face. The 2012 Prague International Academic Conference, The International Institute of Social and Economic Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic, December 4-7.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2011). Buddhist Temple: The Well-being Space for the Aged in Thailand. The 2nd International Conference: Re-Thinking Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zadar, Croatia, September 1 – 4.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2010). Religious Differentials in Child Mortality: Evidence from Buddhists and Muslims in Thailand. Regional Seminar on Population and Development, Centre for Population and Development Studies, Sherubtse College, Royal University of Bhutan, Bhutan, 6-8 October.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2009). Assimilation of Ethnic Minorities in Thailand. Proceedings of The 8th Biennial Conference of Asian Association of Social Psychology, Asian Association of Social Psychology, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi, and National Academy of Psychology India, New Delhi, India, 11-14 December.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2009). Child Mortality Inequality: A Comparison of Thai Buddhists and Thai Muslims. The International Conference on Crisis in Health and Turning Point, Phuket, Thailand, 17-19 August.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2008). Does the role of assimilation matter in Child mortality of immigrant minorities? The Annual Meeting of the Population Association of Thailand, Bangkok, Thailand, 20-21 November.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2008). How does child mortality differ among ethnic groups in Thailand: A comparative study between Karen and Mon. Proceedings of The 3rd Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asia Studies, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, Singapore, 29-30 July.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2007). Child Mortality Inequality between Thais and Hilltribes in Thailand: Study from Population and Housing Census. Annual Meeting of the Population Association of Thailand, 20 September.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2007). Social Class Inequality in Child Mortality among Ethnic Groups in Thailand. The 8th Conference of the Asia Pacific Sociology Association, Asia Pacific Region: Societies in Transformation, Penang, Malaysia, 19-22 November.
- Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2007). Religious Differences in Child Mortality, Thailand. The 2nd Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asia Studies, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, Singapore, 30-31 July.
- Vapattanapong, P., & Sasiwongsaroj, K. (2006). Seasonal Variation of Mortality: An Analysis from Vital Registration. Proceedings of Annual Meeting of the Population Association of Thailand, 23-24 September, pp. 1-14.

Reviewer for scientific journal

- Geriatric Gerontology International, Wiley
- Psychiatry Research, Elsevier
- Journal of Language and Culture, Mahidol University
- The Austrian Journal of South-East Asian Studies