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Deli Yang

education	<p>University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign</p> <p>PhD Candidate (ABD), Political Science expected 2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dissertation: The Use of International Apologies in Conflict Resolution • Committee: Alyssa Prorok (Chair), Paul Diehl, Don Casler, Matthew Winters, Alexandra Chronopoulou (Statistics) • Fields: International Relations, Political Methodology <p>MS, Statistics 2023</p> <p>London School of Economics and Political Science & Peking University, Double MSc 2021</p> <p>China University of Political Science and Law, LLB 2019</p> <p>Visiting Student, University of California, Berkeley, 2017</p>
research interests	international conflict • conflict resolution • reconciliation • peace • survey experiments
peer-reviewed publications	<p>Deli Yang and Paul Diehl. “Political Apologies in International Relations” <i>Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics</i>, 2025</p>
working papers	<p>“Rivalry Means Never Saying You’re Sorry” <i>Under Review</i></p> <p>“The Impact of Apologies on Interstate Relations”</p>
work in progress	<p>“Politics of Apology and Aid: Can Money Buy Forgiveness?” (with Paul Un & Yujeong Yang)</p> <p>“Remorseful Rebels” (with Alyssa Prorok)</p> <p>“The Effectiveness of Apologies Following Political Scandals” (with Alesha Lewis)</p>
datasets	<p>Rebel Apologies Project (with Alyssa Prorok) <i>In Progress</i></p> <p>Human Rights and Interstate Transgressions (HURT)</p>

selected grants & awards	Humane Studies Fellowship (\$2,500), Institute for Humane Studies	2025
	• Awarded for survey experiments on apologies	
	Travel Grant, ISA-Midwest	2024
	Kneier Fellowship & Garner Fellowship (\$3,000), U. of I.	2022-24
	Schroeder Fellowship (\$6,000), Cline Center for Advanced Social Research	2023
	• Awarded for summer research on international apologies	
	Departmental Research & Travel Funding (\$2,000), U. of I.	2022-25
	• Research grant awarded for data collection on international apologies	
	Bocheng Academic Excellence Scholarship, Peking University (\$10,000)	2020
	Best Master's Thesis Award, Peking University	2020
recent conferences	“The Impact of Apologies on Interstate Relations”	
	• ISA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, 2025	
	“Politics of Apology and Aid: Can Money Buy Forgiveness?” (with Paul Un & Yujeong Yang)	
	• MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, 2025	
	“Rivalry Means Never Saying You're Sorry”	
	• MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, 2024	
	• ISA-Midwest Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, 2024	
teaching experience	U. of I., Center for Global Studies	
	<i>Independent Instructor</i>	
	Global Conflict Resolution (SP 26)	
	U. of I., Center for Innovation in Teaching & Learning	
	<i>Independent Instructor</i>	
	Workshops on Statistical Analysis (graduate & faculty, FA 22, SP 23, FA 23, SP 24, FA 24)	
	U. of I., Department of Political Science	
	<i>Teaching Assistant</i>	
	Introduction to International Relations (SP 25)	
	<i>Grader & Holding Office Hours</i>	
	International Law (SP 25)	
	The US Constitution II (SP 22)	
	<i>Guest Lecturer</i>	
	“Conflict Resolution”, Introduction to International Relations (SP 25)	

research experience	Research Assistant, Alyssa Prorok, Department of Political Science, U. of I.	SU 25
	Consultant in Statistical Analysis and Survey Research, U. of I.	2022-24
	Research Assistant in Data Analytics, U. of I.	2022-24
professional services	<i>To the Discipline</i>	
	Peer Reviewer: <i>Conflict Management and Peace Science</i>	
	<i>To U. of I.</i>	
	Research Mentor (Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program)	2024-25
	Undergraduate Research Mentor (sole supervisor for individual projects)	2024
	Mentor to First-Year PhD Students	2024-25
skills	Technical: R • Python • SQL • SAS • Stata • SPSS • Qualtrics • Tableau • MongoDB • L ^A T _E X Language: Chinese (native)	
certificates	Certificate in Foundations of Teaching, U. of I.	expected 2026
	Mentoring Certificate, U. of I.	expected 2025
professional affiliations	American Political Science Association (Groups: Conflict Processes, Foreign Policy)	
	International Studies Association (Section: Scientific Study of International Processes)	
	Midwest Political Science Association	