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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Georgia Institute of Technology, Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, Assistant Professor, 2016-present

Princeton University, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton-Harvard China and the World Program, Research Associate, 2015-2016

The Carter Center, The Carter Center-Xian Jiaotong University Initiative for International Peace and Development, Research Fellow, 2015-present

The China Research Center, Associate, 2016-present

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ph.D. in Political Science, 2015
First Field: International Relations; *Second Field:* Methods

ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, 2007

National Taiwan University, M.A. in Economics, 2004

Australian National University, M.A. in Strategic Studies, *High Distinction* 2003

National Taiwan University, B.A. in Business Administration, 1998

GRANTS, HONORS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS FOR RESEARCH

Grants

2019-2022 Minerva Research Initiative, U.S. Department of Defense

Fellowships

- 2005-2007 Fulbright Scholarship, U.S. Department of State
2011-2012 Dissertation Fellowships, Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange
- 2011-2013 Government Scholarship for Study Abroad, Ministry of Education, Taiwan
- 2016-2018 Postdoctoral Fellowship, Institute of Political Science at Academia Sinica (Declined)
- 2013-2014 Predoctoral Fellowship, Institute of Political Science at Academia Sinica

Awards

- 2017 Taiwan and Asia Program Speaker Series Grant
- 2013 Young Scholar Award, *China Times* Cultural Foundation
- 2006-2007 Asian Studies Center Tuition Remission Award, University of Pittsburgh
- 2011 Summer Initiative Award, Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Honors

- 2015 Next Generation Pacific Security Scholar, Pacific Islands Society (Declined)
- 2015 Winner of the Islands Society's "Security Threats in the Pacific Essay Contest"

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

"The Political Economy of China's 'Belt and Road Initiative'," in Lowell Dittmer (ed.), *China's Political Economy in the Xi Jinping Epoch: Domestic and Global Dimensions* (Singapore: World Scientific Publishing, 2021)

"China's Soft Power Over Taiwan" (with Yun-han Chu), in Kingsley Edney, Stanley Rosen, and Ying Zhu (eds.), *Soft Power with Chinese Characteristics: China's Campaign for Hearts and Minds* (London; New York: Routledge, 2019)

“Rebalancing Taiwan-US Relations” (with Nien-chung Chang Liao), *Survival* 57(6): 145-158, December 2015-January 2016

POLICY PAPERS AND COMMENTARIES

Stulberg, Adam N., Lawrence Rubin, and Dalton Lin, “Great Power Competition Below the Line: Comparative (and Contending) Approaches to Strategic Stability,” in *Present and Future Challenges to Maintaining Balance Between Global Cooperation and Competition*, Strategic Multilayer Assessment (SMA) White Paper, May 2020.

[“Pineapple Ban Another Prickle in Cross-Strait Relations,”](#) East Asia Forum, April 15, 2021

[“Decrypting China’s Narratives to the World,”](#) *The Cipher Brief*, November 19, 2020

[“Why Beijing Should Work with Tsai Ing-wen,”](#) *The Diplomat*, May 23, 2016

[““One Belt, One Road” and China’s International Relations,”](#) US-China Perception Monitor, March 21, 2016

[“China’s ‘One Belt One Road’ Project and Its International Relations,”](#) Carter Center China Program Policy Paper 1(2), September 2015

[“Security Implications of Geopolitics and Governance in the Pacific,”](#) *The Islander*, Pacific Islands Society, November 10, 2015 (2015 Winner of Islands Society’s “Security Threats in the Pacific Essay Contest”)

[“The Cross-Strait Diplomatic Truce in the Pacific Islands,”](#) *Thought Leaders*, Pacific Islands Society, October 27, 2014

[“How Should We Interpret China’s Assertive Diplomacy?”](#) *Taipei Perspective* No. 115, Taipei Forum, January 8, 2014

“New Asia Pivot: Obama’s Double Balancing Strategy” (with Philip Yang), *United Daily News*, April 25, 2014

[“Taiwan’s 2012 Presidential Election, Evolving Sino-US Relations, and the Prospect of Taiwan’s Security,”](#) *Ballots & Bullets*, University of Nottingham, December 5, 2011

WORKING PAPERS

“The Wary Patron: Great Power Rivalry and China’s Patronage Distribution in the Vietnam War,” book project in progress (approached by Lexington Books)

