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Education

2019 – present   PhD in Politics, Princeton University

Fields: Political Economy, Formal Theory and Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics
Dissertation committee: Matías Iaryczower (chair), Germán Gieczewski, Carles Boix

2021   MA in Politics, Princeton University
2017   AB in Economics, University of Chicago *(General and departmental honors)*

Research

Peer-reviewed articles

2022   Mattingly, Daniel, and Elaine Yao. "How Soft Propaganda Persuades." *Comparative Political Studies* 55.9 (2022): 1569-1594.

2021   Wei, Lai, Elaine Yao, Han Zhang. "Authoritarian Responsiveness and Political Attitudes during COVID-19: Evidence from Weibo and a Survey Experiment." *Chinese Sociological Review* (2021): 1-37.

Working Papers

2023   Brook no compromise: How to negotiate a united front

Conferences, workshops, talks

Conferences & Invited Presentations

2023   Kellogg Center Workshop on Formal Models of Politics (Virginia Tech) [Scheduled]; Comparative Politics and Formal Theory Conference (Rochester); MPSA, SPSA annual meetings ("Brook no compromise: how to negotiate a united front")

2021   Quantitative China Studies Seminar (NYU) ("Authoritarian Responsiveness and Political Attitudes During COVID-19")

2020   NYU Chinese Political Economy Workshop ("How Soft Propaganda Persuades")
2020   Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes (co-presenter, "How Soft Propaganda Persuades")

Workshops

2022   Santa Fe Institute Graduate Workshop in Computational Social Science (student participant)

Fellowships, Awards, and Grants

2021- present   Quantitative and Analytical Political Science Fellowship
2020   Data-Driven Social Science Initiative, Small-Scale Grant (with Lai Wei)

Teaching

As teaching assistant:

Fall 2022   POL362: Chinese Politics (undergraduate); instructor: Rory Truex
Spring 2022 POL346: Applied Quantitative Analysis (undergraduate); instructor: John Londregan
Fall 2021   POL345: Introduction to Quantitative Social Science (undergraduate); instructor: Marc Ratkovic

Refereeing

American Political Science Review, International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Other Employment

2017 – 2019   Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Research Analyst in Financial Intermediation

Skills

Languages: English (native), Mandarin Chinese (fluent), French (proficient)
Software and Computing: Stata, R, Python, MATLAB, Qualtrics, LaTeX