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Academic Appoint

2018 - Assistant Professor
Department of Political Science, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Education

2012 - 2018 Ph.D., Political Science at Duke University
Dissertation Title: *Intertemporal Choice and Democracy*
Committee Chair: Prof. Herbert Kitschelt, Duke University

2009 – 2012 Master of Art, Political Science, National Taiwan University

2005 - 2009 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, National Taiwan University
Minor in Political Science - Public Administration

Academic Publications

- **Peer-reviewed journal article**

- Wang, A. H., Yao-Yuan Yeh, Fang-Yu Chen, and Charles K.S. Wu. “[High-level Visit and National Security Policy: Evidence from A Quasi-Experiment in Taiwan](#)” *International Interactions* Accepted.
- Wang, Austin H., and Nadia Eldemerdash. 2022. “[National Identity, Willingness to Fight, and Collective Action](#)” *Journal of Peace Research* Online First.
- Wang, Austin H. 2022. “[PM me the Truth? The Conditional Effectiveness of Fact-checks across Social Media Sites.](#)” *Social Media + Society* Online First.
- Wu, C. K., Yeh, Wang, A. H., Yeh, Y., and Chen, F. Y. 2022. “[Public Support for the Use of Force in Non-Western and Non-Major Powers \(NWNM\): The Case of a China-Taiwan War.](#)” *International Political Science Review* Accepted.
- Kowal et al. 2022. “[Predictors of Enhancing Human Physical Attractiveness: Data from 93 Countries.](#)” *Evolution and Human Behavior* Accepted.
- Wang, A. H., Yao-Yuan Yeh, Fang-Yu Chen, and Charles K.S. Wu. “[Media Literacy and Partisan Convergence across Social network sites](#)” *Social Science Journal* Online First.
- Cheng, C. C., Wu, Harry, Yeh, M.J., and Wang, A. H. 2022. “[Comparing stress and behavioral coping strategies during the early stages of the COVID-19 crisis among domestic and overseas Taiwanese](#)” *Scientific Reports* 12: 11613 (2022)
- Lieberoth et al. 2021. [Stress and worry in the 2020 coronavirus pandemic: relationships to trust and compliance with preventive measures across 48 countries in the COVIDiSTRESS global survey.](#) *Royal Society Open Science*, 8(2), 200589.
- Wang, Austin H., Yuan-Ning Chu, Fang-Yu Chen, and Ming-Jui Yeh. 2021. “[Sacrifice for the mandate of heaven? Regression discontinuity of death penalty execution in Taiwan.](#)” *Social Science Journal* Online first.
- Wang, Austin H, Puma Shen, Mg Lee, and Min-Hsuan Wu. 2020. “[Influencing Overseas Chinese by Tweets: Text-Images as the Key Tactic of Chinese Propaganda](#)” *Journal of*

Computational Social Science 3: 469-486.

