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Education

Texas A&M University   College Station, TX
  Ph.D. in Political Science   (Expected 2025)
  Major: International Relations
  Minor: Comparative Politics & Political Methodology
  Dissertation: *Clash of Global Orders: The U.S.-Led Liberal International Order Versus the China-Led Alternative Order*
  Dissertation Committee: Quan Li, PhD (Chair), Hyeran Jo, PhD (Co-Chair),
                                        Matthew Fuhrmann, PhD, Matt Malis, PhD, David Bearce, PhD

Johns Hopkins University   Washington, DC
  M.A. School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)   2020
  Major in International Economics & Asia / China Studies
  Specialization in Economic Policy
  Advisor: Andrew Mertha, PhD, Carla Freeman PhD

Kyoto University   Kyoto, Japan
  M.A. Graduate School of Economics   2014
  Major in Economics (Political Economy, East Asian Studies). JDS Scholar
  International Graduate Program for East Asia Sustainable Economic Development Studies

Peking University   Beijing, China
  M.A. School of International Studies   2012
  Major in International Relations (Great Power Politics and Diplomacy). Teaching Assistant

Peking University   Beijing, China
  B.A. School of Government   2004
  Major in Political Science and Public Administration. Merit Student; Class President

Professional Affiliations

Kissinger Center, Johns Hopkins SAIS   2024-2025
  Junior Scholar, Carnegie International Policy Scholars Consortium and Network (IPSCON)

Areas of Interests

Research Interests:

Great Power Competition and Global Order, U.S.-China Relations, International Trade and Security

Teaching Interests:

International Politics, International Political Economy, International Institutions, International Security, International Trade and Monetary Policy, China's Political Economy and Foreign Policy, Quantitative Methods, Game Theory

Research and Publications

Revise and Resubmit:

Li, Quan, and **Qiang Wu.** "Does Sino-U.S. Strategic Rivalry Lead to Economic Rivalry in the Indo-Pacific Region?" R&R in Issues & Studies

Editor-Reviewed Paper:

Wu, Qiang. 2020. "[China's Use of Trade Retaliation in Territorial Disputes: Interdependence with a Difficult but Rational Power](.)." *SAIS China Studies Review*, Volume 6

Working Paper:

Wu, Qiang. "Economic Interdependence and Security Preferences of Third-Party Countries in the U.S.-China Competition: The Case of The Indo-Pacific"

Wu, Qiang and Quan Li. "Cold War, Democratization and the Move to Free Trade in the Developing Countries"

Wu, Qiang, Kyung Suk Lee, Kirby Goidel, and Clifford Young. "Good Trade, Bad Trade: Public Opinion, International Trade, and Globalization"

Thesis:

Wu, Qiang. 2014. *Environmental Performance and Promotion of Provincial Officials in China.* Unpublished master's thesis. Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan.
Advisor: Deqiang Liu, PhD

Wu, Qiang. 2011. *Chinese Characteristics and Parliamentary Diplomacy in China* (in Chinese) Unpublished master's thesis. Peking University, Beijing, China.
Advisor: Zhenzhou Xu, PhD

Essays:

Wu, Qiang. 2020. "[Time to Retrieve the First Heart of Multilateralism](#)." The Bretton Woods Committee

Wu, Qiang. 2011. "Wei renmin fuwu zai renshi" [[Reconsidering the Relationship between Government and People](#)], *Ziguang Ge* [Journal of the Chinese Central Government Work Committee]: 90-91, (in Chinese)

Wu, Qiang. 2010. "Zhonghua wenming youshi wuzhong" [The History and Future of Chinese Civilization], Quanguo renda zhengwen bisai youxiu zuopinxuan [Collection of Outstanding Articles in the Congress Staff Essay Contest]. Beijing: in-house publication, (in Chinese)

Wu, Qiang. 2009. "Dui minzhu de sikao" [Thoughts on Democracy], Quanguo renda qingnian zhengwen zuopinxuan [Youth Thought: Collection of Outstanding Articles in the Congress Staff Essay Contest]. Beijing: China Democracy and Law Press, (in Chinese)

