

DIYA JIANG

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EDUCATION

- **McGill University**, Montreal, Canada Sep 2022 – May 2027
PhD in Political Science (Subfield: International Relations, Canadian Politics)
- **London School of Economics and Political Science**, London, UK Sep 2020 – Dec. 2021
MSc in International Political Economy
- **New York University**, New York, USA Sep 2015 – Jan. 2019
Bachelor of Arts, Quantitative Economics

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed

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

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Understanding Regional Trade Attitudes towards the United States in Canada”. Stage: Submitted for review.
- “Citizen Responses to Economic Statecraft: Evidence from Australia”. Stage: Submitted for review.
- “From Decoupling to Friendshoring: American Economic Narratives and Public Opinion.” Stage: Data Collection.

CONFERENCE APPEARANCES

- “From Decoupling to Friendshoring: American Economic Narratives and Public Opinion” at ISA Virtual 2024.
- “American Trade Narratives and Supply Chain Geopolitics” at CPSA 2024, Montreal, QC, Canada.
- “Attitudes toward US-China rivalry” at MapleMeth 2023, London, ON, Canada.
- “Foreign Policy preferences in Quebec in the context of US-China Rivalry: An Analysis of Public Opinion” at CPSA 2023, Toronto, ON, Canada.

- “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.
- “Can Chinese Cultural identity translate to Sino-aligned foreign policy preferences in Singapore?” at Sinophone Borderline Survey Workshop 2022, Olomouc, Czechia.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Young Professional Fellow, **Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada**

June 2021 –Present

- Researched and promoted knowledge exchange on topics including Canada-Asia trade and economic relations

Research Fellow, **Central European Institute of Asian Studies**

June 2021 –Present

- Helped collect, organize and analyze economic data for EU-funded research projects
- Analyzed supply chain geopolitics and shared conclusions with media and policy audiences
- Worked closely with other researchers on book and journal publications

Data Research Analyst, **NYU Department of Economics**,

May — Sep 2018

- Cleaned, organized and analyzed datasheets with more than 9 million observations to examine factors affecting economic decisions made by taxi drivers
- Built econometric models to estimate qualities of economic behaviour and evaluate market frictions
- Developed advanced fluency in statistical software such as STATA and R

Research Assistant, **NYU Public Safety Lab**,

June — Sep 2018

- Researched, collected and compiled data from across the United States for safety analysis
- Gained valuable insights on preparations and methodologies employed in social science research

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, **McGill University**,

Sep 2024 – Present

- Instructor of POLI 342: Canadian Foreign Policy
- Developed course syllabus, curriculum, and assessment for over 150 students
- Conducted lectures and supervised teaching assistants.

Teaching Assistant, **McGill University**,

Sep 2023 – Present

- Teaching Assistant for POLI 221: Government of Canada and POLI 424: Media and Politics
- Prepared teaching materials and conducted weekly discussion sections
- Helped mentor students in critical analysis and the understanding of polling data in Canada and the United States

MEDIA EXPERIENCE

Media and Policy Reports

- “The contentious, necessary politics of internal trade” in Policy Options. February, 2025. Coauthor: Daniel Béland.

- “Canada and the Taiwan Strait: Fostering Stability and Cooperation” in Canadian Global Affairs Institute. March, 2024.
- “Beijing’s Economic Staeks: Lessons from Post-coup Sino-Myanmar Relations” in Tea Circle. Nov 27, 2023.
- “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/>
- “Chinese Media’s Conflicting Narratives on the Myanmar Coup.” Published in The Diplomat Aug 14, 2021. Coauthor: Kristina Kironska.

Comment and Interviews

- Interviews with CBC, Radio-Canada (en français), The Montreal Gazette, La Presse, Global News

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Programmatic Analyst, **Mail Media, Inc.** 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 a weekly basis

Data Management Associate, **Center for Policing Equity** Sep – Dec. 2018

- Supported researchers across different disciplines on data analysis and model building
- Worked with a large quantity of client-sensitive and confidential data
- Helped organize and clean police data to build a region-specific model for the Criminal Justice System
- Gained fluency in performance data analysis and Salesforce

FUNDING AND AWARDS

- McGill Graduate Excellence Award 2022-2023: CAD 43,350
- McGill Graduate Excellence Award 2023-2024: CAD 1,055
- Nathan Steinberg Fellowship 2023-2024: CAD 15,000
- Global Affairs Canada International Policy Ideas Challenge 2024: CAD 4,000
- Congress Graduate Merit Award 2024: CAD 500
- Global Affair Canada International Policy Challenge winner: CAD 4,000

SKILLS

- Language: Chinese Mandarin (fluent), English (fluent), French (proficient)
- Quantitative research methods, data analytics, statistical programming