# SAM TYNEN

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The George Washington University

Visiting Scholar

June 2022-present

Sigur Center for Asian Studies

**Czech Academy of Sciences** 

Research Fellow

Prague, Czech Republic February 2021-February 2022

Oriental Institute

**University of Colorado Boulder** 

PhD in Geography

Institute for Behavioral Science

Boulder, CO May 2019

Remote

Chair: John O'Loughlin

Dissertation: "Uneven State Territorialization: Governance, Inequality, and Survivance in

Xinjiang, China"

**University of Colorado Boulder** 

MA in Geography

Boulder, CO May 2014

Chair: John O'Loughlin

Master's Thesis: "Uneven Housing Development and the Spatial Negotiation of Class in

Nanjing, China"

The George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs

Washington, DC

Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs

Minors: Asian Studies; Chinese Language and Literature

May 2011

Advisor: Edward McCord

Elliott School Honors Thesis: "Ethno-Diplomacy and the International Uyghur Political

Movement: An Analysis of Chinese-Turkish Relations."

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

# **Peer-Reviewed Scholarly Journal Articles**

**Tynen, S.** 2021. "'Keep Withstanding': Territory in the Body, Home and Market in Xinjiang, China." Political Geography 84. DOI: 10.1016/j.polgeo.2020.102310.

Tynen, S. 2021. "Belonging between Inclusion and Exclusion: Dimensions of Ethno-Cultural Identity for Uyghur Women in Xinjiang, China." *Geopolitics* 26 (4): 1243-66. DOI: 10.1080/14650045.2019.1686360.

Tynen, S. 2020. "Dispossession and Displacement of Migrant Workers: The Impact of State Terror

- and Economic Development on Uyghurs in Urban Xinjiang." *Central Asian Survey* 39 (3): 303-323. DOI: 10.1080/02634937.2020.1743644.
- **Tynen, S**. 2020. "State Territorialization through *Shequ* Community Centers: Bureaucratic Confusion in Xinjiang, China." *Territory, Politics, Governance* 8 (1): 7-22. DOI: 10.1080/21622671.2019.1643778.
- Ryan, C. and **S. Tynen**. 2020. "Fieldwork Under Surveillance: Rethinking Relations of Trust, Vulnerability, and State Power." *Geographical Review* 110 (1-2): 38-51. DOI: 10.1111/gere.12360.
- **Tynen, S.** 2019. "Lived Space of Urban Development: The Everyday Politics of Spatial Production in Nanjing, China." *Space and Culture* 22 (2): 172-188. DOI: 10.1177/1206331218774480.
- Guo, H. and **S. Tynen**. 2016. "Social Distance, Ethnicity, and Religion in Northwest China: A Survey of Inter- and Intra-Group Attitudes among Han, Hui, and Tibetan Students." *Eurasian Geography and Economics* 56 (6): 679-712. DOI: 10.1080/15387216.2016.1160253.

### Forthcoming Peer-Reviewed Book Manuscript

**Tynen, Sam**. 2023. Fear, Hope and Survival in Xinjiang: Uyghur Life in China's Military Police State. London: Bloomsbury Academic and IB Tauris. Accepted, under contract and currently under review.

# **Forthcoming Peer-Reviewed Articles**

- **Tynen, Sam**. Forthcoming. "Loving and Hiding with Nowhere to Go: Navigating Heteronormative Control for LGBT Uyghurs in Xinjiang, China." Submission to *Journal of Asian Studies* for special issue on "Redefining Ethnicity in the Xi Era: Domestic and International Implications of China's Ethnic Governance."
- Cabras, Giulia, and **Sam Tynen**. Under Review. "Propaganda in Internal Frontiers: Civilizing People and Environment in Ürümchi and Xining." Submission to *Visual Studies*.

