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Education **Northwestern University** Evanston, IL

> Ph.D. in Political Science; GPA 3.95 2022 2018 M.A. in Political Science

Columbia University New York, NY

M.A. in Sociocultural Anthropology; GPA 3.89 2016

Ithaca, NY **Cornell University**

B.A. in Economics/Asian Studies with distinction in all subjects; GPA 3.77 2014

Experience ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute, Thailand Studies Programme

Singapore 2022-Present

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 Undertook research on Thai politics for ISEAS flagship publications such as Fulcrum and ISEAS Perspectives, delivering analytical insights to guide and inform policymakers, diplomats, journalists, academics, business leaders, and other stakeholders around the globe on Thailand's shifting political and policy environment

- Collaborated with ISEAS coordinators to organize events and moderated diverse panels of policymakers, political figures and academics, fostering in-depth discussions on Southeast Asia's politics, economics, and social issues
- Provided expert commentary and in-depth analysis on the evolving political dynamics in Thailand through seminars and webinars for an international audience, in addition to regular media appearances

Northwestern University, Department of Political Science

Evanston, IL 2016-2022

Ph.D. Researcher

Visiting Fellow

- Applied unsupervised machine learning and natural language processing methods to analyze underlying trends in public opinion and sentiment on Thailand's political issues, using over 20,000 news articles and two million tweets as data sources
- Developed a web scraper in R for extracting 813,394 military personnel records of individuals who perished in Belgium during WWI and WWII to construct a dataset for a faculty project on the impact of war commemoration on nationalism
- Created an election map in ArcGIS to visualize the electoral performance of political parties and to identify patterns of geographic clustering in votes and partisanship in Thailand's 2019 general elections
- Designed and conducted original, independent research in Thailand involving in-depth interviews with hard-to-reach political actors to assess how and why parties and politicians distribute discretionary rewards, favors and privileged access to government resources as a means to generate electoral support

Teaching Assistant 2017-2020

- Collaborated with faculty and teaching assistants in designing a versatile curriculum, establishing effective communication, and fostering a safe, engaging learning environment for both in-person and remote instruction
- · Organized and led weekly lectures, discussions, individual consultations, and lab sections covering a wide range of university-level courses, including hands-on training in data wrangling, regression analysis, and machine learning methods in R
- Assisted students, especially those with limited technical backgrounds, in grasping intricate concepts in research methods, causal inference, and machine learning, equipping them with essential programming and analytical skills for their research endeavors

Technical Skills R (including tidyverse, RMarkdown), Python, NVivo, LaTex, Data scraping, HTML, CSS, GitHub

Language Thai (native), English (fluent), Japanese (basic), Chinese (novice)