

DIYA JIANG

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EDUCATION

- **McGill University**, Montreal, Canada Sept. 2022 – May 2027
PhD in Political Science (Subfield: International Relations) (expected)
- **London School of Economics and Political Science**, London, UK Sept. 2020 – Dec. 2021
MSc in International Political Economy
- **New York University**, New York, USA Sept. 2015 – Jan. 2019
Bachelor of Arts, Quantitative Economics and Journalism (double major)
University Honors Scholar, Dean's list

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Research Fellow, **Central European Institute of Asian Studies**, Remote June 2021 –Present
- Helped collect, organize and analyze research data for various public opinion survey projects
 - Performed administrative tasks including proofreading, indexing and reference checking
 - Worked closely with research fellows on book and journal publications
- Programmatic Analyst, **Mail Media, Inc.**, New York, USA Jan. 2019 – July 2020
- Helped identify effective marketplaces for advertising transactions based on dynamic pricing rules
 - In charge of profit optimization through data analysis
 - Proposed projects on potential video advertising optimization based on market observation and research
 - Analyzed and forecast performance on weekly basis
 - Attended and participated in various conferences in the industry to gain insights on how global trends may shape the online advertising world
- Data Management Associate, **Center for Policing Equity**, New York, USA Sept.—Dec. 2018
- Supported researchers across different disciplines on data analysis and model building
 - Worked with large quantity of client-sensitive and confidential data
 - Helped organize and clean police data to build region-specific model for the Criminal Justice System
 - Gained fluency in performance data analysis and Salesforce
- Data Research Analyst, **NYU Department of Economics**, New York, USA May — Sept. 2018
- Worked under Professor Alessandro Lizzeri on research evaluating frictions in a competitive and regulated market using the example of the NYC taxi system
 - Cleaned and analyzed datasheets with more than 9 million observations to examine factors affecting economic decisions made by taxi drivers
 - Built econometric models to estimate the qualities of economic behaviors evaluate market frictions
 - Developed advanced fluency of statistical software such as STATA and R
- Research Assistant, **NYU Public Safety Lab**, New York, USA June — Sept. 2018
- Worked under Professor Anna Harvey on Jail Data Initiatives project evaluating the efficiency of criminal justice systems in regards to recidivism
 - Researched, collected and compiled data from across the United States for safety analysis
 - Became acquainted with working in a team environment and on tight deadlines
 - Acquired fluency in the advanced functionalities of MS Excel
 - Gained valuable insights on preparations and methodologies employed in social science research

PUBLICATIONS

Academic

- “Foreign contributors to democratic backsliding: the effects of linkages with China on media self-censorship in transitional regimes.” 2022. in Canadian Foreign Policy Journal. Coauthor: Benjamin Toettoe.
- “Unraveling Chinese Bilateral Diplomatic Behavior: Evidence from Post-Coup Sino-Myanmar Relations, a Rational Choice Approach.” 2023. In International Journal of China studies. Coauthor: Kristina Kironka
- “From Cautious Foes to Nervous Friends: China-Myanmar Relationship after 1 February Coup” 2023. in After the Coup, ANU Press. Coauthor: Kristina Kironka
- “Allies at Heart? A Study of Ideational Continentalism in Canadians’ Foreign Policy Attitudes”. Forthcoming in Canadian Journal of Political Science. Coauthors: Benjamin Toettoe, Richard Turcsanyi.

Media/Policy Report

- “Chinese Media’s Conflicting Narratives on the Myanmar Coup.” Published in The Diplomat Aug 14 2021. Coauthor: Kristina Kironka
- “Trans-Atlantic public opinion on China: Great Power Competition amidst Russian invasion of Ukraine.” Central European Institute of Asian Studies. 2022. Coauthor list: <https://ceias.eu/trans-atlantic-public-opinion-on-china/>
- “Canada and the Taiwan Strait: Fostering Stability and Cooperation.” in Canadian Global Affairs Institute. March, 2024.

CONFERENCES

- Presented “Can Chinese Cultural identity translate to Sino-aligned foreign policy preferences in Singapore? A study of values and identity in Foreign Policy analysis.” Sinophone Borderline Survey Workshop in Olomouc, Czechia, September 2022.
- Co-presented “United in Opposition? An Investigation of National Identity as a Determinant of Canadians’ Foreign Policy Preferences on Alignment in the US-China Rivalry” at ISA 2023, Montreal, QC, Canada.
- Presented “Foreign Policy preferences in Quebec in the context of US-China Rivalry: An Analysis of Public Opinion” at CPSA 2023, Toronto, ON, Canada.
- Presented “Attitudes toward US-China rivalry” at MapleMeth 2023, London, ON, Canada.

SKILL

- Language: Chinese Mandarin (fluent), English (fluent), French (proficient)
- Advanced Quantitative Research Methods

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Lead Student Consultant, **Global Research and Consulting Group**, London, UK Feb. – June 2021

- Led a team of five on a research project concerning ethnic diversity in the environmental science industry with the Institute of Environmental Science (IES)
- Designed, conducted and organized primary survey data
- In charged of information exchange, organization and design of the research project
- Gained leadership and effective communication skills

Staff Writer, **International Relation Society- IR Insider**, New York, NY Sept. 2017 – Jan. 2018

- Identified, researched and pitched international political and economic affairs, focusing on South Asian regions, on a weekly basis
- Reported and commented on the economic situation to publish on the NYU based International relations magazine within strict deadlines
- Actively engaged in political discussions initiated by board members and writers

Staff Writer, **Washington Square News**, New York, NY Sept. 2016 - May 2017

- Pitched and wrote article for the university newspaper
- Reached out and interviewed professionals in different fields for reference and quote