

YUCHEN (FLORENCE) DAI

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EDUCATION

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government Cambridge, MA
Master in Public Policy | John F. Kennedy Fellow, NG Teng Fong Fellow May 2025
Track: Data and Research Methods Track (STEM)
Concentration: Business and Government
Relevant Coursework: Sustainable Investing (Harvard Business School), Quantitative Analysis and Empirical Methods (R, Machine Learning, Econometrics), Data and Information Visualization;
Financial Analysis in Non-profit and Gov; Budgeting; Finance, and Regulation of Public Infrastructure;
Columbia University in the City of New York, Columbia College New York, NY
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. GPA: 3.9/4.0 | Davis UWC Scholar, Dean's List May 2022

Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute, CFA Exam Level I Passed April 2024
Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute, Certificate in ESG Investing August 2023

EXPERIENCE

The International Finance Corporation (IFC) Remote
Impact Investing Fellow/Short-Term Consultant August 2024 -Present

- Report to Manufacturing, Agribusiness and Services (MAS) Department- Climate Business Team
- Compile and monitor a database of MAS Sustainable Finance investment transactions
- Perform data analysis and update pitch books

The International Finance Corporation (IFC) Impact Investing Challenge Washington DC
1st Runner-up (out of 190 teams) June 2024

- The IFC [Impact Investing Challenge](#) is a preeminent competition for graduate students worldwide. It invites students to propose an innovative proposal in designing a debt or equity fund that delve into the critical intersection of climate action and gender equity.
- Our team proposed the first gender-responsive social securitization in Sub-Saharan Africa, which is also the first solution to embed gender lens into off-grid solar financing, with the potential of ~627K tons of CO2 emissions prevented and ~1.2M women empowered (See deck [here](#)).

Eurasia Group New York, NY
Global Macro – Geostrategy Research Intern June 2024 – August 2024

- Eurasia Group is the world's leading global political risk research and consulting firm.
- Facilitated bespoke research and analysis to distill the firm's global macro views into actionable insights for macro hedge funds, institutional investors, and corporate clients.
- Conducted in-depth desktop research to gather, analyze, and interpret data on industry trends, competitors, and market developments; Contributed to a comprehensive industry and political risk assessment for a renewable energy greenfield investment for a global asset manager client.
- Compiled data and drafted an analysis piece for flagship publication of OFAC/sanctions compliance.
- Intern capstone project: global trade and supply chains amid geopolitical tensions.

Lanchi Ventures Beijing, China
Fundamental Research Analyst Intern (Energy Sector) May 2023 – September 2023

- Lanchi Ventures is a leading early-stage venture capital firm with offices in Beijing and Singapore.
- Gathered qualitative and quantitative data on businesses to understand the trends affecting China's traditional and renewable energy sector to help drive more informed investment decisions.
- Synthesized findings in a 190-page digestible report that presents a panorama of the energy sector.
- Interacted with the investment team and learned the discretionary investment process.
- Attended diligence meetings to help vet potential investments, and assess financials if applicable.
- Supported impact investing team on impact measurement and management.

Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP New York, NY
Public Policy Specialist (full-time) January 2023 – May 2023

- Squire Patton Boggs is one of the world's strongest integrated law firms, providing insight at the point where law, business and government meet.
- Monitored legislative and regulatory developments impacting clients domestically and globally, and strategically guided the clients' short-term and long-term response.
- Performed literature reviews and structured research using large data sets on geopolitical risks (both proprietary and publicly available sources).
- Drafted and edited 15 long-form and short-form written research materials (reports and memos).
- Covered 8 congressional hearings and provided timely summaries.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Skills: Proficiency in R, Stata, Tableau, Flourish, Data Wrapper, Wind, Bloomberg Terminal, Microsoft Office
Languages: English (Bilingual), Mandarin (Native), Japanese (Classroom Settings)