### **Peer-Reviewed Scholarly Book Chapters**

- **Tynen, S.** 2022. "Triple Dispossession in Northwestern China." In *Xinjiang Year Zero*, edited by Darren Byler, Ivan Franceschini and Nicholas Loubere, Chapter 8. Sydney: Australian National University Press. DOI: 10.22459/XYZ.2021
- **Tynen, S**. 2019. "Development and Inequality in Urban China: The Privatization of Homeownership and the Transformation of Everyday Practice." In *Neoliberal Urbanism: Contested Cities and Housing in Asia*, edited by Yi-Ling Chen and Hyun Bang Shin, 147-170. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

# **Other Scholarly Publications**

**Tynen, S**. 2019. "Uneven State Territorialization: Governance, Inequality, and Survivance in S Tynen
Curriculum Vitae

- Xinjiang, China." PhD dissertation, University of Colorado Boulder.
- **Tynen, S.** 2014. "Uneven Housing Development and the Spatial Negotiation of Class in Nanjing, China." Master's thesis, University of Colorado Boulder.
- **Tynen, S**. 2011. "Ethno-Diplomacy and the International Uyghur Political Movement: The Puzzle of Chinese-Turkish Relations." *The Elliott School of International Affairs Undergraduate Scholars Journal* 2: 20-45. The George Washington University: Washington, DC.

# **Review Essays**

**Tynen, S.** 2021. "Islamophobia, Terrorism and the Uyghurs: When Minorities in China Find Themselves on the Wrong Side of the Counterterrorism Discourse." *Geopolitics*. DOI: 10.1080/14650045.2021.1924939.

### **Book Reviews**

**Tynen, S**. 2020. "Uyghur Conceptions of Family and Society. By Xiaowei Zang. London: Routledge, 2017." *The Journal of Asian Studies* 79, no. 4: 1004-1006. DOI: 10.1017/S0021911820002600

# **Outreach Articles**

- **Tynen, Sam**. 2022. "LGBTQ Uyghurs live trapped between layers of trauma." *SupChina*, June 22. https://supchina.com/2022/06/22/lgbtq-uyghurs-live-trapped-between-layers-of-trauma.
- **Tynen, Sam**. 2022. "Between Islamophobia and homophobia: Life as an LGBTQ Uyghur in China." *SupChina*, June 9. https://supchina.com/2022/06/09/between-islamophobia-and-homophobia-life-as-an-lgbtq-uyghur-in-china.
- Klimeš, Ondřej and **Sam Tynen**. 2021. "Assimilation or Islamophobia? Uyghurs and China's Counter-Terrorist Discourse after 2001." 9/11 Legacies, September 8. http://911legacies.com/Assimilation%20or%20Islamophobia.htm
- **Tynen, Sam**. 2021. "'What Are Your Pronouns?': Creating Queer and Gender Inclusive Spaces in Brazilian Jiujitsu: Part 3." *Roll the Same: Championing Equality in Jiu-Jitsu*. https://bit.ly/pronounsqueer3
- **Tynen, Sam**. 2021. "'What Are Your Pronouns?': Creating Queer and Gender Inclusive Spaces in Brazilian Jiujitsu: Part 1." *Roll the Same: Championing Equality in Jiu-Jitsu*. https://bit.ly/pronounsqueer.
- **Tynen, S**. 2021. "Shut Up and Train: A 2020 Survey of Sexual Harassment and Assault in the Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Community." *Brazilian Jiujitsu SafeGuard*. https://bit.ly/bjjreport.
- **Tynen, S**. 2021. "Queer Culture in China." *BConnected Colorado*, March 8. https://bconnectedcolorado.com/queer-culture-in-china.

