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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

Academic Appointments

- **Associate Professor** with tenure, Department of Political Science, Christopher Newport University, 2024-
 - Ongoing courses: International Political Economy, Comparative and International Politics, East Asian Politics, Comparative Politics (writing-intensive), Senior Seminar in Political Science (writing-intensive), People Power and Change: Leadership as a Practice, Problems in the Modern World (writing-intensive).
- Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Christopher Newport University, 2017-2024
- 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
 International Relations with a focus on East Asia
 Disaster politics
 Global environmental politics
 International Political Economy

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Books

Taiyi Sun and Dennis Lu-Chung Weng, *The Myth of War in the Taiwan Strait: Elite Perspectives from Beijing, Taipei, and Washington, amid the Yizhou Dilemma*, Lexington Books 2024
[The Myth of War in the Taiwan Strait: Elite Perspectives from Beijing, Taipei, and Washington amid the Yizhou Dilemma - 9781666965018](https://www.lexingtonbooks.com/9781666965018)

Taiyi Sun, *Disruptions as Opportunities: Governing the Chinese Society with Interactive Authoritarianism*, the University of Michigan Press. (Open Access) 2023
<https://www.press.umich.edu/12326710>

Elizabeth Matto, Alison McCartney, Elizabeth A. Bennion, Taiyi Sun, Alasdair Blair, Dawn Whitehead, and Dick Simpson ed. *Teaching Civic Engagement Globally*, American Political Science Association 2021
<https://web.apsanet.org/teachingcivicengagement/teaching-civic-engagement-globally/>

Taiyi Sun, *和圈内人聊美国大选 (Insider Perspectives: Navigating the American Election)*, Zhejiang Publishing Group (浙江出版集团) 2016
<https://cread.jd.com/read/startRead.action?bookId=30343624&readType=1>

Articles

Taiyi Sun, "Open Society and New Quality Productive Forces in China," *Japan Studies, Vol.2* 2024

Taiyi Sun, "An Analysis of the Activities and Impacts of the U.S. State Department's 'China House,'" *Contemporary American Review (当代美国评论)*, Vol.8, issue 3 2024

Chris Carothers and Taiyi Sun, "Bipartisanship on China in a Polarized America," *International Relations*, September 2023
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/00471178231201484>

- Taiyi Sun, "The Improvement of Japan-Korea Relations and the Potential for a Mini NATO," *Japan Studies* 2023
- Taiyi Sun, "Controlling Civil Society from the Bottom-up: China's Strategic Arrangement of the State-CSO-Individual Trialism in Managing State-Society Relations," *Journal of Contemporary China*. 2022
<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/10670564.2022.2030994>
- Taiyi Sun and Quansheng Zhao, "Delegated Censorship: The Dynamic, Decentralized, and Multi-Layered Information Control Regime in China," *Politics and Society*, 2021
https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/00323292211013181?casa_token=conMLK38PNwAAAAA%3AqEM_K6ISSJpejCue_G2qPwJYA00teKNiYLwdx2mnji_HZyvetJMybQGir4PbzQxJ5qmakV4Fs_JYhQ
- Taiyi Sun, "Vaccine Diplomacy and Sino-US Relations," *World Affairs (世界知识)*, 77(3): 48-50. 2021
- Taiyi Sun, "Forced Experimentation: Teaching Civic Engagement Online amid COVID-19," *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 54(1): 176-178 2020
<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/ps-political-science-and-politics/article/forced-experimentation-teaching-civic-engagement-online-amid-covid19/DC893F674E26190F137F1CD01135CEB4>
- Quansheng Zhao, Taiyi Sun, Jin Du, Zheng Gao, Yuqing Xing, and Yun Zhang, "The International Relations of the Asia-Pacific under COVID-19," *Japan Studies*, 174: 1-16. 2020
- Taiyi Sun, "Deliberate Differentiation for Outsourcing Responsibilities: The Logic of China's Behavior toward Civil Society Organizations," *The China Quarterly*, 240: 880-905. 2019
<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/china-quarterly/article/abs/deliberate-differentiation-by-the-chinese-state-outsourcing-responsibility-for-governance/FBF02BE22CDD0F5F95E389B4930A22BD>
- Quansheng Zhao, Ka Zeng, Xuanxuan Wu, Junda Jin, Jianmin Jin, Hongwei Zhao, Taiyi Sun, Sishen He, and Yixiao Jiang, "Pen Talks of Overseas Scholars on 'Positive Development of RCEP and Its Strategic Significance,'" *Japan Studies*, 171: 1-10. 2019
- Taiyi Sun, "Civic Transformation in the Wake of the Wenchuan Earthquake: State, Society, and the Individual," *Made in China*, 3(1): 66-70. 2018
<https://search.informit.org/doi/abs/10.3316/informit.034241733608889>
- ~~Taiyi Sun, "Earthquakes, state weakness, and the outcomes of the Arab Spring," *Asian and African Studies (亚非研究)*, accepted and was ready to be published in Mandarin-Chinese [CENSORED] 2018~~
- Taiyi Sun, "Earthquakes and the Typologies of State-CSO Relations in China: A Dynamic Framework," *China Information*, November, 31(3): 304-326. 2017
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/0920203X17720337>
- Taiyi Sun, "China's Pegged Exchange Rate and its Political Economy" *Journal of International Service*, 9(2): 69-82 2010

