

# Ding Wang

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## Education

- 2023  **Ph.D., University of California, Riverside**, Political Science.  
Dissertation title: *Essays on Economic Inequality and Mass Political Preferences* (Advisor: Dr. Jennifer Merolla)
- 2016  **M.A., Stony Brook University**, Political Science (Political Psychology).
- 2014  **M.A., Beijing Foreign Studies University**, American Studies.
- 2010  **B.A., Chengdu University of TCM**, English.

## Employment History

- 2023 –  **Postdoctoral Research Associate for the Consortium on Electoral Democracy (C-Dem)**, Department of Political Science, University of Western Ontario, Ontario, Canada.
- 2017 – 2023  **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Political Science, University of California, Riverside, California, United States.
- 2020 – 2023  **Summer Associate Instructor**, Department of Political Science, University of California, Riverside, California, United States.
- April 2020 – June 2020  **Graduate Student Researcher** with Professor Jennifer Merolla, Department of Political Science, University of California, Riverside, California, United States.
- 2014 – 2015  **Research Assistant** Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences, Chengdu, Sichuan, China.

## Research

### Peer-reviewed Publications

- 1 M. R. Holman, J. L. Merolla, E. J. Zechmeister, and D. Wang, “Terrorism, Gender, and the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election,” *Electoral Studies*, vol. 61, p. 102 033, 2019, ISSN: 0261-3794.  DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.electstud.2019.03.009>.
- 2 D. Wang, J. L. Merolla, and A. Manganiello, “The Effect of Counter-stereotypic Gender Strategies on Candidate Evaluations in American Elections,” *Politics and Gender*, pp. 1180–1203, 2023.  DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X23000314>.

### Current Projects

- 1 D. Wang, “Welfare Migration and Public Attitudes Toward Welfare and Immigration: The Mediating Role of Economic and Cultural Threat Perceptions,” (Under Review).
- 2 D. Wang, “Zoning Laws, Housing Affordability Needs, and NIMBYism: How Local Policies and Economic Pressures Shape Support for Residential Development,” (Under Review).
- 3 D. Wang, “Receiving the Treatment? Local Income Inequality and Public Perception towards Inequality,” (Under Review).
- 4 D. Wang and L. B. Stephenson, “Local Housing Cost and Public Attitude towards Immigration.”

- 5 M. Carreras, S. Bowler, J. L. Merolla, and D. Wang, "The "Big Lie", Fraud Perceptions, and Support for Political Violence."
- 6 A. L. Hobbs, D. Wang, and J. L. Merolla, "Incumbent Sex and Economic Voting: Evidence of Sex-Based Discrimination at the Ballot Box."
- 7 M. Landgrave and D. Wang, "Is All Politics Local? A Research Note on Public Support for Municipal Privatization."
- 8 D. Wang, "Far-Right Representation and Immigration Attitudes: Evidence from U.S. Congressional Elections."

## Teaching

### Associate Instructor (2020-2023), University of California, Riverside

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| 2023 Summer                           | ■ American Politics.                     |
| 2022 Summer                           | ■ Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration.      |
| 2022 Winter, 2021 Summer, 2020 Summer | ■ Elections and Political Participation. |

### Teaching Assistant (2017-2023), University of California, Riverside

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|-----------------------------------|---|
| 2023 Spring                       | ■ Politics of the Underdeveloped World.             |
| 2023 Winter, 2017 Fall            | ■ Political Consequences of Electoral Institutions. |
| 2022 Fall, 2022 Spring, 2018 Fall | ■ Politics of Congressional Elections.              |
| 2021 Fall, 2020 Fall, 2020 Winter | ■ Theory and Methodology of Political Science.      |
| 2021 Winter                       | ■ Strategy and Politics.                            |
| 2020 Spring                       | ■ Elections and Political Participation.            |
| 2019 Fall, 2019 Spring            | ■ Politics through Film.                            |
| 2019 Winter                       | ■ Comparative Politics.                             |
| 2018 Spring                       | ■ American Politics.                                |
| 2018 Winter                       | ■ United States and Latin American Relations.       |

## Awards

### Research Grants

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| 2022 | ■ <b>Gabbert Funds Department Graduate Student Research Award</b> (\$1,500), University of California, Riverside. |
|      | ■ <b>Graduate Research Proposal Award</b> (\$1,166.67), University of California, Riverside.                      |

### Scholarships

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| 2016-2020 | ■ <b>Dean's Distinguished Fellowship</b> , University of California, Riverside |
| 2011-2013 | ■ <b>Master Student Fellowship</b> , Beijing University of Foreign Studies     |
| 2006-2009 | ■ <b>Distinguished Student Fellowship</b> , Chengdu University of TCM          |

## Skills

- Languages ■ Mandarin Chinese (native), English (fluent).

## **Skills (continued)**

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Softwares       R, Stata, Python, Stan, Qualtrics, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, GIS

## **Miscellaneous**

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### **Methods Training**

2016-2019       **ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

### **Academic Service**

-  **Research Manager:** UCR Identity and Politics Lab. University of California, Riverside (2020-2021, 2022-2023)
-  **Conference Discussant:** APSA (2025); MPSA (2023, 2025); WPSA (2024); Toronto-Montreal Political Behavior Workshop (2024).

## **References**

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## **Current Country of Residence**

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**Canada**