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### Education

- Ph.D.** in **Political Science**, Boston University, Boston, MA 2017
- Dissertation: "Civil society under authoritarian rule: disasters, social capital, and their consequences in Chinese state-society relations"
  - Committee: Joseph Fewsmith, John Gerring, William W. Grimes, Taylor Boas
  - General Exams: Comparative Politics (major), International Relations (second major), and Chinese Politics (minor)
- M.A.** in International Affairs, American University, Washington D.C. 2008-2010  
Thesis defense: pass with distinction
- B.A.** in Politics and Government (major), Business Administration (major), Leadership Studies (minor),  
Ripon College, Ripon, (Valedictorian, *Phi Beta Kappa*) 2005-2008  
Washington Semester Program, International Law and Organization, American University, Washington  
D.C. 2008

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### Academic Appointments

- **Assistant Professor**, Department of Political Science, Christopher Newport University, 2017-
  - Ongoing courses: International Political Economy, Comparative and International Politics, East Asian Politics, Senior Seminar in Political Science, People Power and Change: Leadership as a Practice, Problems in the Modern World.
- Lecturer, Department of International Relations and Department of Political Science, Boston University, 2012-2016
  - Courses taught: *The Rise of China* (multiple semesters in 2016); *Public Policy and State-Society Relations* (2015 and 2016); *Readings in Public Policy* (2014 and 2015); *Intro to Comparative Politics* (2014); *China: from revolution to reform* (multiple semesters in 2013); *The Pacific Challenge* (2012).
- Researcher, School of Social Development and Public Policy, Beijing Normal University 2014-2017
- Teaching Fellow, department of Political Science, Boston University, 2010-2014

- Courses taught: *Intro to International Relations, intro to Comparative Politics (multiple semesters since 2010)*. Taught and facilitated student discussions three hours per week alongside lectures
- Research Assistant and Teaching Assistant:
  - RA and TA, American University 2008-2010
  - RA, Ripon College 2006-2008

## Research and Teaching Interest

### Chinese politics

Civil society and social organizations  
 Civic engagement education  
 Disaster politics  
 International Relations with a focus on East Asia  
 Global environmental politics  
 International Political Economy

## Academic Publications

### Work published or accepted

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### Working papers:

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Taiyi Sun, "Global Public Goods Provision and its Implications for China's Soft Power," *International Politics Study* (国际政治研究).

Chris Carothers and Taiyi Sun, "Bipartisanship on China in a Divided America?"

Taiyi Sun, "Earthquakes, state weakness, and the outcomes of the Arab Spring" (in English)

Taiyi Sun and John Gerring, "The origin of social capital: great transformation in quake-stricken China"

Taiyi Sun, "Water, Conflicts, and Peace"

### Work in progress

Taiyi Sun, "Community empowerment in the marginalized population in urban areas"

## **International Media Appearances and Op-eds**

Weekly international TV commentator, appearing on Phoenix TV (multiple shows including *Tiger Talk*, *From Phoenix to the World*, *Global Updates*, *Journalist on the Spot*) and Shenzhen Satellite TV.

Since 2020

Interviewed and quoted by international media on a regular basis.

Op-eds published in international periodicals on a weekly basis such as CGTN, HongKong 01 or HK01 among other platforms.

URLs of the abovementioned media appearances can be found on my personal website: taiyisun.com

## **Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications in Mandarin**

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## Awards, Achievements, and Grants

<b>Christopher Newport University Faculty Development Grant</b>	2019-2021
<b>Jing'E Fellowship, Yifang Foundation, China</b> (A competitive research fellowship that supports action research in the non-profit sector in China for three years)	2018-2020
<b>Boston University Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship</b> (A competitive university wide award that supports very limited students and scholars for doing research abroad)	2014
<b>Boston University Presidential Fellow</b> (full scholarship and stipend)	2010-2015
<b>Ten Best Chinese Persons Overseas Award (The Big Ben Award)</b> (Award not accepted)	2010
<b>American University Hall of Nations Award</b> (full scholarship and stipend)	2008-2010

