

# Jack Guan

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## EDUCATION

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### University of California, Berkeley (Berkeley, CA)

B.A. American Studies, Political Science

Minors in Political Economy, Public Policy

Expected 2026

### City College of San Francisco (San Francisco, CA)

A.S. Social/Behavioral Sciences

Certificate in Critical Middle East/SWANA Studies

2020 - 2022

(Dual Enrollment)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### University of California, Berkeley (Berkeley, CA)

#### Research Assistant

Oct 2022 - Present

Analyze historical and contemporary elections around the world

Evaluate 100+ elections on 58 metrics of democracy, freedom, and participation

Enter, clean, and synchronize data with Excel and Ragic software

Project: National Elections Across Democracy and Autocracy

Supervisor: Professor Susan Hyde; Oren Samet, PhD Candidate

#### Research Fellow

Oct 2022 - Present

Conduct literature review on political populists with focus on Donald Trump

Compile 480+ political communications (e.g. briefings, speeches) from Bush and Trump presidencies

Analyze Trump's 2020 campaign rhetoric through qualitative annotations and coding

Project: Populists: Performance and Perception

Supervisor: Ritika Goel, PhD Candidate

#### Research Assistant

Sep 2023 - Dec 2024

Analyzed legislative minutes of sampled U.S. municipalities for partisan influence

Reviewed local candidate statements for community connections and involvement

Submitted public records requests to county election officials in California

Project: Partisanship in Local Politics in the United States

Supervisor: Anna Weissman, PhD Candidate

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### University of California, Berkeley (Berkeley, CA)

#### Course Coordinator

ENGIN 270R (Product Management)

Spring 2025

Instructor: Janel Wellborn

ENGIN 270B (R&D Technology Management & Ethics)

Fall 2024

Instructor: Elizabeth Kovats

ENGIN 270B (R&D Technology Management & Ethics)

Fall 2024

Instructor: Tina Piracci

ENGIN 270B (R&D Technology Management & Ethics)

Fall 2023

Instructor: Bulent Erbilgin

ENGIN 270D (Entrepreneurship)

Spring 2023

Instructor: Ronald Star

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

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### Democratic National Committee (Washington D.C.)

#### Vetting & Compliance Intern

Incoming 2025

Conduct applied political research of donors, individuals, locations, and vendors

Evaluate third-party entities prior to association with the DNC

Support compliance analysis in relation to campaign finance laws and regulations

## **Berkeley Political Review (Berkeley, CA)**

*Staff Writer*

Sep 2022 - Present

- Draft and revise articles focused on various topics in American politics
- Conduct research for articles using journalistic methods and tools
- Format articles for frontend display on website to enhance readability

## **Alliance for Citizen Engagement**

*Democratic Governance Policy Fellow*

Jan 2025 - Apr 2025

- Produced nonpartisan, accessible research briefs relating to democratic governance
- Planned out brief research through outlines and annotated bibliographies
- Drafted, revised, and cycled briefs through the iterative editing process

## **Ballotpedia**

*Research Fellow*

Jan 2025 - Apr 2025

- Contributed to expanding objective electoral information available to voters
- Researched candidates in local elections across the United States
- Gathered critical data points including contacts, social media profiles, websites, etc

## **RELEVANT COURSEWORK**

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**Politics/Policy:** Campaign Strategy, Classical Political Economy, Congress, Contemporary Political Economy, Democracy, Immigration Policy (*graduate*), Jurisprudence, Policy Analysis, Policy Communications (*graduate*), Politics of Public Policy, Public Administration, Public Opinion, Race/Class/Gender, Wealth & Poverty  
**Urban Studies:** American Landscapes, Cities & Their Citizens (*graduate*), New Media Cities (*graduate*), Rhetorical Places, Tech & City, Urban Community, Urban Design  
**Methods:** Economics for Public Policy, Empirical Analysis, Quantitative Sociological Methods, Social Science Statistics

## **THESIS**

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Guan, Jack. 2025. "The Electoral Crisis of 'West Coast Liberalism.'" Berkeley: University of California, Berkeley.

