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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Stanford University

Beginning in Jan. 2020

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, The Pennsylvania State University 2014 – Dec. 2019 (Expected)

Dissertation: “Authoritarian Control in the Age of **Digital Surveillance**”

Committee: Joseph Wright (Chair); Matt Golder; Boliang Zhu; Luke Keele; Kalyan Chatterjee (Econ.)

M.A. Political Science, Columbia University 2013

Ph.D. Urban Engineering, The University of Tokyo 2012

M.E. Urban Engineering, Tsinghua University 2009

B.A. Landscape Architecture, Wuhan University of Technology 2003

RESEARCH FIELDS AND INTERESTS

Fields: Comparative Politics; Political Methodology; Political Economy

Interests: Chinese Politics; Authoritarianism; Causal Inference and Experimental Design

PUBLICATIONS

1. Frantz, Erica, Andrea Kendall-Taylor, Joseph Wright, and **Xu Xu**. “Personalization of Power and Repression in Dictatorships” *Journal of Politics*. (Forthcoming)
2. **Xu, Xu**, and Xin Jin. 2018. “The Autocratic Roots of Social Distrust” *Journal of Comparative Economics* 46.1
3. Cao, Xun, Genia Kostka, and **Xu Xu**. 2019. “Environmental Political Business Cycles: The Case of PM2.5 Air Pollution in Chinese Cities” *Environmental Science and Policy*.

UNDER REVIEW

1. **Xu, Xu**. “To Repress or To Co-opt? Authoritarian Control in the Age of Digital Surveillance” Revise and Resubmit, *American Journal of Political Science*.
2. Cheng, Zhiyuan, Xin Jin and **Xu Xu**. “Is Cracking Down on Corruption Really Good for the Economy: Firm-level Evidence from a Natural Experiment in China” Reject and Resubmit, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organizations*
3. **Xu, Xu**. “Incentivizing Corruption: The Unintended Consequence of Bureaucratic Promotions in China”

WORKING PAPERS

1. **Xu, Xu.** “The Social Consequences of Digital vs. In-person Surveillance: Experimental and Observational Evidence from China”

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. **Xu, Xu.** “Propaganda and Public Support for Digital Surveillance: Experimental Evidence from China”
2. **Xu, Xu.** “Internet Diffusion, Protests, and Preventive Co-optation in Dictatorships”
3. Chen, Ted, Christopher Fariss, and **Xu Xu.** “The Effect of Disaster-induced Displacement on Social and Political Behavior: The Case of Hurricane Harvey”

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

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| 2019 | APSA Mini-Conference on Chinese Politics (Scheduled)
Society for Political Methodology annual meeting (Scheduled)
16th Midwest International Economic Development Conference – Madison, Wisconsin
Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting |
| 2018 | New Faces in China Studies Conference at Duke University
Quantitative China Studies Seminar at New York University
Society for Political Methodology annual meeting
Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting
Workshop in Applied and Theoretical Economics (WATE) – Florida |
| 2017 | American Political Science Association annual meeting
Southern Economics Association Meeting |
| 2016 | American Political Science Association annual meeting |
| 2015 | American Political Science Association annual meeting |
| 2014 | American Political Science Association annual meeting |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| PLSC414: Dictators and Their Demise
- <i>Instructor</i>
- <i>Student Rating of Teaching Effectiveness: 6.5/7</i> | Summer 2019 |
| PLSC414: Dictators and Their Demise
- <i>Guest Lecturer</i> for Professor Joseph Wright | Fall 2018 |
| PLSC003: Introduction to Comparative Politics (100 – 150 Students)
- <i>Teaching Assistant</i> to Professor Matt Golder
• Giving guest lectures, organizing group discussions, and other regular TA tasks. | Fall 2015 & Fall 2017 |

RESEARCH POSITIONS

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| The Pennsylvania State University
- <i>Research Assistant</i> to Professor Elizabeth Carlson
- <i>Research Assistant</i> to Professor Xun Cao | 2016 – 2017
2014 – 2015 |
| The Employment and Disability Institute, Cornell University
- <i>Research Assistant</i> to Dr. Susanne Bruyère | 2013 – 2014 |
| Columbia University | |

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

<i>Causal Inference</i> , Independent Study with Luke Keele, The Pennsylvania State University	Fall 2017
<i>Causal Inference</i> , ICPSR, University of Michigan	Summer 2015
<i>Advanced Game Theory</i> , ICPSR, University of Michigan	Summer 2015

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Journal Referee for *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, etc.

Discussant at the Midwest Political Science Association annual conference (2018, 2019).

Judge for the undergraduate research poster session at the 2018 Undergraduate Exhibition at the Pennsylvania State University.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2019 Raymond E. Lombra and Roberta Lombra Outstanding Graduate Research Award, Penn State University
- 2018 Department of Political Science Summer Graduate Research Award, \$3500, Penn State University
- 2018 RGSO Dissertation Support, \$5000, College of the Liberal Arts, Penn State University
- 2017 Program in Comparative Politics (PiCP) Graduate Research Award, \$4500, Penn State University
- 2017 Department of Political Science Summer Graduate Research Award, \$3500, Penn State University
- 2016 The Steighton (Steve) A. Watts, Jr. Endowed Graduate Scholarship in Political Science award, \$3000, Penn State University
- 2016 Department of Political Science Summer Graduate Research Award, \$3500, Penn State University
- 2016 Political Science Graduate Research Fellowship, Spring 2016, Penn State University
- 2015 Program in Comparative Politics (PiCP) Graduate Research Award, \$2000, Penn State University
- 2015 Program in Comparative Politics (PiCP) Fellowship, 2015 Spring, Penn State University
- 2010 Excellent Young Scholars Grant, \$2000, 15 Students selected, Global Center of Excellence, Japan
- 2009-2012 Tokyo University Scholarship for Excellent Doctoral Students, Japan

FIELD RESEARCH

Beijing/Nanjing/Chengdu, China	March, 2019
Beijing, China	June, 2018
Beijing/Hubei/Guangxi/Guangdong/Hong Kong, China	December, 2017 - February, 2018
Beijing/Hubei/Sichuan/Jiangsu, China	May - July, 2015

SKILLS

Languages: Chinese (Native); English (fluent); Japanese (intermediate)

Statistical Software: R; PYTHON; STATA; GIS; SAS; SPSS

REFERENCES

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