

# Xiaonan Wang

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Research Interests: Domestic and International Political Economy of China; Bureaucratic Politics

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## **EDUCATION**

University of Maryland-College Park, 2016-2022 (expected)

Ph.D. Candidate, Government and Politics

*Fields:* Comparative Politics, Political Methodology

*Dissertation:* The Politics of Appointing Insiders and Outsiders: Evidence from the Appointment of China's Provincial Agency Leaders

*Committee:* Margaret Pearson (chair), Ernesto Calvo, Ethan Kaplan (Department of Economics, University of Maryland), Ciqi Mei (School of Public Policy & Management, Tsinghua University)

Tsinghua University,  
M.A., Public Policy

2013-2016

Peking University,  
B.A., Philosophy & Economics

2009-2013

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Wang, Xiaonan, John McCauley, and Margaret Pearson. "FDI, Unmet Expectations, and the Prospects of Political Leaders: Evidence from Chinese Investment in Africa." Conditionally Accepted at the *Journal of Politics*

Li, Shuoyan, and Xiaonan Wang. 2020. "Seeking Credibility from Uncertainty: How Formal Cooptation Institution Unleashes Outspoken NGOs." *Voluntas: International Journal of Voluntary & Nonprofit Organizations*, 31(4), pp.711-721

Mei, Ciqi, and Xiaonan Wang. 2020. "Wire-walking: Risk Management and Policy Experiments in China from a Comparative Perspective." *Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis: Research and Practice*, 22(4), pp.360-382

Mei, Ciqi, and Xiaonan Wang. 2017. "Political Incentives and Local Policy Innovations in China." *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, 22(4), pp.519-547

Mei, Ciqi, Xiaonan Wang, Lu Liao, and Zhilin Liu. 2015. "Patterns of Experimentation Point: Evidence from People's Daily's 1992-2003 Reports on Policy Experimentation Point." *Journal of Public Administration*, 3(002), pp.8-24 [in Chinese]

## **WORKING PAPERS**

(Job Market Paper) Play It Safe and Appoint Outsiders: The Unintended Consequence of Anti-corruption Campaigns on Bureaucratic Appointment. Under Review

Does Chinese Investment in Africa Inspire Support for a China Model of Development? (with John McCauley and Margaret Pearson) Revised and Resubmitted to *World Development*

Too Cynical: Why Stock Market in China Dismissed Anti-corruption Signals (with Yan Wang). Revised and Resubmitted to the *Journal of Chinese Political Science*

### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

The Politics of Appointing Insiders and Outsiders: Evidence from the Appointment of China's Provincial Agency Leaders

The Political Influence of FDI in Africa from China and the United States (with Margaret Pearson and John McCauley)

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

August 2021, presented at the New Faces in Chinese Politics Conference, Duke University

November 2020, presented at the annual conference of International Political Economy Society

September 2018, presented at the annual conference of American Political Science Association, Boston

April 2017, presented at the annual conference of Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago

### **TEACHING**

[Causal Inference Using Panel Data](#) (with Kee Hyun Park), Methods Workshop for the Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, Spring 2021

[Modelling](#), Methods Workshop for the Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, Fall 2020

Causal Inference in Time-Series Cross-Sectional Data, Methods Workshop for the Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, Spring 2019

GVPT201 Scope and Methods for Political Science, Teaching Assistant for Undergraduates, Fall 2017

GVPT289J Uncertain Partners: The United States and China in a Changing World, Teaching Assistant for Undergraduates, Spring 2017 and Spring 2018

### **AWARDS**

Ann G. Wylie Dissertation Fellowship, University of Maryland, March 2021

Graduate Student Funding Award, Government and Politics, University of Maryland, July 2020

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Methods Field Workshop Coordinator (with Evan Jones), Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, Fall 2020 and Spring 2021

Reviewer for the *Journal of Politics*, 2019 and 2020

### **SKILLS**

*Language*: Chinese (native), English

*Programming*: R, LaTeX, Stata