Distinctions & Financial Awards

Awards & Recognitions:

[First Place Winner](#) of the Business and Political Science Section for Graduate Students in the Student Research Week Competition, Texas A&M University, 2023

[Second Place Winner](#) of the Henry Owen Memorial Award, Bretton Woods Committee, 2020

Second Prize, Essay Contest for Congressional Staff, National People's Congress, China, 2011

Excellent Civil Servant Award, National People's Congress, China, 2010 - 2011

First Prize, Essay Contest for Congressional Staff, National People's Congress, China, 2010

Research Grants:

Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University, 2021 ($1,000), 2023 ($2,000)

College of Liberal Arts, Texas A&M University, 2022 ($1,500)

Conference & Workshop Funding:

Travel Grant & Stipend for the Advanced Topics in Liberty: Liberty, War, and Peace Colloquium (Trip Expenses + $500)
Institute for Humane Studies, 2024

Travel Grant for the Annual Convention ($500)
International Studies Association, 2024

Travel Grants for Conference Attending
Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University, 2024 ($1,000 + $500), 2023 ($1,000), 2022 ($600 + $600)

Travel Grant & Stipend for the Junior Scholars Symposium (Trip Expenses + $500)
Cato Institute, 2023

Travel Grant for the Sanctions, Globalization, War and Peace Symposium ($300)
Institute for Humane Studies, 2023

Stipend for the Taiwan-America Conference on Contemporary China ($300)
Institute of International Relations, National Chengchi University, 2021

Scholarships:

Dean's Scholarship ($12,500)
Johns Hopkins SAIS, 2019 - 2020

Full Ride Two-Year Scholarship (Tuition Exemption + $1,500/month)
Japan International Cooperation Agency, 2012 - 2014

Conference Presentations

"Economic Dependence and Security Cooperation with a Third-Party Great Power: The Case of the Indo-Pacific"
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2024 (upcoming)
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. 2023

"Cold War, Democratization, and the Move to Free Trade in Developing Countries"
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2023
International Studies Association Annual Convention. 2023

"Do Trade Partners' Trade Practices Affect American Public Preference on Trade Policy? When and How?"
International Studies Association Annual Convention. 2024
International Society of Political Psychology. 2022
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. 2022

"Globalization, International Trade, and Immigration: Perceptions and Realities"
Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2023

"Domestic Politics and China's Hedging Strategy in International Development Regime."
Penn Symposium on Contemporary China. Canceled due to Covid-19. 2020

Invited Talks

"Economy and Security in International Relations"   College Station, TX
Academy for Future Faculty, Texas A&M University   2024

Advanced Topics in Liberty: Liberty, War, and Peace Colloquia   Washington D.C.
Institute for Humane Studies   2024

"Economic Interdependence and Security Cooperation with a Third-Party Great Power: The
Case of the Indo-Pacific"   Washington D.C.
Junior Scholars Symposium, Cato Institute   2023

"Does Sino-U.S. Strategic Rivalry Lead to Economic Rivalry in the Indo-Pacific Region?"
Taiwan-America Conference on Contemporary China   Taipei, Taiwan
Institute of International Relations, National Chengchi University   2021

Research Experiences

Texas A&M University, Department of Political Science
Graduate Research Assistant for Quan Li (Spring 2022, Spring 2023), Kirby Goidel (Spring
and Fall 2022).

