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## EDUCATION

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**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL** *2017-June 2023 (Expected)*  
Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science  
Major: International Relations, Minor: Political Methodology  
Dissertation: “Soft Autocrats Spin News: Implications to Domestic Audiences”  
Committee: Xinyuan Dai (Chair), Scott Althaus, Matthew Winters, Stephen Chaudoin

**University of Ottawa, ON** *2015-17*  
Master of Arts, Political Science (with thesis)

**University of Ottawa, ON** *2011-14*  
Joint Honours Bachelor of Social Sciences, Economics and Political Science/CO-OP  
*Summa Cum Laude*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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International Cooperation, Authoritarian Politics, Computational Social Science, Political Communication, Human Rights

## WORKING PAPERS

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**Lu, Lucie.** “We Hear You: How Do State-run Media Pay Attention to Online Public Opinion? Evidence from China” [*Under Review*]

**Lu, Lucie** and Williams, Miles. “Friends Get More Money, Attention and Handshakes: Chinese Foreign Aid, Xinhua and Diplomatic Visits” [*Under Review*]

**Lu, Lucie** and Yin, Tianhong. “Information for Inspiration: The Roles of Local News in Civil Conflict Diffusion in DR Congo”

**Lu, Lucie** and Weng, Dennis Lu-Chung. “To Repress or Not to Repress: Repressive Leaders are Lenient to First Time Street-level Dissent” [*Under Review*]

## PAPERS IN PROGRESS

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**Lu, Lucie.** “Fallen Tree in a Forest: When do Naming and Shaming (not) Empower Domestic Activists?”

Webb Williams, Nora and **Lu, Lucie.** “Symbolic or Substantive? Codes of Conduct in Political Science Conferences”

## SELECTED ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

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**EITM Summer Institute Scholarship** *2022*  
University of California, Berkeley

**Graduate Research Funding Award** *2022, 2021*  
Department of Political Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Schroeder Summer Graduate Fellowship** *2021*  
Cline Center for Advanced Social Research, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**INSPIRE and SPARK Awards for Promising Graduate Students** *2020*  
APSA Political Communication Section in lieu of preconference

**Rita and Leonard Ogren Prizes for Academic Achievement** *2019*  
Department of Political Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- 2022 Chinese Politics Research in Progress (Online Invited Workshop Presentation).
- 2022 Washington University in St. Louis (Invited Exchange Presentation).
- 2022 University of California, Berkeley (Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute).
- 2022 AidData and the Global Research Institute at William & Mary (W&M China Convening, *Separating Fact from Fiction: China's Growing Global Influence and its Implications*).
- 2022 University of Wisconsin-Madison (New Faces in Chinese Politics).
- 2022 New York University (Quantitative China Studies Seminar, QCSS).
- 2022 Duke University (*Broadening Our Approach: A Workshop on Comparative Political Communication*).
- 2019 University of Minnesota (Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium).
- 2018 Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and the WZB Berlin Social Science Center.
- 2022 Conference presentations at ISA-MidWest, MPSA, Asian PolMeth.
- 2020 Conference presentation at APSA.
- 2019 Conference presentation at ISA.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCES

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### Graduate Courses

- 2022 Methods TA, Statistical Inference and Adjustment (PS 531)
- 2021 Methods TA, Introduction to Applied Statistics in Political Science (PS 530)
- 2021 Methods TA, Quantitative Analysis in Political Science (PS 532)

### Undergraduate Courses

- 2021-22 Methods TA, Senior Honors Seminar (PS 495)
- 2021 Instructor of record, Introduction to Political Research (PS 230)
- 2020 Online Instructor, Introduction to Political Science (PS 100)
- 2019 TA, Introduction to Political Research (PS 230)
- 2017 TA, Introduction to International Relations (PS 280)

## RESEARCH ASSISTING EXPERIENCES

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- 2022 Project on Causal Inference and Policy Evaluation, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences (CASBS) at Stanford University, supervised by Dr. Charla Waeiss
- 2022 Project on Code of Conduct in Political Science Conferences, supervised by Dr. Nora Webb Williams
- 2020 Project on Civil War Cooperation, supervised by Drs. Alyssa Prorok & Elizabeth Menninga
- 2019 Project on Civil War and Reputation, supervised by Dr. Alyssa Prorok
- 2019 Project on International Cooperation, supervised by Dr. Xinyuan Dai

## SERVICE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Referee</li><li>2. Reading Group Co-Founder</li><li>3. PSGSA Math Camp &amp; Methods Sequence Committee</li><li>4. Mentoring Experiences</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>American Political Science Review, Japanese Journal of Political Science</li><li>Political Communication &amp; Authoritarian Politics (2020-2022)</li><li>Committee Chair (2019);</li><li>Round table Presenter (2021-2022) &amp; Instructor (2018-2021)</li><li>Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (2021)</li><li>Departmental program for first-year Ph.D students (2018-2021)</li><li>Doctoral Research Support Program (2021)</li></ul> |
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## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

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**Programming:** R, Python, LaTeX

**Languages:** English (fluent), Mandarin (native) and Cantonese (native), French (intermediate)