

David, Yen-Chieh Liao

Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, CO4 3SQ, UK

✉ yl1724@essex.ac.uk  [davidycliao](https://github.com/davidycliao)  [davidycliao.github.io](https://github.com/davidycliao) | Updated: May. 14, 2021

RESEARCH INTEREST

indigenous politics in Taiwan, distributive politics, legislative politics, quantitative study of ideology and political attitudes, computational social science.

EDUCATION

University of Essex, UK

PhD Candidate, Department of Government

Oct 2018 –

MPhil/PhD student, Department of Government

Oct 2017 – Dec 2018

National Taipei University, Taiwan

MA, Public Administration and Policy

Sep 2010 – Aug 2014

BA, Public Administration and Policy

Jun 2005 – Aug 2010

PUBLICATION

Refereed Journals

- 2014. "Taiwanese Indigenous Councilors of the Tai-tung County and the Geographic Distribution of Grants: Who Has More or Less? And Why". *Journal of Taiwan Indigenous Studies Association*. 4(2): 27-45 (in Chinese)
- 2015. "The Rationale for Supporting Nuclear Power: Analysis of Taiwanese Public Opinion Survey". *International Relations of the Asia Pacific*. 15 (1): 147-176. (with Xiaochen Su, Chung-li Wu, Tai-De Lee and Chen Tsao in Chinese)
- 2016. "Friend or Foe? The Image of China in Taiwan". *Review of Social Sciences*. 10 (2): 61-95. (with Chun-Li Wu and Ho Chin Yang in Chinese)
- 2016. "The Chairperson of the Grants? Examining the Distribution of Pork Barrel Projects across Taiwan Indigenous Areas". *Journal of Taiwan Indigenous Studies Association*. 6(4):23-63 (in Chinese)

Working Papers

- 2019. "Mayors and Pork Barrel: Legislative Experience Bias in Intergovernmental Transfers to Taiwan Municipalities". (presented in **2019 EPSA**; accepted in **2020 Asian PolMeth VII (Poster Session)** at HKU, *cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances in Hong Kong*) [[Github](#)]
- 2020. "Gendered and Ethnic Differences in Legislative Responsiveness: Evidence from a Field Experiment with Taiwanese Councilors". with Shih-chan Dai (University of Massachusetts-Amherst) [[Github](#)]
- 2020. "Electoral Reform and Disunited Polarization: Evidence from Legislative Roll Calls". with Li Tang (University of Birmingham) (presented in **the Virtual 2020 APSA**; presented in **2020 Annual Conference of the Taiwanese Political Science Association**, National Taiwan University, Taiwan) [[Github](#)]
- 2021. "Factionalism and Red Guards under the Cultural Revolution: Ideal Point Estimation Using Text-as-Data Scaling Method". with Yi-Nung Tsai (National Chengchi University), Dechun Zhang (Leiden University) (presented in **2021 AsianPolmeth Presentation VIII**) [[Github](#)]

2021 “Income Inequality, Party Misperception and Democracy Distrust”. with Royce Carroll (University of Essex), Li Tang (University of Birmingham), Tzu-Ping Liu (University of Taipei) (presented in [2021 EPSA](#))

Work in Progress

“Measuring Fiscal Policy Preference”. with Li Tang (University of Birmingham) and Pei Kuang (University of Birmingham)

Data Collection

Written Legislative Inquiries from 1996 to 2020 (tidy formats data is available upon request)

Human Labeling Training Data of Taiwan Pork Barrel Legislation and CNNs Model for Pork Barrel Classification (training data and model is available upon request)

EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

Teaching Assistant to Dr Akitaka Matsuo (University of Essex), VB21 - Machine Learning with Big Data for Social Scientists, 15th ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques, Aug 10 - 14 2020

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Royce Carroll, 3L Scaling Methods for Social Science: Measuring Patterns and Preferences in Surveys and Behavior, 53rd Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, Aug 10 – 21 2020 [[Github](#)]

Teaching Assistant to Dr Iulia Cioroianu (University of Bath), 1B Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis, 53rd Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, Jul 13 - 24 2020

Teaching Assistant to Dr Raymond Hick (Columbia University), 1B Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis, 52nd Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, Jul 13 - 24 2019

Research Assistant

Graduate Research Assistant to Dr. Royce Carroll, University of Essex, Jun 2019 – Oct 2019 [[Github](#)]

Senior Research Assistant to Dr. Wu, Chung-li, Institute of Political Science, Academia Sinica, Feb 2014 – Jul 2017

Graduate Research Assistant to Dr. Luor, Ching-Jyuhn, Department of Public Administration and Policy, National Taipei University in Taiwan, Jul 2010 - Jan 2014

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

ESSEX SUMMER SCHOOL in Social Science Data Analysis

Causal Inference and Experiments in the Social Sciences (taught by Ryan T. Moore), 27 Jul – 7 Aug 2020

Introduction to Bayesian Analysis for the Social Sciences (taught by Ryan Bakker), 22 Jul – 4 Aug 2019

Ideal Point Estimation and Scaling Methods (taught by Royce Carroll), 6 - 17 Aug 2018

Generalized Linear Models (taught by Patrick Shea), 22 Jul - 2 Aug 2018

University of Essex

An Introduction to R for PGR (taught by Dr. Thomas Cameron and Dr. Etienne Low-Decarie), Department of Biological Science, 8 - 12 January 2018

Natural Language Engineering (taught by Dr. Aline Villavicencio, CE887), School of Computer Science and Electronic Engineering, Autumn Term 2018.

Text Analytics (taught by Dr habil Ansgar Scherp, CE807), School of Computer Science and Electronic Engineering, Spring Term 2019

Introduction to Programming in Python (taught by Dr Renato Cordeiro de Amorim, CE705), School of Computer Science and Electronic Engineering, Spring Term 2019

SKILLS

Programings R, Python (working knowledge in natural language processing, machine learning and webscraping), HTML & CSS (working knowledge in web editing and webscraping), hugo

Database MySQL & MySQLWorkbench

Document Editing L^AT_EX

High Performance Computing Amazon EC2, CERES Cluster (University of Essex)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

Received 2020 Department Fund (£950) and Travel Grant from Taiwan Government (Council of Indigenous Peoples, USD\$1165) for attending 2020 MPSA Conference *cancelled*

Received 2019 Department Fund (£450) and Travel Grant from Taiwan Government (Council of Indigenous Peoples, USD\$630) for attending 2019 EPSA Conference

Received the 2018 Attendance Scholarships (£250) to Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

Awarded the 2017 Taiwan Government Scholarship to Study Abroad in the Field of Legislative Studies (4 years), USD\$42,000 per annum

Awarded the 2015 Taiwan Government Visiting Scholarship for the participation at the ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, approximately USD\$4,980 *declined*

SERVICES TO ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Seminar Organiser

Co-organizer for POPE Research Group (Public Opinion, Parties and Elections) for early career researchers at Department of Government, the University of Essex, Oct 2019 - May 2020.

Co-organizer for HEROES (Helping Each-other Research On Empirical Subjects) / PhD Colloquium at Department of Government, the University of Essex, Oct 2018 - May 2019.

Membership

2019 EPSA; 2020 MPSA; 2020 APSA; 2021 EPSA

OTHERS

Packages

[asmcjr](#) (with Dave Armstrong, Royce Carroll, Christopher Hare, Ryan Bakker, Keith Poole, Howard Rosenthal)

The asmcjr package supports the book “*2nd Analyzing Spatial Models of Choice and Judgment*”, and streamlined functions for scaling and visualising estimates with ggplot2.