

Yi-Ta Lu

CONTACT INFORMATION	Department of Human Behavior, Ecology and Culture Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology Deutscher Platz 6, 04103 Leipzig, Germany	yi_ta.lu@eva.mpg.de https://yitalu.github.io
ACADEMIC POSITIONS	Postdoctoral Researcher BirthRites Research Group Department of Human Behavior, Ecology and Culture Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany Graduate Lecturer Department of Political Science State University of New York at Stony Brook, NY, USA Full-Time Research Assistant Department of Economics National Taiwan University, Taiwan	Sep 2021 to Present Jul 2018 to May 2021 Jun 2012 to Jul 2014
EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Political Science State University of New York at Stony Brook, NY, USA M.A. in Economics State University of New York at Stony Brook, NY, USA M.S. in Physics National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan B.S. in Physics National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan	May 2021 Dec 2015 Jun 2011 Jun 2009
DOCTORAL DISSERTATION	<i>Policy Cooperation Under Threats: Effects of Competition on Coalition Lobbying</i> Committee: Oleg Smirnov (Advisor), Reuben Kline, John Barry Ryan, Tim Johnson	
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Political Economy, Social Dilemmas, Evolutionary Demography, Cultural Evolution	
RESEARCH METHODS	Agent-Based Modeling, Game Theory, Statistical Analysis, Lab Experiments, Survey Experiments	
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	Graduate Research Assistant Department of Political Science Stony Brook University With: Andrew Delton, John Barry Ryan, Oleg Smirnov, and Peter DeScioli Visiting Student Department of Psychology The Ohio State University With: Ian Krajbich	Aug 2016 to May 2018 Jun 2015 to Aug 2015
PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS	Shin, I., Wang, L., & Lu, Y. T. (2022). Twitter and Endorsed (Fake) News: The Influence of Endorsement by Strong Ties, Celebrities, and a User Majority on Credibility of Fake News During the COVID-19 Pandemic. <i>International Journal of Communication</i> , 16, 23.	

Chung, H. K., Sjöström, T., Lee, H. J., **Lu, Y. T.**, Tsuo, F. Y., Chen, T. S., Chang, C. F., Juan, C. H., Kuo, W. J., & Huang, C. Y. (2017). [Why Do Irrelevant Alternatives Matter? an fMRI-TMS Study of Context-Dependent Preferences.](#) *Journal of Neuroscience*, 37(48), 11647-11661.

Deng, D. M., **Lu, Y. T.**, & Chang, C. H. (2017). [Fluctuation Relations Between Hierarchical Kinetically Equivalent Networks With Arrhenius-Type Transitions and Their Roles in Systems and Structural Biology.](#) *Physical Review E*, 95(6), 062401.

WORKING PAPERS **Lu, Y. T.**, Hwang, W. H., Hsieh, Y. T., Ho, T. Y., Zhu, J. D., Yeh, C. I., & Huang, C. Y. (*Submitted*). Choices Behind the Veil of Ignorance in Formosan Macaques.

“An Agent-Based Model of Elections with Endogenous Candidates, Voters, and Media” with Oleg Smirnov and John Barry Ryan.

“Does Media Bias Cause Political Polarization? an Agent-Based Model of Biased Media, Motivated Reasoners, and Political Polarization” (single author).

“Trust, Inequality and Redistributive Demands in Latin America” with Robert Vidigal.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“The Coevolution of Human Fertility and Wealth Stratification” with Heidi Colleran, Anne Kandler, and Adam Powell.

“Fertility Transitions” with Heidi Colleran. *The Oxford Handbook of Cultural Evolution*. Oxford University Press.

“Policy Cooperation Under Threats: Effects of Competition on Coalition Lobbying” with Oleg Smirnov.

“Income Inequality and Partisan Polarization” with Matthew Lebo and Gregory Koger.

PROGRAMS AND AWARDS

Software Carpentry Workshop Nov 29 - Dec 3, 2021
Scientific Computing for Evolutionary Anthropology
Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology

Honorable Mention Aug 24-27, 2021
for participation in the *Social Simulation Workshop/Competition*
Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan

International Winter School on Agent-Based Modeling (with [certificate](#)) Jan 4-15, 2021
Network for Computational Modeling in Social and Ecological Sciences
Arizona State University

BIGSSS Summer School in Computational Social Science *Expected: Jul 2020*
Department of Sociology
University of Groningen, Netherlands
(*program postponed to Jul 2021 due to COVID-19 outbreak*)

SICSS Grant for Survey Experiment on Amazon Mechanical Turk (\$1000) Jul 2020
Summer Institute in Computational Social Science
Duke University

Summer Institute in Computational Social Science at Rutgers Jun 15-26, 2020
DIMACS (Center for Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Computer Science)
Rutgers New Brunswick Libraries
Department of Political Science, Rutgers University

	Full Tuition Scholarship and Stipend Department of Political Science Stony Brook University	Fall 2016 to Spring 2021
	Introduction to Complexity (with certificate) Courses by Complexity Explorer Santa Fe Institute	Fall 2019
	Introduction to Agent-Based Modeling (with certificate) Courses by Complexity Explorer Santa Fe Institute	Summer 2019
	Excellent Achievement Award for participation in the <i>Physics Contest</i> within the top 5 percent of all the students participated in the academic year, National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan	2005
	Distinguished Achievement Award for participation in the <i>Calculus Contest</i> within the top 10 percent of all the students participated in the academic year, National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan	2005
PRESENTATIONS	<p>“Social Dilemmas in Politics” at the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan</p> <p>“Does Media Bias Cause Political Polarization? An Agent-based Model of Biased Media, Motivated Reasoners, and Political Polarization” at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA</p> <p>“Partisanship, Polarization, and Inequality Over Time” at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL (<i>conference canceled due to COVID-19 outbreak</i>)</p> <p>“Group Cooperation in a Policy Bargaining Game” at the Center for Behavioral Political Economy, Stony Brook University</p> <p>“An Agent-based Model of Elections with Endogenous Candidates, Voters, and Media” at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL</p> <p>“Distributional Preferences under Rank Reversal Aversion” at the Center for Behavioral Political Economy, Stony Brook University</p>	<p>Mar 29, 2022</p> <p>Sep 10, 2020</p> <p><i>Expected:</i> Apr 19, 2020</p> <p>Feb 12, 2020</p> <p>Apr 6, 2019</p> <p>Mar 6, 2018</p>
TEACHING	<p>Instructor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Politics <p>Department of Political Science Stony Brook University</p> <p>Teaching Assistant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neuroeconomics (with Prof. Chen-Ying Huang) <p>Department of Economics National Taiwan University</p> <p>Courses Can Offer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undergraduate: World Politics, Statistics, Research Methods Graduate: Political Economy, Behavioral Economics, Cooperation, Game Theory, Computational Modeling, Data Analysis, Experimental Design, R for Statistics 	<p>Summer 2018 to May 2021</p> <p>Spring 2014</p>
SKILLS	<p>Software</p> <p>Python, R, Stata, oTree, NetLogo, Matlab, Mathematica, L^AT_EX, Qualtrics</p>	

Language
English (fluent), Mandarin (native), Taiwanese (intermediate)

PROFESSIONAL
ACTIVITIES

Affiliations
Center for Behavioral Political Economy, Stony Brook University

Memberships
American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Society
for Political Methodology, Cultural Evolution Society, European Human Behaviour
and Evolution Association

Service
Discussant APSA 2020, Moderator EHBEA 2022

REFERENCES

Available Upon Request.