

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, Virginia Aug 2023 – Present
- Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Researcher, School of Data Science
 - Lecturer, Department of Art (since Aug 2024)
- The Ohio State University**, Columbus, Ohio Aug 2020 – May 2022
- Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Arts Administration, Education & Policy

EDUCATION

- The Ohio State University**, Columbus, Ohio Aug 2018 – May 2023
- Ph.D. in Arts Administration, Education & Policy
Graduate Minor in Public Policy and Management
- Carnegie Mellon University**, Pittsburgh, PA Aug 2015 – May 2017
- M.A. in Arts Management (Highest Distinction)
Exchange: Graduate Program of Innovation & Organization of Culture & the Arts, University of Bologna (2016)
- Tsinghua University**, Beijing, China Aug 2011 – Jul 2015
- B.A. in English
Exchange: University of Birmingham, Dept. of English (2013–2014)

PUBLICATION

AI, Information Ethics, and Institutional Governance

- Reia, J., Forelle, M. C., & **Wang, Y.** (Eds.). (2025). *Reimagining AI for Environmental Justice and Creativity*. Digital Technology for Democracy Lab, University of Virginia.
- **Wang, Y.**, Francisco, P. A., & Reia, J. *Global Perspectives on Generative AI, Tradition, and Spiritual Practice*. (In preparation).

Global Media Urbanisms and Cultural Resilience

- **Wang, Y.**, & Janardham, D. (2025). *Exploring Set-Jetting: A State-of-the-Art Review of the Scholarly Domain*. *The Journal of Arts Management, Law, and Society*: 1-20.
- **Wang, Y.** (2024). *Place-Making and Social Media in Creative Tourism: A Comparative Study of Xi'an and Santa Fe*. *American Journal of Arts Management*, 12(4).
- **Wang, Y.** (In preparation for submission to *The Journal of Urban Affairs*). *Set-Jetting, Culture, and Resilient Cities: Mapping Policy and Place Narratives*.
- **Wang, Y.** (Expected 2026). *Urban Villages After Dark: Night Markets and Social Transformation in Xi'an, China*. In *Routledge Handbook of the Night-Time Economy*.

Cultural Policy, Representation, and Artistic Communities

- Wang, Y., & **Wang, Y.** (2022). *Developing Creative Leadership in the Use of Digital Communication Tools: A Psychological Perspective*. *Sustainability*, 14(19).
- **Wang, Y.** (2024). *Asset Management, Investment, and Digital/IT Assets in Museums*. In Y. Jung, R. Shane, & J. Wells (Eds.), *Routledge*.

Book Translation

- **Wang, Y.** (Trans.). (2022). *The Fundamentals of Cello Techniques* (2nd ed.). Southwest University Press.

INVITED LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Invited Lectures

- “Exploring Arts in Data: A Research Journey Across Methods, Meaning, & AI”. Invited Lecture, *Department of Arts Administration, Education and Policy, Ohio State University*, Nov. 13th 2025.
- “From Santa Fe and Xi’an: City Branding, Cultural Narratives, and Artists’ Communities.” Invited Lecture, *Department of Arts Administration, Shanghai Conservatory of Music*, Apr. 2025.
- “When Arts Administration Intersects with Digital Humanities and AI.” Visiting Scholar Lecture, *Office of Research Development, Xi’an Conservatory of Music*, Nov. 2024.
- “Equitable Representation in Contemporary Art.” Invited Lecture, *School of Music, Shaanxi Normal University*, Nov. 2024.
- “Cultural Diversity and Equitable Representation in Contemporary Art”. Visiting Scholar Lecture, *School of Humanities, Xi’an Conservatory of Music*, Jul. 2024.
- “Academic Writing for Interdisciplinary Research”. Visiting Scholar Lecture, *Xi’an Conservatory of Music*, Jun. 2024.
- “Research on Cultural Policy and City Branding from the Perspective of Public Diplomacy”. *School of Humanities, Xi’an Conservatory of Music*, Dec. 2020.

