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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh September 2016-  
Assistant Professor of Public Policy (courtesy appointment), University of Pittsburgh September 2017-

## EDUCATION

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**Harvard University** Cambridge, MA  
**Ph.D., Government; M.A., Government** November 2016

Dissertation: "Invisible Sky, Visible State: Environmental Governance and Political Support in China"

- Virginia M. Walsh Dissertation Award for the best dissertation in the field of Science, Technology and Environmental Politics, American Political Science Association (2017)
- Best Dissertation Award, Section on Urban and Local Politics, American Political Science Association (2017)

**University of Michigan** Ann Arbor, MI  
**B.A., Political Science; B.A., Russian and Eastern European Studies** May 2009

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Environmental Politics and Governance; Political Economy of Development; Politics of Nondemocratic Regimes; Socialist and Post-Socialist States; Social and Political Psychology

## BOOK MANUSCRIPT

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- *The Performative State: Public Opinion, Political Pageantry, and Environmental Governance in China*

## PUBLICATIONS

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- "‘Right’ Choice: Restorative Nationalism and Right-wing Populism and Central and Eastern Europe" (with Marek Hlavac). 2017. *Chinese Political Science Review* 2 (427-444).
- "Environmental Governance in China: State, Society, and Market" (with Jesse Turiel and John Liu). 2017. *Governance and Public Policy in China* 1 (1-75).

## UNDER REVIEW

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- "Performative Governance"
- "Staging Markets: The Local Politics of Emissions Trading in China"

## WORKING PAPERS

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- "Justice for the People: Public Morality, the Rule of Law, and State Legitimacy in Contemporary China" (with Jeffrey Javed)
- "Power to the People: Information and Power in Authoritarian Institutions" (with William Spaniel)
- "How Education Raises Environmental Concern: Evidence from China" (with Michael Aklin)
- "Red Memory: Nostalgia, Trauma, and Political Attitudes in China" (with Jeffrey Javed)
- "Movement Capital and Varieties of Personality Cults in Communist Regimes"

## SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

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- “Clouded Judgment: Air Pollution and Decision-making” (with Andrea La Nauze and Graham Beattie)
- *Justice for the People: Popular Morality and the Rule of Law* (book project with Jeffrey Javed)

## MEDIA

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- “Emissions Trading in Urban China,” *Fairbank Center Blog* (2/3/2016) <http://goo.gl/rmeI9g>

## AWARDS

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Bok Center Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University	2013, 2014
Hopwood Award for “Water Crisis of China and the World,” University of Michigan	2008
University Honors, University of Michigan	2008
First Prize in Lights Out Writing Competition on Sustainability, University of Michigan	2008

## SELECTED GRANTS

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Dietrich School Faculty Research and Scholarship Program, University of Pittsburgh (\$9,500)	2017
Social Science Research Initiative, University of Pittsburgh (\$35,300)	2017
Priscilla McMillan Graduate Research Travel Grant, Davis Center for Russian and Eastern European Studies, Harvard University (\$3,000)	2015
The Institute For Quantitative Social Science Research Grant, Harvard University (\$3,000)	2015
Ash Center China Programs Student Research Grant, Harvard University (\$5,000)	2015
Desmond and Whitney Shum Fellowship, Harvard University (\$40,000)	2013-2015
Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies Summer Research Grant, Harvard University	2013, 2014, 2015
International Institute Individual Fellowship, University of Michigan	2008
Center for Russian and Eastern European Studies Research and Internship Fellowship, University of Michigan	2008

## INVITED ACADEMIC TALKS

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- “Staging Markets: The Local Politics of Emissions Trading in China,” Center for Climate and Energy Decision Making, Carnegie Mellon University (04/2018)
- “Justice for the People: How Popular Morality Hinders the Rule of Law,” University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (02/2018)
- “The Performative State: Public Opinion, Political Pageantry, and Environmental Governance in China,” Chinese University of Hong Kong (01/2018)
- “Power to the People,” Shanghai Jiaotong University (07/2017)
- “Performative Governance,” University of Vienna, Austria (11/2016)
- “Performative Governance,” University of Pittsburgh (11/2016)
- “Performative Legitimacy: Environmental Governance and Political Support in China,” Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, Chengdu, China (7/2016)
- “Environmental Governance and Political Support in China,” University of Alberta (6/2016)
- “The Political Economy of Emissions Trading in China,” Harvard Paulson School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (5/2016)

- “Getting Things Done: Environmental Governance in China”, Harvard Kennedy School (3/2016)

