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Academic Appointment	New York University Abu Dhabi Research Assistant	2021
Education	Washington University in St Louis Ph.D. in Political Science	2022-Present
	Hong Kong University of Science and Technology M.Phil. in Social Science (<i>on study leave in 2021</i>) M.Sc. in Global China Studies	2022 2019
	Hong Kong Baptist University B.Soc.Sc. (First Class Honors) in Government and International Studies	2018
	L'Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po Paris) One-year exchange study	2016-2017
Additional Training	University of Michigan Ann Arbor ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research	2019
Interests	<i>Substantive:</i> Comparative politics, political communication <i>Methodological:</i> Text-as-data, social network analysis	
Publication	[1] "Political Institutions and Global Project Finance Loans" with Jean Hong (Michigan) and Ilker Karaca (Iowa State) Forthcoming, <i>International Studies Quarterly</i>	
Working Paper	[1] "Who Funds Whose Infrastructure: Dyadic Analysis of Global Project Finance Loans" with Jean Hong (Michigan) and Ilker Karaca (Iowa State) [2] "Uncle Sam Is (Not) Watching: Government Influence on U.S. Media Coverage of Foreign Leaders" [3] "Can Autocratic Power Influence Media in Democracies? Evidence from China's Expulsion of American Journalists"	
Other Writing	[1] "China's Vaccine Scandal 2018: Pharmaceutical Companies Pacing Heightened Regulatory Risks" with Gang Chen 2018, <i>East Asian Institute Background Brief</i> (1386).	
Data	[1] Re-Archigos: An Updated Database on Leaders 1960-2020	
Honours, Grants, and Fellowships	[1] PhD Fellowship WUSTL	2022-2028
	<i>Pre-doctoral</i>	
	[1] Dr Charles Chan Postgraduate Scholarship (HKD 54,090) HKUST	2020
	[2] Postgraduate Studentship (HKD 415,920) HKUST	2019-2021
	[3] EITM Certification Scholarship for ICPSR Summer Program (USD 3,700)	2019
	[4] MGCS Program Scholarship (HKD 20,000) HKUST	2019
	[5] MGCS Program Conference Grant (HKD 11,000) HKUST	2019

	[6] Scholarship for Global Attachment Opportunities (HKD 6,000) HKUST	2018
	[7] Reaching Out Award (HKD 10,000) HKSAR Government	2018
	[8] Social Sciences Scholarship for Global Exchange (HKD 4,000) HKBU	2018
	[9] Exchange Sponsorship (HKD 34,000) HKBU	2017
	[10] Full Admission Scholarship (HKD 680,000) HKBU	2014-2018
	[1] President's Honour Roll (5 times) HKBU	2015-2018
	[2] Cum Laude (2 times) Sciences Po Paris	2016-2017
	[3] Dean's List HKBU	2014
Conference Participation	<i>Annual Meetings</i>	
	American Political Science Association	2021
	International Studies Association	2021-2022
	Midwest Political Science Association	2019-2022
	Western Political Science Association	2020
	<i>Small Conferences and Workshops</i>	
	Pacific International Politics Conference (Coauthor presented)	2021
Research Experience	Research Assistant at Division of Social Science, NYU Abu Dhabi	
	PI: Leonid Peisakhin and Peter van der Windt	Part-time: 01/2022-08/2022 Full-time: 01/2021-01/2022
	Research Assistant at Division of Social Science, HKUST	
	PI: Franziska Barbara Keller	10/2018-06/2019
	PI: Jean Hong	10/2018-01/2019
	Research Assistant at East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore	
	PI: Gang Chen and Wei Shan	06/2018-08/2018
	Fieldwork in townships of Guangdong Province, China	
	PI: Guojun He	05/2018-06/2018
Teaching Experience	Teaching Assistant at Division of Social Science, HKUST	
	Quantitative Data Analysis for Social Research (Undergraduate)	Spring 2022
	Politics Through Films (Undergraduate)	Fall 2020
Skills	<i>Language</i>	
	Mandarin Chinese (Native), English (Advanced), Cantonese (Intermediate)	
	<i>Software</i>	
	R, Python, Java, Stata, \LaTeX , Gephi, Visone	