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Education

Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, 2017 – Present.

B.A. International Relations, Oakland University, 2015.

Magna Cum Laude with Departmental Honors

Publications

Journal Articles

“Sellout” Ministries and Jingoos: China’s Bureaucratic Institutions and the Evolution of Contested National Role Conceptions in the South China Sea.” 2017. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 13(2): 361–79.

Chapters

“Steel Hulls and High-Stakes: Prospect Theory and China’s Use of Military Force in the South China Sea.” In *Power Politics in Asia’s Contested Waters*, edited by Fels, Enrico and Truong-Minh Vu. Switzerland: Springer International Publishing.

Under Review

(with Scott L. Kastner) Money, Morals, or Might? Explaining Which Countries Welcome China’s Rise.”

Working Papers

”Beyond the Assembly: Estimating Multidimensional Foreign Policy Preferences from Multi-Modal Data.”

”Winning Hearts and Minds or Stoking Resentment? Exploring the Effects of Chinese Foreign Aid on Africans’ Perceptions of China.”

(with Audrye Wong) ”Putting Your Mouth Where the Money Is: Political Donations and China’s Influence in Australia.”

Press

”Reflections on the Cold War Meme,” June 30, 2019, *ChinaAI #55*, edited by Jeffrey Ding.

Positions

Research Engineer at the Applied Research Lab for Intelligence and Security (Summer 2021–Present)

Webmaster for Depart of Government and Politics at University of Maryland (Fall 2018–Spring 2019)

Research Assistant for Scott L. Kastner at University of Maryland (Fall 2017)

Research Assistant for Diana Orcés at Oakland University (2015–2017)

Conferences

"Winning Hearts and Minds or Stoking Resentment? Exploring the Effects of Chinese Foreign Aid on Africans' Perceptions of China." Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Virtual, April 6-9, 2021

"Beyond the Assembly: Estimating Multidimensional Foreign Policy Preferences from Multi-Modal Data." Paper presentation at the Lussier Workshop for Research on International Conflict, March 26, 2021.

"Winning Hearts and Minds or Stoking Resentment? Exploring the Effects of Chinese Foreign Aid on Africans' Perceptions of China." Paper presentation at the 47th Taiwan-American Conference on Contemporary China, Taipei, Taiwan, November 29-30, 2018

(with Scott Kastner). "Accommodation in the Shadow of Hierarchy: Explaining Which Countries Welcome China's Rise." Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 30-September 2, 2018

Discussant. *Panel on Challenges for Chinese Foreign Policy under Xi Jinping*. Conference on Chinese Foreign Policy in the Xi Jinping Era, University of Maryland, College Park, MD November 16-17, 2017

"Steel Hulls and High-Stakes: Prospect Theory and China's Use of Military Force in the South China Sea." Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, LA, February 18-22, 2015

"Beijing's L'esprit de L'escalier Policy: Domestic Sources of South China Sea Politics." Paper presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association-Midwest, St. Louis, MO, November 7-10, 2013.

"In the Thrall of the IMF: Income Inequality and Program Recidivism." Poster presentation at the Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, March 11-14, 2013

Grants, Fellowships and Awards

National Bureau of Asian Research, Chinese Language Fellow, 2019-2020 (\$37,450)

Graduate School, University of Maryland: Dean's Summer Fellowship, 2018 (\$5,000)

Oakland University: Frank Lepkowski Undergraduate Research Writing Award, 2015 (\$1,500)

Honors College, Oakland University: Thesis Research Grant, 2014 (\$1,500)

Honors College, Oakland University: Merit Award, 2014 (\$1,000)

Teaching

University of Maryland

GVPT 729A: Special Topics in Quantitative Political Analysis; Advanced Maximum Likelihood Estimation (for Ernesto Calvo)

Teaching Assistant, Fall 2020

GVPT 289J: Uncertain Partners: US and China in a Changing World (for Scott Kastner)
Teaching Assistant, Spring 2018

Training

Academic Year Program, Mandarin Chinese. 2019–2020. *International Chinese Language Program*. National Taiwan University. Taipei, ROC (Taiwan).

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research. Summer 2018. *Consortium on Qualitative Research Methods*. Syracuse University. Syracuse, NY.

Certificate in Advanced Studies of Chinese Language. Fall 2014. Nanjing University. Nanjing, China.

Membership

American Political Science Association, International Studies Association

Service

Graduate Student Association Methods Section Co-Chair. 2020–2021. *Department of Government and Politics*. University of Maryland.

Machik, Volunteer, 2015–2016

Pi Sigma Alpha Undergraduate Journal of Politics, Technology Editor, 2013–2014

Skills

Languages

Mandarin Chinese

Software

R, Python, C++, Unix/Linux, L^AT_EX