

# TIFFANY BARRON

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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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| <b>University of Tennessee, Knoxville</b><br>Assistant Professor<br>Institute of American Civics<br>Howard H. Baker Jr. School of Public Policy and Public Affairs | 2024-present |
| <b>University of Colorado Colorado Springs</b><br>Assistant Professor<br>Department of Political Science   | 2023         |

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## EDUCATION

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| <b>Princeton University, Princeton, NJ</b> Ph.D., Department of Politics<br>Dissertation: "The Ethics of Revolt: Just War, Moral Agency, and Civil Conflict"<br>Committee: Gary Bass, Rory Truex, Daniel Philpott | 2023 |
| <b>University of Chicago, Chicago, IL</b> M.A. with Honors, International Relations<br>Thesis: "Transnational Linkages and Grassroots Civil Society in China"<br>Advisor: Paul Poast                              | 2018 |
| <b>Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA</b> B.A. with Honors; Political Science, Chinese (minor)  | 2013 |

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## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Virtue Ethics  
Civil Society  
Chinese Politics

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## RESEARCH

### *Current Projects*

(Under Review) "The Stationary Bandit Revisited: Virtue and Agency in China's Era of Warlords"  
"To Be Both Black and American: African American Identity in the American Republic"  
"Liberal States, Communitarian Societies: Aristotle, Aquinas, and Confucius on the Pursuit of Happiness"

### *Policy Publication*

Barron, Tiffany, Rorry Daniels, M. Patrick Hulme, Daniel Jasper, Craig Kafura, and Kacie Miura. 2021. *Engagement Revisited: Progress Made and Lessons Learned from the US-China Strategic and Economic Dialogue*. National Committee on American Foreign Policy. [https://www.ncafp.org/2016/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/NCAFP\\_China\\_Engagement\\_final\\_Sept-2021.pdf](https://www.ncafp.org/2016/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/NCAFP_China_Engagement_final_Sept-2021.pdf)

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

IAC 202 Civil Society and the State, University of Tennessee-Knoxville  
PSC 3240 War and Peace, University of Colorado Colorado Springs  
PSC 4980 Chinese Politics, University of Colorado Colorado Springs  
Head Preceptor, POL 396 International Organizations, Princeton University  
Guest Seminar Leader, Legal Humanities Fellowship Program, Collegium Institute  
Preceptor, POL 362 Chinese Politics, Princeton University  
Preceptor, POL 240 International Relations, Princeton University  
Lector, Writing Program, University of Chicago  
Writing Instructor, Experience Liberal Arts College (ExLAC), Shanghai, China

## CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

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| "To Be Both Black and American"<br>American Civics at 250 Conference in Miami, FL  | August 2025    |
| "Liberal States, Communitarian Societies: Aristotle, Aquinas, and Confucius on the Pursuit of Happiness"<br>Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL | April 2025     |
| "The Stationary Bandit Revisited: Mancur Olson, Feng Yuxiang, and Virtue Ethics"<br>Indo-Pacific Security Studies Workshop (IPSS) at UT Knoxville                                      | November 2024  |
| "Liberal States, Communitarian Societies: Aristotle, Aquinas, and Confucius on the Pursuit of Happiness"<br>American Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA  | September 2024 |
| Selection from dissertation chapter "The Christian General: Feng Yuxiang"<br>Qualitative Bayesian Reasoning (QBR) Workshop (Virtual)   | July 2022      |
| "Transnational Networks: U.S. Funding and Civil Society Independence in China"<br>Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference in Chicago, IL                               | April 2018     |
| "Transnational Linkages and Grassroots Civil Society in China"<br>University of Chicago East Asia Workshop: Politics, Economy and Society in Chicago, IL                               | February 2018  |

## OTHER PRESENTATIONS

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| "The Transformation of U.S. Foreign Policy: China and America's Pivot to Asia"<br>Tennessee Civics Academy, University of Tennessee-Knoxville                               | June 2025      |
| "Engagement Revisited: Progress Made and Lessons Learned"<br>National Committee on American Foreign Policy & the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations (Virtual Panel) | September 2021 |
| CIR PhD Alumni Info Panel<br>Committee on International Relations, University Of Chicago  | January 2020   |
| Future Education and Careers in International Relations Panel<br>Center for International Security Studies, Princeton University  | October 2019   |
| Social Sciences Division Council CIR Panel<br>University of Chicago   | November 2017  |

## FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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|---|---------|
| Graduate School Teaching Award, Princeton University  | 2022    |
| Bradley Fellowship, Witherspoon Institute   | 2020-22 |
| Summer Language Training Grant, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies              | 2019    |
| Summer Language Training Grant, Princeton East Asian Studies Program                                    | 2019    |
| Taiwan Ministry of Education Scholarship, American Councils for International Education                 | 2019    |
| Dan E. Davidson Fellowship, American Councils for International Education                               | 2019    |
| AC Study Abroad Diversity Scholarship, American Councils for International Education                    | 2018-19 |
| Committee on International Relations (CIR) Second Year with Specialization Award, University of Chicago | 2017    |
| Freeman Student-Faculty Collaborative Research Fellowship   | 2011    |

## SERVICE AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

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| Judge for NCFCA Lincoln-Douglas Debate Finals   | April 2025     |
| Institute of American Civics Committee Member, University of Tennessee-Knoxville  | Spring 2025    |
| Alexander Hamilton Society Faculty Co-Advisor, University of Tennessee Knoxville  | February 2025- |
| Faculty Hiring Committee Member, University of Tennessee-Knoxville  | Fall 2024      |
| Faculty Hiring Committee Member, University of Colorado Colorado Springs  | Fall 2023      |
| Co-organizer for "Rethinking Just War in the 21st Century: A Graduate Student Conference," held at Princeton University on June 5, 2023 |                |

## **PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING**

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| Pedagogy Workshop Participant, "Designing a Course", Princeton University               | <i>February 2022</i>        |
| Seminar Participant, "The Pedagogy Project", The Witherspoon Institute                  | <i>Fall 2020- Fall 2021</i> |
| Pedagogy Workshop Participant, "Teaching Interactively with Zoom", Princeton University | <i>August 2020</i>          |

## **INVITED WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS**

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| Jack Miller Center Summer Institute, "Republicanism and Civic Education" | <i>July 2025</i> |
| Jack Miller Center American Political Tradition Syllabus Workshop        | <i>June 2025</i> |

## **SKILLS**

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Languages: Mandarin Chinese

Software: R; LaTeX

## **REFERENCES**

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