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Academic Appointments

2023–	Lecturer in Digital Sociology, Department of Sociology, Lancaster University
2021–2023	Research Fellow in Public Policy, School of Public Policy, London School of Economics
2020–2021	LSE Fellow, Department of Methodology, London School of Economics
2019–2020	Teaching Fellow in Quantitative Research Methods, Department of Political Science, University College London

Research Affiliations

2023–	Affiliate, Data Science Institute, Lancaster University
2023–	Visiting Senior Fellow, School of Public Policy, London School of Economics
2022–	Affiliate, Data Science Institute, London School of Economics

Education

2015–2020	Ph.D., Sociology, London School of Economics Dissertation Title: *Social Policy, State Legitimacy and Strategic Actors: Governmentality and Counter-conduct in Authoritarian Regime* Supervisors: Carrie Friese (Sociology), Noam Yuchtman (Management), Michael McQuarrie (Sociology), Mayling Birney (International Development), Craig Calhoun (Sociology)
2013–2015	M.A., Public Policy and Administration, School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University
2010	Exchange Student, Sociology, School of Social Science, Hong Kong University
2009–2013	B.A., Sociology, School of Social Science, Tsinghua University

Publications

Book

- **WANG, Yan**. *Pension policy and governmentality in China: Manufacturing public compliance.* 2022. LSE Press.

Journal Articles

- **WANG, Yan**, LUO, Ting (MMU). Politicising for Non-Politics: The 'Self-motivated' Nationalism in China's Idol-Fandom. *forthcoming*. Information, Communication, & Society.

- **WANG, Yan**, ZHANG, Yuxi (LSE). Contesting for Consensus: Social sentiment towards fellow citizens' COVID-related behaviours in China. *forthcoming*: in Book 'Pandemic Narratives in China and the World: Technology, Society, and Nations', edited by Bingchun Meng, Guobin Yang, and Elaine Yuan.

- WANG, Xiaonan *(University of Maryland)*, **WANG, Yan**. (2022). Too Cynical: How Stock Market in China Dismissed Anticorruption Signals. *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, 1-37.

- **Wang, Yan**. Pragmatism or Politicism: Local Officials' Decision Making in Social Policy Experimentation. 2022. SSRN.

Working Papers

[1] **WANG, Yan**. Building Deservingness and Fairness: How Chinese State Craft the Social Legitimacy of its New Welfare Schemes. Under Review.

[2] ZHU, Xufeng *(Tsinghua University)*, **WANG, Yan**. Policy Experimentation as Dialogue: Social Policy, Shared Responsibility, and Regime Support in China. R&R.

Work in Progress

- Rebuild pandemic preparedness with the society: an explorative study on the public-expert dynamics with two country cases, with ZHANG, Yuxi.
- Digitized grieving and online funerals, with Friese, Carrie and Melkumova-Reynolds, Jana (LSE).
- Pro-regime discourse, polarisation, and social sentiment in Chinese cyber-space, with LUO, Ting.
- **WANG, Yan**, ZHU, Xufeng. Procedural injustice and destabilized participation: how attitudes turn the tide.
- ZHU, Xufeng, **WANG, Yan**. A Big Bang theory: Instant effect of the Tianjin 2015 explosion on regime support.
- Long-term care: policy and public opinion in post-COVID world

Research Grants

2021-2023	Small Research Grants (Co-PI), British Academy, £9886
2020-2021	Research Infrastructure and Investment Fund (RIIF), LSE Methodology, £1500

Selected Honours and Awards

2015-2019	Ph.D. Studentship, London School of Economics
2013	Outstanding graduate of Beijing Municipal; Tsinghua University
2011, 2012	National Scholarship, China

Teaching and Supervision

Lecturer

2022-2023	MSc Course: Introduction to Quantitative Methods for the MPA Programme	LSE
2021-2022	MSc Course: Introduction to Quantitative Methods for the MPA Programme	LSE
2020-2021	MSc/PhD Course: Machine Learning; Using Dictionaries for Text Analysis; Regression Discontinuity Designs;	LSE
2019-2020	Undergraduate Course: Data in Society: Researching Social Life (Guest Lecturer)	LSE

