

Research with the Department of International Relations, XJTLU

The list below offers prospective Postgraduate research and Undergraduate students an indication of possible research supervision available in the Department of International Relations, XJTLU. This list is not restrictive and you are encouraged to contact possible supervisors regarding your area of interest. You may find out about staff member research by clicking on their name below.

Staff member	Primary supervisory area	Secondary supervisory areas or research projects	Samples of previous and current supervisions (<i>Postgraduate or research projects</i>)	Samples of previous and current supervisions (<i>Undergraduate</i>)
Alessandra Cappelletti	<p>Chinese foreign policy</p> <p>Center-periphery relations and related paradigms</p> <p>Socio-economic development in ethnic minorities areas</p> <p>Social change in Chinese urban areas</p>	<p>Chinese cultural and economic diplomacy in Central Asia and Pakistan; Chinese classical thought in foreign policy directions</p> <p>Chinese Western regions beyond the center-periphery binarism</p> <p>Social change and impact of agribusiness ventures in Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region (rural-urban migrations; transformation of rural areas; identity)</p> <p>Changing identity of the Chinese citizen and consumer</p>	<p>I am currently involved in joint research on Chinese investment in South and Central Asia</p> <p>I am involved in another project on Community identity and narratives in China</p>	<p>China-Russian relations, narratives of power projection in China and</p> <p>Russia and initiatives of “ethnic unity” in Xinjiang</p>
Michael Connors	<p>International Relations of the Asia Pacific including the foreign</p>	<p>Most areas of International Relations</p>	<p>Community Forestry in Thailand</p>	<p>Politics of Identity</p>

	<p>policies of Australia, Thailand, Japan.</p> <p>Gramscian Approaches to IR.</p> <p>Political Ideologies</p> <p>Thai politics</p> <p>States and Nationalism</p>	<p>Global History</p> <p>Intellectual History, specifically of Southeast Asian societies.</p>	<p>Strategic Culture in IR</p> <p>Social Media and Electioneering</p> <p>Ethnic politics in Malaysia</p> <p>Women and Community Labour in peri-urban settings</p>	<p>Development and the Third World</p> <p>China's soft power</p> <p>Democratic Theory</p> <p>Foreign Policy Analysis</p>
Adam Cross	<p>Chinese inward and outward foreign direct investment</p> <p>Internationalisation strategies of Asian companies, with particular focus on Chinese firms</p> <p>The role of home and host country institutions on the internationalisation activities of firms</p> <p>Chinese foreign direct investment along the 'Belt and Road Initiative' (BRI) countries</p>	<p>International Relations of China</p> <p>International Political Economy</p> <p>China- US relations</p>	<p>Corporate Social Responsibility Strategies of Multinational Companies in China: A Legitimacy perspective</p> <p>Post-merger and acquisition integration of cross-cultural management practices: The case of Chinese companies under the 'One Belt One Road' (OBOR) initiative</p> <p>Factors that influence the diffusion of user innovation in China</p> <p>Internationalisation of Chinese family businesses</p> <p>A comparative study of major entrepreneurial ecosystems in China</p> <p>Adoption of e-services and quality of life among older consumers in China</p>	<p>I have supervised across all areas of international business and Foreign Direct Investment.</p>

<p>Evangelos Fanoulis</p>	<p>EU politics and European integration,</p> <p>Democratic theory and democratic politics (including populism),</p> <p>Security Governance</p> <p>Discourse analysis,</p> <p>EU-China relations,</p> <p>Post-structuralist IR theory.</p>	<p>European politics</p> <p>Foucault</p> <p>Derrida</p>	<p>I have supervised in the field of EU and British politics and have also led research on civil security systems in Europe.</p>	
<p>Steve Long</p>	<p>US Foreign Policy/ Diplomatic History (post-1945)</p> <p>US National Security Strategy under Truman and Eisenhower</p> <p>Anglo-American Intelligence 1941-Present</p> <p>Cold War International History</p>	<p>US-Latin American Relations</p> <p>American Political and Cultural History (19th-20th Century)</p>	<p>Anglo-American Intervention in Iran, 1953</p> <p>US Drone Warfare in Pakistan and Yemen in the Obama Era</p> <p>Operation Phoenix (CIA Counter-Insurgency Program in Vietnam)</p> <p>Anglo-American Policy towards British Guiana in the 1950s-60s</p> <p>US Policy towards Allende's Chile, 1970-73</p>	<p>US Policy and Strategy during the Vietnam War</p> <p>US intelligence operations in the Cold War</p> <p>US nuclear policy and use of atomic weapons against Japan</p> <p>US Cold War Strategy in Eastern Europe under Truman and Eisenhower</p> <p>US Counter-Terror Strategy Post-9/11</p> <p>Manifest Destiny and Empire, US Expansion in the 19th Century</p>

<p>Debora Malito</p>	<p>Africa's International Relations</p> <p>Sovereignty and International Intervention</p> <p>Imperialism, Colonialism and Liberalism</p> <p>Corruption and Development</p> <p>Peacebuilding and Statebuilding</p> <p>Conflict, Terrorism and Military Interventions</p>	<p>China in Africa</p> <p>China and Africa</p> <p>BRICS</p> <p>Indicators in Global Governance</p>	<p>African regional integration</p> <p>Conflict and Intervention in the Horn of Africa</p>	<p>I have supervised students in the field of governance in the Horn of Africa</p>
<p>Robert Pauls</p>	<p>International Political Economy of China</p> <p>China in Comparative Political Economy</p> <p>International and Comparative Political Economy Theory</p>	<p>China's International Relations and Foreign Policy</p> <p>China's Political and Socioeconomic System</p> <p>International Relations and International Political Economy of East Asia</p> <p>East Asia in Comparative Political Economy</p>	<p>The domestic politics of South Korea's North Korea policy</p> <p>A comparative perspective on political stability in Xi Jinping's China</p> <p>China's leading roles in the Belt and Road and AIIB</p> <p>Industrial policy of alternative propulsion vehicles in China</p> <p>North-Rhine Westphalia's foreign relations with the PR China</p>	<p>Industrial policy and the petrochemical industry in China</p> <p>Industrial policy and renewable energy in China</p> <p>Policy diffusion and intellectual property rights in EU-China relations</p> <p>Resilient Authoritarianism in China</p>
<p>Nicole Talmacs</p>	<p>Soft power and cultural exchange</p>	<p>Audience and media consumer studies</p>	<p>China's cultural diplomacy through the nation's</p>	<p>China's Sports Diplomacy: the NHL in China</p>

	<p>International communications</p> <p>Social engineering and propaganda studies</p> <p>Chinese communications</p>	<p>Politics of the media</p> <p>Chinese society and social change</p> <p>Chinese media and entertainment industries</p>	<p>international film co-production treaties</p> <p>China's film industry and social change</p> <p>How foreign brands and food chains localize for the Chinese consumer</p> <p>Family communications and China's Second Child Policy</p>	<p>The relationship between understandings of homosexuality in China and consumption of American reality TV</p> <p>Film memory</p> <p>Pop music as propaganda in China</p> <p>Understanding women's liberation in China through revolutionary cinema</p>
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