# **RUIXING CAO**

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## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

• International Security, Political Violence, Authoritarian Politics, Chinese Foreign Policies, International Cooperation, China-Africa Relations, Major Power Competition

### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

# **University of Duisburg-Essen**

Postdoctoral Researcher, Institute of East Asian Studies,

Team member, DFG project, "China and the Transformation of Political Order in Africa,

June 2022 -

#### **EDUCATION**

# **University of Virginia**

Ph.D. in Foreign Affairs

# University of Virginia

M.A. in Foreign Affairs

August 2018

August 2022

# **College of William & Mary**

B.A. in International Relations

January 2016

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Political Settlement and China's Overseas Operation: The Case of Ethiopia. 2024 (with Nele Noesselt) Foreign Policy Analysis Online First
- Personalism and Negotiation During Civil Conflicts. 2024. *Journal of Global Security Studies Online First*.

# **WORKING PAPERS**

- Personalist Regimes and Rebel Sponsorship in Civil Conflicts. *Revise and Resubmit at Journal of Conflict Resolution*
- Domestic Terrorism and U.S. Overseas Military Spending. Revise and Resubmit at Journal of Peace Research
- Leaders' Educational Backgrounds and Chinese Official Finance. (with Hsuan-Yu Lin) *Under Review at the Review of International Organizations*
- Incumbent Takeovers and Chinese State Visits. (with Hsuan-Yu Lin) *Under Review at International Studies Quarterly*
- Political Settlements, Ideological Distance, and China's Engagements with African Countries. (with Nele Noesselt)

• Urban Concentration and State Repression.

### WORK IN PROGRESS

- Authoritarian Party Origin and Territorial Consolidation. (with Yuxing Liang)
- The Evolution of African Political Research in China
- Exit or Voice: The Occurrence of Military Mutinies and Defections

#### FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- Dissertation Completion Fellowship. 2021
- American Political Science Travel Grant, 2021
- GSAS Council Research Grant. 2021
- Department Summer Research Grants, 2017, 2019
- International Studies Association Travel Grant, 2019
- Midwest Political Science Association Travel Grant, 2018
- Graduate Student Fellowship, 2016-2021
- Reves Center Summer Research Grant, 2015
- International Student Scholarship, 2014

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- European Consortium of Political Research, 2024
- Italian Political Science Association, 2023
- International Research Colloquium, University of Duisburg-Essen, 2023
- American Political Science Association, 2021
- UVA College and Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Huskey Exhibition, 2021
- International Studies Association, 2020-canceled, 2021, 2024
- The Fifteenth Graduate Seminar on China, Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2019
- Midwest Political Association, 2019
- UVA Politics Graduate Student Conference, 2018

# WORK EXPERIENCE

## **Instructor**

University of Duisburg-Essen

- Introduction to Quantitative Methods, Summer 2023
- International Security, Winter 2024
- International Relations of East Asia, Winter 2024

# **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

University of Virginia

• Pandemics Beyond the Headlines: COVID-19, Winter 2021

- International Relations of East Asia (Prof. Len Schoppa), Fall 2020, Fall 2021
- Foreign Policies of the Powers (Prof. John Owen), Spring 2019, Spring 2020
- Military Force in International Relations (Prof. Dale Copeland), Spring 2018
- Foreign Policy of the United States (Prof. John Owen), Fall 2017

### **Graduate Research Assistant**

Fall 2017 - Fall 2020

- Prof. Kevin Cope, Fall 2019 Fall 2020
- Prof. Brantly Womack, Spring 2019
- Prof. Dale Copeland, Fall 2017- Fall 2018

Research Intern Fall 2014

• Asia Foundation

### ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Summer Program of the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)
2018

# RESEARCH SKILLS

- Programming: STATA, R, Python, LATEX, ArcGIS, OpenBUGS
- Language: Chinese (Native), English (Advanced)

## **SERVICE**

Journal Reviewer: International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Global Security Studies

### **MEMBERSHIP**

American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Association, International Studies Association

### REFERENCES

# **Philip Potter**

**Professor** 

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## John M. Owen

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