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INFORMATION

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RESEARCH
INTERESTS

Political economy, business & politics, money in politics, Japanese politics

ACADEMIC
APPOINTMENTS

University of Amsterdam

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science — 2023 -

Harvard University, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs

Postdoctoral Fellow, Program on US-Japan Relations — 2022 - 2023
Affiliate, Research Cluster on Business & Government

EDUCATION

Yale University

Ph.D., Political Science — 2022
Certifications: Political Economy, Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics
Committee: Frances Rosenbluth (chair), P.M. Aronow, Joshua Kalla, & Susan Rose-Ackerman

M.A., Political Science — 2018

University of California, Berkeley

B.A., Political Economy — 2012
B.A., Asian Studies: Japan (focus in economics) — 2012

PROFESSIONAL
EMPLOYMENT

Data Scientist, TrueCar, Inc. — 2016 - 2017
Analyst, Compass Lexecon LLC — 2013 - 2016

JOURNAL
ARTICLES

6. "Dyadic clustering in international relations" (with Jacob Carlson and P.M. Aronow). *Political Analysis* (Forthcoming).

5. "Field Research When There's Limited Access to the Field: Lessons From Japan" (with Kenya Amano, Charles Crabtree, Melanie Sayuri Dominguez, Timothy Fraser, Etienne Gagnon, Jinhyuk Jang, Charles T. McClean, Austin M. Mitchell, Sayumi Miyano, Colin Moreshead, Harunobu Saijo, Diana Stanescu, Ayumi Teraoka, Hikaru Yamagishi, Charmaine N. Willis, and Yujin Woo). *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 56.1 (2023): 99-105.

4. "Hawkish partisans: How political parties shape nationalist conflicts in China and Japan" (with Daniel Mattingly, Frances Rosenbluth, Seiki Tanaka, and Jiahua Yue). *British Journal of Political Science*, 51.4 (2021): 1494-1515.

3. "Corruption information and vote share: A meta-analysis and lessons for experimental design." *American Political Science Review*, 114.3 (2020): 761-774.

2. "The politics of energy and climate change in Japan under Abe" (with Phillip Y. Lipscy). *Asian Survey*, 58.4 (2018).
   - Adapted for Hoshi, Takeo, and Phillip Y. Lipscy. *The Political Economy of the Abe Government and Abenomics Reforms*. Cambridge University Press (2021).

1. "The Fukushima disaster and Japan's nuclear plant vulnerability in comparative perspective" (with Phillip Y. Lipscy and Kenji E. Kushida). *Environmental Science & Technology*, 47.12 (2013): 6082-6088.
   - Adapted for Blandford, Edward, and Scott D. Sagan eds., *Learning from a Disaster: Improving Nuclear Safety and Security after Fukushima*, Stanford University Press (2016).

BOOK CHAPTERS	1. "The energy politics of Japan" (with Phillip Y. Lipscy). In Hancock, Kathleen J., and Juliann Emmons Allison (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Energy Politics* (2020). (*Peer reviewed*)

WORKING PAPERS

"Countering capture in local politics: Evidence from eight field experiments." R&R, *Journal of Politics*

"Are regime changes always bad economics? Evidence from daily financial data" (with Devin Incerti). R&R, *Business & Politics*

"Chinese state media persuades a global audience that the "China Model" is superior: Evidence from a 19-country experiment" (with Changwook Ju, Daniel Mattingly, Colin Moreshead, Seiki Tanaka, and Hikaru Yamagishi). R&R, *American Journal of Political Science*

"How domestic politics shapes international soft power promotion: Evidence from East Asia" (with Changwook Ju, Daniel Mattingly, Colin Moreshead, Seiki Tanaka, and Hikaru Yamagishi).

"Sexual harassment in Japan: Willingness to pay for best practices" (with Charles Crabtree, Rieko Kage, Frances Rosenbluth, Seiki Tanaka, and Hikaru Yamagishi). (*under review*)

"Who benefits from the revolving door? Evidence from Japan." (contact for draft)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"*Amakudata*: A new dataset of bureaucratic revolving door hires" (with Sayumi Miyano, Diana Stanescu, and Hikaru Yamagishi).