“The Cross-Taiwan Strait Issue as a Commitment Problem,” article and a journal special issue proposal in progress

“When Identities Clash: Why Taiwan Opposes Cooperation with Mainland China” (with Kathleen E. Powers), article in progress (first survey completed in March 2019 and experiment expected in May 2019)

“China’s Experiment in Peaceful Power Transition: ‘One Belt, One Road’ and a China-Centric Order,” article in progress

“Toward Successful State-to-State Rapprochements: A Theory of Can-Kicking in International Relations,” article in progress

“Bringing China and North Korea to Their Senses: Can the United States Force China’s Hand to Solve the North Korean Nuclear Issue?” (with Brice Edelman), article

PRESENTATIONS OF RESEARCH

Invited Talks:

“Taiwan’s Smart Power and Her International Participation,” Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Atlanta, Atlanta, GA. May 4, 2018

“Beijing’s Taiwan Policy after the 2016 Elections,” panel discussion organized by the Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, San Francisco, CA. September 3, 2017

“China’s Experiment in Peaceful Power Transition: ‘One Belt, One Road’ and a China-Centric Order,” Institute of Political Science, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, August 8, 2017

“Lessons from the Taiwan Strait: Parallel Self-interest, Behind-the-scenes Diplomacy, and Can-kicking Rapprochement,” National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan, June 8, 2017

“Can-kicking in International Disputes: Parallel Self-interest, Behind-the-scene Diplomacy, and Lessons for Rapprochement Attempts,” Institute of Political Science, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, December 27, 2016

“The Tsai Ing-wen Presidency at Six Months: The Current State and Prospects for Cross-Strait Relations,” Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. November 3, 2016

“Comments on *China’s Quest* by John Garver,” Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA. October 25, 2016

“The Third Plenum and Reform,” Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA. September 20 and 22, 2016

“Cross-Strait Relations: The Past, Present, and Prospects,” Amherst College, Amherst, MA. April 12, 2016

“‘One Belt, One Road’ Project and China’s Foreign Relations,” Amherst College, Amherst, MA. April 12, 2016

Conferences:

“Lessons from the Taiwan Strait: Parallel Self-Interest, Consistent Signaling, and Can-Kicking Rapprochement.” Paper presented at the Third World Congress of Taiwan Studies, Taipei, Taiwan. September 6-9, 2018

“Parallel Self-Interest, Consistent Signaling, and Can-Kicking Rapprochement.” Paper presented at the 2018 APSA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA. August 30 – September 2, 2018

“China’s Soft Power Over Taiwan.” Paper presented at the Conference on “Taiwan in a New Era: Democracy, Cross-Strait Security and International Relations,” Illinois State University, October 13-15, 2017

“China’s Experiment in Peaceful Power Transition: ‘One Belt, One Road’ and a China-Centric Order.” Paper presented at International Studies Association-Hong Kong University Joint International Conference, Hong Kong, June 15-17, 2017

“Parallel Self-interest, Behind-the-scenes Diplomacy, and Can-kicking in International Disputes: Lessons from Cross-Strait Rapprochement Attempts.” Paper presented at the “New Directions and Connections in Taiwan Studies” Workshop, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. April 7-8, 2017

“Toward Successful Rapprochement: Parallel Self-Interest, Private Diplomacy, and Cross-Strait Rapprochement Attempts.” Paper Presented at the 2016 Taiwan Conference: Taiwan in the Realm of East Asia, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC. October 21-23, 2016

“Private Diplomacy, Tacit Understandings, and Lessons from China’s Rapprochement.” Paper presented at the 2016 ASPA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA. September 1-4, 2016

“Great Power Rivalries, Alignment Predispositions, and Patronage Politics on China’s Periphery.” Paper presented at the 2016 China and the World Workshop, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA. March 3-4, 2016

“Power Rivalries and Patronage Politics.” Paper presented at the 2015 APSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA. September 3-6, 2015

“Toward Successful Rapprochement: Insights from China-Taiwan Relations.” Paper presented at the AAS-in-Asia Conference 2015, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan. June 22-24, 2015

“Buying Your Way to Periphery Influence.” Paper Presented at the Workshop on Theories and Methods of International Relations, Institute of International Relations, National Cheng-chi University, Taipei, Taiwan. December 3, 2013

“Power Relations and Neighborhood Policies: Revisiting China’s Vietnam Policy, 1965-1972.” Paper presented at the 8th Graduate Seminar on China, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong. January 4-7, 2012

