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EDUCATION

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, USA <i>PhD Political Science</i>	2022-Present
Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China <i>M.A. Political Theory</i>	2019-2022
Fudan University, Shanghai, China <i>B.A. Political Science and Public Administration</i>	2015-2019

PUBLICATIONS

- Xia, Ying, and **Tianhui Wu**. 2024. [Building Consensus: Implementing “One-Shoulder” Policy in Village with Divided Elite Structure](#). *Journal of Sun Yat-sen University (Social Science Edition)*, 64(4): 155-164. (In Chinese)
- Xia, Ying, Tianqing Chen, and **Tianhui Wu**. 2023. [Public Petition and Government Responsiveness — Evidence from City A](#). *Fudan Public Administration Review*, (27)2: 101-116. (In Chinese)

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

- Boehmke, Frederick J., Thomas Dainty, Samantha J. DeRagon, Hyein Ko, Taylor Tokos, **Tianhui Wu**, and Weidong Zhang. “The Use of Visualization in Political Science: Temporal Trends and the Current State.” (R&R) (Corresponding)
- Pizzi, Elise, **Tianhui Wu**, and Sara McLaughlin Mitchell. “Reducing Post-Disaster Conflict Risk Through Migrant Remittances.” (Corresponding)
- Tianhui Wu**. “State Electoral Competition, Winners/Losers and Perceived Electoral Integrity.”

WORKING PAPERS

- Tianhui Wu**, Pizzi Elise, and Tracy Osborn. “Framing Natural Hazards and Disasters in Political Party Manifestos.”
- Tianhui Wu**. “Do Elections Reduce or Reinforce Perceived Corruption? Comparative Evidence from Democracies.”
- Tianhui Wu**. “From Public and Elite Opinion to Petty and Grand Corruption.”
- Tianhui Wu**. “Measuring Anti-Corruption Propaganda in China’s Official Media: A Text-Based Analysis of News Broadcasts.”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Introduction to Comparative Politics (EXW) <i>Independent Instructor</i>	Fall 2022, Spring 2026
Introduction to Political Analysis <i>Teaching Assistant</i>	Spring 2023, Spring 2024
Big Ideas: Introduction to Information, Society, Culture <i>Teaching Assistant</i>	Fall 2023
Local Politics (EXW) <i>Independent Instructor</i>	Fall 2022

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Disasters, Violence, and Migration (DMV) Lab (NSF funded)** | *Research Assistant* 2024–2025
- Work for Professors Sara Mitchell and Elise Pizzi.
 - Work on the creation of a new dataset on government responses to disasters.
 - Evaluate how government disaster responses influence the relationship between disasters and political violence.
- Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) Research** | *Research Assistant* Summer 2023, 2024
- Work for Professor David Greenwood-Sanchez.
 - Collect China's official policies on promoting potatoes.
 - Data analysis and data visualization for public attitudes towards GMOs in Mexico.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- The Summer Institutes in Computational Social Science, University of Rochester** Summer 2024
- Generative AI, Large Language Models, Machine Learning, Text Analysis, and Data Visualization
 - **Best Paper Awards:** “Party Ideology, Corruption Scandal, and Corruption Framing: Evidence from Party Manifestos in Latin America.”
- Causal Inference Workshop, Northwestern University** Summer 2025
- Experimental Design, Matching, Difference-in-Differences, Regression Discontinuity, and Instrumental Variables

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. “Measuring Anti-Corruption Propaganda in China’s Official Media: A Text-Based Analysis of News Broadcasts.” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, April 2026.
2. “Anti-Corruption as Propaganda: Evidence from China’s Official News Broadcasts.” Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Conference, New Orleans, Jan 2026.
3. “From Public and Elite Opinion to Petty and Grand Corruption.” American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference, Virtual participation, Sept 2025.
4. “How Does Public Opinion Influence Government Corruption? A Cross-National Study.” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, April 2025.
5. “The State of Data Visualization in Political Science.” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, April 2025.
6. “Framing Democracy in Political Party Manifestos.” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, April 2025.
7. “The Emotional Mechanisms behind the 2019-2020 Hong Kong Protests.” American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference, Philadelphia, Sept 2024.
8. “Perceived Corruption and Ethnic over National Identification in Africa.” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, April 2024.
9. “How Do Elections Affect Perceived Corruption: Cross-National Empirical Evidence.” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, April 2024.
10. “Protest the Suppression of Protest: A Study of the 2019-2020 Hong Kong Protests.” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, April 2024.
11. “The Motivation of Informed Voters: How Partisanship Influences the Acquisition of Political Information.” American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference, Los Angeles, Sept 2023.
12. “Perceived Corruption and Ethnic over National Identification in Africa.” Fudan University, Shanghai China, June 2023.
13. “The Authority Cycle of China’s Rural First-Secretaries-in-Residence.” The Ocean University of China, Qingdao China, Nov 2020 (**First Prize**).

SERVICE

- **Guest Lecturer:** “Graduate Advanced Methods Seminar: Stata Workshop.” Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, Sept 2025.
- **Guest Talk:** “Corruption Perception and The Fight Against Corruption.” School of Government, Sun Yat-sen University, China, Nov 2024.
- **Guest Lecturer:** “Methods Workshop: How to Use Large Language Models with Python?” Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, Sept 2024 (cooperate with Eric Ngo).

AWARDS AND HONORS

- **Graduate College Summer Fellowship** (\$5,500), University of Iowa, 2026.
- **Prestige-Cook Travel Award** (\$500), SPSA Conference, 2026.
- **Graduate College Post-Comprehensive Research Fellowship** (\$11,375), University of Iowa, 2025.
- **Best Graduate Seminar Paper**, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, 2025.
- **Travel Grant Award** (\$500), APSA Conference’s Democracy & Autocracy Section, 2025.
- **Graduate Student Senate (GSS) Travel Funds** (\$320, \$300), University of Iowa, 2025-2026.
- **Graduate & Professional Student Government (GPSG) Travel Grant** (\$350), University of Iowa, 2024.
- **Travel Grant** (\$500, \$1,000, \$500), Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, 2024-2025.
- **Summer Scholarship** (\$2,000, \$5,500), Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, 2023, 2025.
- **National Scholarship for Graduate Students** (\$2,850), Ministry of Education of China, 2021.
- **First Class Grants and Scholarship** (\$8,570), Graduate School, Sun Yat-sen University, 2019-2021.
- **First Prize of the 16th “Challenge Cup” National College Students’ Extracurricular Academic and Technological Works Competition**, hosted by China Academy of Science, Ministry of Education of China, the National Association of Students, etc., 2019.
- **Excellent Undergraduate**, Fudan University, 2019.
- **First Prize of 2018 “Knowledge and Action Cup” Shanghai College Students’ Social Practice Project Competition**, hosted by Shanghai Municipal Education Commission, Shanghai Student Union, etc., 2018.

SKILLS

- **Languages:** Mandarin Chinese (Native) and English (Proficient).
- **Computer Languages or Software:** Stata, R, Python, LaTeX, and Gephi.
- **Statistical and Computational Methods:** Introductory and Advanced Statistical Models, Time Series Analysis, Multilevel Models, Spatial Statistics, Survival Analysis, Causal Inference, and Text Analysis.