

Jack Guan

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley (Berkeley, CA)

B.A. American Studies, Political Science

Minors in Political Economy, Public Policy

Expected 2026

EXPERIENCE

University of California, Berkeley (Berkeley, CA)

Research Assistant

Oct 2022 - Present

Analyze historical and contemporary elections around the world

Evaluate 125+ elections on 58 metrics of democracy, freedom, and participation

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

Research Fellow

Oct 2022 - Jul 2025

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

Hand code 35 speeches (3,994 lines; 320,430 words) from the Trump 2020 campaign

Analyze rhetorical appeals based on status, the economy, anti-elitism, and cult of personality

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

Democratic National Committee (Washington, DC)

Vetting & Compliance Intern

Jun 2025 - Aug 2025

Screened 5,200 donors to ensure legal and party compliance, requesting more details as necessary

Created lists of business and tax record search engines by jurisdiction to streamline vetting

Utilized Department of Justice, LexisNexis, NGP VAN, U.S. Congress, and Votebuilder databases

Streetsblog

Editorial Intern

May 2025 - Aug 2025

Write 9 shortform articles focused on urban advocacy to reduce car dependency

Interview experts to add unique perspectives to coverage and attend media events

Manage life cycle of a piece from assignment/pitch to drafting and revising to publication

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 contact information, social media profiles, and websites

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

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, Race/Class/Gender, Racism & U.S. Law, Wealth & Poverty

Urban Studies: American Landscapes, Cities & Their Citizens (*graduate*), New Media Cities (*graduate*),

Rhetorical Places, Tech & City, Urban Community, Urban Design

Methods: Data Journalism, Economics for Public Policy, Empirical Analysis, Quantitative Sociological Methods, Public Opinion, Social Science Statistics

AWARDS/HONORS

UC Berkeley: CPD Fellowship, Discovery Research Scholarship, Fiat Lux Scholarship, Percy Research Grant

U.S. State Department: NSLI-Y Scholarship

SKILLS

Computing: Google Workspace, Microsoft Office, R/R Studio, Stata, Wordpress

Languages: English, Chinese (Mandarin/Cantonese)

Platforms: Adobe Illustrator, ArcGIS Online, Canva, Datawrapper, LexisNexis, NGP VAN, Ragic, Votebuilder

REFERENCES

Available upon request.