"Boosting civic participation: Experimental evidence from a mobile app recycling program" (with Salma Mousa and Kristin Kao).

BOOK PROJECT

"Inside the revolving door: Government-business connections in contemporary Japan" (with Hikaru Yamagishi).

OTHER WRITING

"How Japan got the pandemic right - and wrong" (with Hikaru Yamagishi). *The Diplomat*, October 14, 2022.

"Protecting nuclear plants from nature's worst" (with Phillip Y. Lipscy and Kenji E. Kushida). *The Washington Post*, November 1, 2012.

TEACHING		
Democracy in the Digital Age		UvA, Spring 2023
Guest lecture, **Business and Politics in East Asia**		Georgetown, Spring 2023
TA (for Alex Coppock), **Design and Analysis of Randomized Field Experiments**		Yale, Spring 2020
TA (for P.M. Aronow), **Foundations of Statistical Inference**		Yale, Fall 2019

OTHER ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS		
University of Tokyo, Institute of Social Science, Visiting Research Fellow		2020 - 2021, 2022
Waseda University, Institute of Political Economy, Associate Researcher		2020 - 2021
Stanford University, Asia-Pacific Research Center, Researcher		2012 - 2013

ACADEMIC / UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Referee: *Acta Politica*, *American Journal of Political Science* (x2), *American Law and Economics Review*, *American Political Science Review* (x2), *Comparative Political Studies* (x2), *Electoral Studies*, *Japanese Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *PS: Political Science & Politics*, *Social Science Japan Journal*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*

Co-organizer, Asian Politics Online Seminar Series	2023 -
Coordinator, Yale Leitner Program in Political Economy Workshop	2021 - 2022
Co-coordinator, Yale Quantitative Research Methods Workshop	2018 - 2019

CONFERENCES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS	**2023:**
	Harvard University Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Combating Corruption and the Future of Democracy in Asia (Harvard Kennedy School), Copenhagen Business School Money in Politics Conference

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2022:

Japanese Politics Online Seminar Series, Junior Americanist Workshop Series (virtual), American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Montreal), Toronto Political Behavior Workshop (University of Toronto), Horizons in Japanese Politics (Columbia University)

2021:

The Political Economy of the Abe Government and Abenomics Reforms (virtual), University of Tokyo Center for Contemporary Japanese Studies (virtual), Yale Leitner Program in Political Economy Seminar Series (virtual)

2020:

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (virtual), Japanese Politics Online Seminar Series, Harvard Experimental Political Science Conference (virtual)

2019:

Yale Institution for Social and Policy Studies Experiments Workshop, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Washington, D.C.), Northeast Workshop in Japanese Politics (Dartmouth College), ID Insight (New Delhi)

2018:

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Boston), The Political Economy of Japan under the Abe Government (Stanford University)

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

University of Amsterdam Research Priority Area Polarisation Seed Grant (€5000)	April 2023
Harvard Weatherhead Research Cluster in Business & Government Grant ($3000)	December 2022
Annie G. K. Garland Memorial Fellowship	December 2021
Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership Grant ($8000)	November 2021
Yale Center for the Study of American Politics Field Experiment Grant ($5000)	June 2021
Bonsal International Studies Fellowship	March 2021
Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership Grant ($8000)	November 2020
Japan Cabinet Office research grant (co-PI, $90,000)	Sept. 2020
Fox International Fellowship ($30,000)	Sept. 2020 - Sept. 2021
Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership Grant ($8000)	November 2019
Yale MacMillan South Asian Studies Council Grant ($4500)	March 2019
Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership Grant ($8000)	November 2018
Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership Grant ($8000)	November 2017
Leitner Fellowship in Political Economy ($5000)	August 2017 - August 2019
Dean's Honor List, UC Berkeley	August 2008 - May 2012

SKILLS

- **Statistical Programming and Computing:** Python, R, Stata, SQL, ArcGIS, Advanced Excel, LaTeX
- **Libraries:** • Python: pandas, NumPy, scikit-learn, etc. • R: tidyverse, data.table, etc.
- **Data Visualization:** Tableau, ggplot2, R Shiny, matplotlib, Seaborn
- **Languages:** Advanced Japanese, intermediate French