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Education

- 2019 – present PHD in Politics, Princeton University
Fields: Political Economy, Comparative Politics, Formal Theory and Quantitative Methods
- 2021 MA in Politics, Princeton University (incidental degree)
- 2017 AB in Economics, University of Chicago (*General and departmental honors*)

Publications

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2022 Daniel Mattingly and Elaine Yao. “[How Soft Propaganda Persuades.](#)” *Comparative Political Studies* 2022; 55(9):1569-1594.
- 2021 Lai Wei, 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

- 2022 Brook no compromise: How to negotiate a united front

DISSERTATION PROJECT

“Decentralized Collective Action”

Dissertation committee: Matias Iaryczower (chair), Germán Gieczewski, Carles Boix

Conferences, workshops, talks

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 New York University, Quantitative China Studies Seminar
- 2020 New York University, Chinese Political Economy Workshop
- 2020 Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes (co-presenter)

CONFERENCES

- 2023 SPSA

WORKSHOPS

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

Fellowships and Grants

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

Teaching

Fall 2022 POL362: Chinese Politics (undergraduate), 2 sections
Assistant Instructor for Rory Truex
Spring 2022 POL346: Applied Quantitative Analysis (undergraduate), 2 sections
Assistant Instructor for John Londregan
Fall 2021 POL345: Introduction to Quantitative Social Science (undergraduate), 2 sections
Assistant Instructor for Marc Ratkovic
POL571: Quantitative Analysis I (graduate), *Tutor*

Academic Employment

2020 – 2021 Princeton University East Asian Library, Circulation Assistant (*part-time*)
2017 – 2019 Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Research Analyst in Financial Intermediation (*full-time*)

Skills

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