

EDUCATION

MA in Political Science May 2022
Columbia University, New York, NY

MA in Chinese Linguistics & Literature May 2021
San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA
Comprehensive Examination Paper: "E Pluribus Unum: A Comparative Study of Language Planning and Policy in the United States and China"
Advisor: Yang Xiao-Desai, Associate Professor of Chinese, SFSU

BA in Government May 2019
Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA
Senior Thesis Title: "Sino-Latin American Relations: Following the Money"
Advisors: John J. Pitney, Roy P. Crocker Professor of American Politics, CMC; Feng Xiao, Assistant Professor of Chinese, Pomona College

Columbia University's Business Chinese Study Abroad Program May 2016 - August 2016
Shanghai Jiaotong University, Shanghai, China

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Columbia University - New York, NY August 2021 - Present

- Working under Dr. Chiara Superti, I manually put together a panel cross-national dataset of expatriate voting records to study the impact of local politics and anti-immigrant/populist party support on voting decisions from abroad
- Leveraged my native Spanish language skills to cross-reference official sites containing relevant electoral data and contact electoral institutes in various countries (e.g. Mexico's Instituto Nacional Electoral, Peru's Oficina Nacional de Procesos Electorales)
- Learning about the R code and techniques needed to analyze the aforementioned data

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Business Development Intern, Superbloom - Shanghai, CN May 2018 - August 2018

- Managed virtual community of investors in WeChat and Weibo groups, resulting in improved public image and increased platform and event participation
- Managed logistics, secured venues, and handled promotion for fundraising events in Shanghai

Property Manager, Community Fund LLC – Oakland, CA December 2016 - June 2017

- Managed 150 properties in the Bay Area by collecting rent, inspecting homes, and liaising with maintenance workers to ensure upkeep of properties
- Maintained up-to-date reports of assigned Community Fund LLC properties, which accounted for property condition, tenant and landlord relations, and Homeowner Associations and government correspondence

Congressional Intern, Office of Congresswoman Barbara Lee - Oakland, CA June 2015 - August 2015

- Solved constituent casework (i.e. loan modification, mortgage, healthcare, social security) by leveraging federal, state, and local resources
- Liaised with government agencies to expedite constituent inquiries (i.e. Veteran's Authority, labor, housing, transportation, immigration)
- Met with local advocacy groups (e.g. Free Tibet) to discuss legislative efforts spearheaded by Congresswoman Lee to support their needs and initiatives
- Drafted press releases and took minutes during staff meetings with advocacy groups and elected officials

Ambassador & Tour Guide, Claremont McKenna College (CMC) February 2015 - December 2015

- Represented the Office of Admissions at CMC in communicating with prospective students via e-mail or by phone

- Built relationships with prospective students and their parents as well as shared information about the college with ease and grace
- Visited schools in low-income and underrepresented communities and spoke in front of hundreds of prospective CMC students and families

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- “¿Agua o plomo? Water Politics in Chihuahua (Mexico) in 2020”
- “Sino-Latin American Relations: Following the Money”
- “E Pluribus Unum: A Comparative Study of Language Planning and Policy in the United States and China”
- “National Language Planning and Policy in China’s Belt and Road Initiative” (“一带一路”国家的语言规划与政策)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Presidential Scholarship, Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA 2016, 2018
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship Fellowship, SFSU, San Francisco, CA 2020-2021

RELEVANT SKILLS AND TEST SCORES

Foreign Language: Native Fluency in Spanish, Advanced Fluency in Mandarin (Simplified & Traditional)

Technical: R (intermediate), Python (basic), LaTeX (intermediate)

GRE: 160 (Verbal), 153 (Quantitative Reasoning), 4.5 (Analytical Writing)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association
- Latin American Studies Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Student At-Large Member, Associated Students of San Francisco State University September 2020 - May 2021

- Served as an AS liaison for SFSU Art Gallery and regularly communicated its needs with student government representatives
- Spearheaded efforts to establish enrollment pipeline between SFSU and local community colleges (e.g. City College of San Francisco)
- Organized a student panel interviewing 4 candidates being considered for Senior Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management

Mentor, Chicano Latino Student Affairs, Claremont Colleges September 2015 - May 2016

- Welcomed and mentored a group of 7 incoming freshmen at Claremont McKenna College that identified as part of the Chicano Latino community
- Assisted in the planning and execution of the CLSA's yearly freshmen retreat alongside fellow student mentors
- Attended a week-long training session prior to the semester's start to learn from staff and student leaders across the Claremont Colleges about matters pertaining to diversity and inclusion, mental health, and fellowship/summer programs

Founding Officer, CMCers of Color September 2015 - May 2016

- Facilitated discussion with key administration and the College's president to advocate for the needs of underrepresented students (e.g. reinstatement of Questbridge Scholars program)
- Collaborated with students to organize a demonstration in support of enhanced resources for students of color (700+ turnout)
- Spearheaded the historical creation of a Diversity & Inclusion Chair within Claremont McKenna's student government
- Appointed student government officers to collaborate with affinity groups and represent the College's first-generation student community

2016 Los Angeles Marathon Runner, CMC 26.2

September 2015 - February 2016