## **PUBLIC LECTURES**

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- “Chinese Environment: Myths and Lessons,” Swanson School of Engineering, University of Pittsburgh (10/2017)
- “Climate Change and the Refugee Crisis,” University of Pittsburgh (03/2017)
- “Conflict in the South China Sea,” La Roche College (2/2017)
- “China and the International Climate Change Regime,” World Affairs Council Pittsburgh (1/2017)
- “Global and Local Environmentalism: What We Know; What We Don’t; and What We Can Do,” United World College of the Adriatic, Duino, Italy (11/2016)
- “Interdisciplinary Approach to Environmental Studies (and What Political Science Can Contribute),” Harvard Environmental Initiative Faculty Workshop (9/2016)
- “Experiments in the Social Sciences,” Zhejiang Institute of Administration, Hangzhou, China (7/2015)
- “Political Participation and Community Governance in the United States,” lecture given at Shenzhen University, Shenzhen, China (6/2015)
- “The View from the South China Sea,” Harvard Kennedy School (2/2015)
- “Environmental Governance in Urban China: Challenges, Innovations and Reforms,” Harvard Kennedy School (3/2013)

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2018: Technology and Digitalization & Environmental Governance in China (FU Berlin); Workshop on Chinese Politics and Society (Shanghai Jiaotong University); APSA.
- 2017: APSA; ISA; AAS
- 2016: APSA; AAS in Asia

## **CURRENT COURSES**

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- Instructor, *Empirical Methods of Research* (graduate), University of Pittsburgh, Fall 2018.
- Instructor, *Authoritarian Politics* (graduate), University of Pittsburgh, Spring 2019.
- Instructor, *Authoritarian Statecraft and the Arts of Resistance*, University of Pittsburgh, Fall 2017; Spring 2018.
- Instructor, *Business and Political Economy in Modern China*, University of Pittsburgh, Spring 2017; Spring 2018.
- Instructor, *Government and Politics in Contemporary China*, University of Pittsburgh, Fall 2016; Fall 2017; Fall 2018.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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- Teaching Assistant, *Restless Empire*, Harvard Kennedy School (Fall 2015)
- Head Teaching Fellow, *The Worlds of Business in Modern China*, Harvard College (Spring 2013, Spring 2014)
- Teaching Assistant, *The Political Economy of Transition in China*, Harvard Kennedy School (Spring 2012, Spring 2014, Spring 2016)
- Teaching Fellow, *International Conflict and Cooperation*, Harvard College (Fall 2012)
- Teaching Fellow, *The Political Economy of Modern China*, Harvard College (Spring 2012)
- Teaching Fellow, *Government and Politics of China*, Harvard College (Fall 2011)

## **ADVISING**

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- Dissertation committee member: Xiao Yu (Political Science, University of Pittsburgh).
- Thesis advisor for undergraduates at the University of Pittsburgh: Lu Zhang (Sociology); Siyuan Ren (Philosophy); Alyssa Martinec (Political Science/German); Christopher Johnson (Chinese/Economics); Qianru Du (Political Science); Silang Huang (Music/Politics-Philosophy)

- Thesis Advisor for undergraduates at Harvard University (2013-2015): Alexandra Foote (Department of East Asian Studies), Ralph Alexander Hunt III (Department of African and African-American Studies), Heng Shao (Department of Government)

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS**

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- Reviewer for *The Journal of Politics*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *Problems of Post-Communism*; *Environmental Science and Policy*
- Organizer for “Memory as Politics: An Interdisciplinary Conference,” University of Pittsburgh (2017).
- China Council, University of Pittsburgh Asia Studies Center (2016-)
- Undergraduate Education Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (2016-2017)
- Graduate Student Associate, Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University (2015-2016)
- Graduate Student Affiliate, the Institute For Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University (2011-2016)
- Coordinator, “Chinese Politics Research Workshop,” Harvard University, MIT and Boston University (2012-2013)
- Membership: American Political Science Association, Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences, Association for Asian Studies, Midwest Political Science Association

## **PUBLIC SERVICE AND ENGAGEMENT**

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- Faculty Advisor for Global Citizen Lab, University of Pittsburgh
- World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh, Young Professionals Committee
- Admission Officer for U.S.-China Dialogue Young Scholars Program, Asia Society

## **LANGUAGES AND SKILLS**

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- Chinese (native); advanced Polish (conversation and reading); Vietnamese (basic, 2 semesters); Korean (basic, 1 semester).
- Proficient in R
- Basic use of ArcGIS
- Basic use of Python for web scraping
- Proficient in image processing (Adobe Photoshop CC; Adobe Lightroom)
- Proficient in graphic design (Adobe Illustrator CC)