

# YITAN LI

## Curriculum Vitae

Political Science  
Seattle University  
901 12th Ave  
Seattle, WA 98122 USA

Email: [liy@seattleu.edu](mailto:liy@seattleu.edu) Phone: (206) 296-2056 Website: <http://fac-staff.seattleu.edu/liy>

### **EDUCATION:**

Ph.D., 2008, University of Southern California, Politics and International Relations

M.A., 2005 University of Missouri, Columbia, Political Science

M.A., 2002 Missouri State University, International Relations and Administration

B.A., 2000 Qingdao University, People's Republic of China, English Literature and Culture

Summer Institute on the Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), Washington University – St. Louis, June 14 – July 2, 2004

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS:**

Chair, Political Science, Seattle University, May 2019 – present

Associate Professor, Political Science, Seattle University, June 2015 – present

Director, Asian Studies, Seattle University, September 2016 – present

Director, Global Awareness Program, Seattle University, October 2014 – July 2015

Assistant Professor, Political Science, Seattle University, September 2009 – June 2015

Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science, Seattle University, September 2008 – June 2009

Sessional Lecturer, Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia, September 2007 – May 2008

Research Assistant, School of International Relations and Center for International Studies, University of Southern California, August, 2005 – May, 2008

Instructor, Department of Political Science, University of Missouri – Columbia, August - December, 2004

Teaching and Research Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Missouri – Columbia, August, 2002 – May, 2005

Graduate Assistant, Department of Political Science and Sponsored Research and Programs, Missouri State University, May, 2000 – August, 2002

## **TEACHING:**

### **Courses Taught:**

#### **Seattle University**

PLSC/INST2300 Introduction to Comparative Politics  
PLSC/INST2600 Introduction to International Politics  
PLSC3680 World Economic Order and Justice  
PLSC3690 Global Conflict and Cooperation  
PLSC3910 Still the Asian Pacific Century  
PLSC3920 Globalization and International Political Economy  
PLSC3930 Diplomacy, Conflict, and Cooperation  
PLSC/AIST4650 East Asian Political Economy  
PLSC4790/4910 Departmental Honors  
PLSC4910 Making Sense of the World  
PLSC4960 Independent Study  
UCOR1600 How the World Works  
UCOR3600 Global Economic Challenges

#### **University of British Columbia**

POLI 220 Introduction to Comparative Politics  
POLI 321A Chinese Politics

#### **University of Missouri**

PS 1400: International Relations

## **RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP:**

**Peer Reviewed Journal Articles (double-blind):**

**“\*” denotes that authorship is in alphabetical order.**

15. Enyu Zhang and **Yitan Li** (2018) “‘Rival Partners?’: Cross-Strait Relations after the Permanent Court of Arbitration Ruling over the South China Sea Disputes.” *Journal of Territorial and Maritime Studies* 5: 83-103.
14. **Yitan Li** and Enyu Zhang (2017) “Changing Taiwanese Identity and Cross-Strait Relations: A Post 2016 Taiwan Presidential Election Analysis.” *Journal of Chinese Political Science* 22: 17–35.
13. Frank C.S. Liu and **Yitan Li** (2017) “Generation Matters: Taiwan’s Perceptions of Mainland China and Attitudes towards Cross-Strait Trade Talks.” *Journal of Contemporary China* 26: 263-279. **(Impact Factor: 0.953; Number 1 ranked China study journal worldwide)**
12. Seung-Whan Choi, Patrick James, **Yitan Li** and Eric Olson (2016) “Presidential Approval and Macroeconomic Conditions: Evidence from a Nonlinear Model.” *Applied Economics*, DOI: 10.1080/00036846.2016.1161718.\*
11. **Yitan Li** (2014) “US Economic Sanctions against China: Explaining Sanction Effectiveness from a Cultural Perspective.” *Asian Perspective* 38: 311–335. **(Impact Factor: 0.38)**
10. **Yitan Li** (2014) “Constructing Peace in the Taiwan Strait: A Constructivist Analysis of the Changing Dynamics of Identities and Nationalisms.” *Journal of Contemporary China* 23:119-142. **(Impact Factor: 0.953; Number 1 ranked China study journal worldwide)**
9. **Yitan Li** (2014) “At the Nexus of New Challenges: China’s Leadership Change and Cross-Strait Relations.” *Fudan Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences* 7: 57-76.
8. **Yitan Li**, Patrick James, and A. Cooper Drury (2011) “An Exchange on Diversionary Dragons, or ‘Talking Tough in Taipei’.” *Journal of East Asian Studies* 11: 137-152. **(Impact Factor: 0.586)**
7. A. Cooper Drury, L. Marvin Overby, Adrian Ang, and **Yitan Li**. (2010) “‘Pretty Prudent’ or ‘Rhetorically Responsive’: The American Public’s Support for Military Action.” *Political Research Quarterly* 63: 83-96. **(Impact Factor: 1.249)**
6. **Yitan Li**, Patrick James, and A. Cooper Drury (2009) “Diversionary Dragons, or, ‘Talking Tough in Taipei’: Cross-Strait Relations in the New Millennium.” *Journal of East Asian Studies* 9: 369–398. **(Impact Factor: 0.586)**

