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## EDUCATION

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**University of Maryland, College Park**

**Expected May 2024**

PhD, Political Science

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**

**May 2017**

MA, Asian Studies

**Peking University**

**June 2015**

BA, International Political Economy

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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U.S.-China relations, Chinese foreign relations, U.S. foreign policy, China-Taiwan relations, Graphical models for causal inference

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Guan Wang**, Scott Kastner, Margaret 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>

Scott Kastner, **Guan Wang**, Margaret Pearson, Laura Phillips-Alvarez, Joseph Yinusa. 2022. "Taiwan and the 'One-China Principle' in the Age of COVID-19: Assessing the Determinants and Limits of Chinese Influence". *The China Quarterly*. <https://www.doi.org/10.1017/S0305741022001321>

## WORK UNDER REVIEW

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Guan Wang, "Support for Taiwan in the U.S. House of Representatives: A New Look at the U.S.-China-Taiwan Relations". *Journal of East Asian Studies*. Revise and Resubmit.

Guan Wang, "Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress". Under Review.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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**Guan Wang**, Weifang Xu, "When China Comes Knocking: The Effects of External Threats on Internal Unity in the U.S. Congress".

--Best Paper on U.S. Foreign Policy at the Sixth Annual Young Scholars Forum on U.S.-China Relations, The Carter Center, 2021

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

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

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

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

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Conley H. Dillon Dissertation Award, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland (\$5,000) 2023

Publication Accelerator Grant, Institute for Humane Studies (\$5,000)	2023
U.S.-Chinese Foreign Policy and Relations Research Grants, The Charles Koch Foundation (\$5,000)	2023
Dean's Research Initiative Graduate Student Travel Award, University of Maryland (\$1,000)	2023
Prestage-Cook Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association (\$300)	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 (\$2,000)	2021
Summer Grant, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland (\$1,500)	2020
Dean's Summer Fellowship, Graduate School, University of Maryland (\$5,000)	2019
Freeman Foundation International Fellowship, The George Washington University (\$6,000)	2016
Voelpel Tuition Fellowship, The George Washington University (\$5,000)	2015
Merit Award, The George Washington University (\$20,000)	2015

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Instructor, University of Maryland**

International Political Economy (Master's level)	Fall 2023
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### **Teaching Assistant, University of Maryland**

International Political Relations (Undergraduate level, Instructor: Todd Allee)	Spring 2020
International Political Relations (Undergraduate level, Instructor: Calvert Jones)	Spring 2019, Fall 2019
Politics and Globalization of Food (Undergraduate level, Instructor: Virginia Haufler)	Fall 2018

## **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**

<b>Women in Legislative Studies Conference</b>	<b>Scheduled October 2023</b>
"Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress"	

<b>Knox College</b>	<b>October 2023</b>
"Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress"	

<b>Hitotsubashi University</b>	<b>October 2023</b>
"Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress"	

<b>American Political Science Association Annual Meeting</b>	<b>Scheduled August 2023</b>
"Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress"	
"Economic Influence and Hedging Behavior" (With Scott Kastner and Margaret Pearson)	

<b>Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference</b>	<b>April 2023</b>
"Divided We Defend: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress"	
"Speaking with One Voice? The Bipartisan Consensus on China in the U.S. Congress" (with Weifang Xu)	

<b>Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference</b>	<b>January 2023</b>
"Divided We Defend: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress"	

<b>American Politics Workshop, University of Maryland</b>	<b>November 2022</b>
"Divided We Defend: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress"	

<b>Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference</b>	<b>April 2022</b>
"Support for Taiwan in the U.S. House of Representatives: A New Look at the U.S.-China-Taiwan Relations"	

<b>American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (held online)</b>	<b>October 2021</b>
"Do China's Foreign Economic Ties Lead to Influence Abroad? New Evidence from Recent Events" (With Scott Kastner and Margaret Pearson)	

**GVPT Methods Workshop, University of Maryland****October 2021**

“Causal Inference in Social Science: Weighting Methods” (With Lizzie Irlbacher)

**Association of Chinese Political Studies Annual meeting (held online)****October 2020**

“China’s Economic Influence in an Age of Pandemic and Depression” (with Scott Kastner and Margaret Pearson)

**One China Framework and World Politics Workshop, Georgia Tech (held online)****September 2020**

“Taiwan and the ‘One China’ Principle in the Age of Coronavirus: Assessing the Determinants and Limits of Chinese Influence” (with Scott Kastner, Margaret Pearson, Laura Phillips-Alvarez and Joseph Yinusa).

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**SKILLS****Methods**

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

**Software**

R, Latex, SPSS

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**LANGUAGES**

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

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