

LINAN YAO

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EDUCATION

Columbia University, New York Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science M.Phil., in Political Science (2019) M.A., Political Science (2017) Major in Comparative Politics, Minor in American Politics	expected 2023
Yale University, New Haven M.A. in East Asian Studies	2015
Peking University, Beijing B.A. in International Relations and Economics	2014

DISSERTATION

Making Propaganda Sell: The Commercialization of Propagandist Entertainment in China
Advisor: Andrew Nathan, Donald Green, John Marshall

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Robert S. Erikson, Karl Sigman, and Linan Yao. Electoral college bias and the 2020 presidential election. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 2020

WORKING PAPER

Old Wine in New Bottles: Dressing Authoritarian Propaganda in Entertainment, with Hanzhang Liu
Co-opting the Cultural Elites: the State Strategy of Organizing Propaganda Production in China
Effects of Propaganda Movies: Evidence From An Online Field Experiment in China
Women's Political Representation on the Screen: How Gendered Political Roles Are Produced

TEACHING

TA for Voting and American Politics with Robert S. Erikson	Fall 2022
TA for Experimental Research with Donald Green	Spring 2019

TA for Game Theory with John Huber	Spring 2018
TA for Introduction to Human Rights with Andrew Nathan	Fall 2018 & Fall 2017

GRANT & AWARDS

Summer 2022 Weatherhead Grant Weatherhead Institute, Columbia University	Summer 2021
Kathryn and Shelby Cullom Davis International Fellowship Fund Dean's Fellowship Political Science Department, Columbia University	Spring 2021 - Spring 2022
ASGC Travel Grant Arts and Sciences Graduate Council, Columbia	Fall 2021
CELSS Grant Columbia Experimental Laboratory for the Social Sciences	Fall 2021
Summer 2021 Weatherhead Grant Weatherhead Institute, Columbia University	Summer 2021
Summer 2020 Weatherhead Grant Weatherhead Institute, Columbia University	Summer 2020
Dissertation Fellowship Political Science Department, Columbia University	Spring 2021 - Spring 2022
Dissertation Development Grant Political Science Department, Columbia University	Spring 2020
Dean's Fellowship Political Science Department, Columbia University	Fall 2016 - Spring 2017
The Edison Dick Fellowship East Asia Studies, Yale University	Fall 2014 - Spring 2015
Guanghua Scholarship for Academic Excellence Peking University	Fall 2012- Spring 2013
Hong Kong Engineering Scholarship Peking University	Fall 2011 - Spring 2012
Peking University Scholarship for Outstanding Freshman Peking University	Fall 2010 - Spring 2011

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

WZB Berlin Social Science Center, Berlin Visiting researcher	Spring 2021
Columbia University, New York Research assistant for Professor Macartan Humphreys	Fall 2020
Columbia University, New York Research assistant for Professor Robert S. Erikson	Fall 2019 - Spring 2020

University of California, Los Angeles
Research assistant for Professor James Tong

Spring 2016

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

ICPSR Summer School, Ann Arbor Student	Summer 2015
National Taiwan University, Taipei Exchange student	Fall 2013

POLICY EXPERIENCE

Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China, Beijing I wrote daily briefings about international news based on English media. Selected briefings I wrote were submitted to the leaders at the Ministry of Finance.	Summer 2013
IBM consulting, Beijing I worked for a branch to secure government contracts. I had a close look at how the local governments and private companies exchanged resources and struck deals.	Summer 2012
China Beijing International Mining Exchange, Beijing I researched about how the global resource-based economy affected China's policy-making.	Summer 2011

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2022	Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Annual Conference UCSD Young Scholars Conference USC 2nd China Research Group Doctoral Symposium
2021	American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference
2019	Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference
2018	Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Columbia Food Pantry, New York	March 2020 - current
Columbia Students of Color Alliance E-board, New York	September 2018 - June 2019
Common Language (LGBT non-profit), Beijing	February 2013 - June 2013

SKILLS

Substantive	Comparative Politics, American Politics, Political Economy, Authoritarian Regimes, Entertainment politics, Propaganda, Media effects, Political Communication, Political Behavior
Programming Languages	R, Python Chinese (native), English