5. Jonathan Fox, Patrick James, and **Yitan Li**. (2009) “State Religion and Discrimination against Ethnic Minorities.” *Nationalism and Ethnic Politics* 15: 189-210.\*
4. Jonathan Fox, Patrick James, and **Yitan Li**. (2009) “Religious Affinities and International Intervention in Ethnic Conflicts in the Middle East and Beyond.” *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 42: 161-186.\* (**Impact Factor: 0.468**)
3. A. Cooper Drury and **Yitan Li**. (2006) “U.S. Economic Sanction Threats Against China: Failing to Leverage Better Human Rights.” *Foreign Policy Analysis* 2: 307-324. (**Impact Factor: 1.032**)
2. **Yitan Li** and A. Cooper Drury. (2004) “Threatening Sanctions When Engagement Would Be More Effective: Attaining Better Human Rights in China.” *International Studies Perspectives* 5: 378-394. (**Impact Factor: 2.344**)
1. Dennis V. Hickey and **Yitan Li**. (2002) “Cross-Strait Relations in the Aftermath of the Election of Chen Shui-bian.” *Asian Affairs: An American Review* 28: 201-216.\*

#### **Book Chapters:**

2. **Yitan Li** and Enyu Zhang (2016) “China’s Rise and Taiwan’s Identity Change: A Reaction from Taiwan.” In *Power Transition in Asia*, edited by David Walton and Emilian Kavalski, Ashgate.
1. **Yitan Li** (2014) “Constructing Peace in the Taiwan Strait: A Constructivist Analysis of the Changing Dynamics of Identities and Nationalisms.” In *Construction of Chinese Nationalism in the Early 21st Century: Domestic Sources and International Implications*, edited by Suisheng Zhao. New York: Routledge.

#### **Book Reviews:**

2. **Yitan Li**, *China: The Pessoptimist Nation* by William A. Callahan, Oxford University Press, 2010, pp. x, 266. *Journal of Chinese Political Science*.
1. **Yitan Li**, *U.S. Foreign Policy and Secessionist Conflicts: A Stability-Seeking Power* by Jonathan Paquin, McGill-Queen’s University Press, 2010, pp. x, 230. *Canadian Journal of Political Science*.

#### **Non-Peer Reviewed:**

2. **Yitan Li**, “America’s Double Standards” in *The Seattle Times*, February 7, 2010. Editorials/Opinion.

1. **Yitan Li**, “U.S., China Have Many Opportunities for Cooperation” in *Springfield News-leader*, October 3, 2001. Editorials/Opinion.

**Manuscripts under Review or in Progress:**

*Identity in the Shadow of a Giant: How the Rise of China is Changing Taiwan* (with Patrick James, Chin-Hao Huang, and Scott Gartner), under contract with Bristol University Press.

**Selected Conference and Workshop Participations:**

*Identity in the Shadow of a Giant: How the Rise of China is Changing Taiwan* (with Patrick James, Chin-Hao Huang, and Scott Gartner), book manuscript workshop, Yale-NUS, Singapore, May 2019

*Unification through Changing Discourse or by Force?: Cross-Strait Relations in the Xi-Trump Era* (with Enyu Zhang), *International Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Toronto, Canada, March 28, 2019

CHINA Town Hall: Local Connections, National Reflections, invited speaker, National Committee on U.S. China Relations, Seattle University, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, October 9, 2018.