Class Teacher/Teaching Assistant

2020-2021	MSc/PhD Course: Applied Regression Analysis;	LSE
2019-2020	Quantitative Text Analysis; Computer Programming (Marking only) MSc/PhD Course: Quantitative Text Analysis;	LSE
	Causal Inference for Observational and Experimental Studies;	
	Intermediate Quantitative Analysis;	
	Undergraduate Course: Data in Society: Researching Social Life	
2018-2019	MSc/PhD Course: Causal Inference for Observational and	LSE
	Experimental Studies	
2017-2018	MSc/PhD Course: Introduction to Quantitative Analysis	LSE
2015-2016	MSc Course *(in English)*: Governance and Development	Tsinghua
2014-2015	MSc Course *(in English)*: Comparative Politics and Government	Tsinghua

Supervision

2020	MSc Applied Social Data Science & MSc in Social Research Methods Students	LSE
2019	GROUPS Project for Undergraduate Students	LSE
2019	LSE Change Makers Project	LSE
2018	GROUPS Project for Undergraduate Students	LSE

Selected Conferences and Invited Talks

[1] **WANG, Yan**, LUO, Ting. (2022). *Politicising for Non-Politics: The Self-motivated Nationalism in China's Fandom*, section "Sociology of Culture", American Sociology Association Annual Conference. LA, USA.

[2] **WANG, Yan**. (2022). *Pragmatism or politicism: Local officials' decision making in policy experimentation*, section "Discourse on Politics", American Sociology Association Annual Conference. LA, USA.

[3] **WANG, Yan**. (2022). *From 'big data' to 'thick data': machine learning for social media research*, workshop 'Researching Mobile Apps in China: Technicity, Culture and the Everyday', Department of Sociology, University of Sheffield, UK.

[4] **WANG, Yan**. (2022). *Teaching Quantitative Methodologies: Lessons from Digital Sociology*. Department of Sociology, Lancaster University, UK.

[5] **WANG, Yan**. (2022). *Idol fans, fandom 'industry', and youth China in cyber-space*. Department of History, Politics, and Philosophy, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK.

[6] **WANG, Yan**. (2022). *Digital Sociology: a new bottle with old wine?*. University of Exeter, UK.

[7] **WANG, Yan**, ZHANG, Yuxi. (2022). *Contesting for Consensus: Social sentiment towards fellow citizens' COVID-related behaviours in China*. School of Public Policy, LSE, UK.

[8] **WANG, Yan**. (2021). *Pension policy and governmentality in China: Manufacturing public compliance*. Division of Social Science, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, HK.

[9] **WANG, Yan**. (2020). *Who Is Entitled and Who Deserves: Governmentality in Welfare Policies*, on the panel "The Welfare State: Tracing Changes Over Time", American Political Science Association Annual Conference.

[10] **WANG, Yan**. (2019). *Who Is Entitled and Who Deserves: Governmentality in Welfare Policies*, on the panel "Politics and Policy making in Comparative Perspective", Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management International Conference. Barcelona, Spain.

[11] **WANG, Yan**. (2018). *Truth or dare: Falsification in manufactured consent*. Fifth Frontier Theory and Methodology in Political Science Forum, Tsinghua University. Beijing, China.

[12] **WANG, Yan**, ZHU, Xufeng. (2018). *Procedural injustice and destabilized participation: how attitudes turn the tide*, on the panel "Judicial Politics in Post-Communism", American Political Science Association Annual Conference. Boston, US.

[13] WANG, Xiaonan, **WANG, Yan**. (2018). *Say Goodbye to the Good Old Days: Anti-Corruption, Uncertainty and Firm Behaviour*, on the panel "Political Economy of Political Capture and Corruption", American Political Science Association Annual Conference. Boston, US.

[14] ZHU, Xufeng, DU, Juan, **WANG, Yan**, (2018). *Production Accidents and Public Acceptance of Nuclear Power*, on the panel "Reputations and Trust in Administrative Agencies", American Political Science Association Annual Conference. Boston, US.

