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APPOINTMENTS	University of Virginia Global China Postdoctoral Fellow, East Asia Center	2023–2024
	University of Pennsylvania Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for the Study of Contemporary China	2022–2023
EDUCATION	Duke University Ph.D., Political Science	2022
	Dissertation: “Agents with Agency: How Subnational Officials Exercise their Autonomy Under Authoritarianism” Committee: Melanie Manion (Chair), Edmund Malesky, Daniel Stegmüller, Erik Wibbels Graduate training in methods: Econometrics, Machine Learning, Advanced Statistical Programming, Advanced Political Methodology, Causal Inference, Real Analysis, Advanced Regression.	
	M.A., Political Science	2020
	M.A., Economics	2017
	University of Warwick, UK B.Sc., Philosophy, Politics and Economics Major: Economics	2015
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Authoritarian political institutions Bureaucracy and governance Comparative political economy Chinese politics	
PUBLICATION	2022. “Dual Mandates in Chinese Congresses: Information and Cooptation.” With Melanie Manion and Viola Rothschild. <i>Issues and Studies</i> . Vol. 58, No. 1: 1-20.	
UNDER REVIEW	“Contentious Origins of Autocratic Social Protection: China’s “Demand-driven” Strategy of Redistribution.” Revised and Resubmitted at <i>Studies in Comparative International Development</i> .	
	“Crisis and Correction: Do Government Rectification Efforts Restore Citizen Trust After Governance Failure?” With Melanie Manion and Viola Rothschild. Revise and Resubmit at <i>Political Behavior</i> .	
	“Policy under Conflicting Mandates: Evidence from 1 Billion Cellphones during China’s COVID Lockdowns” – Presented at APSA Chinese Politics Mini-Conference 2022 – Accepted by Conference on Policy Process Research 2024	
	“Community Policing and Political Participation in Contemporary China.” With Viola Rothschild. – Accepted by APSA Chinese Politics Mini-Conference 2024	
	“Applying Insights from China: A Typology for Subnational Comparative Politics.” With Viola Rothschild.	

“Doublespeak: Limits of China’s Hard and Soft Propaganda during Political Crises.”
With Tony Zirui Yang.

WORKING PAPERS

“How Adaptive Propaganda Works: Evidence from China.” With Xinzhuo Huang and Haibing Yan.

– Presented at UCSD/Carter Center Young Scholars Conference.

“Bureaucrat Selection under Weak State Capacity: Evidence from the Democratic Republic of Congo.” With Dongil Lee, Eric Mvukiyehe, Christelle Tchoup, and Guo Xu.

GRANTS & AWARDS

UVA East Asia Center Research Grant	2023
Ellen Bayard Weedon Travel Grant	2023
Penn CSCC Research Grant	2022
The Hayek Fund	2022
American Political Science Association Travel Grant	2022
Wilson Endowment Research Grant	2022
Graduate School Conference Travel Reward	2022
Political Science Department Research Grant, Duke University	2020,2021
Northwestern-Duke Causal Inference Workshop Fellowship	2019
Summer Research Fellowship, Duke University	2018–2021
Graduate Fellowship, Duke University	2017–2022
Merit Scholarship, Economics Department, Duke University	2015

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor:

Chinese Politics, University of Virginia

Spring 2024

Political Economy of Global China, University of Virginia

Fall 2023

Teaching Assistant:

Institutions and Self-governance, Duke University

Fall 2021

Political Risk Analysis, Duke University

Spring 2020

Democracy and Social Choice, Duke University

Fall 2019, Fall 2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Professor Eric Mvukiyehe

Spring 2022–Summer 2022

Research Assistant for Professor Melanie Manion

Fall 2017–Fall 2021

PRESENTATIONS

East Asia Center (University of Virginia)	March 2024
Guest Lecture, Tsinghua-Schwarzman College	January 2024
Guest Lecture, Washington and Lee University	November 2023
East Asia Center (University of Virginia)	November 2023
American Political Science Association Conference	September 2023
UCSD/Carter Center Young Scholars Conference	August 2023
East China University of Political Science and Law Workshop	June 2023
Midwest Political Science Association Conference	April 2023
Carter Center China Focus Webinar	December 2022
Center for the Study of Contemporary China (Penn)	October 2022
Chinese Politics Mini-Conference (APSA)	September 2022
Midwest Political Science Association Conference	April 2022
American Political Science Association Conference	September 2021
New Faces in Chinese Politics Conference	August 2021
Midwest Political Science Association Conference	May 2021
Taiwan-American Conference on Contemporary China	December 2020
East China University of Political Science and Law Workshop	January 2020
State Capacity: Concepts, Causes, Consequences Workshop (Duke)	April 2019

SERVICES

Reviewer: *American Political Science Review, Political Communication, Governance, China Quarterly*

Media interviews: *The Economist, Wall Street Journal, Associated Press, Bloomberg, Toronto Star, Mainichi* 每日新闻, *Initium Media* 端传媒