

Ruihan Shi

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OBJECTIVE

I am passionate about political economy, international economics and cultural economy, particularly interested in how democratic institutions, cultural values, and global economic flows shape public policy, long-term development and national preference. Through graduate study, I seek to explore the institutional foundations of prosperity and contribute to evidence-based policymaking in an increasingly interconnected world.

EDUCATION

- **Sun Yat-sen University** Sept. 2022 - Jun. 2026
B.A. in Business Administration (CGPA: 3.7/4.0) Shenzhen, China
 - **Personal Courses Included:** Advanced Maths, Probability and Statistics, Linear Algebra, Micro/Macroeconomics, Econometrics, Managerial Econ, Behavioral Econ, Health Econ, Population Econ, Stata, Python, Intermediate Financial Accounting, Political Econ, OB, CB, IB, FS Analysis, etc.

SKILLS AND PERFORMANCE

- **English:** Excellent GRE:330(V162+Q168), IELTS:7.5(L8, R9, W7, S6.5)
- **Software:** Stata, Python, Overleaf Latex, MS Office
- **Major-related:** Quantitative/ Qualitative methods, Business/Consumer/Industry Research, Data Analysis/Collection/Visualization, Financial Analysis, etc.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

- **Research on Optimization of Business Environment Driven by Modern IT** Jul. 2024 - Aug. 2024
Research Assistant Prof. Xianxiang Xu, SYSU
 - I went to several cities in NINGXIA Hui Autonomous Region in person for realistic and firsthand field research. I participated in team discussions, assisting in the formulation of research frameworks, methods, and plans. I interviewed entrepreneurs, analyzed government policies, institutions, collected data from authority and industry. I completed tasks and wrote 6000+ words field reports related to government performance and people's views.
- **Research on Guangdong Individual Industrial and Commercial Household Status** Oct. 2024 - Nov. 2024
Research Assistant Prof. Xianxiang Xu, SYSU
 - I contacted 50+ merchants all over Guangdong Province to visit and get first-hand data. I assisted project team in data collection and analysis, I made data summarized and combined under guidelines.
- **Innovative Science Training Program: China and the Global Economy** Oct. 2024 - Jan. 2025
Ranked top, score 96.3 with RP about CN-Africa investment and African preference on China Prof. Allen Carlson, Cornell University

PAPERS

- [1] Ruihan Shi. (2025). **Battling for Housing Value? The Nexus Between U.S. Presidential Elections and County-Level Housing Market Prices.** working paper (under supervisory review of Prof. Zhanyu Dong)
- [2] Ruihan Shi, Pinxian Chen (2024). **Confucianism and corporate risk-taking.** Honorable Award Paper for SYSU Business School 2nd Undergraduate Thesis Competition

SELECTED RESEARCH-TRACK INTERNSHIPS

- **The Guangzhou Institute of GBA** Dec. 2024 - Present
Research Intern (political economy and policy analysis) Guangzhou, China
 - I participated in many large-scale academic annual meetings, political and economic forums and wrote relevant reports. (2024 Guangzhou Forum exp.) I also attended 3+ research projects, collected dynamic data and produced visual charts for analysis. I also reviewed and proofread 30000+ words of Chinese and English academic lecture manuscripts, standardized and retouched them.
- **Guangzhou Hualu Information Technology co., Ltd.** Nov. 2022 - Jan. 2023
Research Intern (Policy analysis on real estate) Guangzhou, China

SCHOLARSHIPS AND SELECTED AWARDS

- **SYSU Second-class Scholarship** Nov. 2024
- **Honorable Award, SYSU Business School 2nd Undergraduate Thesis Competition** Apr. 2025
- **Semi-Finalist, Kapok Cup British Parliamentary (BP) Debate Competition** Mar. 2024
- **Champion, 2023 SYSU Business-Tourism School Badminton Tournament MD** May. 2023

SELECTED VOLUNTEERING, INTERESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFO.

Volunteering: pen-pal volunteer with Tibetan students giving advice and encouragement

Interests: Traveling, English Debate, Films, Postcards, monitoring elections, etc.

Societies, Industry Internships and selected participation: SYSU English Debate Team, SYSU Business School Chinese Debate Team | Fin. Intern@ China Everbright Bank, MKT Intern@ Golden Education Group | SYSU Shanzheng Cup Chinese Debate Competition, FDU China's Governance: National Case Analysis Competition for College Students

Extra Academic Courses : Introduction to Asian History, Prof. Takeshi Hamashita, IASH, SYSU (Oct. 2022- Dec. 2022)