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EMPLOYMENT

Aarhus University – Department of Political Science

Denmark

Postdoc

Since November 2023

EDUCATION

University of Essex – Department of Government

United Kingdom

PhD (No corrections)

October 2020–January 2024

MRes (Distinction)

October 2018–September 2020

Capital Normal University – College of Political Science and Law

China

BA

September 2014–June 2018

PUBLICATIONS

4. Ana Carolina Garriga and Muzhou Zhang. 2025. “Are Foreign Firms Good for the Environment? FDI and Protected Areas.” *International Interactions* 51 (2): 224–263
Equal contributions
3. Tobias Böhmelt and Muzhou Zhang. 2024. “Supporting Environmental Protection in Good and Bad Economic Circumstances.” *Environmental Politics* 33 (2): 302–320
Equal contributions
2. Muzhou Zhang. 2023a. “Policy Diffusion and the Interdependent Fuel Taxes.” *Climatic Change* 176 (12): 160
1. Muzhou Zhang. 2023b. “Trade and the Government Underfunding of Environmental Innovation.” *Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences* 13 (4): 575–586

CURRENT RESEARCH

Working Papers

3. Liam F. Beiser-McGrath and Muzhou Zhang. 2025. “Green Backlash and Climate Policy Rollbacks: Evidence from the UK’s 2024 Election”
Under review
2. Muzhou Zhang and M. Mohsin Hussain. 2025. “Funding Loss and Damage to Reduce Immigration?”
Under review
1. Liam F. Beiser-McGrath, Sophia Stutzmann, and Muzhou Zhang. 2025. “Regional Inequality and Support for Place-Based Climate Policy”

In Earlier Stages

3. Retraining and Labor Market Inequality in the Green Transition (with Sophia Stutzmann)
2. Policy Idea Sharing among Politicians: Evidence from Audit Studies (with Roman Senninger)
1. Citizen Preferences for Benchmark Countries in Policy Learning (with Winnie S. Xia and Roman Senninger)

GRANTS

Platform for Inequality Research at Aarhus University Seed Funding – ca. €12,700	2025
Departmental Small Research Grants (Aarhus) – ca. €14,100	2024–25
Summer Centennial Center (APSA) Research Grant – ca. €2,100	2023
ESSEXLab Seedcorn Funding – ca. €2,800	2023

TEACHING*Certificate*

Diploma from the Aarhus University Pedagogical Programme	Autumn 2024
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Instructor of Record

Understanding Chinese Politics and China's Impact on the World Master's Seminar, Aarhus University	Autumn 2025
Comparative Climate Politics Master's Seminar, Aarhus University	Spring 2025
Spatial Econometrics (with Martin C. Steinwand) Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis	Since 2024

Instructor

Political Institutions Bachelor's Small Classes, Aarhus University	Spring 2024
Advanced Quantitative Political Analysis Bachelor's Seminar, University of Essex	Full Year 2022/23
Advanced Research Methods Master's Seminar, University of Essex	Spring 2023
Conflict Analysis Bachelor's Seminar, University of Essex	Spring 2022

Teaching Assistant

Longitudinal Data Analysis Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis	2022
Introduction to GIS, Geospatial Data, and Spatial Analysis Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis	2021

MISCELLANEOUS

Skills

R, Stata, QGIS, GeoDa, Qualtrics, QuestionPro, Git, L^AT_EX

Additional Training

Text as Data: Theory and Application (EITM Europe Summer Institute, 2021), Applied Bayesian Analysis for the Social Sciences (Essex Summer School, 2021), Bayesian Analysis for the Social and Behavioral Sciences (Essex Summer School, 2019), Generalized Linear Models (Essex Summer School, 2019), Time Series and Spatial Analysis (IPSA-NUS Summer School, 2018), General Designs and Sensitivity Analysis for Causal Inference (PKU-UMich Summer Institute, 2018), Applied Regression Analysis (IPSA-HSE Summer School, 2017)

Conference and External Workshop Presentations

Danish Political Science Association (DPSA) Annual Conference	2025
European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Conferences	2022–25
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conferences	2022, 2024
Environmental Politics and Governance (EPG) Annual Conference	2023
Annual Duck Family Graduate Workshop on Environmental Politics and Governance (EPG)	2023
International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention	2022
Environmental Politics and Governance (EPG) Online Workshop	Autumn 2021
Graduate Students in International Political Economy (GSIPE) Workshop	Autumn 2021

Reviewing

British Journal of Political Science × 2, *European Journal of Political Research*, *International Interactions*, *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*, *Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences*, *Research & Politics*

Affiliations

iCLIMATE: Aarhus University Interdisciplinary Centre for Climate Change	2024–
Centre for Social and Economic Network Analysis (SENA), University of Essex	2022–23