- Kselman, Daniel, Emerson Niou, and Austin H Wang. 2020. "[Measuring 'closeness' in 3-candidate elections: Methodology and an application to strategic voting](#)" *Electoral Studies* 68: 102220.
- Hiko, Aly, and Austin H Wang. 2020. "[Out-of-Control COVID-19 Pandemic Hampers the Nationalism](#)" *Political Studies Review* 19 (2): 294-301.
- Wang, Austin H, Yao-Yuan Yeh, Fang-Yu Chen, and Charles K.S. Wu. 2020. "[The Non-Consensus 1992 Consensus](#)." *Asian Politics & Policy* 13(2), 212-227.
- Wang, Austin H. 2020. "[Efficiency over Generosity? Evidence of Electoral Accountability from Typhoon Dayoff in Taiwan](#)" *Asian Journal of Political Science* 28 (1): 32-46.
- Wang, Austin H, Fei-Pei Lai, Fu-Shun Hsu, and Peter Shaojui Wang. 2020. "[Mobilizing Sophisticated Donors: What Candidate Facebook Posts Do Attract Intra- and Inter-district Donations?](#)" *Issues and Studies* 56 (4): 2050005.
- Wang, Austin H. 2020. "[Do social movements encourage young people to run for office? Evidence from the 2014 Sunflower Movement in Taiwan](#)" *Journal of Asian and African Studies* 55 (3): 317-329.
- Wang, Austin H. 2019. "[The Myth of Polarization among Taiwanese Voters: The Missing Middle](#)" *Journal of East Asian Studies* 19 (3): 275-287.
- Wang, Austin H. 2019. "[Patience, Dynamic of Protest, and Democratic Consolidation](#)" *European Political Science* 18:473-490
- Wang, Austin H, and Fang-Yu Chen. 2018. "[Extreme Candidates as the Beneficent Spoiler? Range Effect in the Plurality Voting System](#)" *Political Research Quarterly* 72(2), 278-292.
- Wang, Austin H. 2018. "[Patience Moderates the Social Cleavage in Demand for Redistribution](#)" *Social Science Research* 70: 18-27.
- Wang, Austin H. 2017. "[Patience as the Rational Foundation of Sociotropic Voting](#)" *Electoral Studies* 50: 15-25.
- Wang, Austin H. 2017. "[Waning Effect of China's Carrot and Stick Policies toward Taiwanese People: Clamping down on Growing National Identity?](#)" *Asian Survey* 57 (3): 475-503.
- **Working Paper under review and resubmit**
- Wang, Austin H. "[Political Opportunity Structure Moderates the Legacy of Political Violence](#)" *Democratization* review and resubmit
- Wang, Austin H, and Darrell Carter. "Replication to Lupu and Peisakhin (2017) and the Legacy of Political Violence" *Research and Politics* review and resubmit
- Wang, A. H., Yao-Yuan Yeh, Fang-Yu Chen, and Charles K.S. Wu. "[Why does Taiwan Identity Decline?](#)" *Journal of Asian and African Studies* review and resubmit
- Wang, Austin H. "[Economic Patronage and Issue Linkage](#)" *American Journal of Political Science* under review.
- Wang, Austin H. "[Who are the Non-separable Voters?](#)" *Journal of Politics* under review.
- Wang, A. H., Yao-Yuan Yeh, Fang-Yu Chen, and Charles K.S. Wu. "[Strategic Ambiguity, Strategic Clarity, and Dual Clarity](#)" *International Studies Quarterly* under review
- Wang, Austin H. and Darrell Carter. "[Replication to Lupu and Peisakhin \(2017\) and the Legacy](#)

[of Political Violence](#)” *Political Science Research and Methods* under review

Wang, Austin H., Darrell Carter, Maddison Westcott, and Ruth Boitel. “[Puppet Anchor and China’s YouTube Information Operation](#)” *Political Studies Review* under review

- **Peer-reviewed Archive**

Blackburn et al. 2022. “[COVIDiSTRESS diverse dataset on psychological and behavioural outcomes one year into the COVID-19 pandemic](#)” *Scientific Data* 9: 331.

Yamada et al. 2021. “[COVIDiSTRESS Global Survey dataset on psychological and behavioural consequences of the COVID-19 outbreak](#)” *Scientific Data* 8(3).

- **Peer-reviewed Book chapter**

Wang, Austin H., and Rauchfleisch, Adrian. 2022. “[Understanding the #MilkTeaAlliance Movement.](#)” *2021-22 Wilson China Fellowship: Essays on China and U.S. Policy.*

Wang, Austin H. 2020. “DPP in the Opposition” in Templeman, Kharis et al. (eds.) *Dynamics of Democracy in Taiwan: The Ma Ying-jeou Years, Chapter 3.* London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Wang, Austin H. 2015. “The Connection and Effectiveness of the iVoter in Taiwan’s 2012 Legislative Election” in Liao, Da-chi et al. (eds.) *Political Behavior and Technology: Voting Advice Applications in East Asia,* Chapter 7. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Academic Honor and Award

