

# Thomas (Mengyang) Lin

## EDUCATION

### **Yale University | History (B.A.) & Cognitive Science (B.S.), Certificate (minor) in Chinese | 2024-2028**

GPA: 3.91/4.00 | SAT: 1540/1600

- **Relevant Accomplishments:** Directed Studies Program, Office of International Students Peer Liaison, Jackson School World Fellows Student Liaison, Co-Founder for The Yale Dialogue On US-China Relations, Yale Club of NYC Scholar, University of Toronto National Scholar.

### **Tsinghua University | Inter-University Program for Chinese Studies | Jun 2025 - Aug 2025**

GPA: 4.00 | Fully funded by Yale's *Richard U. Light Fellowship* for Intensive Language Studies.

## EXPERIENCE

### **Withrow Park Growth | Private Equity Summer Analyst (May 2025 – June 2025)**

Toronto, ON

- Sourced *40+ LBO opportunities* weekly using platforms such as Cyndx and Apollo, and conducted market analysis on *North American Industrial and Energy businesses* to identify strategic targets for clients.
- Conducted and tailored personalized outreach campaigns and verified primary contacts and company financials (e.g., revenue range) with a *100% accuracy rate* while assessing investment risk and strategic fit for WPG.

### **Yale Law School, Prof. Taisu Zhang | Research Assistant (Nov 2025 – Present)**

New Haven, CT

- Researching 100+ Mandarin primary sources on contemporary Chinese land policy, identifying 30+ additional relevant documents that broadened the empirical foundation for Prof. Zhang's analysis of land inequality.

### **Yale Law Journal | Intern (August 2025 – Present)**

New Haven, CT

- Serving as copy editor and proofreader for article submissions on antitrust law, contracts, torts, and theories of jurisprudence, ensured a 100% error-free rate for publication.

### **Yale Undergraduate Consulting Group | Associate (Jan 2025 – Present)**

New Haven, CT

- Competitively selected from 150+ applicants (8%) to deliver strategic advisory services for Fortune 500 companies.
- Collaborated with the *Dallas Mavericks* to conduct market research, competitor benchmarking, and financial analysis; *led the East Asia strategy* to provide insights to support international expansion planning.
- Provide pro-bono services for *the City of New Haven* to improve internal operational efficiency by training public servants on Microsoft Dynamics and CRM by digitizing city workflow.

### **Yale Foreign Policy Initiative | Treasurer & Director of Policy (Dec 2024 – Present)**

New Haven, CT

- Oversee funding requests from Yale University and manage 5-digit organizational financial assets.
- Manages *20+ active and archived projects* with partners including Council on Foreign Relations, West Point, U.S. Air Force, RAND Corporation, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and Yale Law School.
- Ensures weekly outreach targets of *100+ emails* to potential YFPI partners across four policy centers on international security, trade, public health, and human rights, doubling outreach capacities from the previous year.

### **China and Taiwan Studies – Council on Foreign Relations | Team Lead (Oct 2024 – Present)**

Washington, DC

- Work with Dr. Rush Doshi to analyze PRC response patterns to Taiwan's political development and economic trade, tracking Taiwanese Presidential visits to the U.S. through official governmental statements and media reports from 1996 to 2024, as well as the net assessment on U.S.-China economic, industrial, and military capabilities.
- Conduct *qualitative data analysis and manage database entries* via Excel and the Library Databases to identify trends and insights related to PRC Grand Strategy, *contributing to NYT & Foreign Affairs articles* for publication.

### **Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board | Student Trustee (Sept 2023 – June 2024)**

Hamilton, ON

- Represented ~55,000 students in the school board and *1.2+ million students across Ontario* at the Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA), *the largest student stakeholder with the Ontario Ministry of Education*.
- Served as a student consultant for the development of the five-year strategic plan and \$650M operating budget.
- Received PM Justin Trudeau's visit to discuss youth housing and employment opportunities in Hamilton.

## PERSONAL

- **Languages:** Mandarin (Native fluency), English (Fluent), French (Elementary fluency, DELF B1)
- **Skills:** G Suite, Microsoft Office Suite, Excel, macOS, Windows OS, LaTeX, Qualitative Research, OSINT
- **Passions:** Reading Philosophy Books, Basketball, David Fincher Movies, Martial Arts, Christian Theology