- **Tynen, S.** 2020. "I Was in China Doing Research When I Saw My Uighur Friends Disappear." *The Conversation*, March 9. https://theconversation.com/i-was-in-china-doing-research-when-i-saw-my-uighur-friends-disappear-127166.
- **Tynen, S**. 2020. "Finding Myself in China." *BConnected Colorado*, September 28. https://bconnectedcolorado.com/finding-myself-in-china.
- **Tynen, S.** 2019. "Jiu-Jitsu: A Universal Language." *Easton Training Center*, December 5. https://eastonbjj.com/brazilian-jiu-jitsu/2019/jiu-jitsu-a-universal-language.
- **Tynen, S**. 2012. "Jiu-Jitsu Junkie Abroad." *The Nanjinger*, December: 36-37. https://www.thenanjinger.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/TheNanjinger-Volume3-Issue3-Dec2012.pdf.
- **Tynen, S**. 2012. "A Letter from Nanjing: The Chinese Version of the Immigrant 'Problem'." *Asia on E Street*, September 4. http://asiaonestreet.blogspot.com/2012/09/alumni-guest-post-letter-from-nanjing.html.
- **Tynen, S**. 2012. "Fitness Experience Differs in China: 'A Chinese girl would never do what you're doing." *The Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, August 13: p. C2.
- **Tynen, S.** 2012. "Celebrating *Chunjie* in Old Nanjing." *The China Beat*, February 7. http://www.thechinabeat.org/?p=4099
- **Tynen, S**. 2012. "What the Chinese New Year means for local Nanjingese." *The Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, February 6: p. B2.

### **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS:**

2018 Gilbert F. White Doctoral Fellowship (\$15,000)

University of Colorado Boulder Dissertation Completion Award

2016-17 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement (DDRI 1633894; \$16,000)

National Science Foundation Geography and Spatial Sciences

Research Project: State and Society in Xinjiang, China: Negotiating Governance, Migration, and Citizenship

2014-17 Graduate Research Fellowship Program (DGE 1650115; \$132,000)

National Science Foundation

Research Project: Political Economy of Urban Real-Estate: Diversity in Chinese Cities

East Asia and Pacific Summer Intensive (EAPSI 1311118; \$5,000)

**National Science Foundation** 

Research Project: (In)Visible boundaries: Socioeconomic Identity in the Urban Landscape of China

S Tynen Curriculum Vitae

# 2011-12 **Fulbright Scholarship (\$18,000)**

U.S. Department of State Student Research Program

\*Research Project: Ethnography of Urban Redevelopment in Nanjing:

Impacts on Socioeconomic Segregation and Local Identity

# **AWARDS:**

2020	University of Colorado Center for Asian Studies Speaker Series Grant (\$500)
2014-18	University of Colorado Graduate School Conference Travel Grant (\$300)
2014	Urban Geography Specialty Group Travel Grant (\$200)
2013	United Government of Graduate Students Travel Grant (\$300)
2011	George Washington Special Department Honors in International Affairs, 2011
2011	George Washington International Affairs Honors Program Thesis Award (\$500)
2011	George Washington Sigur Center for Asian Studies Travel Grant (\$700)
2008-11	George Washington University Board of Trustees Scholarship (\$20,000/year)
2008-11	George Washington University Alumni Scholarship (\$20,000/year)
2008	Heston Husler Memorial Fund Grant for Exceptional Community Service (\$1,000)

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

# **Lead Instructor**

2022	Program for Teaching East Asia Course on Genocide and Uyghurs in China titled
	"What's Happening to China's Uyghurs and Why It Matters" (30 high school teachers)
2020	Program for Teaching East Asia Course on "Borders, Migrations, and Ethnicities: Three
	Case Studies for Teaching about China Today" (14 high school teachers)
2020	12-Week Publication Bootcamp (108 graduate students and postdocs)
2020	Publish Not Perish Workshop Series (21 graduate students and postdocs)
2019	12-Week Publication Bootcamp (26 graduate students and postdocs)
2019	Getting Started Seminar (18 graduate students)

# **Instructor of Record**

2022	Social Studies (145 Middle School students)
2018	World Regional Geography (17 undergraduates)

# **Lead Teaching Assistant**

2018-2019 Geographies of Global Change (170 undergraduates and 3 teaching assistants)

# **Teaching Assistant**

2014	World Regional Geography (276 undergraduates)
2013	Political Geography (44 undergraduates)

- 2012 Human Geographies (294 undergraduates)
- World Regional Geography (321 undergraduates)

