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Appointments

Assistant Professor, *Political Science and Public Administration, UNC Charlotte* 2020 -
Post-doctoral Associate, *Social Science Division, NYU Abu Dhabi* 2019 - 2020
Pre-doctoral Associate, *Center for Social Data Analytics, Pennsylvania State University* 2018 - 2019

Education

Dual-title Ph.D., *Political Science and Asian Studies, Pennsylvania State University* 2019
M.A., *Political Science, Pennsylvania State University* 2016
M.A., *Political Science, Duke University* 2014
B.A., *International Relations, Renmin University of China* 2012

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Neural Networks and Deep Learning, *deeplearning.ai* 2018
Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Institute, *University of Michigan* 2018
Automated Text Analysis, *Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis* 2016

Publications

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Yaoyao Dai and Alexander Kustov. 2022. “When Do Politicians Use Populist Rhetoric? Populism as a Campaign Gamble.” *Political Communication*.

Yaoyao Dai and Luwei Luqiu. 2022. “Wolf Warriors and Xi Jinping’s Diplomacy: An Empirical Analysis of China’s Diplomatic Language.” *The China Review*.

Yaoyao Dai and Luwei Luqiu. 2020. “Camouflaged Propaganda: A Survey Experiment on Political Native Advertising.” *Research & Politics* 7(3).

Yaoyao Dai, Zijie Shao, and Xianglin Xu. 2016. “Agenda-Setting and International News Coverage: A Quantitative Text Analysis on China Central TV News Reports” (In Chinese). *Journal of Chinese Academy of Governance* 4: 29-34.

EDITOR-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Yaoyao Dai and Luwei Luqiu. 2018. “Foreign Native Advertising.” *CP: Newsletter of the Comparative Politics Organized Section of the American Political Science Association* 28(2): 25-31.

Yaoyao Dai and Zijie Shao. 2016. “Populism and Authoritarian Survival in China: Conceptualization and Measurement” *CP: Newsletter of the Comparative Politics Organized Section of the American Political Science Association* 26(2): 31-40.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Yaoyao Dai and Luwei Luqiu. 2021. “China’s ‘wolf warrior’ diplomats like to talk tough.” *The Washington Post, Monkey Cage*.

Yaoyao Dai and Luwei Luqiu. 2021. “On North Korea, China’s wolf warriors speak more like doves.” *NK Pro*.

Yaoyao Dai. 2018. “Populism and Abuse of Populism” (In Chinese). *Tencent Dajia* (Most influential self-media in China. Article has been viewed over 310,000 times).

UNDER REVIEW

Dongyun Han, Abdullah-Al-Raihan Nayeem, Jason Windett, Yaoyao Dai, Benjamin Radford, and Isaac Cho. “A Survey on Visualization Approaches in Political Science for Social and Political Factors.”

Yaoyao Dai and Luwei Luqiu. “China’s Wolf Warrior Diplomacy and Xi Jinping’s Grand Diplomatic Strategy.” (Book under contract)

Yaoyao Dai and Chiedo Nwankwor. “[Anti-corruption Campaigns and Popular Support for Incumbent Government: A Survey Experiment in Nigeria.](#)”

WORKING PAPERS

Yaoyao Dai. “[Measuring Populism in Context: A Supervised Approach with Word Embedding Models.](#)”

Yaoyao Dai and Luwei Luqiu. “China’s Wolf Warrior Diplomacy and Xi Jinping’s Grand Strategy.” Book project, contracted with Lexington Books.

Yaoyao Dai, Jingjing Gao, and Benjamin Radford. “From Fear to Hate: Anti-Asian Sentiment During COVID-19.”

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Yaoyao Dai and Benjamin Radford. “What is Word Embedding and How can it be useful for Social Science Research”

Yaoyao Dai, Matt Golder, and Benjamin Radford. “Attributing Policy Influence in Multilingual Setting using Semantic Textual Similarity.”

Yaoyao Dai, Robert Pinka, and Benjamin Radford. “Reducing Biases in Human Annotated Data.”

Conference Presentations

Invited panel discussion on Interdisciplinarity at NYU Abu Dhabi (2020).

Visions in Methodology (VIM) Conference (2018, 2019).

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (2021, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016).

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (2019, 2018, 2015).

New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data Conference (2018).

Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (2017).

Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association (2022, 2019, 2018).

The Manifesto Project User Conference (2019).

University of Pennsylvania Symposium on Contemporary China (2016).

Teaching Experience

INSTRUCTOR

Political Science Research Methods, <i>University of North Carolina Charlotte</i>	2020 - 2022
Introduction to Comparative Politics, <i>University of North Carolina Charlotte</i>	2021, 2022
Authoritarian Politics, <i>University of North Carolina Charlotte</i>	Spring 2021
Introduction to Political Philosophy, <i>TopU International Education, Beijing, China</i>	2011, 2012

Grants

Faculty Research Grant, <i>UNC Charlotte (\$8,000)</i>	2021
Semi-Finalist for UNC Research Opportunities Initiative, <i>UNC Charlotte (\$25,000)</i>	2020
Conference Travel Grants, <i>Pennsylvania State University</i>	2015 - 2019
Conference Travel Grants (Polmeth), <i>National Science Foundation</i>	2017
Conference Travel Grants (TaDa), <i>National Science Foundation</i>	2018, 2019
Conference Travel Grants (VIM), <i>National Science Foundation</i>	2018

Keith Karako Funding for Summer Research, *Pennsylvania State University* (\$2,600) 2016
 Keith Karako Funding for Field Work, *Pennsylvania State University* (\$4,000) 2015

Awards and Fellowships

Prestage-Cook Travel Award, *Southern Political Science Association* 2019
 Summer Graduate Research Award, *Pennsylvania State University* 2017
 Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Student, *Renmin University of China* 2009, 2010, 2011
 Award for Excellent Volunteer, *Renmin University of China* 2009, 2011
 Award for Excellent Student Leader, *Renmin University of China* 2010
 Honor of the Best Debater, *Debate Among Sixteen Universities in Beijing* 2010

Professional Activities and Services

Editorial Assistant, *APSA's Comparative Politics Newsletter* 2015-2017
 Editorial Board, *APSA's Comparative Politics Newsletter* 2015-2019
 Reviewer: *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Political Analysis*,
Comparative Political Studies, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Government and Opposition*, *The
 China Review*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*
 Discussant: *Virtual Workshop on Asian Online Political Science Seminar Series (AOPSSS)* 2021
 Discussant: *Carolinas Conflict Consortium* 2021
 Discussant: *Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes (VWAR)* 2019, 2020
 Panel Chair and Discussant, "Advances in Coding and Labelling," *APSA* 2020
 Panel Organizer and Discussant, "Global Populism," *MPSA* 2018
 Panel Discussant, "China Conference-within-Conference," *SPSA* 2018, 2019
 Judge, "The 2018 Undergraduate Exhibition," *Pennsylvania State University* 2018
 Judge, "Northern Virginia Regional Science Fair" 2019

Skills

Programming Python, LaTeX
Statistics R, Stata
Languages Chinese (native), English (fluent)
Other Highest level certificate for Guzheng Performance (traditional Chinese musical instrument)