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EDUCATION

2024 – Present Ph.D. student in Assyriology, Yale University

2024 B.A. in Economics & B.A. in History, Peking University

 Advisor: [Prof. Yiling Zhao](#)

 Thesis: “*Boll Weevil Everywhere*”: *Impacts of Boll Weevil on Agriculture and Higher Education in the U.S. South (1892-1922)*

ACADEMIC VISITING

Aug 2022 – Dec 2022 International Guest Student, University of Pennsylvania

ACADEMIC SERVICE & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Mar 2025 – Present Museum Assistant for Yale Babylonian Collection, Yale Peabody Museum

May 2023 – Feb 2024 Research Assistant for Prof. Yiling Zhao (Peking University)

Oct 2021 – Aug 2022 Research Assistant for Prof. Sophie Calder-Wang (UPenn) & Dr. Jinglin Li (Harvard)

Jul 2021 – Dec 2021 Research Assistant for Dr. Jinglin Li (Harvard)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring 2024 Teaching Assistant, Peking University

 Course: International Trade

 Instructor: Prof. Qingyang Huang

Summer 2023 Teaching Assistant, Peking University

 Course: Visual Communication for a Global World

 Instructor: Prof. Laurence Simmons (University of Auckland)

CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

Apr 4-5, 2025 Session Chair. *Landscapes and Environments of the Ancient Near East: The 7th Graduate Symposium in Ancient Near Eastern Studies*. Yale University.

HONORS & AWARDS

2024	Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award (National School of Development, Peking University)
2024	Distinguished Thesis Award (Peking University)
2023	Rainbow Bridge Alumni Scholarship
2023	Award for Academic Excellence (Peking University)
2023	Deng Guangming Academic Paper Award (Department of History, Peking University)
2020	Freshman Scholarship (Peking University)

OTHERS

Programming Skills & Softwares:

L^AT_EX, Markdown, MATLAB, Python, QGIS, Stata

Languages:

Modern Languages: Chinese (native), English (proficient), French & German (reading knowledge)

Ancient Languages: Akkadian, Sumerian, Hittite