Johns Hopkins University, SAIS, International Political Economy Program
Graduate Research Assistant for David Steinberg (Fall 2019, Spring 2020) on his paper
"Public responses to foreign protectionism: Evidence from the US-China trade war"

The US-China Business Council
Graduate Research Assistant for Craig Allen (Spring 2019) on his book chapter "U.S.-China
Retrospective: Forty Years of Commercial Relations"

Unirule Institute of Economics
Research Assistant for Hao Jiang (Spring 2018) on his project "The Dynamics of Corruption
and State-Business Interactions in Chinese Local Governments"

Peking University, Academy of e-Government
Research Assistant for Fengchun Yang (2006 - 2007) on e-gov related research

Teaching Experiences

Instructor of Record:

POLS 429: Issues in World Politics (36 students), Texas A&M University   Fall 2024

Graduate Lab Instructor and Grader:

POLS 209: Introduction to Political Science Research Methods (Statistics and Quantitative Research Methods), Texas A&M University
I led lab sessions on R programming as part of courses for two classes, each comprising 25 students, under the main instruction of Ali Kagalwala (Spring 2024), Paul Kellstedt (Fall 2023), and Hyeran Jo (Fall 2021).
I also graded students' statistics homework and writing assignments.

Grader:

POLS 429: Issues in World Politics (Power and Politics, 36 students), Texas A&M University
I graded writing assignments and occasionally served as a substitute instructor for Quan Li's course in Spring 2023.

Online Course Instructor:

[Stata Introduction](), The Education University of Hong Kong
I developed this online boot camp course for the Policy Science and Management Program of the Department of Asian and Policy Studies (2022).

Online Discussion Session Instructor and Grader:

POLS 200: Foundations of Political Science, Texas A&M University
I led discussion sessions as part of courses for two classes, each comprising 25 students, under the main instruction of José Antonio Cheibub (Spring 2021), and Michelle Taylor-Robinson (Fall 2020). I also graded writing assignments.

Teaching Certificate:

The Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning (CIRTL)
CIRTL Associate Fellow Certificate,
awarded by the Center for Teaching Excellence, Texas A&M University, Spring 2024.

Professional Trainings

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)
  Summer Program at the University of Michigan, 2019
  Regression Analysis II: Linear Models (Timothy McDaniel)

U.S. Foreign Policy Colloquium, in Washington D.C., 2019
  Organized by the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations

Foreign Policy Experiences

Legal Office, Foreign Affairs Committee, National People's Congress   Beijing, China
  International Economy, Law, and Treaty Analyst   2014 - 2017

General Office, Foreign Affairs Committee, National People's Congress   Beijing, China
  International Politics and Parliamentary Diplomacy Analyst   2007 - 2012

Overseas Professional Engagements

Field Studies & Fellowships:

Field Study on Thai Industry and Economy   Bangkok, Thailand
  Role: Fellow; sponsored by Kyoto University and Thammasat University   2015

Northeast Asia Economic Forum Emerging Leaders Program   Seoul and Busan, South Korea
  Role: Fellow; sponsored by the Freeman Foundation   2014

Field Study on Korean Industry and Economy   Seoul, South Korea
  Role: Fellow; sponsored by Kyoto University and Seoul University   2013

Symposiums & Conferences:

Annual Symposium of Chinese Austrian School Economists   Taiyuan, China
  Role: Discussant   2017

Herrenhausen Symposium. Unable to attend due to employer constraints   Hanover, Germany
  Role: Presenter; sponsored by the Volkswagen Foundation   2015

IIDS (Australia) – IIMS (India) International Conference   Bonn, Germany
  Role: Presenter; sponsored by the JDS Program   2014

Diplomatic Visits:

Chinese Congressional Delegation Visit to the Chamber of Deputies   Rome, Italy
   Role: Foreign Policy Consultant   2011

Chinese Congressional Delegation Visit to the State Duma   Moscow, Russia
   Role: Foreign Policy Consultant   2010

Services

Texas A&M University, Department of Political Science
   Graduate Recruitment Service   2023

Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)
   New Cohort Consultant   2021
   Student Editor of SAIS *China Studies Review*   2018 - 2019

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association (APSA)
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)
International Studies Association (ISA)

Skills

Research Methods Used in Papers:

OLS, maximum likelihood estimation, causal inference, multilevel modeling, multinomial logistic regression, survey experiments, various time-series cross-sectional models.

Research Skills:

R, Stata, LaTeX, Qualtrics, Mechanical Turk, Prolific

Language Skills:

Bilingual in Mandarin Chinese and Cantonese
Basic Japanese