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## EDUCATION

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Ph.D. **University of Florida**, Political Science, Spring 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

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

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

## PUBLICATIONS

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Wang, Yuanxin. “Reconfiguring the Global Color Line: The Paradoxical Discourse of Race in Zou Rong’s *Revolutionary Army*.” *American Political Science Review*. Forthcoming.

## SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

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“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

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

“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**

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- 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)

## **TEACHING**

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### **University of Florida:**

- Instructor of Record

- 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

### **Peking University:**

- Teaching Assistant

- History of Western Political Thought, Spring 2017 | Fall 2017

## **SERVICE**

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- Supervisor, Junior Fellows Program, Department of Political Science, University of Florida, 2024
- Discussant, UF Political Theory Workshop, University of Florida, 2021
- Research Assistant, Center for European Studies, Peking University, China, 2016-2017

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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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**

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English, Mandarin (native), German (beginner)