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Political Science Department
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Education

- PhD** **University of South Carolina** **2026 (expected)**
Political Science
Dissertation (in-progress): "Diplomatic ambiguity and Chinese foreign direct investment"
- BA** **Bemidji State University** **2021**
Political Science and Economics (*Cum Laude*)

Research Subfields

Comparative Politics (Primary)

- Comparative Political Economy
- Foreign Direct Investment
- Neo-Institutionalism
- Chinese Politics
- Sub-Saharan African Countries

American Politics (Secondary)

- Foreign Economic Policy
- Democratic Theory
- Government

Forthcoming Research

- "Risk aversion from China: How diplomatic ambiguity affects foreign direct investment" **2023 – current**

Presentations

- "The financial facet to Sino-African cooperation: Analyzing potential motivations behind Chinese investment in African countries," MPSA, sect. 79: Great Power Competition (4/16/2021) **2021**

Computer Skills

- R
- Stata
- SPSS
- Microsoft Excel/Word/PowerPoint

Professional Employment History

Graduate Research Assistant

- **Area Study:** foreign direct investment (Summer 2023) **2023**
 - *Supervisor:* Kelan Lu, PhD – University of South Carolina
University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

Graduate Teaching Assistant

- **Course:** POLI 101 – Introduction to Global Politics (Fall 2024) **2024**
 - *Instructor:* Robert Cox, PhD
- **Course:** POLI 105 – Introduction to Politics (Spring 2024) **2024**
 - *Instructor:* Kelan Lu, PhD
- **Course:** POLI 316 – Comparative Politics (Spring 2024) **2024**

- **Instructor:** *Kelan Lu, PhD*
- **Course:** POLI 316 – Comparative Politics (Fall 2023) **2023**
 - **Instructor:** *Kelan Lu, PhD*
- **Course:** POLI 105 – Introduction to Politics (Spring 2023) **2023**
 - **Instructor:** *Kelan Lu, PhD*
- **Course:** POLI 105 – Introduction to Politics (Fall 2022) **2022**
 - **Instructor:** *Kelan Lu, PhD*

University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

- **Course:** POL 1200 – Introduction to American Politics (Spring 2021) **2021**
 - **Instructor:** *Patrick Donnay, PhD*
- **Course:** POL 1300 – Introduction to International Relations (Fall 2019) **2019**
 - **Instructor:** *Thomas Beech, PhD*

Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN

Political Science Department Student Employee

- Work-study Employee **2019**
 - **Supervisor:** *Patrick Donnay, PhD*

Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN

Undergraduate Tutor

Courses Tutored:

- *ECON 2000 – Markets and Resource Allocation* **2019**
- *POL 1300 – Introduction to International Relations* **2019**
- *POL 1200 – Introduction to American Politics* **2019**
- *POL 1100 – Understanding Politics* **2018**
 - **Supervisor:** *Linda Wolf*

Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN

Honors & Acknowledgements

Academic Honors, *Cum Laude* at Bemidji State University **2021**

Outstanding Senior Political Science Student at Bemidji State University **2021**

Certifications

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative **2022**

Curriculum Group: *Human Research*

Course Learner Group: *Social and Behavioral Researchers*

Monetary Awards

N.A. Welle Scholarship	\$325	2020
Ron Batchelder Scholarship	\$650	2020
Patrick Donnay and Lori Forshee Scholarship	\$1000	2020
James and Marilyn Heltzer Scholarship	\$1000	2019
Ron Batchelder Scholarship	\$325	2019
REACH Educational Grant	\$2500	2018
REACH Educational Grant	\$2000	2017

Languages

- English (*native language*)
- Spanish (*elementary level*)

Dissertation Committee

Kelan Lu, PhD (Committee Chair)

Field/Department: *Political Science*

Subfield: *Comparative Politics*

Research Specialties: *Comparative Political Economy, Foreign Direct Investment, Adversarial States, East Asian Politics*

Institution: *University of South Carolina*

David Darmofal, PhD (Committee Member)

Field/Department: *Political Science*

Subfield: *American Politics*

Research Specialties: *Political Parties, Voting Behavior, Public Opinion, Spatial Analysis, Time-Series Analysis*

Institution: *University of South Carolina*

Kristin Lunz Trujillo, PhD (Committee Member)

Field/Department: *Political Science*

Subfield: *American Politics*

Research Specialties: *Political Behavior, Public Opinion, Political Psychology, Public Health*

Institution: *University of South Carolina*

Brett Sherman, PhD (Outside Committee Member)

Field/Department: *Philosophy*

Subfield: *Philosophy of Language, Epistemology*

Research Specialties: *Context Constructivism*

Institution: *University of South Carolina*

Professional References

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*** *References from undergraduate background***