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**PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES**

Hsu, Jennifer, Reza Hasmath, Carolyn Hsu, Timothy Hildebrandt, and Jessica C. Teets. "Authoritarian Persuasion? Examining the CCP's Political Messaging and Its Influence on Civic Participation." *China Information*. Forthcoming 2026.

Hildebrandt, Timothy, Reza Hasmath, Jessica C. Teets, Jennifer YJ Hsu, and Carolyn L. Hsu. "China's 'bad citizens': understanding non-participation in philanthropic and voluntaristic activities." *Journal of Asian Public Policy* (2025): 1-16.

Gao, Xiang and Jessica C. Teets. "China ushers in a new era governance framework." *East Asia Forum Quarterly*, Vol. 17, No. 2: special issue 'Asia's Politics Now'. 2025: 35-37.

Hasmath, R, T Hildebrandt, C Hsu, JYJ Hsu, and J Teets. "The Civic Participation in China Survey: Key Trends in Philanthropic and Voluntary Activities," *Journal of Contemporary East Asia Studies*. 2025: 1-15.

Hsu, Carolyn L., Jessica C. Teets, Reza Hasmath, Jennifer YJ Hsu, and Timothy Hildebrandt. "The Construction and Performance of Citizenship in Contemporary China." *Journal of Contemporary China* 32 (138). 2022: 1-17.

Hasmath, Reza, Timothy Hildebrandt, Jessica C. Teets, Jennifer YJ Hsu, and Carolyn L. Hsu. "Citizens' Expectations for Crisis Management and the Involvement of Civil Society Organisations in China." *Journal of Current Chinese Affairs* 51(2). 2022:292-312.

Lewis, Orion, Jessica C. Teets, and Reza Hasmath. "Exploring Political Personalities: The Micro-Foundation of Local Policy Innovation in China." *Governance* 35 (1). 2022: 103-122.

Teets, Jessica C., Reza Hasmath, Timothy Hildebrandt, Carolyn L. Hsu, and Jennifer YJ Hsu. "Volunteerism and Democratic Learning in an Authoritarian State: the Case of China." *Democratization* 29 (5). 2022: 879-898.

Teets, Jessica, Michael Gao, Mika Wysocki, and Weiru Ye. "The Promise of "Payment for Ecosystem Services": An Analysis of Watershed Eco-Compensation Policy Design in China." *Environmental Policy and Governance* 31 (6). 2021: 580-591.

Teets, Jessica and Nele Noesselt. "The State of the Field for Governance and Policy Innovation in China." *Journal of Chinese Governance* 5 (4). 2020: 413-8. Special issue: Policy Innovation and Governance in China. Guest Editors: Jessica Teets and Nele Noesselt.

Teets, Jessica and Reza Hasmath. "Evolution of Policy Experimentation in China." *Journal of Asian Public Policy* 13 (1). Special Issue on Policy Entrepreneurship in Asia. 2020.

Gao, Xiang and Jessica C. Teets. "Civil Society Organizations in China: Navigating the Local Government for More Inclusive Environmental Governance." *China Information* 35 (1). 2020.

Hasmath, Reza, Jessica C. Teets, and Orion Lewis. "The Innovative Personality? Policymaking and Experimentation in an Authoritarian Bureaucracy." *Public Administration and Development*, 39(3). 2019: 154-162.

