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EDUCATION

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Shenzhen, China Expected Graduation: July 2027
Bachelor of Arts in English (Legal Communication)
GPA: 3.91/4.0 | *Dean's List* of AY24-25, AY23-24

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, USA Fall 2025 – Spring 2026
Sponsored Exchange Year | Environmental Law, Media Law, Sports Law
GPA: 4.0/4.0 | *Dean's List* of Fall 2025 & Spring 2026

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

International Chamber of Commerce - Arbitration, Shanghai, China May 2026 - Present
Summer Intern

- Assisted 3 events (served as Master of Ceremony in one event); authored 4 Business Development articles.

CUHK-Shenzhen Legal Clinic "LGU Clinic", Shenzhen, China July 2025 - Present
Legal Assistant

- Managing clinic operations, organizing weekly sign-ups, and coordinating lawyers.
- Drafted 5 comprehensive legal memos on work injury, cross-border data transmission, and labor disputes.

Freshfields LLP, Shanghai, China April 2025 - August 2025
Legal Intern

- Facilitated 7 Hong Kong IPOs with bilingual due diligence, prospectuses, document editing, and translation.

JS Law, Shenzhen, China September 2024 - February 2025
Legal Assistant

- Managed U.S. e-commerce litigation defense by conducting trademark analysis, drafting TRO alert articles, coordinating due diligence for 10+ clients, and securing over 3 million RMB in settlements.

Shanghai Huangpu District People's Court, Shanghai, China July 2024 - August 2024
Judicial Assistant

- Assisted a judge in 30+ civil cases, authored 10+ draft judgments (including a 25 million RMB housing lease dispute); drafted one internally circulated case report on *trial in absentia*.

LEADERSHIP

Law Society of CUHK-Shenzhen, Shenzhen, China November 2024 - Present
Co-Founder and President

- Organized 3 campus-wide events; streamlined LAWASIA Moot Team talent search process, legal writing, and oral submission mock; liaised with LGU Clinic and co-hosted 2 startup compliance lectures.

Public Speaking Team of CUHK-Shenzhen, Shenzhen, China November 2023 - January 2025
Founder and Captain

- Led nearly 100 hours of speech training across 30+ weekly sessions; coached all participants advancing to Provincial and National Competition, yielding 7 provincial medals and 3 national medals.

CUHK-Shenzhen Student Congress, Shenzhen, China September 2023 - March 2025
Standing Committee Member (one of seven)

- Directed the "Campus Internationalization" Group, which focuses on 1) emails, 2) teaching language, 3) campus signs (food, manuals, instructions); conducted 1 awareness campaign & 2 questionnaires (50+ responses); collaborated with various departments (including the Vice President's Office).

Moot Court Team of CUHK-Shenzhen, Shenzhen, China May 2024 - October 2024
Co-counsel (one of three)

- Authored 40 pages of legal memos, delivered six 20-minute oral submissions, earned the highest speaker points 4 times, and advanced to the Final Four of the LAWASIA International Moot.

RESEARCH & PROJECTS

UNC School of Law, Chapel Hill, USA

May 2026 - Present

Summer Research Assistant

- Assisting Prof. Donald Hornstein on 1) the updated course design and textbook preparation of UNC Law School's Environmental Law course, and 2) the regulation, policy, and industrial research on non-petroleum-based plastic alternatives post the 2026 Iran War.

Algae Shield, Shenzhen/Zhuhai, China

June 2025 - Present

Co-Founder

- Collaborating with five teammates on an algae-based thin layer to address health concerns about microplastics in single-use cups.
- Developed bilingual financial report, legal report, and trend analysis (including the Dupont PFAS cases).
- In AY26-27, the project aims to implement a pilot around Beijing Normal-Hong Kong Baptist University.

VOLUNTEERING & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

UNC Peer Med, Chapel Hill, USA

May 2026 - Present

Peer Mentor

- Responsible for the pre-law/pre-health-policy track & international student career-development mentoring.

Stepping Stones (China), Shanghai, China

March 2026 - Present

Sole Instructor

- Teaching English (with a strong focus on speaking) to students from underdeveloped regions in China. The most recent cohort is 34 sixth-graders from Nan'an, Fujian.

Student Coach Program of Diligentia College, Shenzhen, China

September 2024 - June 2025

Student Coach

- Mentored 6 freshmen, led a 50-person workshop on how to improve English language and get used to English-taught classes, and coordinated 10+ events (e.g., cookout nights and badminton games).

Self-Access Language Learning Center (SALL), Shenzhen, China

September 2024 - April 2025

Undergraduate Student Teaching Fellow

- Provided weekly 1-on-1 English tutoring for Undergraduate and Postgraduate students on their academic presentations, job interviews, and language exams.

HONORS & AWARDS

- *First Prize*, The Global Sustainability Challenge (Asia-Pacific Final) January 2026
- *Excellent Student Coach Award*, Diligentia College AY24-25
- *Excellent Student Activities Award*, Diligentia College AY23-24, AY24-25
- *Academic Performance Scholarship*, CUHK-Shenzhen AY23-24, AY24-25
- *Semi-finalist and Best Endeavor Prize*, LAWASIA International Moot October 2024
- *Undergraduate Research Award*, CUHK-Shenzhen August 2024
- *Excellent Student Leader Award*, CUHK-Shenzhen AY23-24
- *Summer Abroad (Lyon, France) Scholarship*, Diligentia College June 2024
- *Bronze Medalist*, FLTR National English Public Speaking Competition (Guangdong) December 2023
- *First Class*, Scholarship for Recommended Students September 2023

PUBLICATIONS

- Zhang, Zhiqiu. "Have You Seen the Stars." *Berkeley Fiction Review*, no. 47, forthcoming Spring 2027.
- Zhang, Zhiqiu. "Freedom of Speech and National Pride: Flag Desecration in the United States". *Journal of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences* 63 (2026): 175-179.