“Good Neighbor or Bad Neighbor? Explaining China’s Neighborhood Policies.” Paper presented at the 16th Annual Conference of North American Taiwan Studies Association, Berkeley, CA. June 18-20, 2010

Departmental Talks:

“Buying Influence: How China Patronizes Its Neighbors.” Paper Presented at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ. October 7, 2015

“Buying Your Way to Peripheral Influence: Patronage Politics in Great Powers’ Peripheries.” Paper Presented at the IPSAS Lecture Series, Institute of Political Science, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan. April 24, 2014

“Won’t You Be My Neighbor? Explaining Great Powers’ Neighborhood Policies.” Paper presented at the Wisconsin International Relations Colloquium, Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI. May 3, 2011

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Journal Reviewer: *International Organization*; *Security Studies*; *International Interactions*; *International Studies Review*; *Asian Survey*, *Pacific Affairs*, *Journal of Asian and African Studies*; *International Journal of Taiwan Studies*; *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*; *China-An International Journal*; *Issues & Studies*; *A Journal of European and America Studies (Chinese)*; *Mainland China Studies (Chinese)*

Speechwriter, Vincent Siew (former Vice President of Taiwan), “Strategic Implications for Taiwan’s Participation in the Trans-Pacific Partnership,” delivered at the Brookings Institution, November 20, 2013; “The Outlook for Economic and Trade Cooperation between Taiwan and the United States,” delivered at the National Committee of American Foreign Policy, November 18, 2013.

Executive Editor, *Taiwan Security Research* (<http://taiwansecurity.org>), 2008 to present.

Interviewed by the *Weekendavisen* on cross-Taiwan Strait relations, July 25, 2018

Consultant and Research Associate, Globalization and Peace Research Center, Soochow University (Taipei), 2015 to present

Co-Founder and Coordinator, Wisconsin International Relations Colloquium (<http://www.polisci.wisc.edu/irc>), 2007-2009 (with Dave Ohls).

TEACHING

Georgia Institute of Technology, Sam Nunn School of International Affairs

- Introduction to International Relations (undergraduate lecture)
- Great Power Politics (undergraduate lecture)
- Pacific Security Issues (undergraduate/graduate seminar)
- Foreign Policy of China (undergraduate/graduate seminar)
- Vietnam War Politics—Comparative Foreign Policy (undergraduate/graduate seminar)
- Pro Seminar—Capstone course for international affairs majors

TEACHING AWARDS

Georgia Institute of Technology, *Student Recognition of Excellence in Teaching: Class of 1934 CIOS Honor Roll*, Introduction to International Relations, Fall 2020

Georgia Institute of Technology, *Thanks for being a Great Teacher Certificate*, Introduction to International Relations, Fall 2020

Georgia Institute of Technology, *Thanks for being a Great Teacher Certificate*, Great Power Relations, Spring 2020

Georgia Institute of Technology, *Thanks for being a Great Teacher Certificate*, Pro-seminar, Fall 2018

Georgia Institute of Technology, *Thanks for being a Great Teacher Certificate*, Foreign Policy of China, Spring 2017

SCHOOL SERVICE

Serving in the Sam Nunn School Graduate Committee, 2017-2019

Reviewing Ivan Allen College Small Grants for Research Proposals, 2019

Developing East Asian Science and Technology course for the Ivan Allen College's East Asian Studies program, 2018

Hosting His Excellency Mr. Jonatan Vsevirov, Ambassador of Estonia to the United States. Talk titled "Estonia's Security Triangle: The European Union, the United States and Russia," March 1, 2019

Organizing the workshop "Prospects for Chinese Foreign Policy: Implications of the Chinese Communist Party's 19th Party Congress," a closed-door dialogue between Georgia Tech and China's Xiamen University and Fudan University, October 31, 2017.

Organizing the workshop "'One China' Policy: Its Past and Future," April 12, 2017

Organizing the "Princeton-Harvard China and the World Program Annual International Workshop," March 8-10, 2017

Hosting His Excellency Mr. Eerik Marmeij, Ambassador of Estonia to the United States. Talk titled "Estonia's Foreign Policy: In Europe, Between America and Russia," February 24, 2017

Hosting His Excellency Mr. Stanley Kao, Representative of Taiwan to the United States. Talk titled "The Current State and Prospects for U.S.-Taiwan Relations," November 18, 2016