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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary: Chinese Politics, State-Society Relations in Autocracy, Technology and Governance, Judicial Politics
Secondary: Text Analysis, Causal Inference

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego *2020-2026*
PhD in Political Science (*major: Computational Social Sciences*)
Committee: Molly Roberts (chair), Stephen Haggard, Ruixue Jia, Victor Shih, Sebastian Saiegh

Duke University *2018-2020*
M.A. in Political Science

Sun Yat-Sen University *2014-2018*
B.A. in Public Administration (*Highest Honor*)

RESEARCH

Political Economy of State-Society Relation

- Distributional Consequences of Leader Turnover: Evidence from China's Public Procurement Link

- Trade War and Government Interventions (with Paul-Emile Bernard, Jie Li)

- People Have Sharp Eyes: Why Autocracy Needs Civic Participation in Digital Surveillance

Methods, AI, and its Implications

- How Much Should We Trust Instrumental Variable Estimates in Political Science? Practical Advice based on Over 60 Replicated Studies (with Apoorva Lal, Mackenzie Lockhart, Yiqing Xu) Link *Political Analysis*

- China's LLM vs US (with Naiyu Jiang, Yiqing Xu)

- IPE of AI (with Yujin Zhang)

Authoritarian Legality and Judicial Politics

- How do Lawyers Affect Authoritarian Rule: Experimental Evidence from China

- Using LLMs to understand China's Policymaking and Legislation

- Fiscal Origin of Selective Legal Enforcement in Authoritarian Regimes (with Shengqiao Lin)

NON PEER REVIEW PUBLICATIONS

Translation: Imai, K. (2020). *Quantitative Social Science: An Introduction* (Xu, Y. & Zu, Z. Trans.). Shanghai University of Finance & Economics Press. (Original work published 2018).

Book Chapter: Zheng, Y., Zheng, Z., Ma, M., & **Zu, Z**. (2019). Improving Usability. In *E-Government and Information Technology Management: Concepts and Best Practices* (pp. 43-66). Melvin & Leigh.

SELECTED TEACHING ASSISTANT EXPERIENCES

US & Latin America: Poli and Econ Relations, Japanese Politics: Development Perspective, Politics of Violence, Corruption in Developing Countries, Analyzing Politics, How to Win or Lose an Election, Politics of Immigration, Intro to Comparative Politics, Abuse of Power

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Research Grant, Institute for Humane Studies ($4,500)	2024
International Institute Graduate Student Travel and Research Award, UCSD ($2160)	2023
Ichimore Student Research Award, UCSD ($2500)	2023
SHORE fellowship, UCSD	2020
Duke Student Assistance Fund ($3000), Duke University	2020
Dean's Research Award for Masters Students Fellowship ($1000), Duke University	2019
Alona Evans Endowment Research Grant ($750), Duke University	2019
Outstanding Bachelor Thesis(1%), Sun Yat-Sen University	2018
National Social Science Grant ($ 2000), China Education Ministry	2016
National Scholarship (Top 0.2% national-wide), China Education Ministry	2015
First Class Scholarship (Top 5% in university), Sun Yat-Sen University	2015

CONFERENCES AND TALKS

APSA (2018, 2019, 20123, 2024) MPSA (2017, 2018, 2019, 2023, 2024) SPSA (2024) PolMeth (2023, 2024) Money in Politics Conference (Copenhagen, 2024) Young China Scholars Conference (UCSD, 2023, 2024) Conference of the SIOE (Chicago, 2024)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Affiliate to 21st Centenary China Center, UCSD	2022-
Research associate, Intellisia Institute	2016-18
Mentor, Palmdrive	2023-

SKILLS

Python, R, Stata, GIS, LaTeX, Julia, Qualtrics

Mandarin (native) English

REFERENCES

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