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EDUCATION

University of Maryland, College Park
Ph.D., Government and Politics   2027(Expected)

- Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics.

Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies
M.A., Concentrations: China Studies and International Economics   2021

George Washington University
B.A., International Affairs, Political Science, *Cum Laude*   2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Domestic and International Politics of Authoritarian Regimes; Foreign Policy; Political Institutions; China.

PUBLICATION

Selected Media Publications

Huang, Z. (2023, July 8). Will China change its approach to the Ukraine War? The Diplomat. Retrieved from https://thediplomat.com/2023/07/will-china-change-its-approach-to-the-ukraine-war/

Huang, Z. (2022, August 11). Beijing's strategic dilemma on Cross-Strait relations. The Diplomat. Retrieved from https://thediplomat.com/2022/08/beijings-strategic-dilemma-on-cross-strait-relations/

Huang, Z. (2022, June 25). China's 'fragmented authoritarianism' during the covid-19 pandemic. The Diplomat. Retrieved from https://thediplomat.com/2022/06/chinas-fragmented-authoritarianism-during-the-covid-19-pandemic/

Huang, Z. (2022, May 14). Why the Soviet Union's 20th Party Congress continues to haunt China. The Diplomat. Retrieved from https://thediplomat.com/2022/05/why-the-soviet-unions-20th-party-congress-continues-to-haunt-china/

Huang, Z. (2021, October 19). Xi and Tsai's dueling messages on Cross-Strait relations. The Diplomat. Retrieved from https://thediplomat.com/2021/10/xi-and-tsais-dueling-messages-on-cross-strait-relations/

WORKING PAPER

Effectiveness of Co-optation Strategies in Autocracies: Evidence from Hong Kong

TALKS AND CONFERENCE

Presenter, "Effectiveness of Co-optation Strategies in Autocracies: Evidence from Hong Kong", MPSA   2025

Discussant, National Student Research Conference, *Pi Sigma Alpha*   2024, 2025

Contributor and Speaker, Doctoral Application Sharing Round Table, Political Science Review (online student organization)   2022

Presenter, "Understanding the Sino-Japanese Relations Under the Era of Xi Jinping and Shinzo Abe: Domestic Politics, US-China-Japan Trilateral Trade Ties, and Common Security Threat" Dean's Scholars Annual Symposium, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University   2019

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	**Graduate Research Assistant**, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, College Park Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Spring and Fall 2024
	Research Assistant, Shanghai Institute of American Studies, Shanghai, China May – Dec 2020
	Dean's Scholar, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University May 2018 – Apr 2019
TEACHING	**Graduate Teaching Assistant**
	(GVPT204) Uncertain Partners: The United States and China in a Changing World Fall 2023, Spring 2025
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	**Global Public Policy Intern**, ByteDance, Beijing, China Jun – Dec 2020
	Political Affairs Intern, The Borgen Project, Washington, DC Sept – Dec 2017
AWARDS AND GRANTS	Jacob K. Goldhaber Travel Award ($500), University of Maryland, College Park 2025
	National Student Research Conference Stipend ($600), *Pi Sigma Alpha* 2025
	BSOS College Funds ($15,000), University of Maryland, College Park 2024 – 2026
	National Student Research Conference Stipend ($250), *Pi Sigma Alpha* 2024
	Dean's Scholarship ($5,000), University of Maryland, College Park 2023
	Undergraduate Research Fellowship ($250), George Washington University 2018
	Dean's Scholar, Elliott School of International Affairs, GWU 2018 – 2019
	Pi Sigma Alpha, George Washington University Chapter 2018
	Dean's List, George Washington University 2017 – 2019
SERVICES	**Representative**, Dean's Graduate Student Advisory Council, BSOS, University of Maryland, College Park 2023 – Present
	Co-founder and President, Asian Policy Club, Johns Hopkins University SAIS Europe, Bologna, Italy 2019 – 2020
SKILLS	**Language**: English (fluent), Mandarin Chinese (native), Cantonese (fluent). **Computer Programming**: R, LaTeX, STATA, MS Office Suite. Last Update: April 2025