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# CHEN CHANG

#### **EDUCATION & AWARDS**

2016.9-2018.6 University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, USA

Major: Data Journalism

2012.9-2016.7 Wuhan University, Wuhan, PRC

Major: Journalism, Minor: Law

#### Prizes:

Liu Daoyu Education Foundation: Creative Learning Award (0.1%)| Wuhan University: The First Prize Scholarship | China College Students Media Summit: The Best Breaking News Reporting

#### MEDIA EXPERIENCE

#### 2017.6-2017.7 Sixth Tone Data Journalism Intern

Make graphics for social media; Create maps, collect, clean and visualize datasets for the Hu Line field reporting

### 2016.9-Present | IRE&NICAR Database Library | Research Assistant

File FOIA requests; Update and manage databases using R, MySQL and PostgreSQL; Acquire, clean and analyze data for reporters

## 2015.11-2016.3 The Wall Street Journal: The Beijing Bureau, Beijing, PRC | News Intern

Pitched stories, performed research, developed ideas and write stories; produced the interactive graphics column: *Heard in the Hutong.* 

## 2014.12-2016.4 Dy Data Media Lab, Wuhan, PRC | Founding Volunteer

Introduced front line, exceptional work from ProPublica, FlowingData, and other outlets; conduct translation of key sections from the European Journalism Center's Verification Handbook; participate in online salons given by prestigious practitioners on the topic of health data collection, data visualization of investigative reports, data graphics of hyperlocal news...

#### 2015.3-5 The New York Times: The Chinese Edition, Beijing, PRC | Intern Reporter

Contributed to translation, interview, research and fact checking efforts; and published original reports regarding the sixth generation directors and Chinese independent films.

#### 2014.3-2015.3 China Current Chinese, Beijing, PRC | Director

Directed the core branch of China Current Network, one of the independent news organizations in China; managed a 50-person online newsroom divided into six stations in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan and overseas; provided guidance; edited and released news; cooperated with Nation Humanity History Magazine of People's Daily, Phoenix Net, Lean in Beijing; oversaw the publication of over 200 investigations, interviews, and commentaries, primarily concerning the hidden social issues of modern China in 2014, including Occupy Central, Xinyang Famine, Liren Rural Library.

#### 2014.8 CCTV-2, Beijing, PRC | Intern Production Assistant of documentary The Silk Road Economic Belt

Verified historical facts; scheduled interviews; and collected visual and written information related to currency and migration.

#### Selected publications:

- <u>Chinese Student's Shooting Death in Arizona Sparks Gun Debate</u>(WSJ): After a Chinese student is shot dead, some seek gun control; others seek guns.
- <u>Superstition Ain't the Way: Chinese Official Fired over Feng Shui Fervor(WSJ)</u>: A Chinese official's feng shui fervor put him on the wrong side of China's anti-graft authorities, and eventually led to his undoing.
- <u>Chinese Golf Course Boss Files \$46 Million Lawsuit over Club's Closure</u>(WSJ):In a move that comes amid Chinese President Xi Jinping's crackdown on golf, the president of a Shanghai golf course is suing local authorities for 300 million yuan (\$46 million) for ordering him to shut down his club.

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- <u>Beijing has China's Best Environment for Start Ups, New Survey Says</u>(WSJ):Amid the fervor for entrepreneurism sweeping across China, a new survey shows that Beijing is considered to have the country's best environment for star tups.
- <u>China's Censors Take Another Gay-Themed Web Drama Offline</u>(WSJ): Analyzed the social cultural context behind the censorship of gay-themed TV play, and interviewed one of the Chinese Five Feminists about the dilemma of LGBT culture products in China.
- <u>China's New 'Little Red Book': A Shopping App for Foreign Products</u> (WSJ): introduced a rising e-commerce app for foreign products and clarified the interesting relationship between its catchy name and Chairman Mao's book.
- <u>Hazardous Smog Engulfs Beijing for Fifth Straight Day</u> (WSJ):portrayed how citizens in various industries suffered from smog when Beijing's air quality index reached 516 and city officials refused to issue a red alert.
- <u>Director Wang Xiaoshuai Sees Worst Time For Independent Films in China</u> (NYT):an English-language profile on independent Chinese films ,the market censorship and government regulation.
- <u>The Besieged Chinese Director Wang Xiaoshuai(NYT)</u>: a Mandarin-language interview of director Wang Xiaoshuai about the commercial flop of Red Amnesia and his reflection over the Cultural Revolution.
- <u>After X-Change, the Laughter and Tears of Juveniles</u> (CCN) explored the core of education and philanthropy through digging up the unknown dimension of a top-rated reality show in which a teenager from countryside switched home with the one from city and went through "transformation" in characters.
- <u>The Ups and Downs of History: The Demolition of the 800-year-old Laocheng</u> (CCN) portrayed the heritages preservation in the modern city construction and the largest administrative lawsuit in Henan Province launched by 235 citizens against demolition.
- <u>The Enigma of Information Disclosure in the wake of WHU Sakura Festival</u> (CCN) questioned the policy of charging entrance fees by university administrations and advocated disclosure of financial information.

#### CIVIL SOCIETY COMMITMENTS

## 2014.6-Present | Dream Mentor Project, Teach For China, Wuhan, PRC | Mentor

Acted as a role model and mentor to a 16-year-old rural boy; provided tutoring; and gave advice.

#### 2014.7 Move On, Tiny Love, Southern Weekly and Carpoly, Qiyang, PRC | Volunteer

Analyzed data from a rural survey that had been administered to nearly 30 middle-school students; and composed a report on the education system's status in Qiyang County, Hunan Province.

# 2014.7-2014.5 Shakespeare Drama Club, Wuhan, PRC | Director of Publicity Department and Actress

Designed posts; wrote advertising copy; and leveraged expertise in Weibo and Renren to promote Shakespeare; Acted in *Jane Eyre* and *the Twelfth Night* 

#### OTHER SKILLS AND INTERESTS

**Languages** Mandarin Chinese (native), English (fluent).

Skills MySQL, SQLite, PostgreSQL, Excel, Open Refine, Tableau, QGIS, CartoDB, HTML5/CSS, JavaScript,

Python, R, SPSS, Adobe Illustrator.

**Hobbies** Acting & directing; playing the piano.