EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

- Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science August 2017 - May 2023 (expected) Subfields: International Relations, Comparative Politics

Georgetown University

Washington, DC

- B.S., Foreign Service (Summa Cum Laude) August 2011 - May 2015 Major: International Politics (Honors), Concentration: Foreign Policy and Policy Processes Study Abroad: Mansfield College, University of Oxford (UK)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Conducting bilingual dissertation research on individual agency in Japan's alliance formation.
- Developing probabilistic counterfactual analysis as a novel method for historical research on the role of leaders in foreign policy decisions.
- Conducted original research in Tokyo as a Visiting Research Fellow at the Institute of Social Science at University of Tokyo from November 2020 to July 2021 (under Covid-19 limitations). Managed a research budget, and created processes to collect, store, and transport data.
- Conducted original research in Tokyo in August 2018. Developed professional network.
- Trained in designing and evaluating qualitative and quantitative research. Presented research designs and findings at internal and external venues verbally and in writing. Provided feedback to peers' qualitative and quantitative research designs and findings verbally and in writing.
- Awarded the Graduate Research Program Fellowship by the National Science Foundation to support my dissertation research.

Professional Experience

Risk Assistance Network and Exchange (RANE)

McLean, VA

Risk Consultant

December 2016 - August 2017

- Proactively identified and researched risk topics relevant to assigned clients to present as written products and client briefings. Wrote analytical and descriptive reports for corporate clients on various risk topics. Supported the team's client response efforts with assorted research tasks.
- Provided daily updates to assigned clients on relevant risk topics.
- Contributed to and maintained Knowledge Center repository of risk-related articles.
- Interviewed experts in the RANE network to highlight their expertise to clients.

TV Tokyo America Inc.

Washington, DC

News Producer

July 2015 - November 2016

- Proactively identified developing news stories of interest to Japanese audiences.
- Conducted pre-interviews by phone, arranged on-the-ground interviews for filming, provided English-Japanese translations, and conducted background research for feature news segments highlighting political, economic, and social trends in the United States.
- Covered the State Department, the US Congress, the Democratic Party's 2016 US Presidential campaign, and the US President's diplomatic initiatives.

Diplomat Media Inc.

Washington, DC (Virtual)

Columnist

January 2015 - March 2020

- Wrote over 150 current events updates and analysis pieces on contemporary political, economic, diplomatic, and security developments in Japan, the Koreas, Southeast Asia, and Australia.

Georgetown University

Washington, DC

Teaching Assistant for Quantitative Methods in International Politics January 2013 - May 2015

- Led weekly recitation sections teaching the use of Stata12.
- Held office hours to answer student questions, and responded to student questions over e-mail.
- Led review sessions for the midterm and final exams. Graded midterm and final exams.

Skills Languages: English (native); Japanese (native)

Technical: MS Office (advanced); R (basic); Stata (basic); NVivo (basic); InDesign; IATEX