

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
 - **Courses Included:** Advanced Maths, Probability and Statistics, Linear Algebra, Micro/Macroeconomics, Econometrics, Managerial Econ, Behavioral Econ, Health Econ, Population Econ, Stata, Python, etc.
 - **Certified self-courses:** [Political Econ](#), Intermediate microecon(China Mooc), Intermediate macroecon(XuetangX)

SKILLS AND PERFORMANCE

- **English:** Excellent GRE:330(V162+Q168), IELTS:7.5(L8, R9, W7, S6.5)
- **Software:** Stata, Python, Overleaf Latex, Markdown, MS Office
- **Major-related:** Quant/ Quali methods, Busi/Consum/Indus Research, DA/FA, Data collection/visualization, etc.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE AND EXTRA PROGRAM

- **Research on Optimization of Business Environment Driven by Modern IT** Jul. 2024 - Aug. 2024
Research Assistant Prof. Xianxiang Xu, SYSU
 - Went to NINGXIA Province in person for realistic and firsthand field research. Participated in team discussions, assisting in formulation of research frameworks, methods, and plans. Interviewed entrepreneurs, analyzed government policies, institutions, collected data from authority and industry. 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
 - Contacted 50+ merchants all over Guangdong Province to visit and get first-hand data. Assisted project team in data collection and analysis, 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 Institue of GBA**[\[Official web\]](#) 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 80000+ 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

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

- **Cultural Heritage Tourism & Communication International Summer Program(UNESCO, SYSU, UTM)** Jul. 2025

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 Bschoool 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))