

# Menglin Liu

530-761-6139 | [mliliu@ucdavis.edu](mailto:mliliu@ucdavis.edu) |

## EDUCATION

---

### University of California, Davis

PhD, Political Science

Master's, Statistics

Exchange Student, Political Science

Davis, CA

Sept. 2019 –

Sept. 2023 – Present

Sept. 2017 – June 2018

### Beijing Foreign Studies University

Bachelor of Arts in English Literature

Beijing, China

Sept. 2015 – June 2019

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

---

- American Politics: state and local politics, urban politics, public policy
- Comparative Politics: housing politics and political opinion
- Methodology: causal inference, AI, large language models (LLM), and social science

## RESEARCH

---

### Book Chapters

- **Menglin Liu** and Xu Shan. 2021. "China: Diversion, Ingratiation, and Victimization." In *Political Communication and COVID-19: Governance and Rhetoric in Times of Crisis*. Routledge.
- **Menglin Liu** and Xu Shan. Forthcoming. "Unraveling Crisis Communication: Assessing Strategies in China's COVID-19 Pandemic." In *Risk Communication and COVID-19 Governmental Communication and Management of the Pandemic*. Routledge.

### Articles

- **Menglin Liu**. "The Varied Impact of Direct Democracy on Local Housing Policies: Unraveling the Role of Socioeconomic Context." *Revision and Resubmit at American Politics Research*.
- **Menglin Liu** and Ang Liu. "Homeownership and Redistribution Support: Unveiling the Unique Effect Among State-Owned Enterprise Employees in China." *Revision and Resubmit at Cities*.
- **Menglin Liu** and Ang Liu. "Does Homeownership Influence Political Participation? Evidence from Survey Data in Contemporary China." *Under Review at Political Behavior*.
- **Menglin Liu** and Ge Shi. "PoliPrompt: A High-Performance Cost-Effective LLM-Based Text Classification Framework for Political Science." *Under Review at Political Analysis*

### Working Papers

- **Menglin Liu**. "From Categories to Spectrums: Improved PoliPrompt for Ordinal Classification."
- **Menglin Liu** and Ge Shi. "Debiased Large Language Model Annotations with Few-Shot Expert Input for Robust Political Science Analysis."
- **Menglin Liu**. "The Fiscal Impact of Transitioning to District-Based Elections: Evidence from California."
- **Menglin Liu** and Yuyang Pu. "Blame Attribution in Authoritarian Regimes: A Survey Experiment in China." (Selected: APSA 2022)
- **Menglin Liu** and Ginger Alonso. "District Elections and Substantive Representation in Local Government: A Closer Look at Environmental Justice."

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

---

- Undergraduate Courses
  - **Instructor**
    - \* Scientific Study of Politics, University of California, Davis:
      - 2024 Summer Session One
      - 2022 Spring (Section Instructor)
      - 2021 Summer Session One (Section Instructor)
      - 2021 Spring (Section Instructor)
    - \* Group Politics, University of California, Davis:
      - 2024 Spring
    - \* Introduction to American Politics, University of California, Davis:
      - 2023 Winter
      - 2023 Summer Session One
      - 2022 Summer Session One
  - **Guest Lecturer**
    - \* Contemporary U.S. Politics, Siena College, 2023 Spring
  - **Teaching Assistant**
    - \* American Political Development, University of California, Davis:
      - 2021 Winter (TA for Dr. Joel Landis)
    - \* National Security Policy, University of California, Davis:
      - 2022 Winter (TA for Dr. Sarah Prince)
    - \* Political Psychology, University of California, Davis:
      - 2024 Winter (TA for Professor Cheryl Boudreau)
      - 2023 Spring (TA for Professor Cheryl Boudreau)
    - \* Public Sector Politics, University of California, Davis:
      - 2021 Fall (TA for Professor Adrienne Hosek)
      - 2020 Fall (TA for Professor Adrienne Hosek)
- Graduate Courses
  - **Instructor**
    - \* Summer Session on Nation Governance and Public Policy: Introduction to American Local Politics and Public Policy, Renmin University, China, 2021 Summer

## CONFERENCES

---

- Chinese Community of Political Science and International Studies July 2020
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting April 2021
- American Causal Inference Conference June 2022
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting September 2022
- THU-PKU-RUC Political Science Research Workshop December 2021

## FELLOWSHIPS

---

- Provost's Fellowships in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences 2019-2020, \$58,302.00
- Living Expense Fellowship, 2024 Summer, \$5,000

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

---

- Committee of 100, June 2023 - September 2023, Data & Policy Analyst

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

---

- American Political Science Association
- Midwest Political Science Association

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

---

- **Programming:** R, LaTeX, Stata, Python
- **Languages:** Mandarin (native), English (fluent), German (intermediate)

## REFERENCES

---

- Scott MacKenzie, Associate Professor, University of California, Davis, samackenzie@ucdavis.edu
- Lauren Peritz, Associate Professor, University of California, Davis, lperitz@ucdavis.edu
- Christopher Hare, Associate Professor, University of California, Davis, cdhare@ucdavis.edu