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Education

American University 2023–Present
Ph.D. in Political Science
Field: American Politics

University of California, Riverside 2021–2022
M.A. in Political Science

Oregon State University 2016–2020
B.A. in Political Science
Minors: Education, Music Performance

Research and Teaching Interests

American politics, LGBTQ+ politics and public opinion, prejudice reduction, attitude change, political psychology

Works in Progress

1. Flores, Andrew, Dakota Strode, Lilyana Z. Pan. “A Sexual Orientation Not Listed Here: Traits and SocioPolitical Attitudes of “Something Else”
2. Pan, Lilyana Z. “The Network Decides? The Effect of Partisan Social Media Networks on Attitudes Toward Transgender People”
3. Pan, Lilyana Z. and Andrew R. Flores. “Together We Rise: Discrimination, Group Interests, and the Mediating Effect of LGBTQ Linked Fate”
4. Pan, Lilyana Z. and Yao Yao. “Here Come the Brides: Public Opinion, Representation, and Marriage Equality in Cross-National Perspective”

5. Pan, Lilyana Z. “Does the Law Change Minds? The Case of *U.S. v. Skrametti* and Transgender Healthcare Rights”
6. Pan, Lilyana Z. “Empathy and Threat Alleviation: How Exposure Shapes Public Opinion on Transgender Rights”

Conference Participation

1. Pan, Lilyana Z. and Andrew R Flores. “Together We Rise: Discrimination, Group Interests, and Mediating Effect of LGBTQ Linked Fate.” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, April 2026.
2. Pan, Lilyana Z. “The Network Decides? The Effect of Partisan Social Media Networks on Attitudes Toward Transgender People.” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, April 2026.
3. Pan, Lilyana Z. “Partisan social media networks' impact on attitudes toward Transgender people.” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada, September 2025.
4. Pan, Lilyana Z. “The Network Decides? How Social Media Partisan Friends Impact Individuals' Attitudes toward Transgender People.” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2025.
5. Flores, Andrew R., Dakota Strode and Zhuoye Pan. “A Sexual Orientation Not Listed Here: Traits and Socio-Political Attitudes of ‘Something Else.’” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2024.
6. Flores, Andrew R., Dakota Strode, and Zhuoye Pan. “Applying a Meta-Regression Framework for Understanding Trends in Public Opinion.” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2024.
7. Pan, Zhuoye “Learning from Online Friends: How Social Media Partisan Friends Affect Attitudes toward Transgender Individuals.” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2024.
8. Pan, Zhuoye and Christopher T. Stout. “Channeling frustrations through donations: How critical racial events lead to increases in donations to elected officials of color.” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, March 2022.

Invited Talks and Guest Lectures

1. “The Network Decides? The Effect of Partisan Social Media Networks on Attitudes Toward Transgender People” Presented at American University on LGBTQ+ Politics and Policy (Prof. on record: Dr. Andrew Flores). November 21, 2025.
2. “Public Opinion II.” Presented at American University on Introduction to US Politics. (Prof. on record: Dr. Joshua Ferrer). November 7, 2025.

Grants and Awards

MPSA Status Committee on Gender and Sexual Minorities Travel Scholarship, **\$500** (2025)
MPSA Women's Caucus for Political Science Travel Grant, **\$150** (2025)
AU Department of Government. Summer Funding, **\$5,000** (2023-present)
AU Department of Government. Conference Travel Grant. **\$1,000** (2023, 2024)
AU Department of Government. Graduate Assistantship. Tuition plus **\$25,000** (2023-present)

Teaching

American University

Teaching Assistant

Politics in the US (Undergraduate)	Fall 2025
Conduct of Inquiry II (Graduate)	Spring 2025
LGBTQ Politics (Undergraduate)	Fall 2024, 2025
Intro to Quantitative Methods (Graduate)	Spring 2024, 2025
Political Analysis (Graduate)	Fall 2023, 2024, 2025

University of California, Riverside

Teaching Assistant

US Congress (Reader, Undergraduate)	Fall 2022
California Politics (Undergraduate)	Summer 2022
Introduction to Comparative Politics (Undergraduate)	Winter 2022

Other Research Experience

Research Assistant

2020.03-07

With Dr. Christopher Stout

Oregon State University

Examined Social Media's Influence on Approval Ratings of House Members using CCES 2018 data

Relevant Skills

Software Skills: R (Data Analysis, Statistical Modeling & Visualization), Python (Text mining)

Languages: Chinese Mandarin (native), English (fluent)