Book Chapters

- Taiyi Sun, "Developmental States and Environment: Governed Market and Environmental Motivations in China and Japan," in *Environment, Sustainability, and Human Security*, Zhiqun Zhu ed., *World Scientific Reference*. 2023
<https://www.worldscientific.com/worldscibooks/10.1142/12807#t=aboutBook>
- Taiyi Sun, "Importing Civic Engagement into Authoritarian China," in *Teaching Civic Engagement Globally*, Elizabeth Matto, Alison McCartney, Elizabeth A. Bennion, Taiyi Sun, Alasdair Blair, Dawn Whitehead, and Dick Simpson ed. *American Political Science Association Press* 2021
https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Philipp-Kleer/publication/353636824_How_to_Prepere_Teachers_to_Teach_Civic_Engagement_Insights_from_a

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<https://web.apsanet.org/teachingcivicengagement/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2021/09/Teaching-Civic-Engagement-Globally.pdf>

Taiyi Sun, "Civic Transformation in the Wake of the Wenchuan Earthquake: State, Society, and the Individual," in *Dog Days: A Year of Chinese Labour, Civil Society, and rights*, Edited by Ivan Franceschini and Nicholas Loubere, *ANU Press*: 200-204. 2019

Taiyi Sun, "The Skeptical Society in Rural Sichuan." *Chinese Philanthropy: Past, Present And Future* 中国慈善事业: 过去, 现在与未来. Caroline Reeves and Gao Xi, ed. Fudan University Press. [CENSORED] 2018

Suzanne Lea and Taiyi Sun, "Diversity in the Facilitated Classroom" *Controversial History Education in Asian Contexts*, *Routledge*, (<http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415833523/>) 2014

Review Articles

Taiyi Sun, review of *Deadly Decision in Beijing: Succession Politics, Protest Repression, and the 1989 Tiananmen Massacre*, by Yang Su, *Mobilization: The International Quarterly Review of Social Movement Research*, September, 29(3): 420-421. 2024

Taiyi Sun, review of *The Politics of Compassion: The Sichuan Earthquake and Civic Engagement in China*, by Bin Xu, *China Information*, March, 33(1). 2019
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0920203X18819280d>

Taiyi Sun, review of *Shaken Authority: China's Communist Party and the 2008 Sichuan Earthquake*, by Christian P. Sorace, *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, 23(2): 307-308. 2018
<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11366-018-9549-4>

Working papers:

Taiyi Sun, "The Trump Administration's Jacksonian Foreign Policy and its implications to the cross-strait relations," (*Paper accepted by the Carter Center's Sixth Young Scholars Forum on U.S.-China Relations*)

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

Taiyi Sun, "Why do Chinese Women Often Outperform Men in Soccer Internationally? Gender-Differentiated Control and Its Impact on Associational Behaviors."

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"

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

Other Notable Publications

Lorentz and Sun, "TLC at APSA 2022: Teaching Political Science in a Post-Pandemic Era – Civic Engagement," *Political Science Today*, February: 5-6.

2023

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 U.S. and international media on a regular basis.

- U.S. media example: "With Good Reason" by *Virginia Humanities*
<https://www.withgoodreasonradio.org/episode/who-runs-the-world/?t=0&autoplay=1#s0>
- Mainland Chinese media example: *China Global Television Network*
<https://news.cgtn.com/news/2022-02-28/50-years-after-Nixon-s-China-trip-realpolitik-can-still-lead-to-peace-181jR2xvU6k/index.html>
- Taiwan media example: *China Times*
<https://www.chinatimes.com/opinion/20221004001264-262110?chdtv>
- Hong Kong media example: *Hong Kong 01*
<https://ebook.hk01.com/article/8046>
- Australia media example: *SBS*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ovGdxN1BBV8>
- United Kingdom example: *BBC*
<https://www.bbc.com/zhongwen/live/world-69460763/simp?page=8&post=asset%3Abf09a887-3a68-45a4-be1b-f89890d8ff1d#asset:bf09a887-3a68-45a4-be1b-f89890d8ff1d>
- Chile example: *El Mercurio*
- Ukraine media example: *Ukraine Civil Diplomacy Foundation*
<https://nubip.edu.ua/node/148788>
- Russian media example: *Eurasia Experts*
<https://bakutribune.com/en/news/1112>
- Azerbaijan media example: *News.AZ*
[The Middle Corridor to bolster Azerbaijan's strategic role | News.az](https://www.news.az/en/news/1112)