- Teets, Jessica and Oscar Almen. "Advocacy under Xi: NPO Strategies to Influence Policy Change." *Nonprofit Policy Forum*, 2018.
- Noakes, Stephen and Jessica C. Teets. "Learning under Authoritarianism: Strategic Adaptations within International Foundations and NGOs in China." *VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*. 2018.
- Teets, Jessica, Reza Hasmath, and Orion Lewis. "The Incentive to Innovate? The Behavior of Local Policymakers in China." *Journal of Chinese Political Science* 22(4). (May 2017): 505-517. [Special issue on Local Governance Innovation: Understanding the Incentives and Sustainability of Experimental Policymaking].
- Teets, Jessica. "The Power of Policy Networks in Authoritarian Regimes: Changing Environmental Policy in China." *Governance*. May 2017.
- Teets, Jessica. "Policy Diffusion in China: Contracting Out Elder Care." *China: An International Journal*. August 2016.
- Hsu, Carolyn and Jessica C. Teets. "Is China's New Overseas NGO Management Law Sounding the Death Knell for Civil Society? Maybe Not." *The Asia-Pacific Journal*. February 2016.
- Teets, Jessica. "The Politics of Policy Innovation in China: Local Officials as Policy Entrepreneurs." *Issues & Studies* 51, no. 2 (June 2015): 79-109.
- Teets, Jessica. "The Emergence of Consultative Authoritarianism in China: Contending Models of Civil Society Management in Yunnan and Beijing." *Journal of Contemporary China* 24. January 2015.
- Fitzgerald, Jennifer, David Leblang, and Jessica C. Teets. "Defying the Law of Gravity: The Political Economy of International Migration." *World Politics* 66, no. 03 (2014): 406-445.
- Teets, Jessica. "Let Many Civil Societies Bloom: the Rise of Consultative Authoritarianism in China." *The China Quarterly* 213. January 2013: 19-38. (Also reprinted in Anthony Saich, Ed. *Political Governance in China*. Edward Elgar Publishing, 2015).
- Teets, Jessica. "Reforming Service Delivery in China: the Emergence of a Social Innovation Model." *Journal of Chinese Political Science*. March 2012.
- Teets, Jessica. "New Models of Service Delivery in China: the Emergence of Social Innovation [社会服务模式的发展: 社会创新]." *Fudan Public Administration Review* (in Chinese). March 2012.
- Teets, Jessica. "Post-Earthquake Relief and Reconstruction Efforts: The Emergence of Civil Society in China?" *The China Quarterly* 198. June 2009: 330-347.

## BOOKS

- Gao, Xiang and Jessica C. Teets. *Beyond Fragmented Authoritarianism: China's Governance Model in the New Era* (under review with Cambridge University Press).
- Groemping, Max and Jessica C. Teets, eds. *Lobbying the Dictator*. University of Michigan Press: The Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies (WCED) Series (Series Editor: Dan Slater). 2023.
- Teets, Jessica C. and William Hurst, eds. *Local Governance Innovation in China: Experimentation, Diffusion, and Defiance*. Routledge Contemporary China Series. 2014.
- Teets, Jessica C. *Civil Society under Authoritarianism: the China Model*. Cambridge University Press. 2014.

## DATASET

*Civic Participation in China Surveys* – 3 waves of surveys from China available with questions focused on volunteering, donating, and perspectives on citizenship (with Jennifer YJ Hsu, Carolyn Hsu, Reza Hasmath, and Timothy Hildebrandt): <https://www.civicparticipationchina.com/home>

## BOOK CHAPTERS

Gromping, Max and Jessica C. Teets. “Lobbying the Autocrat.” *Oxford Handbook of Lobbying and Its Regulation*, Wiebke, Marie, Michele Crepaz, Raj Chari, and Emilia Korkea-aho, eds. Oxford: Oxford University Press (Forthcoming 2026).

Li, Hui and Teets, Jessica. “Civil Society in China.” In *Oxford Bibliographies in Chinese Studies*. Ed. Tim Wright. New York: Oxford University Press, 2024.

Hasmath, R. and Teets, J. “Cadres and Local Policy Experimentation”, in C. Ergenc and D. Goodman (eds.) *Handbook on Local Governance in China*. Northampton, MA and Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar. 2023.

Gao, Xiang and Jessica C. Teets. “Citizen Participation in China.” *The Oxford International Handbook of Public Administration for Social Policy: Promising Practices and Emerging Challenges*. Karen Baehler and Jeffrey Straussman (eds). New York: Oxford University Press. 2023.

Teets, Jessica and Reza Hasmath, “Chapter 3: Policy Experimentation and Opportunities for Policy Entrepreneurship”, in *Policy Entrepreneurship: An Asian Perspective*, Michael Mintrom, Dayashankar Maurya, and Alex Jingwei He, eds., Routledge. 2020.

