

## Cathy Xuanxuan Wu

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- EMPLOYMENT **Old Dominion University**, Norfolk, VA  
Assistant Professor of Political Science and International Studies, 2017-present  
**St. Edward's University**, Austin, TX  
Instructor of Political Science and Global Studies, 2016-2017
- EDUCATION **The University of Texas**, Austin, TX  
Ph.D., Government, 2017  
**The University of Colorado**, Boulder, CO  
M.A., Political Science, 2012  
**The University of Hong Kong**, Hong Kong, China  
M.Phil., Politics and Public Administration, 2010  
**Peking University**, Beijing, China  
B.A., International Politics, 2008
- RESEARCH INTERESTS Domestic politics and international conflict, international security, military alliance, applied game theory, international relations in the Asia-Pacific.
- PUBLICATIONS Wu, Cathy Xuanxuan, and Scott Wolford. 2018. "Leaders, States, and Reputations." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 62(10): 2087-2117.
- WORKING PAPERS "The Thucydides' Trap, Rationalist Theories of War, and the US-China Relations." *under review*  
"Untying Hands after Public Threats: Signaling Domestic Preferences in International Crisis Bargaining."
- WORK IN PROGRESS "Reputation and Turnover Types," with Amanda Licht and Scott Wolford.  
"Politics of Public Threats: Domestic Preference and International Crisis." (Book project)
- RECENT CONFERENCES 2019. "Reputation and Turnover Types" (with Amanda Licht and Scott Wolford), International Studies Association. Toronto, Canada. March (forthcoming).  
2018. "When does Going Public Lead to Flexibility: Open Threats, Domestic Resolve, and Crisis Bargaining," American Political Science Association. Boston, MA, August.  
2018. "Managing Attention: Public Opinion, Open Threats, and Credible Signaling," Formal Models of International Relations Conference, University of South California, February.  
2016. "Public Resolve, Endogenous Publicity, and Crisis Bargaining," American Political Science Association. Philadelphia, PA, September.  
2016. "Informational Traps and Reputational Behavior in International Conflict" (with Scott Wolford), International Studies Association. Atlanta, GA, February.  
2015. "Choosing Public Threats: Political Costs and Domestic Resolve," Peace Science Association.

Oxford, MS, November.

2015. "Choosing Public Threats: Political Costs and Domestic Resolve," American Political Science Association. San Francisco, CA, September.

2015. "Informational Traps and Reputational Behavior in International Conflict" (with Scott Wolford), International Studies Association. New Orleans, LA, February.

INVITED  
TALKS

2018. "China: Domestic Politics and Foreign Relations." Faculty Forum at the ODU Annual Model UN Conference, Norfolk, VA. 17 February.

2018. "Explaining the Intensity of Chinese Popular Nationalism." Conference on Domestic Drivers of U.S.-China Relations, University of Texas at Austin, 1 February.

2018. "China's Belt and Road Initiative." World Affairs Council of Greater Hampton Roads, Norfolk, VA. 27 January ([Link](#)).

2016. "Public Resolve, Endogenous Publicity, and Crisis Bargaining." Online Peace Science Colloquium, Peace Science Society, 16 December.

2016. Local speaker at the 10th China Town Hall, The National Committee of United States-China Relations, St. Edward's University, Austin, TX. 18 October.

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

**Instructor of Record**

*Old Dominion University*

International Relations of East Asia, Spring 2018 (*Course: 4.2/5.0; Instructor: 4.7/5.0*)

Comparative Politics (Graduate), Spring 2018 (*Course: 4.5/5.0; Instructor: 4.8/5.0*)

Politics of East Asia, Fall 2017 (*Course: 4.9/5.0; Instructor: 4.9/5.0*)

Asian Politics (Graduate), Fall 2017 (*Course: 4.8/5.0; Instructor: 4.8/5.0*)

*St. Edward's University*

International Organizations, Spring 2017 (*Overall: 3.5/4.0*)

Introduction to International Relations, Fall 2016 (*Overall: 3.7/4.0*)

**Teaching Assistant**

*The University of Texas*

Introduction to Game Theory (*Graduate*), Spring 2016

Statistical Analysis in Political Science, Fall 2015

American Presidency, Spring 2015

U.S.-Latin American Relations, Fall 2014

U.S.-China Relations (*Exchange program in China*), Summer 2014

Introduction to International Relations and Global Affairs, Fall 2010, Spring 2012, Fall 2013, Spring 2014

*The University of Colorado*

Global Issues and International Affairs, Fall 2011

Problems of International Relations, Spring 2011

Introduction to International Relations, Fall 2010, Spring 2012

*The University of Hong Kong*

International Relations of East Asia, Fall 2009

Global Political Economy, Fall 2008

GRANTS AND  
FELLOWSHIPS

**External**

2016 Graduate Student Travel Grants, American Political Science Association

2015 Graduate Student Travel Grants, Peace Science Society

2015 Grants to attend EITM Summer Institute at the University of Michigan

2013 Grants to attend EITM Summer Institute at the University of Houston

**Internal**      *The University of Texas*

2016–2017    Brumley Next Generation Fellowship of the Strauss Center  
2016–2017    Graduate School Continuing Fellowship  
2016          College of Liberal Arts Dissertation Writing Fellowship  
2016, 2015    The Clements Center Research Grants  
2015          Ward Fellowship for field research on China-Taiwan relations  
2013          AidData Center for Development Policy (now IPD) Graduate Fellowship

*Peking University*

2008          Outstanding Graduate Award  
2006–2007    President’s Undergraduate Research Grant

SERVICE

**Discipline**

Program Co-Chair (with Heidi Hardt), Conflict and Security Section, the 2019 Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association.

Reviewer, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *European Journal of International Relations*, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *International Interactions*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Politics*.

Discussant, Southern Political Science Association Conference (2019, scheduled), International Relations of East Asia Online Colloquium (2018, scheduled), Association of Chinese Political Studies Conference (2018).

**University/College/Department**

2018-2019, International Relations (Middle East) Search Committee  
2018-2019, College Dean’s Advisory Council  
2017-2019, Department Resource Committee

**Graduate Advising**

*Ph.D. dissertation committee member*

Nurullah Ayyilmaz, expected October 2018  
Joshua Hastey, expected May 2019  
Mehmet Kinaci, expected May 2019

*M.A. thesis committee member*

Yanu Widiyono, defended May 2018

TRAINING

2015 EITM Summer Institute, University of Michigan  
2013 EITM Summer Institute, University of Houston  
2011 ICPSR: Advanced Game Theory; Maximum Likelihood Estimation

ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION

Computer skills: Stata, R, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Mathematica, ArcGIS  
Languages: Mandarin Chinese (native), Hokkien (native), French (conversational)