

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Yale University

Postdoctoral Associate, Council on East Asian Studies, Macmillan Center, 2022–present

EDUCATION

Duke University

Ph.D., Political Science, 2022

Fields: Political Economy and Political Institution

Committee: Melanie Manion and Pablo Beramendi (co-chairs), Edmund Malesky, Yuhua Wang (Harvard)

Sciences Po Paris and Peking University

Double Masters, International Affairs, 2016

Beijing Foreign Studies University

B.A., English Literature and International Relations, 2014

National Scholarship (Top 1%)

University of Edinburgh

Exchange student in Political Science, 2013

RESEARCH

Book Manuscript

Pen and Sword: The Political Logic of State Building in Imperial China

Book manuscript conference scheduled for September 15, 2023, at Yale University

Adapted from dissertation “War and Bureaucratic Capacities in Imperial China”

2023 Award for Best Dissertation in Political Science

Publications and Work Under Review

2023. *Review of Yuhua Wang: The Rise and Fall of Imperial China: The Social Origins of State Development*. The Development Economies, vol. 61, no. 3: p.261–264.

“Examination as Socialization: Ideational Foundation of Statehood.” *Journal of Historical Political Economy*, revise and resubmit.

“Ruling after Revolution: Security Challenges and Civilian Control over Military in China, 1949–1976.” With Junyan Jiang. *American Political Science Review*, revise and resubmit.

“State Building After War: Conflicts and Skill-based Recruitment in Imperial China.” Under review.

Working Papers

“State Making as Class Making: Evidence from 19th England.” With Pablo Beramendi and Adriane Fresh. To be presented at 2023 APSA Annual Meeting.

“Insurgent Empire: Conflicts and Military Personnel in Imperial China.” With Daniel Mattingly. To be presented at 2023 APSA Annual Meeting.

“From Empire to Nation-state: War and National Identity in China.” With Haohan Chen and Yingtian He. To be presented at 2024 AAS Annual Meeting.

Research in Progress

“Meritocracy and Statebuilding in Great Britain.” With Didac Queralt.

“Imagined Community: Measuring Ideational Capacity of States.” With Charles Chang.

“State Building in Meiji Japan.” With Harunobu Saijio.

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Awards

Best Dissertation Award in Political Science, Duke University, 2023

Best Prelim Paper in Political Science, Duke University, 2018

Ministry of Education National Scholarship (Top 1%), Beijing Foreign Studies University, 2013

Beijing English Public Speaking Champion, 2011

Grants

Postdoctoral Travel Grant, Yale University, 2023

Macmillan Faculty Research Grant (with Didac Queralt), Yale University, 2023

APSA Travel Grant, 2022

Walter T. Molano Research Grant, Duke University, 2021

Asian-Pacific Institute Research Grant, Duke University, 2020

Political Science Departmental Research Grant, Duke University, 2018–2022

Alona Evans Research Grant, Duke University, 2018

Interdisciplinary Graduate Networks Grant, Duke University, 2018

International and Global Studies Grant, Duke University, 2018

Fellowships

Graduate School Summer Fellowship, Duke University, 2018–2022

Oskar Morgenstern Fellowship, Institute of Humanities Studies, 2021

INVITED TALKS, WORKSHOP, PRESENTATIONS

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Los Angeles, September 2023

Frontier Empirical Research on East Asia, New York University, May 2023

Historical Political Economy Working Group, Harvard University, December 2022

Conference on Historical and Comparative Political Elites, Columbia University, November 2022

Conference on State Capacity in Comparative and International Perspective, Yale University, October 2022
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Canada, September 2022
Research Frontier Conference on Historical Comparative Politics, Duke University, April 2022
Midwest Political Science Annual Conference, Chicago, April 2022
Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, October 2021
New Faces in China Studies Conference, Duke University, August 2021
Quantitative China Conference, New York University, April 2021
Conference on Politics and History, Yale University, June 2019
State Capacity: Concepts, Causes, and Consequences, Duke University, April 2019
Duke Causal Inference Workshop, Duke University, August 2018
China Quantitative Economic History Workshop, Yantai, China, July 2018

Organized Conferences

Mini-conference on Historical Political Economy at Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Montreal, Canada, September 2022. Co-organized with Christopher Carter.

TEACHING

At Yale University

State Building in China and Beyond, Instructor, undergraduate and master seminar, 2023

At Duke University

Teaching Assistant

Wealth and Poverty, Professor Pablo Beramendi, 2021

Business and Growth, Professor Herbert Kitschelt, 2021

Globalization and Democracy, Professor Herbert Kitschelt, 2020

Political Economy of Financial Crises, Professor Karen Remmer, 2018

Politics and Economics, Professor Daniel Stegmueller, 2018

Stata Lab Instructor

Global Poverty and Development, Professor Erik Wibbels, 2019

OTHER

Manuscript Reviews

Journal of Politics, Political Science Research and Methods, Governance, Nationalities

Professional Experience

European Council on Foreign Affairs, Research Assistant, Paris, September 2014–July 2015

The Paulson Institute, Research Assistant, Beijing, September–December 2013

China Institute of International Studies, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Intern, Beijing, May–August 2013

Languages

Chinese (Native), French (Intermediate)

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