Ratigan, Kerry and Jessica C. Teets. “The Unfulfilled Promise of Collaborative Governance: The Case of Low-Income Housing in Jiangsu.” *The Palgrave Handbook of Local Governance in Contemporary China*. Yu J., Guo S. (eds). Palgrave Macmillan. 2019: pp 321-344.

~~Teets, Jessica. “The Test of a Civilization: Social Management and the Future of Philanthropy in China.” *Chinese Philanthropy: Past, Present And Future* 中国慈善事业:过去,现在与未来. Caroline Reeves and Gao Xi, ed. Fudan University Press. December 2018 [CENSORED].~~

Teets, Jessica and Marta Jagusztyn. “Evolution of a Collaborative Governance Model: Social Service Outsourcing to Civil Society Organizations in China,” *NGO Governance and Management in China*. Reza Hasmath and Jennifer Hsu, eds. Routledge Modern China Series. 2015.

Teets, Jessica. “Dismantling the Socialist Welfare State: the Rise of Civil Society in China.” *China In and Beyond the Headlines*, 3rd edition. Timothy Weston and Lionel Jensen, eds. Rowman & Littlefield. 2012.

Teets, Jessica. “Civil Society Participation in Local Governance: Outsourcing Migrant Education in Shanghai.” *China’s Search for Good Governance*. Deng Zhenglai and Sujian Guo, eds. Palgrave Macmillan. 2011.

Teets, Jessica, Stanley Rosen, and Peter Hays Gries. “Political Change, Contestation and Pluralization in China Today.” *Chinese Politics: State, Society and the Market*. Peter Gries and Stanley Rosen, eds. New York: RoutledgeCurzon. 2010.

Chenoweth, Erica and Jessica Teets. “To Bribe or Bomb: An Empirical Analysis into the Relationship between Corruption and Terrorism.” *Corruption, Global Security, and World Order*. Robert I. Rotberg, ed. Washington DC: The Brookings Institution Press. 2009.

Lewis, Orion and Jessica Teets. “Chinese Nationalism 1949-1980.” *Nations and Nationalism in Global Perspective: An Encyclopedia of Origins, Development, and Contemporary Transition*. ABC-CLIO. 2008.

## CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW

Teets, Jessica. "Deliberative Authoritarianism: Evaluating Xi Jinping's 'Responsive Government' Reforms in China." R&R.

Gao, Xiang and Jessica C. Teets. "Mapping Local Officials' Political Values in China." Part of a forthcoming special issue with the *Journal of Contemporary China*.

Fu, Diana and Jessica C. Teets. "Liberated Minds? How Chinese International Students Perceive Democracy."

Yin, Yifan, Jessica C. Teets, Jennifer YJ Hsu, Carolyn L. Hsu, Reza Hasmath, and Timothy Hildebrandt. "Generation Xi: Changing Attitudes toward Volunteering among Chinese Youth." Part of a forthcoming special issue with the *Journal of Chinese Governance*.

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## INVITED ARTICLES, BOOK REVIEWS, AND POLICY ANALYSIS

"[Riding the Wave versus Dictating the Agenda?](#)", book launch roundtable essay for Alexander Cooley and Alexander Dukalskis, *Dictating the Agenda: the Authoritarian Resurgence in World Politics*, National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR): *Asia Policy*. January 2026 (21.1).

Review of "[Everyday Democracy: Civil Society, Youth, and the Struggle against Authoritarian Culture in China](#)," by Anthony J. Spires. New York: Columbia University Press, 2024." *The China Journal* 94, July 2025.

"[China's New Social Contract](#)", book launch roundtable essay for Steve Tsang and Olivia Cheung's *The Political Thought of Xi Jinping*, National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR), October 2024 (vol. 19, no. 4).

"Listening and Learning: the Effectiveness of 'Authoritarian Deliberation'," *Wilson Center Report*, 2024.

Panelist, "Is It Me or the Economic System? Changing Chinese Attitudes Toward Inequality: A Big Data China Event," CSIS, July 2024: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6BPxnbJEw80>

"[The Battery of Southeast Asia: Challenges to Building a Regional Transmission Grid](#)", (with AJ Byambasaikhan, Joyce Yui Sze Kam, Wei Liang, and Lindsey Morrow), *Foreign Policy Research institute*, 2024.

