SHUYUAN SHEN PH.D. CANDIDATE

EDUCATION University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Ph.D. in Political Science M.S. in Applied Statistics • Committee: Scott L. Althaus (Chair), Nora Webb Williams, Matthew S. Winters, Yujeong Yang

University of Notre Dame

South Bend, IN

Master of Global Affairs

2017 - 2019

Chinese University of Hong Kong

Hong Kong

B.Soc.Sci. in Sociology and Political Science

2013 - 2017

PUBLICATION

 Gong, Do Young., Kim-Leffingwell, Sanghoon., Shen, Shuyuan., and Yang, Yujeong. 2024. "Money Backfires: How Chinese Investment Fuels Anti-China Protests Abroad." World Development 178: 106566.

• Research area: Chinese Politics, Political Communication, Political Economy

1. Yang, Yujeong., Kim-Leffingwell, Sanghoon., Shen, Shuyuan., and Gong, Do Young. 2023. "Kill Protests with Kindness: Anti-China Protests and China's Public Diplomacy." *International Studies Quarterly* 67 (4): sqad087.

Under Review

- 3. Yu, Jianjun, and Shen, Shuyuan. "Serve the People: Public Goods Information and Communicative Strategies of Local Governments in China." *Under Review*.
- 2. **Shen, Shuyuan**. "With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility: Personalization and Responsibility Attribution in Autocracies." *Under Review*.
- 1. Shen, Shuyuan. "Media and Democratization in Autocracies." Under Review.

Work in Progress

- 7. **Shen, Shuyuan**. "What About Abroad: How Chinese Media Leverages Foreign News for Distraction and Legitimization."
- 6. **Shen, Shuyuan**. "Plotlines and Politics: How Political Entertainment Influences Foreign Audience."
- 5. **Shen, Shuyuan**, and Yu, Jianjun. "Propagating War with Baby Voices and Cat Memes: How Soft Military Propaganda Reshapes Public Support for War in China."
- 4. Shen, Shuyuan. "Foreign Aid and Media Freedom."
- 3. **Shen, Shuyuan**, and Zhang, Maggie. "Buying a Foreign Boat: How Chinese Investment Reshapes Media Abroad."
- 2. Shen, Shuyuan. "Censorship and Propaganda Persuasiveness in Autocracies."
- 1. Shen, Shuyuan. "Does Propaganda Persuade?"

Policy Report

1. Calderon, Patrick., Kollman, Kathleen., Siddiquei, Mehak., and Shen, Shuyuan. 2019. "Humane Immigration Enforcement: The Way Forward."

Conference Presentation

APSA Annual Meeting | Various Locations

- 2024: Shen, Shuyuan. "'Whatabout' Legitimacy: International News as Distraction in China"
- 2023: Yu, Jianjun., and Shen, Shuyuan. "Personality Cult or Performance? Chinese Strategies of Government Propaganda"
- 2022: **Shen, Shuyuan**. "'Canceled'": The Democratic Consequences of Perceived Censorship"
- 2022: Shen, Shuyuan. "Censorship and Propaganda Persuasiveness in Autocracies"
- 2021: Shen, Shuyuan. "The Signaling Effect of Censorship in Autocracies"

MPSA Annual Meeting | Chicago, IL

- 2024: **Shen, Shuyuan**. "With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility: Personalization and the Attribution of Responsibility in Autocracies"
- 2024: Shen, Shuyuan., and Yin, Tianhong. "Modality and Persuasion: Differential Effects of Textual, Visual and Auditory Communication"
- 2023: Shen, Shuyuan. "Media Penetration and Regime Change in Autocracies"
- 2023: Shen, Shuyuan. "Media Takeover and Coup Success"
- 2022: Yang, Yujeong., Kim-Leffingwell, Sanghoon., Shen, Shuyuan., and Gong, Do Young. "Domestic Anti-Chinese Protest and Policy Concession from China: Evidence from Central Asia"
- 2022: Gong, Do Young., Kim-Leffingwell, Sanghoon., Shen, Shuyuan., and Yang, Yujeong. "The Politicization of Chinese Investment: Electoral Competition and Anti-China Protest in Central Asia and Africa"
- 2022: **Shen, Shuyuan.**, and Zhang, Maggie. "Buying a Foreign Boat: How China Reshapes Media Abroad

