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EDUCATION

Ph.D. **University of Florida**, Political Science, Fall 2026 (*Expected*)
Fields: Political Theory, Comparative Politics

Dissertation: Darwin Goes East: Evolutionism and Imperialism in the Formation of Modern Chinese Political Thought

Committee: Daniel O'Neill (Chair), Leslie Thiele, Stacey Liou, James Gerien-Chen (External Member)

M.A. **Peking University**, China, Political Science, 2018

B.A. **Renmin University of China**, Politics and Public Administration, Highest Distinction, 2016

PUBLICATIONS

Wang, Yuanxin. 2026. "Reconfiguring the Global Color Line: The Paradoxical Discourse of Race in Zou Rong's *Revolutionary Army*." *American Political Science Review*: 1–15. doi: 10.1017/S0003055426101464.

TEACHING

University of Florida:

- Instructor of Record

- Great Political Thinkers: Machiavelli to Marx, Fall 2026
- Problems of Democracy, Fall 2022, 2023, 2025 | Spring 2023, 2025, 2026
- Introduction to Political Theory, Summer 2024, 2025

- Teaching Assistant

- Introduction to Political Theory Fall 2019, 2020, 2021, 2024 | Spring 2021
- Theories of International Relations, Spring 2019
- Facets of Sustainability, Fall 2018

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Surviving Imperialism(s): Social Darwinism as Anti-Imperial Discourse in Modern Chinese Political Thought.” *Draft available*

“Beyond the People: Familial Imaginaries and American Democracy.” *Draft available*

“Liberal Individuality and Sociological Diversity, Revisiting the Family and Colonialism in Locke’s Political Thought.” *Draft available.*

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Surviving Imperialism(s): Social Darwinism as Anti-Imperial Discourse in Modern Chinese Political Thought.” *2026 Britain and Ireland Association for Political Thought Conference | 2026 American Political Science Association Conference*

“Discovery Race in Modern Chinese Political Thought.” *2024 Western Political Science Association Conference | 2024 Midwest Political Science Association Conference*

“Unexpected Resonances: Zou Rong, Du Bois, and the Global Contours of Racial Discourses.” *2023 Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory*

“The Invention of Liberal Individuality in Locke’s Political Thought.” *2022 PKU Annual Conference on Political Thought (Bei Da Zheng Zhi Si Xiang Lun Tan)*

AWARDS & GRANTS

- Graduate Student Travel Fund Award, University of Florida (2024)
- CLAS Dissertation Fellowship, University of Florida (2024)
- Rothman Doctoral Fellowship, University of Florida (2023)
- Graduate School Fellowship, University of Florida (2018-2022)
- Pass with Distinction, Political Theory Qualifying Exam (2021)
- School of Government Honor Award, Peking University (2016)

SERVICE

- Manuscript reviewer for *Chinese Political Science Review*
- Supervisor, Junior Fellows Program, Department of Political Science, University of Florida, 2024
- Discussant, “Academic Freedom in A Conflict Public Sphere” Roundtable, Association of Political Theory, 2023
- Discussant, UF Political Theory Workshop, University of Florida, 2021
- Research Assistant, Center for European Studies, Peking University, China, 2016-2017

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association (2023-present)

Western Political Science Association (2024-present)
Association for Political Theory (2023-present)
Britian and Ireland Association for Political Thought (2025-present)

LANGUAGES

English, Mandarin (native), German (beginner)

Last Updated: August 2026