"[Mobilizing against Thai Hydropower: Information is Power](#)", (with Abshir Adam, Rapeethorn Kashemsant, and Wei Liang), *Foreign Policy Research institute*, 2024.

Review of *Civil Society in China: How Society Speaks to the State* by Runya Qiaoan. *The China Journal* 91, 1, 2024.

Review of *The Performative State: Public scrutiny and Environmental Governance in China* by Iza Ding. *The China Review* 23, 2, 2023: 189-92.

Review of *Chinese environmental contention: Linking up against waste incineration* by Maria Bondes. *The China Journal* 88, 2022.

Podcast: authors' roundtable on "Lobbying the Autocrat". The Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies (WCED) (moderator: Dan Slater), January 25, 2022: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FJco8Ssox-U>

Discussant, book launch for Elizabeth Economy's *The World According to China*, National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR), January 20, 2022.

"*The Promise of People-to-People Exchange in Sino-US Relations.*" *US-China Perception Monitor*. 2022: <https://uscnpm.org/2022/01/05/the-promise-of-people-to-people-exchange-in-sino-us-relations/>

Review of Local Government Innovativeness in China by Youlang Zhang. *The China Quarterly* 248 (1), 2021: 1226-1227.

Grömping, Max and Jessica C. Teets. "Lobbying the Autocrat: a Theoretical Roadmap". In *Democracy and Autocracy APSA section newsletter* 19 (3), 2021.

Discussant, book event for Joe Fewsmith's *Rethinking Chinese Politics*. Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS), 2021.

"Pursuing Mutual Benefit and Win-Win Cooperation: Sino-U.S. Civil Society Engagement" Response to the Carter Center's *Finding Firmer Ground* Report. *China Currents*, 2021:

[https://www.chinacenter.net/2021/china\\_currents/20-1/pursuing-mutual-benefit-and-win-win-cooperation-sino-u-s-civil-society-engagement/?fbclid=IwAR3vs6M1h5JQNzcF28oxINv08ZMjjNbgzpg0Q\\_FcS9QxJgdmvjSmp2Is1fE](https://www.chinacenter.net/2021/china_currents/20-1/pursuing-mutual-benefit-and-win-win-cooperation-sino-u-s-civil-society-engagement/?fbclid=IwAR3vs6M1h5JQNzcF28oxINv08ZMjjNbgzpg0Q_FcS9QxJgdmvjSmp2Is1fE)

"Consultative Authoritarianism: The Key to Good Governance in China?" *Proceedings of the Symposium on Authoritarianism and Good Governance*. Muqtedar Khan (Ed.). International Institute of Islamic Thought, 2021.

Review of "Green China, by Yifei Li and Judith Shapiro." *Governance* 34(2), 2021: 313-315.

Jessica Teets, Reza Hasmath, Tim Hildebrandt, Carolyn Hsu, Jennifer Hsu. "Not everyone in China thought the government could handle coronavirus. Apr 17, 2020: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2020/04/17/not-everyone-china-thought-government-could-handle-coronavirus/>

Review of "The Fight for China's Future: Civil Society vs. the Chinese Communist Party, by Willy Wo-Lap Lam." *The China Quarterly*. September 2020 (No. 243): 871-873.

Review of "*Governance Innovation and Policy Change: Recalibrations of Chinese Politics under Xi Jinping*, edited by Nele Noesselt." *The China Journal* 83, January 2020: 174-177.

Review of "*To Govern China: Evolving Practices of Power*. Edited by Vivienne Shue and Patricia M. Thornton. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017. xi, 321 pp." *The Journal of Asian Studies*, Volume 78 Issue 2, May 2019: 435-437.

Review of "Red Swan Song: The End of Policy Experimentation in China?" *Current History*, Volume 117 Issue 800, August 2018: 244.

Review of "Book Review: Bin Xu, *The Politics of Compassion: The Sichuan Earthquake and Civic Engagement in China*." *The China Quarterly*, June 2018 (No. 234).

