

Ruolong Xiao

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EDUCATION

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| 2020 - 2026 | George Mason University, Fairfax, United States
Ph.D. in Economics. |
| 2018 - 2019 | George Mason University, Fairfax, United States
M.A. in Economics. |
| 2013 - 2017 | Ocean University of China, Qingdao, China
B.A. in Economics. |

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Theory, Political Economy, Industrial Organization, Experimental Economics.

RESEARCH PAPERS

- “Optimal Disclosure in Electoral Accountability” (Job Market Paper).
- “Price Information and Oligopolistic Competition with Seller Cost Uncertainty” (with Cesar Martinelli), revise and resubmit at **Journal of Economic Theory**.
- “Why Do People Protest? A Theory of Emotions, Public Policy, and Political Unrest” (with Cesar Martinelli), revise and resubmit at **Economic Theory**.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “An Experimental Study of Oligopoly under Uncertainty” (with Cesar Martinelli).
- “Political Sabotage and Competence Curse” (with Cesar Martinelli).

PRESENTATIONS (* SCHEDULED)

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| 2026 | Midwest Political Science Annual Conference*. North America Summer Meeting of Econometric Society*. Asian Meeting of Econometric Society*. |
| 2025 | Public Choice Annual Meeting. Econometric Society World Congress. Game Theory Conference, Stony Brook. DMV PhD Conference on Political Economy & Development. Midwest Economic Theory Conference, Penn State. |
| 2023 | Midwest Economic Theory Conference, Knoxville. Asian Meeting of Econometric Society, Beijing. Asian Meeting of Econometric Society, Singapore. |

SUMMER SCHOOLS AND ATTENDED CONFERENCES

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| 2024 | SITE Political Economic Theory Conference, Stanford University (as coauthor). |
| 2023 | Autocracies & Conflict Conference, Northwestern University. |
| 2022 | Price Theory Summer Camp, University of Chicago. |

TEACHING

- 2025 TA: Microeconomic Theory (undergrad).
- 2024 Instructor: Economic Problem and Public Policy (undergrad).
TA: Microeconomic Theory (undergrad). Game Theory (Ph.D and Undergrad).
- 2023 Instructor: International Economic Policy (undergrad).
TA: Microeconomic Theory (master).
- 2022 TA: Microeconomic Theory (master). Game Theory (Ph.D).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee: Economic Theory (2), Games and Economic Behavior (2), European Economic Review (2).

Membership: American Economic Association, Econometric Society, American Political Science Association.

AWARDS

- 2026 Dissertation Completion Grant, George Mason University.
- 2025 Research Travel Grants, Institute for Humane Studies in George Mason University.
- 2020 - 2026 Graduate Research Assistantship, ICES in George Mason University.
- 2019 Summer Research Scholarship, Economics Department in George Mason University.

SKILLS

Program: \LaTeX , Mathematica, Stata, Python, NetLogo, Otree.

Language: English (fluent), Mandarin (native).

REFERENCE

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