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Ronald Coase Institute Fellowship

APSA Travel Grant	2015, 2018
Hong Kong University of Science& Technology Research Travel Grant	2015
UCLA Cross-Disciplinary Scholars in Science and Technology Scholarship	2013
Hong Kong University of Science& Technology Postgraduate Fellowship	2014 – 2016

Conference Presentations NYU Quantitative Chinese Studies Seminar, 2020 Modern Economics Workshop, Fudan University, 2020

Political Science Workshop, East China University of Political Science and Law, 2020

Comparative Political Selection Workshop, Peking University, 2019 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2016, 2017, 2018 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2015, 2018, 2020

Ronald Coase Institute Workshop on Institutional Analysis, Tel Aviv University, 2015 Workshop on Chinese Political Science and Methodology, Fudan University, 2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE Graduate courses:

Unifying Data Science (Data Science Program), Duke University, Teaching Assistant

Probability and Linear Regression, Duke University Lab Instructor

Quantitative Analysis in Social Science, Hong Kong University of Science&Technology, Lab Instruc-

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 $Undergraduate\ courses$ 

Prisoner's Dilemma and Distributive Justice, Duke University, Teaching Assistant

Global Corruption, Duke University, Teaching Assistant

Introduction to Economics, Hong Kong University of Science&Technology, Teaching Assistant

World of Politics, Hong Kong University of Science&Technology, Teaching Assistant

Languages & Software

Mandarin Chinese: Native

Programming Language: R, Python, git, TensorFlow, SQL

Software: Stata, QGIS, Gephi, LATEX

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