Conference Presentations

- Wang, Y. Set-Jetting, Culture, and Resilient Cities: Mapping Policy and Place Narratives. **Paper Accepted** at the 2026 International Conference on Urban Affairs, Chicago, USA (Expected).
- Wang, Y. The Policy Ecosystem of Set-jetting: Exploring Tourism Impacts from Screen to Destination. **Panel Chair** at the Social Theory, Politics, and the Arts (STP&A) Conference, Philadelphia, PA, USA.
- Wang, Y., & Janardham, D. (2024, Dec.). Exploring Set-jetting: A State-of-the-art Review of the Scholarly Domain. **Paper presented** at the STP&A Conference, Osuna, Spain.
- Wang, Y., & Gao, J. (2024, May). Mapping the Exhibition Landscape: Social Capital and Network Dynamics in Contemporary Artist Promotion. **Paper presented** at the Association of Arts Administration Educators (AAAE) Conference: Intersections & Innovations, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- Wang, Y. (2023, Sept.). Branding Historical Cities in the Age of Digital Communication: Framing Xi’an and Santa Fe on Social Media. **Paper presented** at the STP&A Conference, Lexington, KY, USA.
- Wang, Y. (2023, Oct.). Explaining Creative Tourism Practices in Historical Cities: The Case of Xi’an and Santa Fe. **Paper presented** at the European Network on Cultural Management and Policy (ENCATC) Congress, Helsinki, Finland (online).
- Wang, Y. (2019, Oct). A Battle to Win Young Hearts: Advertising Heritage Through Pop Culture — The Case of the Palace Museum in Beijing. **Paper presented** at the STP&A Conference, New Orleans, LA, USA.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship

Aug 2023 – Present

School of Data Science, University of Virginia

*Prestigious postdoctoral fellowship supporting interdisciplinary research at the intersection of place, race, and equity***Barnett Dissertation Fellowship**

Aug 2022 – Dec 2022

Lawrence and Isabel Barnett Fellowship Fund, The Ohio State University

Competitive dissertation fellowship supporting advanced doctoral research in arts administration and policy

Barnett Fellowship

Aug 2018 – Jul 2020

Barnett Center for Integrated Arts and Enterprise, The Ohio State University
Graduate fellowship supporting research and practice in arts administration, entrepreneurship, and cultural policy

Merit-based Scholarship

Aug 2015 – May 2017

Master of Arts Management Program, Carnegie Mellon University
Awarded for outstanding academic performance in graduate study

Research Highest Distinction

Sep 2014 – Jul 2015

College Students' Scientific Research and Undertaking Starting Action Project in Beijing
For the project "Language Practices of the Male Homosexual Community in China"

Academic Excellence Scholarship

Sep 2012 – Jul 2014

Tsinghua University
School-wide scholarship recognizing high academic achievement during undergraduate study

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, School of Data Science & Department of Art, University of Virginia

Aug 2024 – Dec 2024

DS 5008 / ARAD 3550: Data, Arts Administration, and Policy

(Graduate/Undergraduate)

- Independently designed and taught a new interdisciplinary course, the first to bridge the School of Data Science and the Arts Administration program.
- Introduced students to Excel for foundational data analysis, concepts of AI and large-scale models, and their intersections with the arts (ethics, copyright, and creativity).
- Taught principles of data visualization and applied technologies (e.g., Tableau) for use in **data-driven policy advocacy and storytelling**.
- Mentored graduate and undergraduate students on applied projects integrating technical skills with cultural policy and management frameworks.

Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Arts Administration, Education & Policy, The Ohio State University

Aug 2020 – May 2022

ARTEDUC 1600: Art and Music Since 1945 (Undergraduate, online)

- Taught an online course of 55 students on visual and musical arts after 1945, engaging them through active observation and participation.
- Managed the **Carmen learning platform**, ensuring course materials and tools were accessible and well organized.
- Led weekly discussions and quizzes linking artistic developments to issues of **gender, race, social context, and national policy**.
- Provided timely, detailed feedback on arts critique assignments to support student learning and writing.

PEER REVIEW SERVICES

Journal of Urban Management — Manuscript reviewer	2024 – Present
Journal of Arts Management, Law, and Society — Manuscript reviewer	2025 – Present
Association of Arts Administration Educators (AAAE) Annual Conference — Proposal reviewer	2025

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS

Co-organizer, panel and workshop

- *Reimagining AI for Environmental Justice and Creativity, University of Virginia, 2024.* Co-editor of the resulting collected volume of essays (2025).

Translational Talks (Research to Public Audiences)

- Ding, M. (Producer), & Wang, Y. (Guest). (May 2022). Let's Talk About the Authenticity We Want to See When Travelling from the Perspective of Cultural Policy. Research podcast episode. Available at: <https://open.spotify.com/episode/5moWPTkSgfg9TWr7gyFNeo?si=cf42d99411de48c7>
- Wang, Y. (Speaker). (Nov. 11, 2023). Museum and Art Museum Education, Public Art Participation, and Public Education. Online lecture in the series The Power of Painting – Dialogues Between Concept and Belief, Ennova Art Museum, Silk Road International Culture Exchange Center.

