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Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2020 – Present
PhD Candidate in Political Science. Fields: Political Economy and Political Methodology.	
Committee: Daniel Hidalgo (Chair), Ben Schneider, Lily Tsai, and Yuhua Wang (Harvard)	
Columbia University	2018 – 2019
MA in Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences	
The Chinese University of Hong Kong	2014 – 2015
MSS in Government and Politics (Greater China)	
The Education University of Hong Kong	2011 – 2014
BSS.Edu in Greater China Studies	

Working Papers

"Strong State, Weak Enforcement: Bureaucratic Forbearance and Regressive Consequences of China's Social Insurance Policies." With Hao Zhang.

"Patronage in Plagues: Government Intervention and Essential Business Selection in the COVID-19 Lockdown." With Zeren Li.

Work Experience

ChinaFile Research Fellow, Asia Society, New York (2020)

Research Assistant, The Chinese University of Hong Kong & Oxfam, Hong Kong (2017 – 2018)

Research Journalist, The Initium Media, Hong Kong (2015 – 2016)

Service

Co-President, MIT Political Science Graduate Student Council (2022 – 2023)

Coordinator, Harvard-MIT-BU Cambridge Chinese Politics Research Workshop (2023 – present)

Grants & Awards

APSA Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant	
American Political Science Association	*2023*
World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship	
The Smith Richardson Foundation	*2023*
Political Methodology Research Grant	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	*2021*
Dean's List	
The Chinese University of Hong Kong	*2015*

Honour Student List
The Education University of Hong Kong *2014*

Outstanding Performance Scholarship
Hong Kong Education Bureau *2014*

Learning Development Grants
The Education University of Hong Kong *2014*

Scholarship for Outstanding Academic Performance
The Education University of Hong Kong *2013*

Skills

Programming Languages: R (primary), Python, Stata

Languages: Mandarin Chinese (native), Cantonese (fluent), English (fluent)