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## EMPLOYMENT

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**University of Maryland, Baltimore County**  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

August 2024-

## 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 AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Chinese foreign relations, U.S.-China relations, U.S. Congress, Domestic politics in U.S. foreign policy, 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.

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

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

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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

Guan Wang, "The Impact of U.S. Domestic Politics on Policies Regarding China"

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)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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

International Political Economy (Master’s level) [Teaching Evaluation](#) Fall 2023

### **Teaching Assistant, University of Maryland**

The Politics of Global Development (Undergraduate level, Instructor: Jennifer Wallace) Spring 2024  
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

## **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  
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

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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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**

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**Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (EPOVB) Annual Conference** February 2024  
“Bipartisanship in the Shadow of China: The Effect of External Threats on Internal Unity in the U.S. Congress” (with Weifang Xu)

**Duke Kunshan University** December 2023  
“Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress”

**University of Maryland, Baltimore County** December 2023  
“Protest, Follow, or Remain Silent: How Countries Manage Their Relations with China”

**Women in Legislative Studies Annual Conference** October 2023  
“Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress”

**Knox College** October 2023  
“Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress”

**Hitotsubashi University** October 2023  
“Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress”

**American Political Science Association Annual Meeting** August 2023  
“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)	
<b>GVPT Methods Workshop, University of Maryland</b>	<b>October 2021</b>
“Causal Inference in Social Science: Weighting Methods” (With Lizzie Irlbacher)	
<b>Association of Chinese Political Studies Annual meeting (held online)</b>	<b>October 2020</b>
“China’s Economic Influence in an Age of Pandemic and Depression” (with Scott Kastner and Margaret Pearson)	
<b>One China Framework and World Politics Workshop, Georgia Tech (held online)</b>	<b>September 2020</b>
“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).	

## **SKILLS**

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### **Methods**

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

### **Software**

R, Latex, SPSS

## **LANGUAGES**

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

## **REFERENCES**

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### **Scott Kastner**

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### **Kris Miler**

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Dr. Horace V. and Wilma E. Harrison Distinguished  
Professor  
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