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EDUCATION

University of Southern California • Los Angeles, CA <i>Ph.D. in Political Science and International Relations</i>	May 2024
Johns Hopkins University • Washington, DC School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) <i>Masters of Arts • International Relations and International Economics</i>	May 2014
Chulalongkorn University • Bangkok, Thailand <i>Bachelor of Arts (Political Science) • International Relations</i>	May 2011

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Thammasat University • Bangkok, Thailand <i>Lecturer • Faculty of Political Science</i>	2014 - Present
ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute • Singapore <i>Non-Residential Research Fellow</i>	July 2025 - Present

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Political psychology	Emotion in international relations
International relations theory	Southeast Asia and major powers
Survey experiment	Research methods in social science

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Articles

- Pongkwan Sawasdipakdi, “Thailand’s Engagement with China’s Belt and Road Initiative: Strong Will, Slow Implementation.” *Asian Perspective* 45, no. 2 (2021): 349-374.

Book Chapters

- Pongkwan Sawasdipakdi, “Siam Evades Colonial Rule: Geography, Reform and the Logic of Survival” in *East Asia in the World, Volume II: From Imperialism to the Cold War*, ed. David Kang and Stephan Haggard (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming).
- Pongkwan Sawasdipakdi, “International Political Economy in Thailand: A Discipline in Stagnation” in *International Relations as a Discipline in Thailand: Theory and Sub-fields.*, ed. In Chanintira na Thalang, Soravis Jayanama, and Jittipat Poonkham (Routledge, 2018).

Non-Peer Reviewed Articles

- Pongkwan Sawasdipakdi, “The Politics of Numbers: Controversy Surrounding the Thai Rice-pledging Scheme.” in *SAIS Review* 34, no. 1 (2014): 45-57.

WORKING PROJECTS

- **Paper**, The language of hierarchy and its impacts on the relationships between China and Southeast Asian countries

COMPETITIVE GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Hans Morgenthau Predoctoral Fellowship (2023-2024)
- USC Graduate School Summer Research and Writing Grants (Summer 2023)
- US-Asia Grand Strategy Predoctoral Fellowship (2021-2023)
- USC Graduate School Summer Research and Writing Grants (Summer 2022)
- USC East Asian Studies Center Graduate Fellowship (Summer 2022)
- USC Political Science and International Relations Excellence in Teaching (Fall 2019)
- USC Graduate School Summer Grant (Summer 2019)
- Center of International Studies Graduate Research Grant (Spring 2019)
- USC Graduate School Summer Grant (Summer 2018)
- Royal Thai Scholarship (2012 – 2014)

PROFESSIONAL AND POLICY EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Fellow Center for Strategic and International Studies Washington D.C.	2023-2025
Participant The IISS Southeast Asian Young Leaders' Program, The IISS Asia Security: The Shangri-La Dialogue, Singapore	June 2022
Fellow The Symposium on East Asia Security (SEAS) Fellowship for Increasing Women's and Civil Society's Participation in Security Affairs Daniel K. Inouye Asia Pacific Center Security Studies, Hawaii	Sep – Oct 2016
Participant Korea Foundation's ASEAN-Korea Next Generation Policy Expert Exchange Seoul, South Korea	May 2016
Participant The Australia-ASEAN Emerging Leaders Program Penang and Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	May 2015
News Reporter Voice TV Bangkok, Thailand	Mar 2011 – Jun 2012

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- **Paper Presenter**, "Betrayal in Interstate Relations," International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference, Chicago, United States, 2025.
- **Paper Presenter**, "Are Friends and Allies Alike: Evidence from Words Embeddings," International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference, San Francisco, United States, 2024.
- **Paper Presenter**, "How Dare You Betray Me: Friendship Betrayal, Moral Outrage, and Punishment in International Politics," International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, 2023.
- **Paper Presenter**, "How Dare You Betray Me: Friendship Betrayal, Moral Outrage, and Punishment in International Politics," Bridging Asia Conference: American Grand Strategy and East Asia in the 21st Century, Los Angeles, California, 2023.
- **Paper Presenter**, "How Dare You Betray Me: Friendship Betrayal, Moral Outrage, and Punishment in International Politics," American Political Science Association (APSA) Asia Politics Conference, Bangkok, Thailand, 2022.
- **Paper Presenter**, "Betrayal Deserves to Suffer: Betrayal and Moral Outrage in International Relations," Bridging Asia Conference: American Grand Strategy and East Asia in the 21st Century, 2022.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer Political Psychology in International Relations Thammasat University	Spring 2025
Lecturer Reading in International Relations (in Thai) Thammasat University	Spring 2025
Lecturer Introduction to International Relations (in Thai) Thammasat University	Fall 2024 & 2025
Lecturer Global Political Economy Thammasat University	Fall 2024 & 2025
Lecturer The United States of America in Global Politics Thammasat University	Fall 2024 & 2025
Teaching Assistant International Relations: Approaches to Research University of Southern California	Fall 2022
Teaching Assistant International Relations: Introductory Analysis University of Southern California	Fall 2018 & 2023, Spring 2019-2021 & 2024
Teaching Assistant Historical Approaches to International Relations University of Southern California	Fall 2019 & 2020

SKILLS

- Programming languages: R
- Other computer experience: MS Office Suite, L^AT_EX, Rmarkdown, Qualtrics
- Languages: English (Advanced), Thai (Native), Vietnamese (Beginner), Japanese (Beginner), Danish (Beginner)