[15] **WANG, Yan**. (2018). *Resistance consciousness and resistance strategies: Urban residents' actions in NIMBY resistances*, on the panel "Environment and Society", British Sociological Association Annual Conference. New Castle, UK.

[16] HUANG, Xiaoyan, ZHU, Xufeng, **WANG, Yan**. (2018). *Conditional effects of governance tools: The micro-level's evaluation of social assistance policy*, on the panel "Politics of China", Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. Chicago, US.

[17] LIU, Guoer, **WANG, Yan**. (2018). *When do the Bystanders Intersect? Online Public, Localized Carrying Capacity and the Polarized Development of Contentions*, on the panel "Civil Society in China", Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. Chicago, US.

[18] **WANG, Yan**. (2017). *Interpretation schemata and cultural implications: Hong Kong post-80s' social movement in framing analysis*, on the panel "Political Sociology", American Sociology Association Annual Conference. Montreal, Canada.

[19] ZHU, Xufeng, **WANG, Yan**. (2017). *Social Policy and Legitimacy of Public Service Marketization: The Effects of Pension Pilot Scheme in Authoritarian China*, on the panel "Communist/Post-communist Countries", Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. Chicago, US.

[20] **WANG, Yan**, ZHU, Xufeng. (2017). *Procedural injustice and destabilized participation: how attitudes turn the tide*, on the panel "Politics of East Asia & China", Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. Chicago, US.

[21] **WANG, Yan**. (2016). *Interpretation schemata and cultural implications: Hong Kong post-80s' social movement in framing analysis*. Culture, Media and Creative Industries (CMCI) Department of King's College London PhD Conference 2016. London, UK.

[22] **WANG, Yan**. (2014). *A Framing Analysis on The Hong Kong 2010-Anti-XRL Social Movement*. "The Craft of Qualitative Methods: Practices and Reflections", Department of Sociology in Hong Kong University PhD conference. Hong Kong, China.

Professional Activities

- Reviewer for *British Journal of Political Science*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *International Journal of Communication*
- Research Officer, "Public Opinion Monitoring", Department of Methodology, London School of Economics, 2020.
- Associate Fellow of The Higher Education Academy, UK.
- Visiting scholar, Peking University, China, Sept-Dec, 2018.
- Discussant, Panel "Empirical Studies on Democracy and Governance with Chinese Characteristics", Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, 2017.
- Proofreader, *Fate and Fortune in Rural China: Social Organization and Population Behavior in*

Liaoning 1774-1873 (Vol. 31), by Lee, J. Z., and Campbell, C. D. published in 2007 by Cambridge University Press, 2016.

- Translator, *The Internet and New Social Formation in China: Fandom Publics in the Making*, by Weiyu Zhang, published in 2016 by Routledge, 2016.
- Translator, *China's Domestic Transformation in a Global Context*, edited by Ligang Song, Ross Garnaut, Cai Fang. and Lauren Johnston, published in 2015 by ANU Press, The Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 2015.
- Translator, *China Multi-Generational Panel Dataset-Shuangcheng (CMGPD-SC) User Guide*, edited by Lee, James Z., Shuang Chen, Cameron D. Campbell, and Hongbo Wang, Ann Arbor: Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, 2015.
- Research Assistant, Asian Barometer Survey (ABS), Mainland China Section, 2015.
- Research Assistant, China Urban Survey (CUS), 2015.
- Research Assistant, Project "Governance Capacity of Local Cadres", 2014.
- Organizer, Project "Discipline Inspection in Zhang Zhou City", Fu Jian Province, China, 2014.
- Reviewer & Organizer, Yale-Tsinghua University Summer Workshop, 2014.
- Research Assistant, Project "Core Technologies of Direct Media Exploration and Public Opinion Analysis", Tsinghua University, 2013.
- Program Manager, "Europe-Asia Cooperation on Climate Change Negotiations" Policy Conference, Tsinghua University, 2013.
- Program Manager, "International Symposium on Quantitative Historical Research", 2013.

Skills

IT	R, Python, Stata, ArcGIS, NVivo, Microsoft, LaTeX, etc.
Language	English (fluent in speaking, reading, and writing), Chinese (native), Japanese (beginner in speaking & reading)