# UNIVERSITY TEACHING QUALIFICATIONS:

- Science Communication Advances Research Excellence, Trained Moderator, University of Texas Requirements for completion included: 15 hours of workshops on coaching and teaching academic and scientific writing to graduate students as a way to improve diversity in the sciences.
- Certificate in College Teaching, Graduate Teacher Program, University of Colorado
  Requirements for completion included: 40 hours of workshops in pedagogy; teaching
  observations and videotape consultations for feedback and improvement on teaching; Universal
  Design for Learning training; classroom technology training; information literacy training;
  diversity and inclusivity training.

### PRESENTATIONS:

# **Sessions Organized and Chaired**

- Discussant, "'Reformation' Beyond the Gate: State Power and the Making of Bare Life in the Xinjiang Uyghur Region." Association of Asian Studies meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii, March 2022.
- Organizer, "Uyghur Voices: 'Never Again' Is Now." Center for Asian Studies Speaker Series, Boulder, Colorado, March 2020.
- Organizer, "Indigeneity and Settler Colonialism in the Asian Context: Dispossession in Xinjiang." Central Eurasian Studies Society meeting, Washington, DC, October 2019.
- Organizer, "Urban Authoritarianism: Social Control, Development, and Security in Xinjiang, China." Association of Asian Studies meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 2019.
- Chair of Author-Critic Forum, "The Geopolitics of Spectacle: Space, Synecdoche, and the New Capitals of Asia." Central Eurasian Studies Society meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 2018.
- Organizer and Discussant, "Planetary Illiberal Geographies: Territories, Space and Power." Association of American Geographers meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 2018. Co-organized with Jason Luger of University of California-Berkeley.
- Discussant, "Urbanization and Development on the Chinese Frontier: The Political Stakes of 'Progress." Association of American Geographers meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2015.

# **Conference Papers**

Tynen, Sam. "Loving and Hiding with Nowhere to Go: Navigating Heteronormative Control for LGBT Uyghurs in Xinjiang, China." Conference on "International Uyghur Studies 2021: Producing and Transmitting Uyghur Cultural Artefacts," Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (INALCO), Paris, France, November 4, 2021.

- Tynen, Sam. "Escaping Oppression in Physical and Psychological Spaces with Leisure: Breathing during the Suffocation." Conference on "The Xinjiang Crisis: Genocide, Crimes Against Humanity, Justice," Newcastle University, Newcastle upon Tyne, United Kingdom, September 1, 2021.
- Tynen, S. "Escaping Oppression in Physical and Psychological Spaces: Consumerism and Leisure to Breathe among Suffocation." Conference on "Redefining Ethnicity in a Uni-Nationalizing China," Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic, March 12, 2021.
- Tynen, S. "State Territorialization through Community Centers: Bureaucratic Confusion, Police Terror, and Mistrust in Xinjiang, China." Association of Asian Studies meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 22, 2019.
- Tynen, S. "'We Came with High Hopes for a New Life': Dispossession, Development, and the Urban." Central Eurasian Studies Society meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 27, 2018.
- Tynen, S. "State Territorialization through Bureaucratic Control: Authoritarian Governance at the Neighborhood Level ("shequ") in China." American Association of Geographers meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 14, 2018.
- Tynen, S. "Queer Geographies of China: Gender, Sexuality, and Ethno-Religious Identity."