- 2022, UNLV COLA Summer Research Award, \$7500
- 2021, Wilson Center China Fellowship, \$20000
- 2020, Chiang Ching-Kao Foundation Scholarship, \$7100
- 2019, Global Taiwan Institute Scholarship (with Yao-Yuan Yeh), \$10000
- 2019, Small Grant Award, American Psychological Association, \$2000
- 2017, Global Taiwan Institute Scholarship, \$10000
- 2017, Chiu Scholarly Exchange Program for Taiwan Studies, \$5000, Ohio State University
- 2016, Kenneth E. and Marie J. Corey Research Enrichment Fund, \$1200, Michigan State University (with Fang-Yu Chen)
- 2016, Pope Family Fellowship Fund \$5200, Duke University
- 2016, Professor Chen Wen-Chen's Memorial Foundation 2016 Scholarship \$1700
- 2015 and 2016, Duke Program for the Study of Democracy, Institutions, and Political Economy (DIPE) Summer Fellowship. \$1800

Academic Contribution and Service

- **Consultant**

Consultant for the **U.S. Department of State** on misinformation, September 2022

Consultant for the **U.S. Department of State** on Taiwan politics, June 2022

Research [quoted by the U.S. Congress - Economic and Security Review Commission](#),
November 2021

Consultant for the **Human Rights Watch** on China politics, May 2022

Consultant for **V-Dem**, 2021-2022

- **Academic Service**

Deputy Coordinator, Conference Group on Taiwan Studies (CGOTS), American Political
Science Association, 2020-2022, <http://www.apsacgots.org/>

- **Reviewer of Academic Journal**

*American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Social Science
Research, Electoral Studies, Asian Survey, The China Journal, Taiwanese Journal of
Electoral Studies, Taiwan Democracy Quarterly, Journal of Comparative Politics, Journal
of Asian and African Studies, Nation and Nationalism, Government and Opposition,
International Political Science Review, Asian Journal for Public Opinion Research, Issues
& Studies, Journal of Contemporary China, Conflict Management and Peace Science, New
Media and Society, Journal of Computational Social Science, Online Social Networks and
Media, Information, Communication and Society, Asian Journal of Communication, Big
Data & Society, Journal of Computational Social Science*

- **Invited Talk**

“Understanding the #MilkTeaAlliance”, Wilson Center China Fellowship 2022 Conference,
Washington DC, Feb 16, 2022

“Dealing with $P > 0.05$,” Department of Political Science, University of Nevada, Las Vegas,
November 8, 2021

“Making Fact-checking work,” Department of Political Science, University of Nevada, Las
Vegas, March 25, 2021

“Misinformation and the Political Convergence Effect on Social Media,” National Chengchi
University, Taipei, Taiwan, December 30, 2020

“DPP in Opposition,” Hoover Institution at Stanford University, December 8, 2020

“Public Opinion in Taiwan,” Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law at
Stanford University, March 5, 2019

“Math and China History,” invited talk on Dr. Bhatnagar's History of Mathematics course (Math
314) at UNLV, February 27, 2019

“Gerrymandering Globally: comparing Taiwan and the U.S.” University of California, Berkeley, January 20, 2018

“DPP after 2016,” Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law at Stanford University, September 4, 2017

“Tsai Ing-wen and the DPP: The Path Out of the Political Wilderness,” Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law at Stanford University, March 9-10, 2017

- **Conference Hosting**

1. 2022, Host, “The Study of Taiwan Politics Overseas: The New Frontier” virtual conference, sponsored by the Center For Taiwan Studies at the University of Texas, Austin.
2. 2020, Host, “US Taiwan relationship after the 2020 Presidential Election,” in the Department of Political Science at UNLV, sponsored \$2000 by Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in the U.S.
3. 2016, Program Director, 2016 North American Taiwan Studies Association Annual Conference, June 10-11, Toronto, Canada.
(I organized 40 graduate students to hold this annual conference of Taiwan studies, with more than 100 presenters from 80 institutions globally. We also received \$60,000 from various sponsors.)
4. 2015, Program Coordinator, 2015 North American Taiwan Studies Association Annual Conference, June 12-13, Harvard University.

Teaching Experience (Course Evaluation)

2022.08. – 2022.12. **Political Systems in East Asia** at UNLV. N/A

2022.08. – 2022.12. **Comparative Political Behavior (Graduate Level)** at UNLV. N/A

2022.01. – 2022.05. **Advanced Research Design and Methodology I (Graduate Level)** at UNLV. N/A

2022.01. – 2022.05. **Research Method in Political Science** at UNLV. 4.80/5

2021.08. – 2021.12. **Comparative Politics (Graduate Level)** at UNLV. N/A

2021.08. – 2021.12. **Comparative Political Psychology** at UNLV. 4.65/5

2021.01. – 2021.05. **Advanced Research Design and Methodology I (Graduate Level)** at UNLV. 4.89/5

2021.01. – 2021.05. **Research Method in Political Science** at UNLV. N/A

2020.08. – 2020.12. **Political Systems in East Asia** at UNLV. 4.62/5

2020.08. – 2020.12. **Comparative Politics (Graduate Level)** at UNLV. 4.66/5

2020.01. – 2020.05. **Comparative Political Behavior (Graduate Level)** at UNLV. N/A

2019.08. – 2019.12. **East Asia in World Politics** at UNLV. 4.85/5

2019.08. – 2019.12. **Research Method in Political Science** at UNLV. 4.20/5

2019.01. - 2019.05. **Political Psychology in Comparative Perspective** at UNLV. 4.18/5

2019.01. - 2019.05. **Introduction of Comparative Politics** at UNLV. 4.28/5

2018.08. - 2018.12. **Political Systems in East Asia”** at UNLV. 4.67/5

- 2017.01. - 2017.05. Teaching Assistant, POLSCI 317 China Politics w/ Prof. Manion
Guest Lecture: Taiwan and Hong Kong politics
- 2016.08. - 2016.12. Teaching Assistant, POLSCI 317 Global Corruption w/ Prof. Manion
- 2015.08. - 2016.01. Teaching Assistant, POLSCI 240 Political Psychology
- 2013.08. - 2015.05. Research Assistant of Prof. S. Hillygus, Duke University
- 2012.09. - 2013.05. Research Assistant, “How citizens Read and watch News” Directed by
Prof. C. D. Johnston, Duke University
- 2010.07. - 2012.08. Research Assistant, “The Construction of the Taiwan Profiler”, Dept. of
Political Science, National Sun Yat-sen University, Taiwan
(sponsored by the National Science Council, Taiwan).
- 2011.07. - 2011.08. Teaching Assistant (for SPSS and Game Theory), ICPSR Summer
Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research at Shanghai
University of Finance and Economics, China.
- 2011.03. - 2011.06. Teaching Assistant (for SPSS), Advanced Statistical Methods for the
Social Science course in the Dept. of Political Science, NTU. (Won
the best Teaching Assistant Award, 2011)
- 2009.09. - 2011.06. Teaching Assistant and Lecturer (for SPSS), Applied Statistics course
in the Dept. of Political Science, NTU. (Won the best Teaching
Assistant Award, 2009)
- 2008.09. - 2009.06. Research Assistant, “Computer Aided Therapy” Program, directed by
Prof. C. M. Li in Dept. of Electrical Engineering, NTU (sponsored
by the National Science Council, Taiwan, 2009).

Programming Skill

R (+Shinyapp) / Matlab / Qualtrics / C++ / LaTeX / Stata / SPSS / Excel

Media Contribution

Bloomberg, New York Times, The Atlantic, Quartz, Radio Free Asia, Aljazeera, Vox, VOA, Jornal de Negócios, China Post, DW news, Huffington Post, South China Morning Post, Nikkei Asian Review, Japan Times, Financial Times, Washington Post, Apple Daily, Le Soir, Le Courier, Rest of the World, The Defense Post, International Policy Digest, News Asia, UNLV Newsroom