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EDUCATION

Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX *August 2021 - Expected May 2026*

PhD in Political Science, GPA 4.0/4.0

Fields: International Relations, Public Administration, & Research Methods

Dissertation: The Gendered Politics of Sanctions: Women’s Impact, Agency, and Public Opinion

Committee: David Lektzian (Chair), Toby Rider, and Daehee Bak

Murray State University, Murray, KY *January 2017 - December 2018*

Master of Public Administration, GPA 4.0/4.0

Academy of Journalism and Communication, Hanoi, Vietnam *August 2007 - June 2011*

BA Online Newspaper, GPA 7.34/10

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Summer School in International Survey Methods, Vanderbilt University *Summer 2025*

Intensive training program focused on global survey design, implementation, and analysis.

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, University of Michigan *Summer 2023*

EITM Certified: Data Visualization, Time Series Analysis, Panel Data and Longitudinal Analysis, Structural Equation Models with Latent Variables.

The Groundwork Program, Texas Tech University *Summer 2023*

Teaching workshop for graduate students and post-docs.

Teach English Now, Arizona State University *2020-2021*

An eight-course series on Coursera designed for those preparing to teach English.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Conflict and Cooperation, Political Economy, Governance and Policy (Domestic and Foreign), Gender, Human Rights & Human Security, and Research Methods.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Tan, D. & La, H. (2025). Determinants of Post-sanction Economic Recovery. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 00220027251372059.

La, H., & McCrea, A. M. (2025). A Capacity for War: Armed Conflict, Administrative Capacity, and Health Outcomes. *International Journal of Public Administration*, 1-16.

La, H. (2023). Women’s Representation in State Legislatures and Women-Friendly Policy Outcomes. *Commonwealth Review of Political Science*, 6(1), 1.

SELECTED NON-PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

La, H. (2020). Improving emission regulations for coal burning: Lessons learned from Ireland and the UK. *The Journal of Environmental Economics*, 166(9), 26–29. [In Vietnamese]

La, H. (2020). Government initiatives for boosting a sustainable blue economy in Asia-Pacific. *The Journal of Environmental Economics*, 164(7), 14–17. [In Vietnamese]

- La, H.** (2020). Assessing economic recovery prospects in Asia after COVID-19. *The Journal of Environmental Economics*, 163(6), 24–27. [In Vietnamese]
- La, H.** (2019). Plastic waste management policy: Lessons learned from Japan, Ireland, and Rwanda. *The Journal of Environmental Economics*, 157(12), 18–21. [In Vietnamese]
- La, H.** (2019). Promoting eco-industrial parks: A sustainable method to tackle climate change. *The Journal of Environmental Economics*, 154(9), 20–23. [In Vietnamese]

SELECTED FUNDED PROJECTS

Projects funded by Ministry of Planning and Investment of Vietnam 2013-2020
Member of Research Teams

- Solving water problems in rural areas: Lessons learned from international experience (2013)
- Cooperative development in Vietnam: Current situation and policy recommendations (2016)
- Enforcement of intellectual property rights in the US, the UK, Singapore, China, Korea, and Japan: Lessons for Vietnam (2019)
- Assessing the impact of participation in the Comprehensive and Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) on the Vietnamese economy (2019)
- The impact of labor mobility on Vietnam’s economic growth (2020)
- Identification of factors influencing the probability of small and medium enterprise bankruptcy in Vietnam (2020)
- Assessing the impact of the National Target Program on New Rural Construction after 10 years of implementation (2020)

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- ISA South Annual Conference 2025
- American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting & Exhibition 2025
- International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention (*with Dongan Tan*) 2025
- Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference 2024 & 2025
- Women’s and Gender Studies Colloquium 2024
- The 7th IHSA Conference on Humanitarian Studies (*with David Lektzian*) 2023

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Instructor of Record, Texas Tech University** Spring 2025
 POLS-2361-003 International Politics
- Teaching Assistant, Texas Tech University** Fall 2021-Present
- International Relations*: War and Security (Fall 2024), International Organization (Fall 2023 & Spring 2024), International Political Economy (Fall 2023), International Bargaining and Security (Spring 2023).
- American/Comparative Politics*: Comparative Politics (Fall 2025), Election Law (Fall 2024), American Government (Spring 2023), Texas Politics and Topics (Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Summer 2022-2025).
- Methods*: Introduction to Political Analysis (Fall 2022 & Fall 2025)

Public Policy: Public Policy Analysis (Spring 2024)

Independent English Instructor, Hanoi, Vietnam

2019-2021

Designed and delivered English language lessons to individual learners and small groups.

Developed customized curriculum and teaching materials based on students' goals and proficiency levels.

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

National Center for Socio-Economic Information and Forecast (NCIF) *2012-16 & 2019-21*

Research Editor

Hanoi, Vietnam

Edited research reports and articles for publication on NCIF platforms in Vietnamese and English.

Conducted research on socio-economic changes and public policy to support state management.

Dept. of Political Science & Sociology, Murray State University

Aug. 2017 – Dec. 2018

Graduate Assistant

Murray, KY

Assisted professors with data collection, instructional materials, grading, and supervised open lab hours to support student learning.

Prepared and sent admission letters to prospective graduate students.

VietNamNet Online Newspaper, <https://vietnamnet.vn/>

Jun. 2010 – Dec. 2012

Reporter

Hanoi, Vietnam

Wrote articles for publication on the newspaper, covering government, society and lifestyle.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Junior Editor, *Armed Forces & Society*

September 2025-present

Volunteer, ISA Annual Convention in Chicago & ISA South in Lubbock

2025

Treasurer, Graduate Student Organization of Political Science (GSO), TTU

2022-present

SELECTED SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS

Political Science Department Summer Training Support, TTU

Summer 2025

Summer Academy Fellow, School of Public Affairs, American University

Summer 2025

William Oden Memorial Scholarship, TTU

2024-25

Political Science Best Graduate Research Award, TTU

2024-25

Graduate School Student Research Support Award, TTU

2025

Graduate School Conference Travel Funding, TTU

2025

1st Place, the 14th Annual Arts & Humanities Graduate Student Research Conference

2024

Political Science Department Travel Grant, TTU

2024 & 2025

The Cochran Public Administration Scholarship, TTU

2022-23 & 2023-24

Adam Smith Fellowship, Mercatus Center & Liberty Fund

2023-24

Box-Steffensmeier Scholarship, Society for Political Methodology & ICPSR

2023

Political Science Department Summer Training Support, TTU

2023

Frédéric Bastiat Fellowship, Mercatus Center

2022-23

William E. Oden Scholarship, TTU

2021-22

PROFICIENCIES

Methods Regression Analysis, Panel Data Analysis, Time Series Analysis, Structural Equation Modeling, Causal Inference, Survey Experiments

Software & Tools Microsoft Office, R, Stata, LaTeX, Python

Languages Vietnamese (native), Bouyei/Giay (native), English (fluent)

REFERENCES

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