<b>Ripon College Class of 2008 Valedictorian of the class and Deans List every semester</b> ( <i>full scholarship</i> )	2005-2008
<b>Phi Beta Kappa Award and Honor Society member</b>	2007-
<b>Other Ripon College Awards:</b>	
• Winner of the "Campus Speech Writing Competition",	2008
• Second place in "Ethics Bowl" debate competition,	2008
• Harris Memorial Scholarship,	2007-2008

## Quantitative Training

### Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

All courses taken in 2015 unless noted otherwise

Featured Course:

- Regression Analysis II: Linear Models (Grade: A)

Finished Courses:

- Causal Inference for the Social Sciences
- Analyzing Multilevel and Mixed Models Using Stata (Course taken in 2013)
- Introduction to the R Statistical Computing Environment
- Introductory Lectures on Matrix Algebra
- Introduction to the LaTeX Text Processing System

Proficiency in Statistical Software: Stata, R

## Academic Talks, Conferences, and Workshop Presentations

Nankai University virtual conference panel presentation, "Biden's China Policy: Strategic Delay and Strategic Ambiguity" 2021

Yamanashi Gakuin University (Japan) virtual conference panel presentation, "The International Political Economy of 2021 and Beyond: Supply Chains, Stagflation risks, Trade blocs, and the transformation of economic fundamentals" 2021

American Political Science Association (APSA) paper presentation, "Importing Civic Education into Authoritarian China" 2021

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) paper and book presentation, "Global Civic Engagement Education - Building Connections in Pedagogy" 2021

Beijing University virtual conference panel presentation, "Global Public Goods Provision and Chinese Foreign Policy" 2021

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) panel paper presentation, "Developmental States and Environment: Governed Market and Environmental Motivations in China and Japan" 2021

The Global Society of Cross-Taiwan Strait Studies, "Cross-Taiwan Strait Relations – Global Perspectives" (Panel in Mandarin Chinese) 2021

University Salon (formerly Harvard Salon) and US-China Perception Monitor, "American Presidential Elections and Implications" (Panel in Mandarin Chinese) 2020

Nanjing University virtual conference panel presentation, "Sino-U.S. relations in the Trump Era" (conference in Mandarin Chinese) 2020

Fudan University virtual conference panel presentation, "Sino-US relations under the COVID-19 pandemic and U.S. elections" (conference in Mandarin Chinese) 2020

American Political Science Association (APSA) paper presentation, "The Evolution and Destabilization of US Foreign Policy towards China" 2020

American Political Science Association (APSA) Teaching and Learning conference paper presentation, "Creating social capital in classrooms: how different pedagogical methods could empower students and stimulate civic engagement" 2020

American Political Science Association (APSA) paper presentation, "legalization without institutionalization: how the Chinese state uses the law-making process to govern the nascent civil society" 2019

American Political Science Association (APSA) paper presentation, "Interactive Censorship: The Editorial Experiences from Political Commentary Publications under Authoritarian China" 2019

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) panel paper presentation, "The Trump Administration's Jacksonian Foreign Policy and Its Implications to the Cross-Strait Relations" 2019

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) panel paper presentation, "Earthquakes for Practices: How responses to natural disasters prepared authoritarian states and opposition groups for the Arab Spring" 2019

China Foundation for International and Strategic Studies and the Global Forum of Chinese Political Scientists conference in Beijing, panel paper presentation "Trump's China policy and the Evolution of Sino-US relations" 2019

Zhengzhou Zhenyu Foundation, featured guest speaker, "Leadership and Public Narrative" 2019

Tsinghua University Alumni Association, featured guest speaker, "Asian Americans and identity politics in the U.S." 2018

American Political Science Association (APSA) paper presentation, "Smart resistance under authoritarian rule: how the ride-share networks facilitate local collective actions in China" 2018

Guangzhou Huangpu ancient village, featured guest speaker, "Creating social capital in China – field experiments" 2018

2018 Cross-strait issues conference (Beijing), panelist and paper presenter, "The Jacksonian Foreign Policy and its implications to the cross-strait relations" 2018

Beijing Normal University and Yifang Foundation, featured guest speaker, "The current state of the state-society relations in China" 2018

Shanghai Youth 100 leadership workshop, organizer and featured speaker, "Leadership, heads, hearts, and hands" 2018