"The CCP is eating the state," *East Asia Forum* (4 April 2018): <http://www.eastasiaforum.org/2018/04/04/the-ccp-is-eating-the-state/>

"Xi Won't Go." *A ChinaFile Conversation* February 25, 2018: <http://www.chinafile.com/conversation/xi-wont-go>

"Assessing Xi Jinping's Recentralisation of Power," *Institute for Asian and Pacific Studies Dialogue*, December 2018: <https://iapsdialogue.org/2018/01/09/assessing-xi-jinpings-recentralisation-of-power/>

"The Rise of Foundations," *Made in China* 2, Issue 1 January–March 2017: 30-4.

"How Xi Jinping's Leadership Discourages Local Innovation." *East Asia Forum* (20 December 2016): <http://www.eastasiaforum.org/2016/12/20/how-xi-jinpings-leadership-discourages-local-innovation/>.

Review of "Charlotte Tan, *Training the Party: Party Adaptation and Elite Training in Reform-era China*." *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, 21.4 (December 2016).

"What Does Xi Jinping's Top-Down Leadership Mean for Innovation in China?

A ChinaFile Conversation." *ChinaFile* (October 2016): <https://www.chinafile.com/conversation/what-does-xi-jinpings-top-down-leadership-mean-innovation-china>

“How Xi Jinping’s Anti-Corruption Campaign Reduces Local Discretion and Policy Innovation.” *China Policy Institute: Analysis*. October 2016: <https://cpianalysis.org/2016/10/25/how-xi-jinpings-anti-corruption-campaign-reduces-local-discretion-and-policy-innovation/>

“民间社团的繁兴：协商式威权主义在中国的兴起 [The Emergence of Civil Society: Rise of Consultative Authoritarianism in China].” *Foreign Theoretical Trends* (in Chinese). April 2014.

Review of “Timothy Hildebrandt: Social Organizations and the Authoritarian State in China.” *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, Volume 18, Issue 4, December 2013: 417-418.

Review of “The Role of American NGOs in China’s Modernization.” *The China Quarterly*. June 2013.

“The Consequences of Local Governance of Social Welfare Policies.” *Fudan Journal of the Humanities and Social Sciences* (in English), September 2012.

Review of “Mark Frazier’s Socialist Insecurity.” *Journal of Chinese Political Science* 17, September 2012.

“Evolution of the Policy Process in China: the Impact of the Color Revolutions and Global Economic Crisis on Civil Society Participation in Public Policy,” *Harvard Asia Quarterly*, March 2011.

Review of “Teresa Wright’s Accepting Authoritarianism.” *The Review of Politics* 73. 2011: 1–3.

Lewis, Orion and Jessica Teets. “A China Model? Understanding the Evolution of a “Socialist Market Economy.” *Glasshouse Forum*, August 2009.

Review of “Pranab Bardhan and Dilip Mookherjee’s Decentralization and Local Governance in Developing Countries.” *Journal of Chinese Political Science* 13. March 2008.

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## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Guang Biao Chair Professor, Zhejiang University (浙江大学光彪讲座教授), December 2024-December 2027

Foreign Policy Research Institute (FPRI), Asia Program, Non-resident scholar, 2024-2027

Wilson Center China Fellowship, China Program, 2023-4

Templeton Fellow, Asia Program, Foreign Policy Research Institute (FPRI), 2023-4

Academia Sinica, Taiwan, Visiting Fellow, Spring 2023

National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR) Advisory Board member, 2021-present

Public Intellectuals Program (PIP) Advisory Board member, National Committee on United States-China Relations (NCUSCR), 2021-present

Peking University, School of International Studies, Visiting Fellow, September 2006 – June 2007

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## GRANTS AND AWARDS

Luce Foundation grant (with Mary Gallagher, Elizabeth Perry, Jean Oi, and Kellee Tsai), Society for the Social Science Study of China (SSSSOC), steering committee, 2024-2026

Conflict Transformation grant (\$75,000), Middlebury College, Winter 2024

Ministry of Science and Technology grant, Visiting Fellowship, Academia Sinica, Taiwan, Spring 2023

Top Cited Article, *Environmental Policy and Governance* 2023 for [The impact of environmental federalism: An analysis of watershed eco-compensation policy design in China](#) (published with 3 students after research conducted

in a summer course)

