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Education

University of Washington, Ph.D. in Political Science (In Progress)	Sept 2024 –
• Subfields: Political Theory, Comparative Politics, Political Methodology	
University of Washington, MA in Political Science	June 2026
University of Virginia, BA in Politics (Foreign Affairs)	May 2024

Awards and Fellowships

Humane Studies Fellowship, from the Institute for Humane Studies (IHS)	June 2025
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Conference Presentations

"Does Digital Feminism Invoke Population-Level Backlash? Evidence from China", Midwest Political Science Association Conference	April 2026
"Limits and Promise of Standpoint Theory in Politics: Knowledge, Justice, and an Aristotelian Perspective", Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting	April 2026

Teaching

Teaching Assistant, Pol S 201 Introduction to Political Theory	Spring 2026, Autumn 2024
Teaching Assistant, Pol S 310 Modern Political Thoughts	Winter 2026
Teaching Assistant, Pol S 302 Free Will, Nature, and Nurture in Politics and Society	Autumn 2025
Teaching Assistant, Pol S 313 Gender and Politics	Spring 2025
Teaching Assistant, Pol S 331 Government and Politics in MENA	Winter 2025

Papers in Progress

Does Digital Feminism Invoke Population-Level Backlash? Evidence from Post-MeToo China	
• Exploring the causal relations between individuals' exposure to online feminist discourse and their attitude toward gender equality, using the Difference-in-difference identification strategy based on the MeToo Movement.	

Skills

Languages: Chinese (Native), English (Proficient), Japanese (Intermediate)
Statistical Analysis: with R Studio
Prompt Engineering and LLM Evaluations: working experience in 10+ projects at Outlier AI and Handshake AI

Memberships

American Political Science Association