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**Emory University** Appointment

Atlanta, Georgia Assistant Professor of Political Science August 2025 -

Nuffield College, University of Oxford Oxford, United Kingdom

Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow in Politics

Education Washington University in St. Louis St. Louis, Missouri

> Ph.D., Political Science (Chair: Margit Tavits) 2024 A.M., Political Science 2021

**Renmin University of China** Beijing, China

LL.B. (with Honor), Law 2018

Davis, California **University of California, Davis** Exchange Student in Political Science 2016 - 2017

Research Interests Authoritarian Politics, Political Communication, Public Opinion, China, Con-

flicts, LGBTQ Politics, Computational Methods, Experiments, Survey Methods

**Publications** [3] "Participatory Censorship in Authoritarian Regimes" Conditionally Accepted,

Comparative Political Studies, [Paper]

[2] "Normalization of Censorship: Evidence from China." Accepted, The Journal

of Politics, [Paper] [Appendices]

[1] Aksoy, Deniz, Ted Enamorado, and Tony Zirui Yang. 2024. "Russian Inva-

sion of Ukraine and Chinese Public Support for War." International Organization

78(2): 341–60, [Paper] [Appendices]

**Working Paper** "Twisted Tongue: Limits of China's Propaganda during Crises and Policy

Changes" (with Hongshen Zhu) Revise & Resubmit, Political Science Research and

*Methods*, [Paper]

"Ideology, Partisan Rhetoric, and Prejudice against LGBTQ Supreme Court Nom-

inees" (with Andrew Stone)

## Work in Progress

"Binary Gender Identity Strength Increases Prejudice toward LGBTQ Individuals" (with Margit Tavits)

"Listen to the Party! An Audio-as-Data Approach to Emotional Propaganda" (with Haohan Chen and Yiqiang Wang)

"How Chinese Censorship Allows Public Discourse on Democracies but Not Their Institutions"

"Transnational Impact of Chinese Propaganda on Inter-group Relations Overseas" (with Jeremy Siow and Minh Trinh)

#### Grants

### **External Research Grants**

Early Career Scheme, University Grants Committee, Hong Kong	
(with Haohan Chen & Yiqiang Wang)	HK\$1,006,340
Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship	\$20,000
APSA Centennial Center Research Grant	\$2,500
Institute for Humane Studies	\$23,000
Institute for Humane Studies (with Minh Trinh & Jeremy Siow)	\$5,000

### **Internal Research Grants**

Global Futures Small Grants (with Jeremy Siow)	\$2,000
Weidenbaum Center Small Grant (with Margit Tavits & Jeremy Siow)	\$12,000
Weidenbaum Center Small Grant (with Deniz Aksoy)	\$9,000
Legislative Studies Quarterly Research Fund, Washington University	\$5,000
Graduate Research Seed Grant, Washington University	\$2,000

### **Travel Grants**

Asian/MENA PolMeth Annual Meeting Travel Grant	2024
NSF Grant for PolMeth Annual Meeting	2022, 2023
APSA Committee on the Status of LGBT Travel Grant	2022
APSA Annual Meeting Travel Grant	2021

## Presentations

## **Invited Talks**

London School of Economics, China and the World Seminar Series	Jan. 2025
Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance in Munich	Dec. 2024
University of Manchester, Manchester China Institute	Dec. 2024
University of Oxford, Nuffield Political Science Seminar Series	Nov. 2024
The University of Hong Kong, Methods Hub Talk Series	Nov. 2022
Indiana University Bloomington, World Politics Speaker Series	Nov. 2022

## **Seminars & Workshops**

Max Planck Institute, The Logic of Sanctions Workshop	2024
UT Austin Elections, Public Policy, and Media Papers Workshop	2024
UCSD Young Scholars Conference	2022, 2024

Authoritarian Political System Group Online Worksho The Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research NYU Experimental Political Science Conference WUSTL Comparative Politics Annual Conference NYU Quantitative China Studies Seminar	1	2023 2023 2023 , 2023 2021
Harvard Experimental Political Science Conference		2021
Annual Meetings of Professional Associations		
American Political Science Association	2021, 2022, 2023	, 2024
Midwest Political Science Association	2021, 2022, 2023	, 2024
Western Political Science Association		2023
The Society for Political Methodology	2022	, 2023
The Asian Political Methodology Meetings	2022, 2024	, 2025
Elections, Public Opinion and Parties		2024
Peace Science Society (International)		2023
Guest Lecturer		
Institutions in Autocracies (University of Oxford)		2024
•	W Madison)	2024
Political Power in Contemporary China (Juan Qian, UW-Madison) Global Information Wars (Haohan Chen, HKU)		2023
Understanding Political Protest & Violence (Sunita Pa	rikh WIISTI)	2023
Onderstanding Political Protest & Violence (Stillita Pa	IIKII, WUUIL <i>)</i>	2020
Teaching Assistant, Washington University in St. L	ouis	

Service

Teaching

Journal Reviewer: American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, The China Quarterly, Chinese Journal of Sociology, Comparative Political Studies, Environmental Politics, Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media, Political Communication, Political Science Research and Methods, Political Studies Review, World Politics

Spring 2022

Spring 2021

Spring 2020

Fall 2021

Fall 2020

Fall 2019

Grant Reviewer: APSA Centennial Center Summer Research Grant

Coordinator, Comparative Politics Annual Conference 2022

Quantitative Political Methodology (Ted Enamorado)

Introduction to Political Theory (Clarissa Hayward)

Graduate Game Theory Seminar (Keith Schnakenberg)

Introduction to Comparative Politics (Guillermo Rosas)

Latin American Politics (Guillermo Rosas)

Political Psychology (Taylor Carlson)

Skills Fieldwork: China (November 2022 to February 2023)

**Programming:** R, Python, Qualtrics, LTFX

Languages: Mandarin & Cantonese (native), English (fluent), French (basic)