# JIANAN DU

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## **EDUCATION**

Northwestern University

September 2024 - May 2029(Expected)

PhD in Political Science

Columbia University in the City of New York

September 2022 - May 2023

Master of Arts in Political Science

Overall GPA: 3.75

Beijing Foreign Studies University

Bachelor of Arts in Translation

September 2018 - July 2022 Overall GPA: 3.82

# **PROJECTS**

# Superstitious Officials and their Origin

March 2023 - Present

Lead Researcher investigating the causes of superstition. Oversaw data collection and socioeconomic analysis using R for statistical modeling. Revealed a significant correlation and developed a database for ongoing research.

## Facial Clues and Official Selection

May 2023 - Present

Data Analyst exploring biases in official selection linked to facial features. Applied machine learning algorithms for feature analysis and conducted statistical inference to identify selection trends.

# Chinese Political Elites Database

October 2021 - March 2022

Research Assistant involved in the creation of a key database cataloging Chinese political leaders' careers. Utilizing advanced database design and research methodology. The database is now a crucial resource for global researchers.

#### **UK State Building**

October 2020 - October 2021

Research Assistant supporting the OCR of historical UK industrial data. Executed data digitization and analysis, contributing to a vital digital archive that supports ongoing doctoral research.

# SKILLS SUMMARY

Languages Chinese (Native), English (Advanced), French (Intermediate), Greek (Beginner)

Tools R (Proficient), Latex (Proficient)

Familiar with Stata

## WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Columbia University

July 2023 - August 2024

Research Assistant for Professor Junyan Jiang: Engaged in comprehensive research activities including data collection, analysis, and academic writing.

# Standing Committee of the National People's Congress

October 2021 - January 2022

Supported electoral proceedings for NPC member in Zhongnanhai Constituency, Beijing, with duties including administrative support and process documentation.

# HONORS AND AWARDS

Outstanding Volunteer, Beijing Winter Olympic Games

2022

Outstanding Volunteer, National Parade for the 70th Anniversary of PRC

2019