“Regionalism and Maritime Disputes in East Asia: A Study of China’s Words and Deeds” (with Enyu Zhang), *International Studies Association –International Conference Hong Kong*, Hong Kong, China, June 15 – 18, 2017

“Regionalism and Maritime Disputes in East Asia: A Study of China’s Words and Deeds” (with Enyu Zhang), *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, April 13 – 15, 2017

“Deliberate Ambiguity: The Triangular U.S.-China-Taiwan Relations”, invited speaker at the Chinese Academic Lectures, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne) Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA, May 25th, 2016

“Cross-Strait Relations after the 2016 Taiwan Presidential Election: The Impact of Changing Taiwanese Identity” (with Enyu Zhang), delivered at the *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, San Diego, CA, March 22–26, 2016

“Brothers or Friends: Taiwanese Voters’ Perception about the Relationship between the Two Sides of the Taiwan Strait” (with Frank Cheng-shan Liu), delivered at the Taiwanese Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Taipei, Taiwan, ROC, December 2014

“China’s Rise and the Future of Cross-Strait Relations: Certainty in the Midst of Uncertainty” (with Enyu Zhang), prepared for delivery at the *International Studies Association –West Annual Conference*, Pasadena, CA, September 26-27, 2014

“A Tale of Two Identities: Cross-Strait Relations in the Midst of the Rise of China” (with Enyu Zhang), delivered at the *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA, April 17–19, 2014

Panel Chair, The Decision Making Process in U.S.-Chinese Foreign Relations: Opening the Black Box, *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Toronto, Canada, March 26-29, 2014

“China’s Rise and the Future of Cross-Strait Relations: Certainty in the Midst of Uncertainty” (with Enyu Zhang), delivered at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Toronto, Canada, March 26-29, 2014

“China’s Leadership Change and Cross-Strait Relations”, delivered at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, San Francisco, CA, April 3-6, 2013

“Explaining Sanction Effectiveness from a Culture Perspective: An Analysis of U.S. Economic Sanctions against China”, delivered at the *International Studies Association – West Annual Conference*, Pasadena, CA, October 19-20, 2012

“Peace or Conflict?: The Converging or Diverging Cross-Strait Relations”, delivered at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention* San Diego, CA, April 1-4, 2012

“Explaining Sanction Effectiveness from a Culture Perspective: An Analysis of U.S. Economic Sanctions against China”, delivered at the *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Portland, OR, March 22-24, 2012

“Culture-based Responses to Sanction Effectiveness: An Analysis of U.S. Economic Sanctions against China”, delivered at the 2011 *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Montreal, Canada, March 16-19, 2011

“The Changing Dynamics of Nationalism and Identity: A Constructivist View of Cross-Strait Relations”, delivered at *Global Thinking: The South in the Frame of the North, the North in the Frame of the South*, Seattle University, April 23, 2010

“Diversionary Theory: Reassessing the Consequences and Impacts of State Political Actions”(with Jeffrey Pickering), delivered at the *International Studies Association –West Annual Conference*, San Francisco, CA, September 25-26, 2009

“Regime Type and Decision Making in the Taiwan Strait”, delivered at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the *Association of Chinese Political Studies*, Missouri State University, Springfield, MO, October 10, 2008

“Domestic vs. International Determinants of Foreign Policy: An Empirical Investigation of the Case of China-Taiwan, 1991-2000”, delivered at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, San Francisco, CA, March 26-29, 2008

“Canadian Foreign Policy towards China: Reality and Challenges”, delivered at the 19th *Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS) Biennial Conference*, Toronto, Canada, November 14-18, 2007

Panel Chair, Foreign Policy Perspectives on Political Economy, *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL, August 30 - September 2, 2007

“Foreign Policy Analysis Research: A Review of Qualitative and Quantitative Research in Major Academic Journals” (With Steven L. Lamy), delivered at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Chicago, IL, February 28 - March 3, 2007

“‘Pretty Prudent’ or Swayed by Rhetoric?: The American Public ’s Support of Military Action” (With A. Cooper Drury and L. Marvin Overby), delivered at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, San Diego, CA, March 22-25, 2006

“A Comparative Study of Quebec and Taiwan: An Institutionalist Look”, delivered at the 18<sup>th</sup> *Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS) Biennial Conference*, St. Louis, MO, November 16-20, 2005

“International Ethnic Intervention in a Changing World: Where and Why Does It Happen?” (With Jonathan Fox and Patrick James), delivered at the *International Studies Association –Midwest Annual Conference*, St. Louis, MO, October 21-22, 2005

“Diversionary Dragons, or ‘Talking Tough’ in Taipei” (With Patrick James and A. Cooper Drury), delivered at the *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Washington, D.C., September 1-4, 2005

