

**From:** [Cerny,MW](#)  
**To:** [Phdacademy](#); [Yarham,R](#); [Law.Reception](#)  
**Subject:** FW: PhD thesis reading request  
**Date:** 10 July 2019 16:36:00

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Dear all,

Please see my reply regarding President Tsai Ing-Wen's thesis below.

Thanks,  
Marcus

**Marcus Cerny**  
*Deputy Director, PhD Academy*  
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**From:** Cerny,MW  
**Sent:** 10 July 2019 16:34  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: PhD thesis reading request

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email which has been forwarded to me for response. We have checked our records and both the London School of Economics and Political Science and the University of London confirm that Tsai Ing-Wen was correctly awarded a PhD in Law 1984.

However, all PhDs from that period were awarded via the University of London and would have been sent first to their Senate House Library. It is clear from Senate House Library records that a copy was received. Senate House have confirmed they sent their copy of the thesis to the Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (IALS).

We have corresponded with the University of London about the thesis and extensive checks have been made. Neither Senate House nor IALS are able to locate a copy of the thesis.

Separately, President Tsai Ing-Wen recently provided the LSE Library with a facsimile copy of the thesis, 'Unfair trade practices and safeguard actions.' This is available to view in the library's reading room.

Kinds regards,

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**From:** Phdacademy

**Sent:** 10 July 2019 16:21

**To:** Cerny,MW

**Cc:** Yarham,R

**Subject:** FW: PhD thesis reading request

Dear Marcus

I am forwarding this onto you. Has the School made a decision on communication regarding this case?

Many thanks

Shuma

**Shuma Begum**

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 26 June 2019 11:37

**To:** Law.Reception

**Subject:** PhD thesis reading request

Dear law department receptionist,

Following up our telephone conversation this morning, I send this email to you to request an explanation about a restricted or embargoed PhD thesis from your department in 1984 for which I am interested in reading.

To speed up the process, I am providing the following information:

Thesis title: Unfair trade practices and safeguard actions

Author: Tsai, Ing-Wen

Awarding Body: London School of Economics and Political Science (University of London)

Awarded: 1984

Detailed information from [www.ethos.bl.uk](http://www.ethos.bl.uk)

Abstract: No abstract available

Supervisor: Not available Sponsor: Not available

Qualification Name: Thesis (Ph.D.) Qualification Level: Doctoral

EThOS ID: uk.bl.ethos.652034 DOI: Not available

Access: (restricted or embargoed)

The information from Senate House library is the same as mentioned above (restricted access), while our library (LSE) said that it "has never had a copy of this thesis".

If the author is indeed a PhD alumna of your law department in 1984, please provide further details on this puzzle.

Best wishes

