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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Assistant Professor Thrust of Innovation, Policy, and Entrepreneurship The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Guangzhou)	2025 -
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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Public Administration and Policy Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ, USA	2025
MSc. Business Information Management Erasmus University, Rotterdam, the Netherlands	2018
BSc. International Business Administration (<i>Cum Laude</i>) University of Twente, Enschede, the Netherlands	2017
Bachelor Abroad Exchange. International Program in Liberal Art Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan	2016

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Technology Policy & Management
- Artificial Intelligence & Facial Recognition Technology
- Data, Privacy, & Justice
- Urban Innovation & Entrepreneurship

PUBLICATIONS AND CONFERENCES

Published Journal Articles

1. **Li, R. G.** (2024). [Institutional Trustworthiness on Public Attitudes toward Facial Recognition Technology: Evidence from US Policing](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.giq.2024.101941), *Government Information Quarterly*, 41(3), <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.giq.2024.101941>.
2. Howell, A., **Li, R. G.**, Bagchi-sen, S. & Lobo, J. (2024). [Disentangling Agglomeration Economies from Selection under Policy Distortions in China](https://doi.org/10.1080/00343404.2023.2281437), *Regional Studies*, in press, <https://doi.org/10.1080/00343404.2023.2281437>.
3. Howell, A., **Li, R. G.**, Feldman, M. & Qian, H. (2022). [Agglomeration, Recombinant Innovation and the Role of Market Reforms in a Transitioning China](https://doi.org/10.1080/10438599.2022.2122456). *Economics of Innovation and New Technology*, 32(8), 1235–1248. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10438599.2022.2122456>

Revision & Resubmission

1. **Li, R. G.** Unpacking Facial Recognition Technology (FRT) in Urban Space: Tensions, Challenges, and Societal Implications.
2. **Li, R. G.** Who do you Trust with Your Face? Public Perceptions of Government vs. Private Facial Recognition in Digital Tax Services.

Working in Progress

1. Caldarulo, M. & **Li, R. G.** Relational and Institutional Elements Shaping Cyber-Threats at the Local Level.
2. **Li, R. G.**, Chen, T. & E. W. Welch. Does Facial Images Matter? Exploring Facial Recognition Technology Adoption in US Local Governments.
3. **Li, R. G.**, Caldarulo, M. & Feeney, M. K. A tale of three worlds: Reconciling Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) Research, Practice, and Policy.

Book Chapters

1. **Li, R. G.** (2021). *Electronic Workplace Surveillance in Context: Privacy, Motivation, and Performance*. In E. W. Welch (Ed.), *Research Handbook on E-Government* (1st ed., pp. 196–208). Edward Elgar. <https://doi.org/10.4337/9781786437259.00019>.

Conference Presentations (*presenter)

- **Li, R. G.*** (2026). *Unpacking Facial Recognition Technology (FRT) in Urban Space: Tensions, Challenges, and Societal Implications*.
 - American Society for Public Administration (**ASPA**) Annual Conference, Hollywood, April 2026.
- **Li, R. G.*** (2025). *Impact of Government Facial Recognition Technology Sourcing on Facial Data Sharing: An Experimental Study in Digital Tax Services*,
 - Midwest Political Science Association (**MPSA**) Annual Conference, Chicago, March 2025;
 - American Society for Public Administration (**ASPA**) Annual Conference, Washington DC, April 2025.
- **Li, R. G.*** (2024). *The Effects of Facial Recognition Technology (FRT) on Public Trust in Digital Public Services*,
 - Midwest Political Science Association (**MPSA**) Annual Conference, Chicago, April 2024;
 - American Society for Public Administration (**ASPA**) Annual Conference, Minneapolis, April 2024.
- **Li, R. G.*** (2023). *Beyond Recognizing Faces in Cities: Insights from a Systematic Literature Review of the Facial Recognition Technology in Urban Spaces*, American Political Science Association (**APSA**) Annual Conference, August 2023.
- **Li, R. G.*** (2023). *What is in It for Us? Institutional Trustworthiness and Facial Recognition Technology (FRT) in US Policing*,
 - Atlanta Conference on Science and Innovation Policy (**ATLC**), Atlanta, May 2023;
 - Midwest Political Science Association (**MPSA**) Annual Conference, Chicago, April 2023;
 - American Society for Public Administration (**ASPA**) Annual Conference, Zoom, March 2023.
- **Li, R. G.***, Howell, A. & Liu, C., (2022). *Does Emission Trading System (ETS) Affect Firms' Innovation? Evidence from China's Regional Carbon ETS Pilot Program*, Public Management Research Conference (**PMRC**) Pre-Conference Workshop on Methods Innovation, Phoenix, May 2022.
- **Li, R. G.*** (2021). *Update on A Comparative Look on Country Governance and Culture: Digital Public Surveillance and Data Policy*, Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (**APPAM**) Student Research Online Seminars, Zoom, June 2021.