Op-eds published in international periodicals on a weekly basis such as CGTN, the Observer, Global China, 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

Taiyi Sun, “Biden’s Pardoning of his son and Trump’s appointing relatives and friends,” *The Observer*, Dec.2, 2024

https://www.guancha.cn/suntaiyi/2024_12_02_757410.shtml

Taiyi Sun, “Trump’s new Trade War might be an opportunity for China,” *Global China*, Nov. 28, 2024

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<https://www.hk01.com/01%E8%AB%96%E5%A3%87/1079835/%E7%89%B9%E6%9C%97%E6%99%AE%E6%90%B6%E5%85%88%E9%96%8B%E6%89%93%E8%B2%BF%E6%98%93%E6%88%B0-%E6%88%96%E6%98%AF%E4%B8%AD%E6%96%B9%E7%9A%84%E9%87%8D%E5%A4%A7%E6%A9%9F%E9%81%87>

Taiyi Sun, “Trump’s China Policy depends on the internal dynamics within his administration,” *HK01*, Nov.13, 2024

<https://www.hk01.com/01%E8%AB%96%E5%A3%87/1075676/%E5%AD%AB%E5%A4%AA%E4%B8%80-%E7%89%B9%E6%9C%97%E6%99%AE%E7%AC%AC%E4%BA%8C%E4%BB%BB%E6%9C%9F%E7%9A%84%E5%B0%8D%E8%8F%AF%E6%94%BF%E7%AD%96%E5%8F%96%E6%B1%BA%E6%96%BC%E5%85%A7%E9%83%A8%E5%8D%9A%E5%BC%88>

Taiyi Sun, “Shigeru Ishiba might anger both Washington and Beijing,” *Global China*, Oct. 15, 2024

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Taiyi Sun, “Heavy on labeling and light on policy: Election in a polarized society,” *The Paper*, Sept.11, 2024

https://m.thepaper.cn/newsDetail_forward_28704262

Taiyi Sun, “Mainland China should consider meeting Taiwan and the international society half way,” *Global China*, Sept.8, 2024

<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/bR0igCGyY9z62BcEw6Nd-A>

Taiyi Sun, “Picking Vance is not Based on Electoral Calculation,” *Global China*, August 1, 2024

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Taiyi Sun, “Europe’s Right Shift is Limited,” *Global China*, July 14, 2024

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Taiyi Sun, “A Replacement of Biden?” *The Observer*, June 28, 2024

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Taiyi Sun, "The Sino-U.S. Cultural Decoupling," *Global China*, June 8, 2024

https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s?__biz=MzIyNjc1NTE2NQ==&mid=2247507879&idx=2&sn=6716d5d946acf77ad4d6373dcdedf2fe&chksm=e9c087075f73e9d124e9f98f7d9e6490002143dcd75e4f290f53b927340278bd840f6da5e6c&scene=126&sessionid=1724594777#rd

Taiyi Sun, "Trump and His Legal Challenges," *The Observer*, June 1, 2024

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Taiyi Sun, “The New Energy Vehicle Industry and China’s Industrial Policy,” *Global China*, Oct.14, 2023
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Taiyi Sun, “The possibility of a ‘mini NATO’ in the Asia Pacific and its implications,” *Global China*, April 15, 2023
<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/KzhqC15daXm-TeWq29BJfg>

Taiyi Sun, “The way out is still to open up,” *Global China*, March 28, 2023
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Taiyi Sun, “The opportunities and challenges from AI,” *Global China*, Feb.13, 2023
<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/OxANJQaMbXkjkqWFQB5bg>

Taiyi Sun, “McCarthy’s speaker election and Sino-U.S. relations,” *The Observer*, Jan.5, 2023
https://www.guancha.cn/suntaiyi/2023_01_05_674323.shtml

Taiyi Sun, “Jan.6 report and Trump’s challenges,” *The Observer*, Dec. 26, 2022
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Taiyi Sun, “Geopolitical camps and eternal interests,” *Global China*, Dec. 17, 2022
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Awards, Achievements, and Grants

Christopher Newport University Faculty Development Grant	2019-2021
Jing'E Fellowship, Yifang Foundation, China (A competitive research fellowship that supports action research in the non-profit sector in China for three years)	2018-2020
Boston University Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship (A competitive university wide award that supports very limited students and scholars for doing research abroad)	2014
Boston University Presidential Fellow (full scholarship and stipend)	2010-2015
Ten Best Chinese Persons Overseas Award (The Big Ben Award) (Award not accepted)	2010
American University Hall of Nations Award (full scholarship and stipend)	2008-2010
Ripon College Class of 2008 Valedictorian of the class and Deans List every semester (full scholarship)	2005-2008
Phi Beta Kappa Award and Honor Society member	2007-
Other Ripon College Awards:	
• 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

- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Deciphering Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy: New Empirical Analysis, panelist, "The Myth of a War in the Taiwan Strait: Can the Yizhou Dilemma Be Resolved?" 2024
- Global Society of Cross-Taiwan Strait Relations, guest speaker, "The new U.S. President and the YiZhou Dilemma in the Taiwan Question" 2024
- Peking University, guest speaker, "Elite perspectives from Beijing, Taipei, and Washington on Taiwan" 2024
- Taihe Institute, guest speaker, "Issues in the Sino-U.S. Relations" 2024
- Hangzhou Foreign Language School Alumni Association, guest speaker, "The Crisis in the Taiwan Strait and Sino-U.S. Relations" 2024
- Zhejiang University, guest speaker, "The Taiwan Question in Sino-U.S. Relations" 2024
- United States Department of the State Foreign Service Institute, guest speaker, "Interactive Censorship in China" 2024
- Ukraine Civil Diplomacy Foundation, guest speaker, "Delegated Censorship in China" 2024
- China Foreign Affairs University, panel speaker "The 2024 U.S. Election and Sino-U.S. Relations" 2024
- Ukraine Civil Diplomacy Foundation, guest speaker, "China's Growing Role in the Global South" 2024
- Hong Kong Lingnan University, guest speaker, "NGO and Civil Society in China" 2024
- Deltaville Great Decisions Series, guest speaker, "The Sino-U.S. Trade Rivalry" 2024
- United States Department of the State Foreign Service Institute, guest speaker, "The Myth of a War in the Taiwan Strait" 2023
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, panelist, "Perception of War across Taiwan Strait and the US among Elites and the Public" 2023
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chinese Politics Mini-Conference, panelist, "The Myth of a War in the Taiwan Strait" 2023
- Peking University, panelist, "Discourses and the China Story" 2023
- China Foundation for International and Strategic Studies, panelist, "The 2024 US election and Sino-US relations" 2023

Shanghai Institutes for International Studies, keynote speaker, "Domestic Politics in the US and its Implications for Sino-US relations" 2023

Tongji University, guest speaker, "Sino-US relations in the new era" 2023

China National Association for International Studies, panelist, "The Ukraine War and New Directions of US Foreign Policy" 2023

Grandview Institution, conference/dialogue organizer and panelist, "Discussion on Perceptual Differences in the Situation in the Taiwan Strait" 2023

Zhejiang Urban and Rural Academy of Planning and Design, guest speaker, "Sino-US relations and future prospects" 2023

National University of Singapore, keynote speaker (virtual), "Delegated Censorship: The Dynamic, Layered and Multistage Information Control Regime in China" 2023

Yamanashi Gakuin University (Japan) virtual conference panel presentation, "US-Japan-South Korea security cooperation and the geopolitics of the Indo-Pacific" 2023

George Washington University, guest speaker (virtual) for a group of Ukrainian students who can no longer attend regular classes due to the Ukraine war, "Disasters and civil society" 2023

American University, guest panelist, "Great Power Strategies: The United States, China, and Japan" 2023

The National Committee on U.S.-China Relations guest panelist, "Being a Public Intellectual on China today" 2022

Tongji University virtual conference panel presentation, "Biden's Asia trip and Sino-U.S. relations" 2022

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
- 5th 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

Professional Experience and Non-Academic Publications

- Journal reviewer (*International Political Science Review, PS: Political Science & Politics, The China quarterly, The China Journal, China Information, Journal of Contemporary China, Journal of Current Chinese Affairs, 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
 - Inside the Beltway
 - 15 Yan www.15yan.com
 - Guancha 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 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

- Founding member of the Global Society of Cross-Taiwan Strait Studies, 2021-
- Frequent 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.
- Resident, Interactivity Foundation, Washington DC, Boston MA, and the Asia Pacific region 2008-

- Organize and facilitate grassroots public discussions
 - 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-
 - Co-Founder and board member of Harvard China Citizenship and Social Innovation Camp (Harvard SEED) 2012-2020
 - Strategic Advisor for Ashoka 2016-2017
 - Co-Founder of GYA@MIT 2013-2017
 - 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
 - Jing'E Fellowship, Yifang Foundation, China (A competitive research fellowship that supports action research in the non-profit sector in China for three years) 2018-2020
 - Co-Organizer of the 2014 Global Diaspora Forum 2014
 - Co-Founder of the Hi-Story Project 2014
 - 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 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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