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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, TX

Assistant Professor, Political Science, Fall 2017-

Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA

Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science, Fall 2016-Summer 2017

**EDUCATION** 

#### The State University of New York at Binghamton, Binghamton, NY

Ph.D., Political Science, Fall 2011-Summer 2016

- Dissertation: Globally Economic Competition, Politics and Labor Rights
- Committee: David L. Cingranelli (Chair), Mikhail Filippov and Amanda Licht

M.A., Political Science, Spring 2014

ICPSR, University of Michigan, Jul-Aug 2013

• Courses: Advanced Game Theory, Advanced Maximum Likelihood Estimation

#### The George Washington University, Washington, DC

M.A., Philosophy and Social Policy, Summer 2009

#### China University of Political Science and Law, Beijing, China

LL.M., International Law, Summer 2006

Taiyuan University of Science and Technology, Taiyuan, Shanxi, China

LL.B., Law, Summer 2003

• with honors

TEACHING INTERESTS International Relations: Introductory Courses, International Political Economy, Human Rights, International Law and Organizations, Globalization, Foreign Relations in East Asia, U.S. and Chinese Foreign Policy, International Conflict and Security

Comparative Politics: Introductory Courses, Politics in Contemporary China, Politics of Legal Reform in China, Democratization, Authoritarianism, Political Economy of Development.

Others: Research Design, Quantitative Methodology, Spatial Econometrics.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## Instructor

Texas A&M University-Commerce

US/TX Government: Institutions & Politics	Spring 2018
Political Economy	Spring 2018
US/TX Government: Institutions & Politics	Fall 2017
Introduction to Research Methods	Fall 2017

Bryn Mawr College

China and the World	Spring 2017
Politics of Economic Development	Spring 2017
International Political Economy	Fall 2016
Political Economy of Human Rights	Fall 2016
Introduction to International Relations	Fall 2016

The State University of New York at Binghamton

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Political Economy of Human Rights	Summer 2016
Political Diffusion in Globalization	Winter 2014-2015
Introduction to World Politics	Falls 2013, 2014
Rising China and the World	Summer 2014

#### Teaching Assistant

The State University of New York at Binghamton Contemporary Int'l Law

Spring 2013

# RESEARCH INTERESTS

International and Comparative Political Economy, Human Rights, International Institutions, Globalization, Foreign Direct Investment, Governance and Development, Politics and Law in China, Foreign Policy

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- 9. "Bringing the State Back In': Explaining Women's Economic Empowerment in an Era of Globalization," Accepted, *Political Studies*.
- 8. "Economic Competition, Policy Interdependence and Labor Rights," Accepted, New Political Economy, online first.
- 7. "The Selection of Litigation against Government Agencies: Evidence from China," Accepted, The Review of Law and Economics. [with Wei Cui]
- 6. "Democracy, Policy Interdependence and Labor Rights," *Political Research Quarterly*, 70(3): 549-563, 2017.
- 5. "Locating the External Source of Enforceability: Alliances, Bilateral Investment Treaties, and Foreign Direct Investment," *Social Science Quarterly*, online first. [with Hyunjin Youn]
- 4. "Institutionalized Autocracies, Policy Interdependence and Labor Rights," *Journal of Human Rights*, 16(4): 473-493, 2017.
- 3. "Repress or Respect? Precarious Leadership, Poor Economy and Labor Protection," *Human Rights Review*, 18(1): 21-43, 2017. [with Hyunjin Youn]
- 2. "Treaty Commitment as a Signaling Device: Explaining Ratification of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights," *Human Rights Review*, 17(2): 193-220, 2016.
- 1. "The Inefficiencies of Legislative Centralization: Evidence from Provincial Rate-Setting for the Vehicle and Vessel Tax," *China: An International Journal*, 13(3): 49-73, 2015. [with Wei Cui]

## Working Papers

- 5. Is Unconditional Foreign Aid Necessarily Evil? Chinese Foreign Aid and Human Rights in Africa. *Under review* [with Jiong Yao]
- 4. Ethnicity and Trust in the United Nations. [with Ekrem Karakoc]
- 3. Central Bank Independence, Social Welfare Spending and Diversionary Conflict. [with Jun Xiang and Jiong Yao]
- 2. One for All? Examining the Relationship between Two Types of Labor Rights. [with David Cingranelli]
- 1. The Anticipatory Realizability of Treaty Purpose and Treaty Ratification: How Does Labor Rights Protection Affect the Domestic Fate of Bilateral Investment Treaties?