Long-Term Faculty Development Award, Middlebury College, July 2022 - June 2024

*Journal of Asian Public Policy* Best Paper Prize 2020/2021: “Evolution of Policy Experimentation in China”

70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary *The China Quarterly* special issue: top 12 most influential articles over the past six decades measured by citations, 2021:

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/blog/2021/01/08/the-china-quarterly-at-60-a-special-anniversary-issue/?fbclid=IwAR02xlyPooDkSJZp3ImH6aiWqBXwAkgXPHOCTuV4XbUqWIO31a3yygbRx6A>

Top Cited Article, *Governance*, 2018 for “The Power of Policy Networks in Authoritarian Regimes: Changing Environmental Policy in China”

Gladstone Award Honoring Excellence in Teaching, 2017

Middlebury College, Faculty Fund for Innovation, 2016, Collaborative grant with Orion Lewis and Wei Liang  
SSHRC, 2015-2017, Collaborative grant with Orion Lewis and Reza Hasmath (University of Alberta)

Jeanne Epp Barksdale '48 Endowed Junior Faculty Fellow, 2012-2015

Fellow, National Committee on United States-China Relations, Public Intellectuals Program (PIP)  
Cohort 3, 2012-2013

Middlebury College, Undergraduate Collaborative Research Fund (UCRF), June-August 2011 & 2016.

National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, September 2007-August 2008

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## EDUCATION

University of Colorado, Boulder  
PhD Political Science 2009  
MA Political Science 2004

University of Chicago  
MA International Relations 1998

University of Maryland  
BA Government and Politics 1997  
BA Chinese Studies 1997

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## EMPLOYMENT

Middlebury College Middlebury, Vermont  
Professor, Department of Political Science  
December 2021-present  
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science  
July 2015-December 2021  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science  
July 2009 – July 2015

University of Colorado, Boulder Boulder, Colorado  
Instructor for Chinese Politics and Global Development  
Department of Political Science  
September 2007 – December 2008

Corporate Executive Board  
Acting Director, Corporate Strategy Board  
Associate Director, Corporate Strategy Board  
Senior Research Manager, Corporate Strategy Board  
Research Manager, Corporate Strategy Board  
Senior Research Associate, Corporate Strategy Board  
July 1999 – August 2002

Washington, D.C.

Department of Justice, Antitrust Division  
Research and Paralegal Analyst  
July 1998 – July 1999

Washington, D.C.

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#### **RECENT INVITED TALKS & CONSULTING (SINCE 2019 FOR SPACE CONSIDERATIONS)**

“China’s New Era Governance Model,” Tsinghua University, May 2026.

“China and Strategic Competition in the Indo-Pacific,” Vermont Council on World Affairs, Department of State International Visitor Leadership Program, 30 March 2026.

“Xi Jinping’s Risk Assessment,” RAND, October 2025.

“Conducting Fieldwork in China Today,” CSIS Fieldnotes podcast with Scott Kennedy, September 2025.

“Authoritarian Deliberation”, Pekingology podcast, June 2024:

<https://www.csis.org/podcasts/pekingology/authoritarian-deliberation>

“Paralysis versus Obedience: China’s New Governance Model,” China Studies Centre, The University of Sydney, June 12, 2024.

“Political Centralization under Xi Jinping: Strategic Adaptation by Local Cadres,” Center for the Study of Contemporary China, University of Pennsylvania, March 28, 2024.

“Paralysis versus Obedience: China’s Local Policymakers,” Asia Program, FPRI, March 27, 2024.

“Creating a Culture of Philanthropy and Volunteerism in Contemporary China,” China Governance Workshop at the Center for Governance and Markets, University of Pittsburgh, March 26, 2024.

“Lobbying the Autocrat: Policy Advocacy in Non-Democracies”, Book talk at UC San Diego School of Global Policy and Strategy, November 2, 2023.

“Lobbying the Autocrat: Non-violent Advocacy in Non-Democracies”, Book talk at USIP, October 6, 2023.