  Presented as a panelist for "Positionality, Gender and Fieldwork: An Intercampus Dialogue on Institutional Practices and Fieldwork Experiences." Association of American Geographers meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 14, 2018.
- Tynen, S. "Scalar Citizenships and Belonging: Global Islam and Lived Experience in Northwest China." Political Geography Specialty Group Pre-Conference at the American Association of Geographers meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 9, 2018.
- Tynen, S. "Ignoring the State: Bureaucracy and Lived Space in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Regions, China." Social Science History Association meeting, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, October 25, 2017.
- Tynen, S and Joanne Smith Finley. "Exclusion as Business: 'Pure' Halal Spaces and Survival in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China." Central Eurasian Studies Society meeting, Seattle, Washington, October 6, 2017.
- Tynen, S. "Social Membership and State Control: Cultural Practices and Socioeconomic Inequality in Ürümchi, China." International Uyghur Studies Conference, Moscow, Russia, October 26, 2016.
- Tynen, S. "State, Market, and Society in Urban China: The Privatization of Homeownership and the Transformation of Everyday Practice." Presented as a panelist for "Contesting Urban Space in East Asia: Recasting Neoliberalism upon Housing." Association of American Geographers meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 24, 2015.

- Tynen, S. "Contested Modernities in a Mobile China: Migrants in Ürümchi and Street Vendors in Guiyang." Association of American Geographers meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 23, 2015.
- Tynen, S. "Challenging Citizenship in Xinjiang: Coercion and Consent of Cultural Hegemony in Uyghur Society." Political Geography Specialty Group Pre-conference at the Association of American Geographers meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 20, 2015.
- Tynen, S. "Dilapidated Landscapes: Contesting Urban Modernity in Old Nanjing." Association of American Geographers meeting, Tampa, Florida, April 11, 2014.
- Tynen, S. "The Negotiation of Urban Citizenship in the Uneven Housing Development of Nanjing." Political Geography Specialty Group Pre-conference at the Association of American Geographers meeting, Tampa, Florida, April 6, 2014.
- Tynen, S. "State, Market, and Society in Urban China: The Privatization of Homeownership and the Formation of the Middle Classes," presented in a paper session at the Urban Affairs Association meeting, San Antonio, Texas, March 5, 2014.
- Tynen, S. "Rearticulating Citizenship in Urban China: Rural Migrant Workers, Inner-Quality, and 'Civilized' Behavior." Critical Geography Conference, Boulder, Colorado, February 15, 2014.

### **Invited Talks**

- Tynen, S. "Uyghur Muslims in China: Contemporary Ethnic Conflict and Territory." Arizona State University, Russian, Eurasian and East European Studies. Critical Language Institute, June 2022.
- Tynen, S. "The Uyghur Crisis Explained: A Panel with Experts and Activists." World Denver, May 2021.
- Tynen, S. "The Uyghur Crisis and Islam in East Asia: A Workshop for Teachers." Arkansas National Consortium for Teaching about Asia (NCTA), April 2021.
- Tynen, S. "Uyghur Muslims in China: Contemporary Ethnic Conflict and Territory." Czech Academy of Sciences Seminar Series, March 2021.
- Tynen, S. "Uyghurs in China: Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict." Iowa City Foreign Relations Council, March 2021.
- Tynen, S. "Nationalism and Ethnicity in China." Imagine Dragons Education, November 2020.
- Tynen, S. "Current State of Uyghurs and Kazakhs in China." Program for Teaching East Asia, University of Colorado Boulder, June 2020.
- Tynen, S. "Body and the Nation: Case Study of Xinjiang, China." Sacramento State University, February 2020.
- Tynen, S. "Fear and Control of Minorities." Islamic Center of Boulder Human Rights Activism Night, Boulder, Colorado, January 2020.