Research Interviews

- “The Power of an Artist’s Discourse Should be Emphasized.” *Phoenix New Media*, Oct. 2023. Available at: <https://news.sina.com.cn/sx/2023-10-09/detail-imzqpecf7892587.shtml> (article in Chinese)
- “Cultural Industry from the Artist’s Perspective.” *Sina News*, Oct. 2023. Available at: <https://ishare.ifeng.com/c/s/8U7DjVYj6fE?spss=np&channelId=&aman=35Fb0aZ450Z235F816oeb7h654Fa89p1d4K8c4y886> (article in Chinese)

Early engagement with digital policy in cultural institutions:

- Wang, Y. (Jun. 2016). “Take Action: It’s Time to Build Your BYOD Policy.” *AMT Lab Blog*.
- Wang, Y. (May 2016). “Bring-Your-Own-Device: What Does Your Organization Need to Know?” *AMT Lab Blog*.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS

Barnett Center for Integrated Arts and Enterprise, OSU – Barnett Fellow Aug 2018 – Jul 2020

- Developed “Idea Spotlight,” a digital platform to showcase arts administration research of students, faculty, and alumni.
- Co-designed and managed the community-based Sketch Party field school, facilitating dialogue on artist empowerment, stereotypes, and community engagement.

The Palace Museum, Beijing – Research Assistant May 2018 – Aug 2018

- Analyzed sales and visitor data from creative galleries and designed a model for future tracking.
- Conducted research on creative stores and exhibitions, contributing recommendations to design and curatorial teams.
- Supported cross-departmental collaboration linking research insights to exhibition planning and creative product development.

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Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, New York (Remote) – Research Assistant Jan 2017 – May 2017

- Surveyed and analyzed 200+ library partners using social media, UX, and geolocation data, identifying 7,000+ prospective partners for expansion.

Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council, Pittsburgh – Research & Advocacy Intern Jan 2017 – May 2017

- Produced policy briefs and economic impact reports used in National Arts Advocacy Day and Pennsylvania Arts & Culture Advocacy Day.
- Contributed data analysis to assess arts sector impacts on job creation, income, and tax revenues.

• Administered surveys for the Arts and Economic Prosperity 5 study, entering and analyzing 700+ audience responses. May 2016 – Aug 2016

- Drafted 13 policy briefs to support legislative outreach for the Pennsylvania Arts & Culture Caucus.
- Assisted in digital marketing for the Re:New Arts Festival.

Arts Management and Technology Lab, CMU – Contributing Researcher Jan 2016 – Jun 2016

- Published policy recommendations on Bring-Your-Own-Device (BYOD) practices in arts organizations.
- Interviewed arts professionals and reported on emerging technology trends for AMTlab.org.

Ministry of Culture and Tourism, P.R.C – Communications Intern Nov 2014 – May 2015

- Collected 20+ national case studies to inform cultural policy reforms on performing arts organizations.
- Assisted in preparing the Artistic Management Guide, distributed at national Arts Market Seminars.

International Child Art Foundation, DC/Beijing – Communications Assistant July 2014 – May 2015

- Coordinated international artist participation in the World Children's Festival (China, Singapore, Spain, Italy).
- Boosted Weibo social media engagement from 0 to 200,000 views in six weeks.
- Contributed to partnership planning that facilitated collaboration with China's National Development and Reform Commission.

Additional field research:

• **Researcher, Beijing LGBT Center:** Collected 150+ surveys and interviews; analyzed speech to study identity and stylistic change. Mar 2014 – July 2015

• **Researcher, Naxi Minority Fieldwork, Yunnan:** Documented heritage preservation and tourism; interviewed educators on cultural transmission. Jul 2012 – Oct 2012

ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENTS (SELECTED)

Invited performer, Chinese Embassy in Washington D.C. Aug 2024

Commemoration of the 45th Anniversary of U.S.–China Diplomatic Relations

First Prize (cello, China regional division, Age-G category) Jun 2019

20th Osaka International Music Competition

First Prize – Principal Cellist, Tsinghua University Symphony Orchestra Feb 2015

National University Performing Arts Showcase Competition

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SKILLS

Data & Analysis: • Minitab • NVivo • ArcGIS • SAS • Tableau

Digital Media: • Adobe Creative Cloud (Audition, Premier Pro, Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator)