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Education

University of Zurich - Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies DOCTORAL STUDENT IN CHINESE STUDIES Chair of Modern China: Prof. Dr. Christopher Mittelstadt	Zurich 2026 - present
Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes - Direction of International Affairs EXCHANGE STUDENT	Paris 2023 - 2024
Peking University - Department of Politics MASTER OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE Thesis: <i>Drinking Banquet, Informal Institution and Promotion in China's Bureaucracy</i>	Beijing 2022 - 2024
Peking University - Yuanpei College BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS Thesis: <i>Collusion and Resistance - Villagers, Village Cadres, and Street-level Bureaucrats in Rural Demolition</i>	Beijing 2017 - 2022

Working Experience

Intern (full-time) UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON DRUGS AND CRIME - DIVISION FOR POLICY ANALYSIS	Vienna 2025 - 2026
Research Assistant (full-time) HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY – CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STUDIES	Hong Kong 2024 - 2025
Research Assistant, Beijing Area Study PEKING UNIVERSITY – THE RESEARCH CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY CHINA	Beijing 2022 - 2023
Household Survey Interviewer, China Health and Retirement Longitudinal Study PEKING UNIVERSITY - NATIONAL SCHOOL OF DEVELOPMENT	Hubei 2022

Scholarships and Awards

Scholarships

International Organization Internship Scholarship CHINA SCHOLARSHIP COUNCIL	EUR 5,200 2026
Chan Shu Kui Center for Comparative Political Development Studies FUDAN UNIVERSITY	USD 2,200 2024
Guanhao International Exchange Scholarship PEKING UNIVERSITY	USD 5,800 2023
First Prize Scholarship PEKING UNIVERSITY	USD 3,000 2023

Awards

Outstanding Graduate PEKING UNIVERSITY	2024
Outstanding Graduate PEKING UNIVERSITY	2022
Merit Student PEKING UNIVERSITY	2020

Award for Academic Excellence

PEKING UNIVERSITY

2019

Merit Student

PEKING UNIVERSITY

2018

Skills

Qualitative Methods: Fieldwork; ethnography; in-depth interviews

Computing: Stata; R; Office Programs

Languages: Chinese (native); English (TOEFL 117); French (DALF C1)

Additional: Rock climbing; long-distance hiking and trail running; football

Publications

Wu, Xiaoxi and Yifan Zhang. 2023. "Classics of Developmental Politics". In *Disciplinary Map of Development Politics*, edited by Jirong Yan and Xiao Ma, 437–447. Beijing: Peking University Press.

Work in Progress

Wu, Xiaoxi, Yifan Zhang, and Xiao Ma. *Punching the White Coat: How Knowledge, Contact, and Authoritarian Personality Shape Trust and Attitudes toward Violence Against Medical Professionals*. Manuscript in preparation. (Author order to be determined.)

Conferences and Workshops

UZH – GEAS Joint Dissertation Workshop (Free University, Berlin)

2026

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Philadelphia)

2024

The 10th Annual Conference on Frontier Theories and Methods in Political Science (Beijing)

2024

Service and Outreach

Class President (Masters Cohort), Peking University – School of Government

2022–2024

Vice-Captain, Peking University Women's Football Team

2021–2022

Founder & Project Leader, Rural Library Initiative (Thousand Books Project)

2019–2020