- Tynen, S. "Uneven State Territorialization: Governance, Inequality, and Survivance in Xinjiang, China." Geography Department Colloquium, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, April 2019.
- Tynen, S. "Bureaucratic Control and Violence in Xinjiang, China." Center for Asian Studies Roundtable on Xinjiang: Perspectives from the Field at University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, March 2019.
- Tynen, S. "Service, Safety, and Fear in Community Centers: Bureaucratic Confusion and Mistrust in Xinjiang, China." Center for Asian Studies Luncheon Series at University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, December 2018.
- Tynen, S. "Authoritarian Governance at the Neighborhood Level in China." Global Affairs Club and Global Citizen Lab lecture series for the Global Studies Center at the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 2018.
- Tynen, S. "Sheher Tereqqiyati we Sheher Ahalilerning Hazirqi Zaman Turmushi: Ürümchi Asasida [Urban Development and Urban Residents' Contemporary Lives: Ürümchi as a Case Study]," presented in Uyghur for the Xinjiang University Sociology Institute Ethnic Minorities Research Center visiting scholar lecture series, Ürümchi, Xinjiang, China, June 2017.
- Tynen, S. "(In)Visible Boundaries: The Spatialization of Class in the Uneven Housing Development of Nanjing." Brown Bag Lecture Series at the Center for Asian Studies at University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, September 2013.
- Tynen, S. "Old Nanjing: Life Under the Threat of Demolition." Johns Hopkins-Nanjing Center for Chinese and American Studies Visiting Scholar Lecture Series, Nanjing, China, May 2012.
- Tynen, S. "Life in Old Nanjing." Council on International Educational Exchange Intensive Chinese Language and Culture Lecture Series, Nanjing, China, April 2012.
- Tynen, S. "Ethno-Diplomacy and the Transnational Uyghur Political Movement: A Comparative Study on Sino-Turkish and Sino-Kazakh Relations." George Washington Elliott School of International Affairs Honors Program, Washington, DC, May 2011.
- Tynen, S. "Ethno-Diplomacy and the International Uyghur Political Movement." Research Conference for Uyghur Human Rights, Sydney, Australia, March 2011.

#### **Guest Lectures**

- "State Territory and Ethnic Nationalism: Case Study of Xinjiang, China." Geography course at the United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, March 2019.
- "State Territory and Ethnic Nationalism: Survivance in Xinjiang, China." Geography course at Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, February 2019.
- "State Territory and Ethnic Nationalism: Governance and Resistance in Xinjiang, China." Geography S Tynen

- course at Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi, January 2019.
- "History of Ethnicity and *Minzu* Classification in China." Geography of China course at University of Colorado Boulder, September 2018.
- "Xinjiang: Ethnicity and Conflict." AP Human Geography course at Boulder High School, Boulder, Colorado, February 2018.
- "The Chinese Version of the Immigrant 'Problem." AP Human Geography course at Boulder High School, Boulder, Colorado, January 2018.
- "Xinjiang: 'New Frontier.'" Geography of China course at University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, November 2017.
- "East Asian Migration, Urbanization, and Globalization: A Case Study of Uneven Housing Development in Urban China." World Regional Geography course at University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, May 2014.
- "Neoliberalization and Globalization: A Case Study of Uneven Housing Development in Urban China." Geographies of International Development course at University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, May 2014.
- "Dissent Over Space: Housing Development in Urban China." University of Colorado Political Geography course, Boulder, Colorado, Fall 2013.
- "(In)Visible Boundaries: The Spatialization of Class," National Science Foundation East Asian and Pacific Summer Intensive Conference, Beijing, China, Summer 2013.
- "The Making of Global Cities in China." University of Colorado World Regional Geography course, Boulder, Colorado, Fall 2012.

#### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:**

- 2021 **1 month of ethnographic fieldwork in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan** wrote field notes, gathered textual material, facilitated informal and semi-structured interviews, conducted participant-observation with LGBT advocacy organizations.
- 2016-17 **16 months of ethnographic fieldwork in Ürümchi, China-** wrote field notes, gathered textual material, facilitated informal and semi-structured interviews, conducted participant-observation, one-on-one tutoring for Uyghur language study
- 2015 **6 months of ethnographic fieldwork in Ürümchi, China-** wrote field notes, facilitated informal interviews, wrote and distributed preliminary questionnaire survey, enrolled in intensive and immersive Uyghur as a Second Language courses
- 4 months of ethnographic fieldwork in Ürümchi, China- wrote field notes, conducted informal interviews and participant-observation, enrolled in intensive and immersive Uyghur as a Second Language courses