Shanghai Youth 100 (prep camp) leadership workshop, organizer and featured speaker, "Public Narrative as a leadership practice" 2018

American University, featured guest speaker, Washington Asia Forum (Asian Studies Research Council): "The Chinese State-Society Relations: Disasters, Social Capital, and Consequences" 2018

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) panel paper presentation, "Smart resistance under authoritarian rule: how the ride-share networks facilitate local collective actions in China" 2018

American University, featured guest speaker to an undergraduate research methods seminar, "conducting mixed-method research" 2017

NuLiSheHui (a Chinese Youth online forum), featured guest speaker, "Philanthropy and social innovation in China" 2017

GaoLiPingTianXia (a Chinese Youth online forum), featured guest speaker, "The Comparative Politics of Introducing China" 2017

American Political Science Association (APSA) panel paper presentation: "Disasters and the Creation of Social Capital" 2017

Randolph-Macon College, featured speaker: "Political Institutionalization of the Chinese Leadership" 2017

Hamilton Hall Lecture Series, featured speaker: "The Rise of China and its Implications for the U.S." 2017

American Political Science Association (APSA) panel paper presentation: "The Origin of Social Capital: Great Transformation in Quake-stricken China" 2016

American Political Science Association (APSA) panel paper presentation: "Perceptions of civil society organizations in rural China: the skeptical society" 2016

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) panel paper presentation: "The Origin of Social Capital" 2016

American Political Science Association (APSA) panel paper presentation: "Civil Society Organizations under Authoritarian Rule" 2015

Zhejiang University, Featured guest speaker: "Earthquake and Social Capital Accumulation" 2015

Fudan University, conference on Chinese Philanthropy: Past, Today and the Future. Presented paper: "Perceptions of Charitable Organizations in Rural Sichuan" 2015

Harvard Graduate School of Education, Conference on: Civic and Moral Education in China. Presented paper: "The Civic Moral and Educational Challenges in Rural China" 2015

Harvard Kennedy School, "Elite Politics and the Anti-Corruption Campaign" organizer and moderator 2015

Boston University, Panel talk on Civil Society in China. Presentation given on: "Skeptical Society: Civil Society in China" 2015

Beijing Normal University, Featured guest speaker: "The origin of social capital?" 2014

Harvard Shanghai Center, Symposium on Cultivating Civic Consciousness in China. Paper presented: "Earthquake and Civil Society in China since the 2008 Wenchuan Earthquake" 2014

Harvard Kennedy School, panel speaker: "Chinese Politics: Perspectives on China Today" 2014

Harvard University Ash Center, Featured guest speaker: "Disaster Response and Civil Society" 2014

American University, Featured guest speaker: "Research Methods and doing fieldwork in China" 2014

Harvard University Chinese Politics Research Workshop, Featured speaker: "Earthquake and Social Capital Accumulation" 2014

MIT, Featured guest speaker: "Philanthropy and Public Welfare" 2014

Harvard University, Featured speaker: "Disasters and the Myth of Civil Society Formation in China" 2014

- Mutually Assured Restraint Task Force member, George Washington University, Washington DC. A complete list of participants can be found here (<http://icps.gwu.edu/files/2014/01/Participants-MAR-Taskforce-2.pdf>) 2014
- American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference, "What IF Students Asked the Questions?: Student-Facilitated Policy Discussion in the University Classroom" 2014
- American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, "Community empowerment in the marginalized population in urban areas" 2013
- Harvard University Ash Center, Featured guest speaker: "Developmental States and Environment" 2013
- American Sociology Association Annual Conference, featured guest speaker and workshop organizer, "The IF method in the Facilitated Classrooms" 2013
- Harvard University China Education Forum, presentation: "Citizenship and Social Innovation" 2013
- Brown University Echo Symposium, Featured guest speaker: "Social Innovation: People, Money and the new approaches" 2013
- Harvard Project for Asian and International Relations, panelist, Panelist: "Social Entrepreneurship and Social Innovation" 2013
- TEDxHFLS talk, Featured guest speaker: "Mind the Gap: Turning ideas into Impact" 2013
- American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference, "Diversity and Controversy in the Facilitated Classroom" 2013
- American University Washington Semester Program Guest Speaker, "Cross-Culture Communications" 2013
- Fudan University Advanced Forum on In-Depth Research on China, "Contemporary China Studies with the Social Sciences' Perspective" July, Shanghai China 2012
- National University of Singapore, "History as Controversy: Writing and Teaching Contentious Topics in Asian Histories" November, Singapore 2011
- Harvard Yanching Institute and Nanjing University International Workshop on China Studies, "Social Stratification and Citizenship" July, Nanjing China 2011
- 5<sup>th</sup> Taiwan Conference: Global Forum of Chinese Political Scientists, "China-U.S. Relations and New Thinking of Cross-Strait Relations" October, Washington DC 2010
- Nanjing University International Workshop on China Studies, "The China Experience under the Global Context" July, Nanjing China 2010

