Connor Stitt

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Professional Summary

I am an undergraduate student focused on quantitative methodology, with substantive interests in authoritarianism, political violence and Chinese politics.

Education

North Carolina State University *Aug 2021 – May 2025*
BS in Political Science, Minors in Mathematics and Statistics *(Expected)*

- **Major Coursework:** Comparative Politics, Politics of China and Japan, Research Methodology, Political Theory
- **Minor Coursework:** Linear Algebra, Partial Differential Equations, Discrete Models, Regression Analysis, Survey Sampling, Statistical Inference

Experience

Research Assistant *Raleigh, NC*
North Carolina State University, School of Public and International Affairs *Aug 2024 – Present*

- Advisor: Dr. Jessica Liao
- Curate datasets on Chinese Free Trade Agreements to improve readability.
- Characterize the co-financing activity of Chinese loans and automate categorization via Python and SAS.

Academic Coach *Raleigh, NC*
Sylvan Learning *Mar 2024 – Present*

- Tutor students from grades 1-12 in mathematics, reading, and writing enrichment programs.
- Provide personalized guidance to students for SAT and ACT programs, AP Precalculus, AP Calculus, and AP Statistics.
- Coach high school seniors through the college application process.

Political Analyst Intern *Remote*
Biasly *May 2024 – Sep 2024*

- Provide bias data to train AI on news bias.
- Analyze news articles for misinformation.

Political Data Analyst *Remote*
WeVote *Mar 2024 – Aug 2024*

- Collect and store current political endorsement data into WeVote's proprietary API.
- Attend weekly meetings to discuss data collection progress and election tracking.

Activities

Boy Scouts of America

- Eagle Scout

Conferences and Workshops

- Duke-UNC China Leadership Summit *Mar 2024*
- Harvard China Forum *Apr 2024*
- NCSU Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium *(Presenter)* *Jul 2024*
- NCSU Stats Review in Stata and R Bootcamp *Aug 2024*
- APSA Annual Meeting *Sep 2024*

Projects

Independent Undergraduate Research   *Raleigh, NC*
North Carolina State University, School of Public and International Affairs   *Mar 2024 – Present*

- Advisor: Dr. Zlatin Mitkov
- Research current experimental methods in the political violence and terrorism literature.
- Design a novel two-level factorial survey experiment to test predictors for the endorsement of Islamophobic violence.
- Implement experimental design improvements suggested by political violence scholars.
- Collect experimental data, funded through two grants: NCSU's SURE grant and the John W. Pope Foundation's undergraduate research grant. Total funding: 4000 USD.

Software Experience

Languages: SAS, Stata, R, Python, LaTex

Software: Qualtrics, Amazon MTurk, MS Office Software