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EMPLOYMENT

Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

Assistant Professor of International Relations, School of Social Sciences, 2020 – present

EDUCATION

Duke University, Durham, NC, United States

Ph.D., Political Science, December 2019

Fields: Security, Peace, and Conflict; Political Methodology

Utah State University, Logan, UT, United States

M.S., Political Science, May 2015

Nankai University, Tianjin, China

M.A., International Relations, June 2012

B.A., International Politics, June 2010

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Substantive: Interstate Conflict; Civil War; Political Violence; Conflict Management; Foreign Policy Analysis

Methodological: Applied Statistics; Geospatial/Network Analysis; Predictive Modeling; Machine Learning

RESEARCH

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES IN ENGLISH

Kaitlyn Webster, Priscilla Torres, Chong Chen, and Kyle Beardsley, “Ethnic and Gender Hierarchies in the Crucible of War,” *International Studies Quarterly*, Forthcoming.

Chong Chen and Kyle Beardsley, “[Once and Future Peacemakers: Continuity of Third-Party Involvement in Civil War Peace Processes](#),” *International Peacekeeping*, Forthcoming.

Kaitlyn Webster, Chong Chen, and Kyle Beardsley, “[Conflict, Peace, and the Evolution of Women’s Empowerment](#),” *International Organization*, Vol. 73, No. 2, 2019, pp. 255-289 [Lead article].

Chong Chen, “[Territorial Dispute Initiation by Weaker States](#),” *The Chinese Journal of International Politics*, Vol. 11, No. 3, 2018, pp. 339-372.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES IN CHINESE

Chong Chen and Xun Pang, “Predicting the Timing and Location of Terrorist Attacks in Africa in the Age of Big Data: Combining GIS and Split Population Duration Models,” *Foreign Affairs Review* (外交评论), No. 2, 2020, pp. 121-154.

Chong Chen, “[Rethinking Opportunity, Greed, Grievance and Internal Conflict: A Spatio-Temporal Analysis of African Political Violence](#),” *World Economics and Politics* (世界经济与政治), No. 8, 2018, pp. 94-127.

UNDER REVIEW/REVISION

Laia Balcells, Chong Chen, and Costantino Pischedda, “Do Birds of a Feather Flock Together? Rebel Constituencies and Civil War Alliances.”

Chong Chen, Kyle Beardsley, and Nils B. Weidmann, “The Grass is Always Greener on the Other Side: Transnational Ethnic Inequality and Ethno-nationalist Conflict.”

Chong Chen and Feng Liu, “The Contagion of Foreign Policy Change: Spatio-temporal Dynamics of Chinese Leadership Visits (1978-2014).”

Chong Chen and Colin Flint, “Mediating post-Civil War Peace: Third Parties in the Design and Implementation of Civil War Peace Settlements.”

Chong Chen, “Armed Conflict and Women’s Empowerment: Evidence from Two Natural Experiments.” [In Chinese]

WORKING PAPERS

Chong Chen, So Jin Lee, and David A. Siegel, “Modeling the Diffusion of Territorial Dispute Claims.”

Chong Chen, “Interstate Hostility, Trans-border Ethnic Kin, and the Onset of Civil War.”

Chong Chen, “In the Shadow of Rebellion: The Intrastate Diffusion of Ethnic Inclusion.”

Chong Chen, “Ethnic Diversity, Local Competition, and Separatist Conflicts.”

Jordan Roberts, Chong Chen, and Kyle Beardsley, “Predicting International Crises and Near-Crises: Conditional vs. Unconditional Expectations.”

WORK IN PROGRESS

Gabriella Levy, Rebecca Dudley, Chong Chen, and David A. Siegel, “Foreign Signals and the Strategic Use of Terrorism in Civil Wars.”

Xun Pang, Chong Chen, and Licheng Liu, “Foreign Policy Consequences of China’s Bilateral Swap Agreements: Network Analysis of Latent Policy Space and Bayesian Inference of Causal Effects.”

