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Appointment	Emory University Assistant Professor of Political Science	Atlanta, Georgia August 2025 –
	Nuffield College, University of Oxford Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow in Politics Associate, University of Oxford China Centre	Oxford, United Kingdom 2024 - 2025
Education	Washington University in St. Louis Ph.D., Political Science (<i>Chair: Margit Tavits</i>) A.M., Political Science	St. Louis, Missouri 2024 2021
	Renmin University of China LL.B. (with Honor), Law Exchange Student, Political Science, UC Davis	Beijing, China 2018 2016 - 2017
Research Interests	Authoritarian Politics, Political Communication, Public Opinion, China, Conflicts, LGBTQ Politics, Computational Methods, Experiments, Survey Methods	
Publications	<p>[5] “Ideological Cues, Partisanship, and Prejudice Against LGBTQ Judges” (with Andrew R. Stone) <i>Conditionally Accepted, Public Opinion Quarterly</i></p> <p>[4] “Twisted Tongue: Limits of China’s Propaganda during Crises and Policy Changes” (with Hongshen Zhu) <i>Accepted, Political Science Research and Methods</i>, [Paper]</p> <p>[3] “Normalization of Censorship: Evidence from China.” <i>Accepted, The Journal of Politics</i>, [Paper] [Appendices]</p> <p>[2] Yang, Tony Zirui. 2024 (OnlineFirst). “Participatory Censorship in Authoritarian Regimes.” <i>Comparative Political Studies</i>, 0(0). [Paper][Appendices]</p> <p>[1] Aksoy, Deniz, Ted Enamorado, and Tony Zirui Yang. 2024. “Russian Invasion of Ukraine and Chinese Public Support for War.” <i>International Organization</i> 78(2): 341–60, [Paper] [Appendices]</p>	

Working Paper	“How Chinese Censorship Allows Public Discourse on Democracies but Not Their Institutions”	
	“Binary Gender Identity Strength and Attitudes toward LGBTQ Individuals” (with Margit Tavits) <i>Under Review</i>	
	“Listen to the Party! An Audio-as-Data Approach to Vocally Hard Propaganda” (with Haohan Chen and Yiqiang Wang) <i>Under Review</i>	
Work in Progress	“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	
	DPIR Research Support Fund, University of Oxford	£2,500
	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	
	LSE Global Sexual and Gender Identities Policy Lab	May 2025
	Bocconi University, The Dondena Politics and Institutions Unit	Apr. 2025
	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

The Queer Politics Webinar	2025
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 Workshop	2023
The Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research	2023
NYU Experimental Political Science Conference	2023
WUSTL Comparative Politics Annual Conference	2022, 2023
NYU Quantitative China Studies Seminar	2021
Harvard Experimental Political Science Conference	2021

Annual Meetings of Professional Associations

American Political Science Association	2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
Midwest Political Science Association	2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
Western Political Science Association	2023, 2025
European Political Science Association	2025
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

Teaching

Emory University

POLS 375 Contemporary Chinese Politics	Fall 2025
POLS 385 China in the World	Fall 2025

Service

Journal Reviewer:

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

Grant Reviewer: APSA Centennial Center Summer Research Grant

Workshop Coordinator:

New Frontiers in Authoritarian Politics, Nuffield College, Oxford	2025
Comparative Politics Annual Conference, Washington University	2022

Skills

Fieldwork: China (November 2022 to February 2023)

Programming: R, Python, Qualtrics, \LaTeX

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