WPSA Annual Meeting | San Francisco, CA

• 2023: Shen, Shuyuan. "Media Penetration and Regime Change in Autocracies"

Illinois-WashU Political Science Student Exchange | St. Louis, MO

• 2023: Yu, Jianjun., and Shen, Shuyuan. "Personality Cult or Performance? Chinese Strategies of Government Propaganda"

Illinois-Notre Dame Political Science Student Exchange | South Bend, IN

• 2023: Shen, Shuyuan. "Media Penetration and Regime Change in Autocracies"

Workshop on Comparative Political Communication | Durham, NC

• 2022: **Shen, Shuyuan**. "'Canceled'": The Democratic Consequences of Perceived Censorship"

National Communication Association (NCA) | Seattle, WA

• 2021: Van Duyn, Emily., Raynal, Isaiah., Shen, Shuyuan., Claire O'Brien. "Platforms and Politics: Digital Communication Infrastructure in Rural Illinois"

Grant and Award	Illinois Distinguished Fellowship (\$75,000)	2010 2024	
	University of Illinois Political Communication Section Travel Award	2019 - 2024	
	American Political Science Association	2022 - 2024	
	William T. Bernhard Award for Best Dissertation Prospectus University of Illinois	2024	
	George Yu Travel Grant University of Illinois	2022 - 2023	
	Ogren Award for Best Conference Paper University of Illinois	2023	
	Centennial Center Research Grant (\$2,216) American Political Science Association	2021	
	Schroeder Summer Graduate Fellowship (\$6,000) Cline Center for Advanced Social Research	2021	
	Rita and Leonard Ogren Award for Academic Achievement University of Illinois	2020	
	Graduate Student Research Grant University of Illinois	2020	
	Gove Fellowship		
	University of Illinois Donald Marilyn Keough Fellowship (\$100,000) University of Notre Dame	2020 2017 - 2019	
	Rance PL Lee Award for Quality Research Chinese University of Hong Kong	2017	
	Zhi Yuan Scholarship (¥200,000) China Soong Ching Ling Foundation	2013 - 2017	
	Dean's List Chinese University of Hong Kong	2015 / 2017	
	Master's List Chinese University of Hong Kong	2015 / 2017	
	Yasumoto International Exchange Scholarship Chinese University of Hong Kong	2016	
Teaching	Teaching		
and Research	GLBL296 Media, Information Technology, and Democracy (Solo Instructor) Spring 2024		
	• PS100 Introduction to Political Science (Co-Instructor)	Summer 2024	
Position	• PS241 Comparative Politics in Developing Nations (Co-Instructor) Summer/Winter 2023		
	• PS180 Introduction to the Politics of Globalization (Teaching Assistant)	Fall 2024	
	PS522 Research Design and Techniques (Methods Teaching Assistant)	Spring 2023	
	PS531 Quantitative Political Analysis II (Methods Teaching Assistant)	Spring 2023	
	 PS530 Quantitative Political Analysis I (Methods Teaching Assistant) PS495 Senior Honors Seminar (Methods Teaching Assistant) 	Fall 2022 Fall 2022	
	Research		
	Professor Jacob Bowers (Research Assistant)	2021 - 2022	
	Professor Cara Wong (Research Assistant)	2020 - 2021	
	Professor Victoria Tin-bor Hui (Research Assistant)	2018 - 2019	

Service	Profession		
	Panel Chair at APSA and MPSA	2022 / 2024	
	Panel Discussant at APSA and MPSA	2022	
	University & Department		
	Coordinator of Political Communication and Authoritarian Politics Group	2022 - 2024	
	Graduate Mentor for Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program	2022 - 2024	
	• Chair of Methods Committee of the Graduate Student Union	2021 - 2022	
	Member of Students Advising on Graduate Education	2021 - 2022	
	Department Graduate Student Mentor	2020 - 2021	
	• Member of Survey Committee at the Graduate Student Association	2019 - 2020	
	Welfare Officer, Student Cabinet of the Morningside College	2014 - 2015	
Professional Membership	American Political Science Association Midwest Political Science Association		
Work	Data Journalist Intern Initium Media	2016	
Experience	Project Intern Center for Child Rights and Corporate Social Responsibility	2015	
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SKILL	Programming: R, Python, SPSS, SQL, ArcGIS, LaTeX, GitHub. Languages: Chinese, English, Cantonese.		
Reference	Scott L. Althaus		
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