Chong Chen and Yi-Yi Chen, “The Landscape of Conflict and Peace Studies: A Text Network Analysis.” [In Chinese]

SOFTWARE IN DEVELOPMENT

Chong Chen, “**postregplots**: An R Package for Visualizing Simulation-based Marginal Effects from Generalized Linear Models” (development version available from [GitHub](#))

PRESENTATIONS

CONFERENCES

American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference: 2017, 2019, 2020[scheduled]

International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference: 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019

Peace Science Society (International) Annual Conference: 2016, 2018

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference: 2014, 2015

Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Annual Conference: 2015, 2018

The Association of Chinese Political Studies (ACPS) Annual Conference: 2017

ISA–West Annual Conference: 2014

INVITED TALKS & WORKSHOPS

Tsinghua University, Department of International Relations, December 20, 2018

Lanzhou University, School of Politics and International Relations, December 7, 2018

University of Pennsylvania, China and International Relations Graduate Research Workshop, November 3, 2018

Tsinghua University, Institute of International Relations, July 7, 2018

Nankai University, Department of International Relations, December 23, 2017

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Start-Up Research Fund, Tsinghua University, 300,000 RMB, 2020–2022

Graduate Fellowship, Duke University, 2015–2020

Travel Grant, ISA, 2019

Summer Research Fellowship, Graduate School, Duke University, \$22,000, 2016–2019

Bradley Fellow, The Bradley Foundation, \$4,500, 2016–2018

Conference Travel Award, Graduate School, Duke University, 2017–2019

Summer Fellowship to Visit University of Konstanz, Department of Political Science, Duke University, 2017

Travel Grant, ISA–West, 2014

Full Tuition Waiver Award & Graduate Assistantship, Utah State University, 2013–2015

RGS Graduate Student Travel Award, Utah State University, 2013–2015

Graduate Research and Projects Grant, Utah State University, \$1,000, 2015

The Prestage-Cook Travel Award, SPSA, 2014

Best B.A. Thesis Award, Nankai University, 2010

National Scholarship, Ministry of Education of China, 2007–2009

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

INSTRUCTOR

UNDERGRADUATE

Introduction to Quantitative Methods in International Relations, Tsinghua University, Fall 2020

TEACHING ASSISTANT

PS233: Nuclear Weapons, Duke University, Spring 2019

PS146: Politics and Economics, Duke University, Spring 2018

PS329S: Politics in Violence, Duke University, Fall 2017

POLS 3000: Research Methods in Political Science, Utah State University, Fall 2014–Spring 2015

SERVICE

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Executive Director, International Relations Data and Computing Lab, Tsinghua University, 2020 – present

Student Organizer, Security, Peace, and Conflict Workshop Series, Duke University, 2018–2019

Graduate Student Member, Security, Peace, and Conflict Job Search Committee, Duke University, 2017–2018

DISCIPLINARY SERVICE

Volunteer, The 59th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, 2018

Discussant: The Annual New Faces Conference of the Triangle Institute for Security Studies (2017)

Anonymous Reviewer: *Chinese Journal of International Politics*, *Contemporary Asia-Pacific Studies*, *International Organization*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Quarterly Journal of International Politics*, *World Economics and Politics*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Political Science Association

International Studies Association

Peace Science Society (International)

The Society for Political Methodology

AFFILIATIONS & ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC TRAINING

Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, Visiting Scholar, Summer 2018

University of Konstanz, Konstanz, Germany, Visiting Scholar, Summer 2017

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, MI, Summer 2014

Semester At Sea, Spring 2012 Voyage (105 Days, 12 Countries, and 25,000 Nautical Miles around the World)

LANGUAGES & COMPUTER SKILLS

Languages: Chinese (native), English

Computer: R, STATA, SAS, SPSS, L^AT_EX, Python, Git/GitHub, Gephi, ArcGIS, HTML

REFERENCES

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