

# JOSHUA D. HENDERSON

+1 919-696-0013 • joshuahenderson@g.harvard.edu

## EDUCATION

---

- HARVARD KENNEDY SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT (2024-Present)** Cambridge, MA  
*PhD in Public Policy (Politics and Institutions)*
- YENCHING ACADEMY OF PEKING UNIVERSITY (2021-2023)** Beijing, China  
*Master of Law in China Studies (Politics and International Relations)*
- NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY (2015-2020)** Evanston, IL  
*Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Asian Studies; Bachelor of Music in Violin Performance*
- LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS (2017-2018)** London, UK  
*General Course in International Relations, Economics, and International History*

## RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

---

- Harvard Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs** Cambridge, MA  
Director for Research on US-China Relations (May 2023 – present)  
Avoiding Great Power War Project Lead China Researcher, (May 2022 – April 2023)
- **Researched and wrote 1500+ reports and memos** on Chinese politics, Chinese foreign policy, US-China relations, and Asia security issues for Dr. Graham Allison, ranging from daily briefings to 20+ page analytical papers
  - **Authored essays, commentaries, and book chapters** on Chinese elite politics, China-Russia relations, US-China competition, US grand strategy, Taiwan contingencies, and leader-to-leader diplomacy with Dr. Graham Allison for publication in *Foreign Policy*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, *Financial Times*, and *National Interest*
  - **Briefed senior officials** in the US government on Chinese elite politics, Chinese foreign policy, and Asian security issues in preparation for US-China leader-to-leader meetings in Bali (2022), San Francisco (2023), and numerous cabinet-level bilaterals in Washington and Beijing
  - **Developed policy recommendations** and drafted language that was included in China-focused legislation introduced to the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee
  - **Designed and led long-term projects** on Chinese grand strategy, US-China competition, and Asian security issues published as working papers, reports, and essays at Harvard's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs
- Paulson Institute** Chicago, IL  
Fellow, MacroPolo September 2021 – April 2022
- **Published case studies and analysis** on China-focused political, economic, and international relations topics, including Chinese elite politics, Chinese provincial and national-level promotion patterns, Chinese anti-corruption efforts, Chinese domestic regulatory policy, and global supply chain dynamics of critical technologies
  - **Designed, researched, and developed** long-term projects on Chinese elite politics, Chinese political ideology, Chinese political leadership cohorts, and clean energy technologies
  - **Created, managed, and performed** statistical analysis on large (500,000+ rows) datasets for published political and economic research

# JOSHUA D. HENDERSON

+1 919-696-0013 • [joshuahenderson@g.harvard.edu](mailto:joshuahenderson@g.harvard.edu)

## Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)

Researcher, Economics Program

Washington, DC

August 2020 – January 2021

- **Authored briefings** on data governance, US-China decoupling, digital currency, and other topics for Economics Program senior staff
- **Performed data analytics** using Bloomberg Terminal, the US Bureau of Economic Analysis, and the Chinese National Bureau of Statistics for research assignments
- **Managed the only public dataset** tracking international financial institutions' responses to the economic impacts of Covid-19

## Institute of New Structural Economics (INSE)

Research Analyst, International Research Team

Beijing, China

June 2017 – August 2017

- **Designed and ran regression analyses** of country-level data from World Bank WDI and WEO databases to highlight structural macroeconomic differences among developing countries in sub-Saharan Africa
- **Prepared briefs and formal papers** on economic development strategy in Nigeria, Benin, and Ethiopia to advise West African policymakers on economic development best-practices
- **Processed field data** from work in Nigeria to accurately reflect financial records of international businesses operating in Nigeria's Special Economic Zones.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

*Work has been cited by the US-China Economic and Security Review Commission, US Department of Commerce, Center for Strategic Translation, Hoover Institution, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, China Project, Politico, Wall Street Journal, and Financial Times*

- Kate Davidson, Raphael Piliero, Peter Gaber, and **Joshua Henderson**, "From Stalemate to Settlement: Lessons from History for Ukraine's Peace," Belfer Institute for Science and International Affairs, 29 July 2024 (<https://www.belfercenter.org/research-analysis/stalemate-settlement-lessons-history-ukraines-peace>).
- Ruihan Huang and **Joshua Henderson**, "The Return of Technocrats in Chinese Politics," Paulson Institute, 3 May 2022 (<https://macropolo.org/analysis/return-technocrats-chinese-politics>).
- Ruihan Huang and **Joshua Henderson**, "From Fear to Behavior Modification: Beijing Entrenches Corruption Fight," Paulson Institute, 8 March 2022 (<https://macropolo.org/beijing-entrenches-corruption-fight>).
- Damien Ma and **Joshua Henderson**, "Age Rules: The Arrival of the Post-60s Generation in Chinese Politics," Paulson Institute, 12 December 2021 (<https://macropolo.org/analysis/post-60s-generation-chinese-politics>).
- Damien Ma and **Joshua Henderson**, "The Impermanence of Permanent Magnets: A Case Study on Industry, Chinese Production, and Supply Constraints," Paulson Institute, 16 November 2021 (<https://macropolo.org/analysis/permanent-magnets-case-study-industry-chinese-production-supply/>).
- Ruihan Huang and **Joshua Henderson**, "Is There a Method Behind China's Tech Crackdown Madness?" *Paulson Institute*, 21 October 2021 (<https://macropolo.org/china-tech-crackdown-software-hardware>).
- Stephanie Segal and **Joshua Henderson**, "International Financial Institutions' Covid-19 Approvals Decline Even as G20 Leaders Call for Additional Support," Center for Strategic and International Studies, 24 November, 2020 (<https://www.csis.org/analysis/international-financial-institutions-covid-19-approvals-decline-even-g20-leaders-call>).
- **Joshua Henderson**, "China's New Free Trade Zones: A Pivot Inward?" Center for Strategic and International Studies, 23 October 2020 (<https://www.csis.org/blogs/new-perspectives-asia/chinas-new-free-trade-zones-pivot-inward>).