CSIS-PKU Scholarly Delegation, Beijing, July 10-12, 2023; and Washington DC, October 2-4, 2023.

“Political Centralization under Xi Jinping”, Tel Aviv University, June 6-7, 2023.

Podcast: “Lobbying the Autocrat”. Lowy Institute. July 13, 2022.

“Beyond Fragmented Authoritarianism: Overcoming Information Asymmetries in Policymaking”, Harvard-Yenching Institute Workshop, April 28, 2023.

“Institutional Conversion and Layering: the Changing Governance Model in China”, National Chengchi University (NCCU), March 28, 2023.

“Beyond Fragmented Authoritarianism: China’s New Governance Model”, Academia Sinica (IPSAS), March 23, 2023.

Podcast: “Changing local governance and civil society in China”. Lowy Institute. July 13, 2022.

<https://www.lowyinstitute.org/publications/conversations-think-local-act-central-innovation-local-level-policy-making-china>

“How Powerful in Xi Jinping?”, panel hosted by the Atlantic Council’s Global China Hub and Center for Strategic and International Studies’ Freeman Chair in China Studies, June 1, 2022.

Testimony on Xi Jinping’s Governance Style, Congressional-Executive Commission on China (CECC), January 27, 2022.

“Civil Society as Social Entrepreneurs: Strategic Rebranding or Evolution?” 21st Century China Center at the UC San Diego School of Global Policy and Strategy. December 9, 2021.

“Political Personalities and Policy Innovation.” Sino-US Scholar Dialogue Series on Public Administration. November 30, 2021.

“NGO Hybridization Strategy.” Guest Lecturer at the Schwarzman Scholars Program at Tsinghua University. November 29, 2021.

“Civil Society in China.” Comparative Government TIPSS Summit on Interest Groups and Civil Society. November 17, 2021.

“The Future of People-to-People Diplomacy.” Pacific Community Initiative, [bilateral dialogue](#) on US-China relations organized by Johns Hopkins SAIS and Peking University, November 10, 2021.

Testimony on China’s Environmental Challenges, Congressional-Executive Commission on China (CECC), September 21, 2021.

“Fragmented Authoritarianism 3.0.” SAIS Series with Andrew Mertha. April 16, 2021.

World Bank Internal Seminar Series. “Public Sector Innovation.” April 6, 2021.

“The Role of NGOs in U.S. China Relations.” A Joint Online Meeting by The Grandview Institution & The Carter Center. 18 March 2021.

“Power to the Party.” Pekingology Podcast with Jude Blanchette, CSIS. 13 January 2021.

“Managing Cadres.” Fairbank Center with Ezra Vogel, Harvard University. 10 April 2019.

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## TEACHING

### ***Comparative Politics:***

PSCI 103 Introduction to Comparative Politics

PSCI 213: Qualitative Research Methods (**methods requirement**)

PSCI 221 Chinese Politics

PSCI 286 Comparative Authoritarian Politics (**College Writing course**)

### ***Political Economy:***

PSCI 330 Political Economy of Development (PSCI 336 when co-taught with ECON for IP&E program)

PSCI 469 Chinese Political Economy

PSCI 1xxx Revisiting the East Asian Development Model (winter term)

### ***International Relations:***

PSCI 449 Chinese Foreign Policy

INTL 403 China and India Compared

DPPG 8620: China's Development Challenges (MA course at MIIS)

***Immersive Fieldwork Courses (winter term & summer):***

PSCI 426 Critical Frames for Social Change (capstone for Privilege & Poverty academic cluster)  
PSCI 1047 Water Conflict and Development in Thailand and Vietnam (experiential winter term class 2024)  
DPPG 8579 How China is Changing the World (China: summer 2016 and summer 2019)  
PSCI 0500: Evaluating Rural Development Models in the Dominican Republic (winter term 2018)  
PSCI 1052 Policy Innovation Lab: Affordable Housing Regulations (winter term 2025)

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**RECENT CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION AND PRESENTATIONS (SINCE 2019 FOR SPACE CONSIDERATIONS)**

Organized a Common Prosperity as China's New Social Contract panel; presented "Liberated Minds? How Chinese International Students Interpret Democracy" at the Chinese Politics Mini-Conference; served as discussant on Comparative Authoritarian Law and Global China panels; and participated in the 'author meets critics' session for Wendy Leutert's new book on Chinese State-Owned Enterprise reform. APSA, Vancouver (September 2025).