TEACHING

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Guangzhou), China

SOCH 5000 Technological Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship (PG) Fall 2026

UGUC 1800 Technology & Innovation: Social & Business Perspectives (UG) Fall 2026

IPEN 5180 Disruptive Technology and Society (PG) Spring 2026

Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ, USA

PAF 301 Applied Statistics (Undergraduate) Spring 2025 & Fall 2024 | Online

Fall 2023 | Hybrid

ASU Digital Inclusion Leadership Certificate (Professional Certificate) Summer 2021 | Online

Co-instructed with Dr. Karen Mossberger

PAF 508 Organization Behavior (Graduate) Summer 2021 | Online

Teaching Assistant

MENTERSHIP AND SUPERVISION

Sijia Liu, PhD supervisor, IPE, HKUST(GZ) 2026 -

Mengyang He, PhD supervisor, IPE, HKUST(GZ) 2026 -

Yibin Ni, PhD supervisor, IPE, HKUST(GZ) 2026 -

Huiyang Liang, PhD co-supervisor, IPE & AMC, HKUST(GZ) 2026 -

Yushuo Liu, MPhil prime supervisor, RBM, HKUST(GZ)	2026
Shan Tang, MPhil co-supervisor, RBM, HKUST(GZ)	2026
Yunrui Li, MSc academic supervisor, IPE HKUST(GZ)	2026 -
Zhaorui Si, MSc academic supervisor, IPE HKUST(GZ)	2026 -
Yipeng Lin, MSc academic supervisor, IPE HKUST(GZ)	2026 -
Zongxi Yang, MSc academic supervisor, IPE HKUST(GZ)	2026 -
Tinjun Zhou, MSc academic supervisor, IPE HKUST(GZ)	2025 - 2026
Qian Tang, MSc academic supervisor, IPE HKUST(GZ)	2025 - 2026

SERVICES

University

Member , PhD Admission Committee, IPE, HKUST (GZ)	2025 -
Member , DEC Hiring Committee, IPE, HKUST (GZ)	2025 -
Screener & Interviewer , MSc Admission Team, IPE, HKUST (GZ)	2025 -
Member , RBM S&I Committee, CFT, HKUST (GZ)	2026 -

Discipline

Editorial Assistant , <i>Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory</i> , Phoenix, AZ	2023
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Reviewer

American Review of Public Administration
Political Analysis
Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory
Public Administration Review
Journal of Infrastructure, Policy and Development
Journal of Common Market Studies
Humanities and Social Sciences Communications
Future Business Journal
Government Information Quarterly
Public Management Review
 Academy of Management Annual Conference

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Discipline

Staats Emerging Scholars Award (\$650), Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA)	Sep. 2024
Harrell Rodgers Graduate Student Travel Scholarship (\$500), Midwest Political Science Association	Apr. 2024
Graduate Student Travel Grant (\$300), American Political Science Association	Jul. 2023

Arizona State University

Outstanding Instruction by A Doctoral Student, School of Public Affairs	Apr. 2025
Outstanding Doctoral Student, School of Public Affairs	Apr. 2024
GPSA Travel Fund (\$950), Graduate & Professional Student Association	Feb. 2024
Graduate College Dissertation Completion Fellowship (\$12,300)	Jan. 2024
Outstanding Paper by A Doctoral Student, School of Public Affairs	Apr. 2023
Social Justice Spotlight Award (\$375), Graduate & Professional Student Association	Apr. 2023
Travel Award (\$300), School of Public Affairs	Jan. 2023
Graduate College Travel Award (\$50)	Sep. 2020
University Graduate Fellowship (\$8,865 in total)	Jan. 2021 - Jan. 2025
Graduate Research Assistantship, CTDS	Aug. 2020 - May 2023

University of Twente

Graduation with Distinction (top 5%), University of Twente	Jul. 2017
Twente Mobility Fund (€4,000), University of Twente	Sep. 2016

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Centre on Technology, Data and Society (CTDS), ASU	2020 -
Center for Science, Technology and Environmental Policy Studies (C-STEPS), ASU	2023 -
Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM)	2020 -
American Society for Public Administration (ASPA)	2022 -
The Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)	2022 -
The American Political Science Association (APSA)	2022 -
The Digital Government Society (DGS)	2023 -
The Association for Politics and the Life Sciences (APLS)	2024 -

INDUSTRY POSITIONS

Founder & Advisory Chair	2020 -
HERON Education & Consulting, China	
Associate Logistic Engineer	2018 - 2019
Penske Logistics Europe, the Netherlands	
IT Operation Intern	2018 - 2018
Research Now & SSL, the Netherlands	