“Modeling Cross-Strait Relations and Taiwan’s Linkage Politics: Foreign Policy Implications for China-Taiwan-U.S. Relations” (With Patrick James and A. Cooper Drury), delivered at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Honolulu, HI, March 1-5, 2005

Panel Discussant: U.S. Foreign Policy: Dealing with the Challenges of the Present, *International Studies Association – Midwest Annual Conference*, St. Louis, MO, November 5-6, 2004

“U.S. Economic Sanction Threats against China: Failing to Leverage better Human Rights” (With A. Cooper Drury), delivered at the *International Studies Association – Midwest Annual Conference*, St. Louis, MO, November 5 – 6, 2004

“Taiwan’s Democratization and Its Influence on Cross-Strait Relations”, delivered at the annual meeting of the *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA, August 28 – 31, 2003

“Economic Sanction Threats: An Empirical Assessment” (With A. Cooper Drury), delivered at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Portland, OR, February 25 – March 1, 2003

“Cross-Strait Relations in the Aftermath of the Election of Chen Shui-bian” (With Dennis V. Hickey), delivered at the Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA August 30-September 2, 2001

## **SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

### **To the University:**

Chair, Political Science, Seattle University, May 2019 – present

Director, Asian Studies, Seattle University, September 2016 – present

Chair, Steering Committee, Peter L. Lee Endowed Lectureship in East Asian Culture and Civilization, Seattle University, September 2016 – present

Member, China/Asia Council, Seattle University, 2011 – present

Member, University Core Curriculum Committee, Seattle University, 2012 – 2015

Director, Global Awareness Program, Seattle University, 2014 – July 2015

Team Advisor, SU Men’s Basketball Team China Invitational Trip, August 22 – September 4, 2012

Member, Planning Committee, New Faculty Institute, Seattle University, 2012



Panelist, Impact of Leadership Change in China, Office of the Provost and The Washington State China Relations Council and Global Engagement, April 26, 2012

Faculty Technology Committee, Angel Transition Faculty Usability Tester, December, 2011

Teagle Writing in the Majors Workshop on Teaching the Literature Review in Empirical Inquiry Disciplines, October 28, 2011

Faculty Discussion Leader, New Student Academic Convocation, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Presenter, “The Changing Dynamics of Nationalism and Identity: A Constructivist View of Cross-Strait Relations”, Global Thinking: The South in the Frame of the North, the North in the Frame of the South, Seattle University, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010.

Invited Speaker: “Thirty Years after Normalization: US-China Relations, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow”, International Students and Scholar Center for the International Week, Seattle University, 2009

### **To the College:**

Member, Rank and Tenure Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Seattle University, 2018 – 2021

Member, Events Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Seattle University, 2012 – 2014

Member, Advisory Board, Asian Studies, Seattle University, 2009 – present

Member, Naef Scholars Nomination Committee, April 9 - April 13, 2012

Member, Summer Fellowship Selection Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Seattle University, February 2011

### **To the Department:**

Library Liaison, Political Science, Seattle University, 2008 – present

Academic Advisor, Political Science, Seattle University, 2008 – present

Assessment Director, Political Science, Seattle University, 2011- 2015, 2017 - present

Member, Comparative Politics Search Committee, Political Science, Seattle University, Fall 2013 and Winter 2014

Member, U.S. Politics Search Committee, Political Science, Seattle University, Fall 2012

Faculty Advisor, Political Science Club, Spring 2012

Department Representative, Information Session for Prospective Students, Seattle University, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013

Presenter, Information Session for Students Seeking Graduate School Admission, Political Science Club, Seattle University, Spring 2010

Department Representative, College of Arts and Sciences Award Ceremony, Spring 2010, Spring 2013

Teagle Political Science Workshop, Seattle University, September 10-11, 2009

Assessment Workshop, Political Science, Seattle University, Summer 2010

**To the Profession:**

Editor, *Journal of Chinese Political Science* (Springer), September 2017 – present

Workshop Organizer, “China’s Initiatives and the Impacts on the Future of Global Governance and World Order,” Institute for Advanced Study in Social Sciences (IAS) at Fudan University in Shanghai, China on June 26-29, 2020.

Editorial Board Workshop, *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, Fudan University Shanghai, June 17-19, 2019

Assistant Editor, *Journal of Chinese Political Science* (Springer), 2015 – September 2017

Invited Speaker, “Deliberate Ambiguity: The Triangular U.S.-China-Taiwan Relations”, Chinese Academic Lectures, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne) Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA, May 25, 2016

Member, Editorial Board, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 2013-2015

Council Member, Western Canadian Studies Group in the US, 2005-2009

Assistant to the Program Chair and Committee Member, Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS) 2007 Toronto Biennial Program Committee

The Quebec Summer Seminar, Montreal, Quebec, June 17-22, 2007

Invited Speaker, Taiwan and the World: Taiwan's External Relations in a Time of Transition, An International Symposium, The Parliamentary Room, Plaster Student Union, Missouri State University, Springfield, Missouri, April 1-2, 2006

U.S. Foreign Policy Colloquium, Washington D.C., June 2003

Journal reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Review of Canadian Studies*, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *International Studies Perspectives*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Journal of Asian and African Studies*

Book reviewer: *Cengage Learning*, *Pearson Longman*, *Routledge*

Grant/Fellowship reviewer: *Social Science Research Council*

#### **HONORS AND AWARDS:**

Seattle University Summer Faculty Fellowship Program, Seattle University, Summer 2015

College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Research Fellowship, Seattle University, Summer, 2010

Dissertation Completion Fellowship, School of International Relations, University of Southern California, Summer, 2008

Frank J. Klingberg Award for Best Paper, International Studies Association – Midwest, 2006 (With A. Cooper Drury, L. Marvin Overby and Adrian Ang)

Summer Research Award, Center for International Studies, University of Southern California, Summer, 2007

Summer Research Award, School of International Relations, University of Southern California, Summer, 2006

David M. Wood Excellence in Political Science Research Award, Political Science Department, University of Missouri, Columbia, April, 2005

Frank J. Klingberg Award for Best Paper, International Studies Association – Midwest, 2004 (With A. Cooper Drury)

Superior Graduate Achievement Award, University of Missouri – Columbia, 2003-2004

Exchange Student Award, Qingdao University of China and Southwest Missouri State University, 1999 – 2000

Most Outstanding Student Award and Scholarship, Qingdao University of China, 1996-1998

## GRANTS

Workshop Travel Grant, Journal of Chinese Political Science, funded by Fudan University, Shanghai, China, June 2019

Workshop Grant, *Identity in the Shadow of a Giant: How the Rise of China is Changing Taiwan* (with Patrick James, Chin-Hao Huang, and Scott Gartner), funded by Yale-NUS, Singapore, May 2019

Research Grant, “Taiwan, Identity and the Rise of China”, Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (with Patrick James, Chin-Hao Huang, and Scott Gartner), funded, 2015

Seattle University Summer Faculty Fellowship Program, Seattle University, Summer 2015, 2018

Seattle University, College of Arts and Sciences, Faculty Development Fund, 2008–2014

College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Research Fellowship, Seattle University, Summer, 2010

University of Southern California, School of International Relations, Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Summer, 2008

University of British Columbia, Centre of International Relations, Security and Defence Forum’s International Conference Funding, 2007-2008

University of British Columbia, Department of Political Science, Travel Grant, 2007

Western Canadian Studies Association, Conference Support, 2007

Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS) Travel Grant, 2007

Canadian Studies Program, University of Southern California, May, 2007

Center for International Studies, University of Southern California, Summer Research Grant, Summer 2007

Center for International Studies, University of Southern California, Summer Research Grant, Summer 2006

University of Southern California, Political Science Department Graduate Student Travel Grant, 2005

Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS) Travel Grant, 2005

University of Missouri – Columbia, Graduate Professional Council Travel Grant, 2005

University of Missouri – Columbia Research Council Grant, 2004, co-applicant with A. Cooper Drury

University of Missouri – Columbia, Graduate Student Association Travel Grant, 2003-2005

University of Missouri – Columbia, Political Science Department Graduate Student Travel Grant, 2003-2005

Conference Groups on Taiwan Studies, American Political Science Association, Travel Grant, September, 2003

U.S. Foreign Policy Colloquium, Washington, D.C., June 2003

Southwest Missouri State University, Graduate School Travel Grant, October, 2001

Conference Groups on Taiwan Studies, American Political Science Association, Travel Grant, September, 2001

**RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS:**

International Relations, Comparative Politics, Foreign Policy Analysis, International Political Economy, East Asian Politics, Chinese Politics, Chinese Foreign Policy, U.S.-China-Taiwan Relations

**CITIZENSHIP:**

United States of America

**REFERENCE:**

Available upon request