Organized and co-hosted the *Subnational Governance in China* authors workshop (with Dr. Wen-Hsuan Tsai at Academia Sinica) at National Chengchi University, Taiwan (June 2025).

"Beyond Fragmented Authoritarianism: Centralization and Local Policymaking", *American Political Science Association*, LA (August 31-September 3, 2023).

"China's Evolving Digital Governance", Chair, *International Studies Association*, March 16-18, 2023.

Hsu, C.L., Teets, J.C., Hasmath, R., Hsu, J.Y.J. and Hildebrandt, T. (2020) "The Construction and Performance of Citizenship in Contemporary China", Paper presented virtually at *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting* (San Francisco, USA), August 8-11.

"Strategic Framing: Changing Modes of State-Society Interactions in China", Chair & Discussant, *APSA Virtual Annual Meeting*, September 9-13, 2020.

Co-Organizer, China Mini-Conference at *APSA Virtual Annual Meeting*, 2020.

Organized and hosted the 2020 *Association of Chinese Political Studies* annual conference (originally at Middlebury College but moved online due to covid-19).

"Explaining the Hybridization Trend among Chinese NGOs: Navigating the State", Paper presented at *Comparative Authoritarianism Research* conference (Heidelberg University, Germany), June 2019.

Organized and hosted the 2019 *Association of Chinese Political Studies* annual conference (with Dr. Jianxing Yu) at Zhejiang University, China.

2006-onward: member and regular attendance at American Political Science Association (APSA), International Studies Association (ISA), Association of Asian Studies (AAS), and Association of Chinese Political Studies (ACPS).

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**COLLEGE AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE**

- Faculty Advisory Board, Study Away at Monterey program, 2023-2024
- Steering Committee on Global Immersion Courses, 2022-2024
- Faculty Director, Student Entrepreneurship Program, 2020-2022
- Faculty Advisory Board, Study Abroad Program in China, 2018-present
- Faculty Strategy Committee, 2018-2022
- Steering Committee on Experiential Pedagogy, 2022
- Ad-hoc Committee on Project-Based Learning, 2020-2021

- Ad-hoc Committee on Experiential Learning Pedagogy, 2019-2020
- Co-Founder and Organizer, Fall Faculty Forum (FFF), 2017-2022
- C3 Committee Member and Cohort Mentor, 2016-2019 [Creating Connections Consortium promotes faculty diversity in academia supported by grants from the Mellon Foundation]
- PI, Luce Foundation Grant for China Outreach to Bristol Elementary School, 2013-2016
- Member, Privilege & Poverty Program Committee, 2013-present
- Member, Career Services Committee, 2010-2018

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- Co-Organizer, *Chinese Politics Research in Progress* (CPRP) workshop, 2026-onward (with Yuhua Wang, Harvard, and Xiaobo Lü, University of California, Berkeley)
- Editorial Board member, the *Journal of Asian Public Policy*, 2024-onward
- Editorial Board member, *The China Quarterly*, 2023-28
- Asia Pacific Public Policy Network (AP-PPN) Steering Committee member
- Chinese Language Fellowship Program Advisory Council, National Bureau of Asian Research, since 2018
- Public Intellectuals Program (PIP) Advisor, National Committee on United States-China Relations, since 2018
- President, Association of Chinese Political Science (美国中国政治研究学会), 2018-2020
- Non-Resident Senior Fellow, China Policy Institute (CPI), 2014-2016
- Associate Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Chinese Political Science* (JCPS), 2010-2023
- Curricular Consultant, Teaching East Asia Program, 2007-2022
- Editorial Board Member, *Asian Survey*, since 2016
- Advisory Board for the Routledge Book Series on the *Politics and Sociology of China*
- Reviewer: *International Organization, Governance, Perspectives, CPS, Journal of Politics, The China Journal, China Quarterly, Political Research Quarterly, Voluntas, APSR, BJPS, etc.*