

NEIL KE-JIAN CHIN

Pursuing Innovation in Climate Finance and Policy.

EDUCATION

Expected
2023

Columbia University

M.A. International Affairs | Energy & Env. | Data Analytics

📍 New York, NY

2020

Northwestern University

B.A. Economics & International Studies | *Cum Laude*

📍 Evanston, IL

2019

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2018

The London School of Economics (LSE)

General Course exchange student

📍 London, UK

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Present

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June

2022

Climate Finance Consultant

Climate Policy Initiative

📍 San Francisco, CA

- Designed a digital analytics “workspace” (i.e., data analysis pipeline, financial model, KPI dashboard, etc.) to assess the financial, economic development, and climate performance of the UK’s international climate private equity program.
- Developed a web-based tracker for the climate commitments made by public financial institutions (i.e., development banks, export credit agencies, etc.) using web scraping and data analysis skills.
- Co-authored a report on adaptation finance in Africa, highlighting gaps in financing relative to need and key barriers/solutions to increasing adaptation investment.

May

2022

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June

2021

Intern, Raising Global Climate Ambition

World Resources Institute

📍 Remote

- Spearheaded an assessment of the alignment between US cities’ climate targets and global benchmarks and policy goals using data analysis.
- Authored an article proposing procedural and technical avenues for COP26 participants to incorporate long-term strategies into the 2023 Global Stocktake.

August

2019

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June

2019

Intern, Climate Finance

Climate Policy Initiative

📍 San Francisco, CA

- Co-authored a report on the Chinese green bond market, analyzing use of proceeds and opportunities to streamline policy and increase transparency.

TEACHING, RESEARCH, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Present

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May

2022

Teaching Assistant

Columbia University SIPA

📍 New York, NY

- Assistant instructor for the graduate-level courses Data Analysis for Policy Research Using R (Spring 2023) and Energy Systems Fundamentals/Energy Markets and Innovation (Fall 2022; Summer 2022).

May

2021

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September

2019

Research Assistant

Northwestern Workforce Science Project

📍 Evanston, IL

- Developed machine learning methods to analyze Big Data from millions of resumes, supporting research for an academic paper examining the relationship between higher education and economic opportunity.

August

2018

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June

2018

Undergraduate Fellow

Wanxiang Summer Fellowship

📍 Beijing/Hangzhou, China

- Member of an energy and technology fellowship hosted by Peking University, culminating in a landscape report on China’s solar technology deployment.

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BIOGRAPHY

Born and raised in San Francisco. Appreciator of the outdoors and pick-up basketball. He/him pronouns. Looking to make an impact!

LANGUAGES

English (Primary); Chinese 普通话 (Limited Professional); Italian (Intermediate).

SKILLS

Analytically flexible across Python, R, Excel, and Stata. This CV was knitted in R markdown!

Project development and data management with Github, Amazon Web Services, Airtable, Metabase, and Notion.

Technical expertise in monitoring & evaluation, impact assessment, financial modeling, machine learning and data engineering.