Jeffrey Ding

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Appointments

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science   2022-present

STANFORD UNIVERSITY
Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for International Security and Cooperation   2021-2022
Predoctoral Fellow, Center for International Security and Cooperation   2020-2021
　　　*Joint appointment with Stanford Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Education

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD
D.Phil (Ph.D.), International Relations   2021
M.Phil, International Relations (*with Distinction)*   2018
　　　*Rhodes Scholarship   2016-2020

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
B.A., Chinese; B.B.A., Economics; B.S., Political Science (*Summa Cum Laude*)   2016

Book

Jeffrey Ding. (2024). *Technology and the Rise of Great Powers*. **Princeton University Press** (Princeton Studies in International History and Politics).
　　　*2025 <u>Lepgold Book Prize</u> for best book in international relations; reviewed in *Foreign Affairs*, *International Affairs*, *Asia Policy* roundtable

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Jeffrey Ding and Dennis Li. (2026). Reputation Collectives: How International Industry Associations Influence China's Safety Standards in High-Risk Technologies. **Review of International Political Economy.** https://doi.org/10.1080/09692290.2026.2619518

Jeffrey Ding. (2024). Machine Failing: How Systems Acquisition and Software Development Flaws Contribute to Military Accidents. **Texas National Security Review**. https://doi.org/10.26153/tsw/58064.

Jeffrey Ding. (2024). Keep Your Enemies Safer: Technical Cooperation and Transferring Nuclear Safety and Security Technologies. **European Journal of International Relations**. https://doi.org/10.1177/13540661241246622.

Jeffrey Ding. (2024). The Rise and Fall of Technological Leadership: General-purpose Technology Diffusion and Economic Power Transitions. **International Studies Quarterly**. https://doi.org/10.1093/isq/sqae013.

Jeffrey Ding. (March 2023). The Diffusion Deficit in Scientific and Technological Power: Re-assessing China's Rise. **Review of International Political Economy**.

Jeffrey Ding and Allan Dafoe. (2023). Engines of Power: Electricity, AI, and General-purpose, Military Transformations. **European Journal of International Security**, 1-18. doi:10.1017/eis.2023.1

Jeffrey Ding and Allan Dafoe. (2021). The Logic of Strategic Assets: From Oil to AI. **Security Studies**. 30:2, 182-212. [open access link]

        *Accompanying analysis in *Washington Post* (Monkey Cage blog) [link]

Chapters in Edited Books, Technical Reports, & Policy Writing

Jeffrey Ding. (August 2024). The Innovation Fallacy. **Foreign Affairs**. [link]

Helen Toner, Jenny Xiao, and Jeffrey Ding. (June 2023). The Illusion of China's AI Prowess. **Foreign Affairs**. [link]

Jeffrey Ding. (March 2023). Measuring China's Technological Self-Reliance Drive. **China Leadership Monitor**. [link]

Jeffrey Ding. (2022). Dueling Perspectives of AI and U.S.-China Relations: Technonationalism versus Technoglobalism. **Oxford Handbook of AI Governance** (Editors: Bullock et al.). Oxford University Press.

Working Papers/Projects-in-progress

Jeffrey Ding and Dennis Li. Reputation Collectives: How International Industry Associations Influence China's Safety Standards in High-Risk Technologies. (Revise & Resubmit at *Review of International Political Economy*).

Jeffrey Ding. "The Best of Both Worlds? Benchmarking China's Civil-Military Integration Efforts." Under Review.

Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

Coefficient Giving (2026): $228,000
Wilson China Fellowship, Wilson Center (2025): $20,000
Templeton Fellow, Foreign Policy Research Institute (2024)
Penn Project on the Future of US-China Relations, project fellow (2024)
Schmidt Sciences AI2050 Early Career Fellows (2023): $288,000
Longview Philanthropy Grant (2022): $225,000

Professional Activities and Service

Journal Reviewer: *American Political Science Review, International Affairs, International Organization, Nature Machine Intelligence, Philosophy & Technology*, *Regional Studies, Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) Journal, Technological Forecasting & Social Change, Texas National Security Review.*

Select Media Engagement

2025: Quoted by *The New York Times* in the article "How Chinese A.I. Start-Up DeepSeek Is Competing With Silicon Valley Giants"; appeared on CNN's "The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer" in the segment "Chinese AI Advancement Sends U.S. Tech Stocks Plunging."

2024: Quoted by *The Guardian* in the article "How China is using AI news anchors to deliver its propaganda"; *The Economist* in the article "A price war breaks out among China's AI-model builders"; *The Financial Times* in "Four start-ups lead China's race to match OpenAI's ChatGPT."

2023: Quoted by *The Wall Street Journal* in the article "ChatGPT Fever Sweeps China as Tech Firms Seek Growth"; *The Washington Post* in the article "Ernie, what is censorship? China's chatbots face additional challenges."; *The Economist* in the article "Can Xi Jinping control AI without crushing it?"

Select Talks

2025: Cornell University Department of Government (Politics, Sandwiches, and Comments workshop); American Political Science Association; International Studies Association.

2024: Illinois Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies; U.S. Institute of Peace; guest lecture for George Mason class on the Global South and the International Order.

2023: Dartmouth International Relations Seminar; International Studies Association; Center for Global Security Research lecture series (Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory) (P); USC Marshall China Research Group (P); GW Institute for Security and Conflict Studies research-in-progress (P); GW International Relations workshop (P).

2022: Guest lecture for Dartmouth class on The Rise and Fall of Great Powers (P); International Studies Association (P); Stanford HAI weekly seminar (P); Stanford Nuclear Reading Group (P/D); UCSD Chinese industrial policy workshop (W)

Teaching

PSC 8108: Craft of Political Inquiry, George Washington University (Spring 2024, 2025)
PSC 3500: Emerging Technologies, AI, and International Politics, George Washington University (Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Fall 2024, Spring 2025)
PSC 3192w: Politics of China's Innovation System, George Washington University (Fall 2022)
INTLPOL 306: Foreign Policy Decision-Making in International Relations, Stanford University (Spring 2022)

Select Public Engagement

Board of Directors, Centre for the Governance of AI (2025-present)

Jeffrey Ding. (2023). National security and economic competitiveness implications of AI. ***Testimony before the U.S. Senate Intelligence Committee***. [link]

Publisher of the ChinAI Newsletter (300+ issues)*: a newsletter that shares translations of writings on AI policy and strategy from Chinese thinkers, with 30,000+ subscribers.

Skills

Languages: Chinese (fluent), French (intermediate)
Web and Programming: LaTeX, Python, R, Stata