## Work in Progress

- 8. Leader Turnover, Supporting Coalition, and the Breach of Bilateral Investment Treaties.
- 7. Territorial Disputes and Economic Flows
- 6. Never Too Expensive: China's Foreign Aid in Africa
- 5. Foreign Direct Investment and Human Rights, A Case of China
- 4. Public Attitude toward China's Foreign Direct Investment. [with Jiong Yao]
- 3. Selective Violation of BITs: Political Affinity, Capital Dependence and Regional Integration.
- 2. Substitution or Complementation? Choices of Economic Incentives in an Era of Globalization.
- 1. Play with Chaos: Political Uncertainty and Portfolio Investment. [with Wei Jiao]

# Publications in Chinese

- 5. "Federalism, Democracy, Governmental Fractionalization and the Rule of Law: 1996-2009." The Jurist (Fa Xue Jia), 2:157-175, 2014.
- 4. "Rule of Law and Political Stability: A Quantitative Study of China's Experience, 1996-2010." Law and Social Development (Fazhi Yu Shehui Fazhan), 2:57-70, 2013.
- 3. "Analyzing the Efficacy of Institutions for Setting Local Tax Rates: A Study Based on Provincial Choices of Vehicle and Vessel Tax Rates in 2007." Taxation Research (Shuiwu Yanjiu), 11:54-59, 2012.
- 2. "Coherence Theory, Moral Realism and Law: An Integration Attempt Based on Internal Realism." Law and Social Development (Fazhi Yu Shehui Fazhan), 5:130-145, 2012.
- "Atheoretical-ness and Autonomy of Law: A Critique of Theory-Centered Legal Scholarship and Pedagogical Institution." Renmin University Law Review (Renda Falv Pinglun), 1:221-250, 2012.

## SELECT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 9. The Relationship between Collective Labor Rights and Workplace Protections: A Comparative Analysis. [with David Cingranelli]. American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

  Sep 2016
- 8. Labor Rights and the Ratification of Bilateral Investment Treaties. *International Studies Association Annual Conference*, Atalanta, GA. Mar 2016
- 7. Political Tenure, Economic Crisis, and Repression in Authoritarianism. *International Studies Association Annual Conference*, Atalanta, GA. Mar 2016
- Central Bank Independence, Social Welfare Spending and Diversionary Conflict. [with Jiong Yao]. American Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- Selective Violation of BITs: Political Affinity, Capital Dependence and Regional Integration. Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL. Apr 2015
- 4. Strategic Treaty Making: the Use of Dispute Settlement Mechanism and Bilateral Cooperation. American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC. Aug 2014
- 3. Leader Turnover, Supporting Coalition and Violation of Bilateral Investment Treaties.

  American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC. Aug 2014
- 2. Powerful Enforcement Tool: Alliances, BITs and FDI: 1978-2003. [with Hyunjin Youn]. International Studies Association Annual Conference, Toronto, ON. Mar 2014
- 1. Insecure Leaders, Economic Development and Protection of Workers Rights. [with HyunjinYoun]. International Studies Association Annual Conference, Toronto, ON. Mar 2014

## AWARDS Travel Awards

• SUNY Binghamton GSEU Professional Development Award	Mar 2016
• SUNY Binghamton Graduate Student Travel Grant	Sep 2015
• APSA Graduate Student Travel Grant	Aug 2014
• SUNY Binghamton Graduate Student Travel Grant	Mar 2014
• ISA-NE Conference Travel Grant	Nov 2010
• GWU Conference Presentation Travel Grants	Oct 2008

## Student Awards

The State University of New York at Binghamton

• Graduate Scholars Enhancement 2011-2012

The George Washington University, Graduate School

• Tuition Fellow of GWU Sep 2007-Jun 2009

Taiyuan University of Science and Technology

Excellent College Graduate
 Three Goods Student
 Jul 2003
 Jul 2001

• Scholarship for Academic Excellence Sep 1999-Jul 2002

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The State University of New York at Binghamton

Research Assistant

Measuring Workers' Rights Project Spring 2015

Supervisor: Prof. David L. Cingranelli

Ethnic and Religious Minorities and Political Trust Spring 2014

Supervisor: Prof. Ekrem Karakoc

Party Financing Summer 2012

Supervisor: Prof. William B. Heller

Measuring Workers' Rights Project Summer 2012

Supervisor: Prof. David L. Cingranelli

Other The State University of New York at Binghamton

EXPERIENCES • Assistant in Harpur College Dean's Office Aug 2015-May 2016

 $International\ Enforcement\ Law\ Reporter$ 

• Intern Oct 2008-Oct 2010

China University of Political Science and Law

• School of American and Comparative Law

Assistant in Dean's Office Jul 2006-Jul 2007

• Law Review of CUPL

Article Editor Sep 2003-Jul 2006

Skills Computation

• Stata R UCINET LATEX SPSS

Language

• Chinese(native) English(fluent) German(beginner)

Services University: Academic Practice Committee

Department: Curriculum Committee

Profession: journal reviewer for Journal of Politics, International Interactions, Conflict Management

and Peace Science, and International Political Science Review

Professional American Political Science Association, International Studies Association,

Membership Midwest Political Science Association

REFERENCES David L.Cingranelli Michael H. Allen

Professor Chair and Professor on the Harvey Wexler Department of Political Science Chair in Political Science and Co-Director

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