

# Guan Wang

(Updated May 29, 2025)

Department of Political Science  
University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
1000 Hilltop Cir, Baltimore, MD 21250

Phone: 410-455-2568  
Email: [gwang921@umbc.edu](mailto:gwang921@umbc.edu)  
Website: <https://gwang921.wixsite.com/my-site>

## EMPLOYMENT

---

**University of Maryland, Baltimore County**  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science  
Affiliated Faculty, Asian Studies Program

**August 2024-**

## EDUCATION

---

**University of Maryland, College Park**  
Ph.D., Political Science

**May 2024**

Areas of focus: International Relations, American Politics

Dissertation: Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy

Committee: Scott Kastner (co-chair), Kris Miler (co-chair), Margaret Pearson, Shannon Carcelli, Peter Steiner  
(Department of Human Development and Quantitative Methodology)

**The George Washington University**  
M.A., Asian Studies

**May 2017**

**Peking University**

B.A., International Political Economy

**June 2015**

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

---

Chinese foreign relations, U.S.-China relations, U.S. Congress, Domestic politics in U.S. foreign policy, Graphical models for causal inference

## PUBLICATIONS

---

- [4] **Wang, Guan**, Weifang Xu. 2025. "Bipartisanship in the Shadow of China's Rise: The Effect of External Threats on Internal Unity in the U.S. Congress". *International Studies Quarterly*. 69(2). <https://doi.org/10.1093/isq/sqaf030>  
--Best Paper on U.S. Foreign Policy at the Sixth Annual Young Scholars Forum on U.S.-China Relations, The Carter Center, 2021
- [3] Wang, Guan. "Support for Taiwan in the US House of Representatives: A New Look at US-China-Taiwan Relations." *Journal of East Asian Studies* 24, no. 2 (2024): 221-45. <https://doi.org/10.1017/jea.2024.12>
- [2] **Wang, Guan**, Scott L. Kastner, Margaret M. Pearson. 2023. "Do China's foreign economic ties lead to influence abroad? New evidence from recent events". *Foreign Policy Analysis* 19 (4). <https://doi.org/10.1093/fpa/orad016>
- [1] Kastner, Scott L., **Guan Wang**, Margaret M. Pearson, Laura Phillips-Alvarez, and Joseph Yinusa. "Taiwan and the 'One-China Principle' in the Age of COVID-19: Assessing the Determinants and Limits of Chinese Influence." *The China Quarterly* 252 (2022): 1045-65. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0305741022001321>.

## WORK UNDER REVIEW

---

Scott Kastner, Margaret Pearson, **Guan Wang**, "Taking a Low Profile on China: Economic Influence and Hedging Behavior"

## WORK IN PROGRESS

---

Guan Wang, “Domestic Politics at Play: Unveiling the Dynamics of Unilateral and Multilateral Sanctions Strategies”

Guan Wang, “Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress”.

Guan Wang, “Domestic Politics and U.S.-China Relations Since the George W. Bush Administration”

Guan Wang, “Partisan Control and Foreign Policy Change: Reexamining U.S. Foreign Policy under the Biden Administration”

Scott Kastner, Margaret Pearson, **Guan Wang**, “China’s Economic Might: A Pathway to Global Political Influence?”  
(*Book project*)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

---

### **Instructor, University of Maryland, Baltimore County**

Introduction to International Relations

Fall 2024, Fall 2025

U.S.-China Relations

Spring 2025

### **Instructor, University of Maryland, College Park**

International Political Economy (Master’s level) [\*Teaching Evaluation\*](#)

Fall 2023

## **GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS**

---

Best Annual Conference Discussant Award, Foreign Policy Section, American Political Science Association	2025
Summer Research Faculty Fellowship, University of Maryland, Baltimore County	2025
Congressional Fellowship, American Political Science Association ( <i>declined</i> )	2024
Conley H. Dillon Dissertation Award, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland	2023
Publication Accelerator Grant, Institute for Humane Studies	2023
Dean’s Research Initiative Graduate Student Travel Award, University of Maryland	2023
Prestage-Cook Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association	2022
Jimmy Carter Award for Best Paper on U.S. Foreign Policy at the Sixth Annual Young Scholars Forum on U.S.-China Relations, Carter Center	2021
Summer Grant, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland	2020
Dean’s Summer Fellowship, Graduate School, University of Maryland	2019
Freeman Foundation International Fellowship, The George Washington University	2016
Voelpel Tuition Fellowship, The George Washington University	2015
Merit Award, The George Washington University	2015

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

---

Assistant Research Fellow, National Institute for South China Sea Studies, Hainan, China

June 2017-May 2018

Research Intern, Stimson Center, Washington DC, USA

August 2016-January 2017

## **PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS**

---

International Studies Association Annual Conference	2025
American Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024, 2023
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference	2023, 2022
Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference	2023
Women in Legislative Studies Annual Conference	2024, 2023
Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (EPOVB) Annual Conference ( <i>With Weifang Xu</i> )	2024
Duke Kunshan University	2023
Knox College	2023
Hitotsubashi University	2023
Association of Chinese Political Studies Annual meeting (held online) ( <i>With Scott Kastner and Margaret Pearson</i> )	2020
One China Framework and World Politics Workshop, (held online)	2020

*(With Scott Kastner, Margaret Pearson, Laura Phillips-Alvarez and Joseph Yinusa).*

## **JOURNAL MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER**

---

International Studies Quarterly, Contemporary Politics

## **SKILLS**

---

### **Methods**

OLS, MLE, Multilevel Modeling, Causal Inference, Directed Acyclic Graphs, Machine Learning, Web Scraping

### **Software**

R, Latex, SPSS

## **LANGUAGES**

---

Chinese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (beginner)

## **REFERENCES**

---

### **Scott Kastner**

Professor  
Department of Government and Politics  
University of Maryland, College Park  
[skastner@umd.edu](mailto:skastner@umd.edu)

### **Margaret Pearson**

Dr. Horace V. and Wilma E. Harrison Distinguished  
Professor  
Department of Government and Politics  
University of Maryland, College Park  
[mpearson@umd.edu](mailto:mpearson@umd.edu)

### **Shannon Carcelli**

Assistant Professor  
Department of Government and Politics  
University of Maryland, College Park  
[carcelli@umd.edu](mailto:carcelli@umd.edu)

### **Kris Miler**

Associate Professor  
Department of Government and Politics  
University of Maryland, College Park  
[kmiler@umd.edu](mailto:kmiler@umd.edu)

### **Peter Steiner**

Professor  
Department of Human Development and  
Quantitative Methodology  
University of Maryland, College Park  
[psteiner@umd.edu](mailto:psteiner@umd.edu)

### **Jordan Tama**

Provost Associate Professor  
School of International Service  
American University  
[tama@american.edu](mailto:tama@american.edu)