## **PAPERS**

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- Guan, Jack. 2025. "An Unlikely Coalition: Passing the Respect for Marriage Act." *Journal of Policy Analysis*, no. 5 (April), 43–68.  
[https://cdn.prod.website-files.com/6580bf6203485cf15c72a475/67eb37f1ecee573bf832f9da\\_April%202025%20YIP%20Journal%20\(Issue%205\).pdf](https://cdn.prod.website-files.com/6580bf6203485cf15c72a475/67eb37f1ecee573bf832f9da_April%202025%20YIP%20Journal%20(Issue%205).pdf).
- Guan, Jack. "Organizational Challenges of the U.S. Secret Service." *California Legal Studies Journal*, 2023, 5–14. [https://jsp-ls.berkeley.edu/sites/default/files/california\\_legal\\_studies\\_journal\\_2023.pdf](https://jsp-ls.berkeley.edu/sites/default/files/california_legal_studies_journal_2023.pdf).

## **ARTICLES**

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- Guan, Jack. "A Post-Mortem of the Youth Vote in 2024." *Berkeley Political Review*, May 1, 2025.  
<https://bpr.berkeley.edu/2025/05/01/a-post-mortem-of-the-youth-vote-in-2024/>.
- Guan, Jack. "Overcoming Public Transit's Fiscal Cliff." *Berkeley Political Review*, March 22, 2025.  
<https://bpr.berkeley.edu/2025/03/22/overcoming-public-transits-fiscal-cliff/>.
- Guan, Jack. "Splitting the (Electoral) Vote." *Berkeley Political Review*, October 24, 2024.  
<https://bpr.berkeley.edu/2024/10/24/splitting-the-electoral-vote/>.
- Guan, Jack. "Playing Politics in America's Pacific Territories." *Berkeley Political Review*, December 14, 2023.  
<https://bpr.berkeley.edu/2023/12/14/playing-politics-in-americas-pacific-territories/>.
- Guan, Jack. "Blue Generation: Gen Z and the Democratic Party." *Berkeley Political Review*, March 7, 2023.  
<https://bpr.berkeley.edu/2023/03/07/blue-generation-gen-z-and-the-democratic-party/>.
- Guan, Jack. "On Ranked-Choice Voting." *Berkeley Political Review*, November 5, 2022.  
<https://bpr.berkeley.edu/2022/11/05/on-ranked-choice-voting/>.

## COMMENTARY

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Guan, Jack. Letter to the Editor. "New Transit Pays Off." In "Letters: Vote for Trustees Who Will End the Drama and Chaos at CCSF." *San Francisco Chronicle*, November 7, 2022.  
<https://www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/letterstotheeditor/article/ccsf-trustees-election-17559478.php>.

## CONFERENCES

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Fiat Lux Scholars Association Research Symposium (Berkeley, CA)	2025
Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Seattle, CA)	2025
Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Las Vegas, NV)	2025
NSLI-Y Alumni Public Service and Leadership Workshop (Washington D.C.)	2024
Pi Sigma Alpha National Student Research Conference (Washington D.C.)	2024

## AWARDS & GRANTS

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UC Berkeley Student Opportunity Fund Grant	2025
Charles H. Percy Undergraduate Grant for Public Affairs Research	2025
UC Berkeley Fiat Lux Fellowship	2025
UC Berkeley Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program	2024
UC Berkeley Student Opportunity Fund Grant	2024
UC Berkeley Center on the Politics of Development Fellowship	2023 - 2024
UC Berkeley Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program	2023 - 2024
UC Berkeley Center on the Politics of Development Fellowship	2022 - 2023

## SCHOLARSHIPS

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TKE (Nu Chapter) Burt Thomas Scholarship	2023, 2024
10,000 Degrees Scholarship	2022 - 2026
UC Berkeley Fiat Lux Scholarship	2022 - 2026
College Board AP Scholar with Honor	2022
U.S. State Department NSLI-Y Scholarship	2020

## CERTIFICATIONS

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CITI Program Conflicts of Interest	Dec 2024
CITI Program Essentials of Human Subjects Research	Dec 2024
CITI Program Group 2 Social and Behavioral Research Investigators	Dec 2024

## AFFILIATIONS

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Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society, Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity

## SKILLS

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**Coding:** R/R Studio

**Languages:** English, Chinese (Mandarin/Cantonese)

**Platforms:** Adobe Illustrator, ArcGIS Online, Canva, Datawrapper, Google Apps, MS Office, Ragic, Wordpress

## REFERENCES

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### David Broockman

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### Ritika Goel

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