

# IVY CHEN

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## EDUCATION

### STANFORD UNIVERSITY

B.A.H. in Political Science and M.A. in Sociology | GPA: 3.9/4.0

Stanford, CA

June 2026

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### PERSEUS STRATEGIES

*Legal Intern*

Washington, D.C.

June 2024 – August 2024

- Authored a Dear Colleague Letter to the U.S. Treasury and State Departments urging sanctions on Azerbaijani officials for human rights violations committed in Nagorno-Karabakh under the Global Magnitsky Act and Executive Order 13818
- Lobbied 200+ U.S. House members to build Congressional support and signatories for the Dear Colleague Letter
- Drafted petitions submitted to the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention and White Paper reports and memos
- Enhanced website architecture to integrate a database of biographies detailing past and ongoing political prisoner cases
- Developed an in-depth timeline of two political prisoners' detention to support a legal case against the Iranian government
- Collaborated with staff to secure 100+ global NGO signatures for a human rights letter to the 57<sup>th</sup> UN Human Rights Council
- Edited chapters of an upcoming UN human rights handbook, ensuring precision in legal citations and formatting

### OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington, D.C.

*Civil Litigation Intern*

June 2023 – August 2023

- Researched case law and assisted six Assistant Attorney Generals in developing legal arguments and court case strategies
- Drafted responses to interrogatories, memos, and motions, applying legal research and analysis to strengthen case arguments
- Accompanied attorneys to take detailed notes during witness depositions, providing support for case preparation
- Executed the aggregation and systematic organization of case documents, streamlining accessibility of legal records
- Supported attorneys during trials and hearings at the District of Columbia District Court and the Court of Appeals

### AMERICAN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Washington, D.C.

*Research Assistant for Professor Chris Edelson*

June 2021 – August 2022

- Conducted legal research on constitutional issues, analyzing landmark cases, statutes, and legal precedents to support book
- Authored researched papers and reports on constitutional law topics, including comparative analyses of judicial interpretations and their impacts on legal theory during President Trump's term
- Provided guidance on reforms related to constitutional law for national policy development and legislative proposals

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

### ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Stanford, CA

*Undergraduate Senator, Chair*

April 2022 – May 2025

- Contributed to five legislative proposals, including a proposal for greater student-athlete support following Stanford's transition to the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC)
- Led an initiative to extend Green Library's hours to 24/7 by surveying 1,200+ undergraduate and graduate students, preparing and presenting the data in an annual budget hearing to the Provost, and securing \$3 million in operational funding
- Regularly meet with the President, Provost, members of the University Cabinet and Faculty Senate to advocate for 7,800+ undergraduate students and represent student interests in University affairs to solve issues on campus and in the community
- Authorized \$4.2 million in annual funding for 600+ student organizations as a member of the Appropriations Committee

### ENCODE AI

San Jose, CA

*Director of Policy; Founding Member*

July 2020 – December 2023

- Lobbied 26 members of Congress and 50+ local/state legislators
- Introduced successful facial recognition bans and surveillance ordinances in San Jose, Minneapolis, and Seattle
- Spearheaded training of 45+ international policy writers and authored 12+ issue briefs and proposals
- Cultivated the organization's member engagement project for 200+ members with 95% success rate

## SKILLS AND INTERESTS

**Languages:** English (fluent), Mandarin (fluent), Spanish (limited working proficiency)

**Interests:** Professional Basketball, Weightlifting, Hiking, Reading, Public Speaking, Playing Flute, Volunteering, Conservative World