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## Professional Experience and Non-Academic Publications

- Journal reviewer (*PS: Political Science & Politics, The China quarterly, The China Journal, China Information, Chinese Political Science Review, Contemporary Politics, Journal of Chinese Political Science, Cogent Social Science, Journal of Asian Public Policy, Journal of Chinese Governance, Modern China, PLOS One, The Disasters Journal, Routledge.*)
- Book Editor for APSA press' "Teaching Civic Engagement Globally" 2021
- TV political commentator, Phoenix TV 2020-
- Executive editor of *Global China*, an online journal of the Global Forum of Chinese Political Scientists in Mandarin 2017-
- North America coordinator of the Global Forum of Chinese Political Scientists 2017-
- Acting as a chair or discussant for multiple academic conferences and panels 2014-
- Researcher, Beijing Normal University School of Social Development and Public Policy 2014-
- Founder of "Taiyi Zhou Tan," a weekly publication on politics and current affairs 2014-2017
- Resident, Interactivity Foundation, Washington DC, Boston MA, and the Asia Pacific region 2008-
  - Organize and facilitate public discussions
- Columnist and commentator on multiple Chinese media outlets including
  - Global China
  - 15 Yan [www.15yan.com](http://www.15yan.com)
  - GuanCha [www.guancha.cn](http://www.guancha.cn)
  - HK01
- Coordinator, Chinese Politics Research Workshop, Harvard University, Boston, MA 2010-2017
  - Organize Social Scientists from Harvard, MIT and BU who focuses on China to present ongoing researches
- Columnist, "Zhongxuesheng Tiandi" (the largest youth magazine in China), 2003- 2016
  - Write the column once a month
- Assistant to the editor of book *Philanthropy for Health in China*, China Medical Board and Indiana University Press [http://www.iupress.indiana.edu/product\\_info.php?products\\_id=807330](http://www.iupress.indiana.edu/product_info.php?products_id=807330) 2014
- Co-Founder of "The Social Innovation Engine", an NGO incubated by the Harvard Innovation Lab focusing on Social Innovation, 2012-2013
  - Developing a social innovation case writing methodology and building a case bank
- Intern, Asian Scholar Fund, Washington DC, 2008-2010
- Executive Assistant and office manager, Center for Asian Studies, AU, Washington DC, 2009-2010
- Risk Analyst for Corporate Risk International (now Altegrity Risk International), Reston VA, 2009

### **Activities and Interests**

- Strategic Advisor for Ashoka 2016-2017
- Co-Founder of GYA@MIT 2013-2017
- Co-Founder and board member of Harvard China Citizenship and Social Innovation Camp (Harvard SEED) 2012-
- Co-Organizer of the 2014 Global Diaspora Forum 2014

- Co-Founder of the Hi-Story Project 2014
  - Organizer and founder of “China and the City” Forum at Boston University 2013
  - Violin
    - Founder of MTDJ String Quartet 2014-
    - First Violin, Boston Civic Symphony, 2010-2017
    - Concertmaster, American University Symphonic Orchestra, 2008-2010
    - Concertmaster, Ripon College Symphonic Orchestra, 2005-2008
    - Concertmaster, China West Lake Youth Orchestra, 1996-2005
  - Co-Leader of the habitat for Humanity team from Ripon to rebuild houses after Katrina, AL, 2007
  - Other Activities at College and Universities:
    - President and founder of the People’s Club of China, 2005-08
    - Student Senator at Ripon College, 2006-07
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