2014	4 months of ethnographic field work in Nanjing and Guiyang, China- gathered field notes and conducted informal interviews	
2013	4 months of ethnographic field work in Nanjing, China- conducted formal, structured, recorded interviews, and transcribed and translated interviews	
2011-12	11 months of ethnographic field work in Nanjing, China- conducted participant observation, and conducted informal and formal recorded interviews.	
ACADEMIC SERVICE:		
2021—	Expert Affidavit and Testimony Provider for Uyghur Refugees (1 case)	
2019—	Manuscript Reviewer for Journal of Urban Affairs (1), Central Asian Survey (1), Cities	
	(1), Urban Studies (1), Geographical Review (2), Space and Culture (1), Political	
	Geography (1), Journal of Current Chinese Affairs (1), Central Asian Studies (1),	
	Eurasian Geography and Economics (1), Patterns of Prejudice (1), Sextant (1), Nordic	
	Institute of Asian Studies (1), Australian Strategic Policy Institute (1)	
2021	Participant at "Ethics Workshop: Now and in the Future of Images From the Uyghur Region"	
2018	Graduate School Peer Mentoring Program, University of Colorado Boulder	
2018	Grant Writing Mentor for National Science Foundation Graduate Research Program, Institute of Behavioral Science	
2018	Dissertation Working Group Leader and Mentor, Institute of Behavioral Science	
2018	Search Committee Member for Training Director, Institute of Behavioral Science	
2015	Reviewer for the National Geographic Society research awards	
VOLUNTEER SERVICE AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH:		
2019-2021	Manager of the freemymom.org website for Rahile Dawut Freedom Campaign	
2019-2021	Colorado Uyghur Advocacy Group	
2021	Roll the Same: Championing Equality in Jiu-Jitsu, Contributor	
2020	Safe Guard: Safe Jiu-Jitsu Training Environments, Team Member	

2017-18	LGBTQ+ Writing Group Leader and Facilitator, Out Boulder County
2018	Three Minute Thesis Academic Communication Competition, CU Graduate School
2018	Volunteer Teaching Assistant, Boulder High School AP Human Geography
2014-17	Volunteer Coach, Qingyuan Martial Arts Academy in Ürümchi, China
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2014-17	Volunteer Coach, Qingyuan Martial Arts Academy in Urümchi, China
2013	Volunteer Coach, Frontier Asia Brazilian Jiujitsu Martial Arts Academy
2010	English Teacher, Jiangsu Province Physical Education Bureau

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Camp Manager, Adventure Jiujitsu Camps

2008-9 Volunteer, Community Service Leadership Corps

2019-21

2018-19

2008-9 Tutor, Chicago Public Schools Homeless Education Program

#FreeRahile Political and Social Media Advocacy Campaign Team Leader

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

# 2019-21 Graduate Program Manager

University of Colorado Boulder Graduate School

- Oversaw the development and execution of strategic plan for student programming and professional development events totaling over \$1.3 million in direct student services
- Conducted and tracked operational planning for student services by directing resource allocation, connecting stakeholders, and managing timelines and deadlines
- Implemented process changes according to data analysis of ongoing assessments
- Customized and implemented new trainings, service and resource assessments, and program evaluations
- Delivered workshops, facilitated training sessions, and wrote customized training curriculum
- Supervised seven student staff members in their milestone releases and project deliverables
- Designed and maintained over 24 web pages and three social media platforms devoted to professional development

### 2011 Research Assistant

National Endowment for Democracy Asia, Middle East & North Africa, and Global Programs

#### 2011 Vice President

George Washington University Organization of Asian Studies

# **Editorial Assistant**

George Washington University Institute for International Economic Policy

### 2008-9 Research Assistant

Office of the Secretary of Defense Military Community and Family Policy

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2017— Central Eurasian Studies Society
 2014— Association for Asian Studies
 2013— Association of American Geographers

### LANGUAGES:

Mandarin Chinese: Spoken Professional Working Proficiency, Written Working Proficiency Uyghur (Turkic): Spoken Professional Working Proficiency, Written Working Proficiency

Czech: Elementary Proficiency Spanish: Elementary Proficiency