SIMA QIAN

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, CA

PhD in History (ABD)

Expected Completion: January 2026

- Dissertation: "Silk Road Diplomacy: Cultural Exchange between Han China and Central Asia, 100 BCE - 200 CE"
- Advisor: Dr. XXXXX Huang

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Master of Arts in East Asian Studies

May 2021

• Thesis: "Confucian Ideology in Han Dynasty Governance"

University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

Bachelor of Arts in History, Minor in Classical Chinese

June 2019

• Summa Cum Laude

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Ancient Chinese History (Han Dynasty)
- Silk Road Studies
- Cultural Exchange in Ancient East Asia

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Instructor, UC Riverside

- East Asian Civilizations: China (Fall 232, Winter 2025, Summer 2025)
- Introduction to Chinese History (Fall 2022 Fall 2024)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant to Dr. XXXXXX Huang, UC Riverside (2022-Present)

- Assisted in translating and analyzing newly discovered Han Dynasty manuscripts
- Compiled database of archaeological findings related to Silk Road trade
- Mapped ancient trade route for dissertation project

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

• Qian, S. (2023). "Diplomatic Gifts on the Silk Road: Han Dynasty Practices." Journal of Ancient Chinese History, 37(2), 112-130.

Book Reviews

• Qian, S. (2024). Review of "The Han Dynasty and the Xiongnu: Diplomacy on the Steppe" by T. Miller. Asian Studies Review, 47(1), 88-90.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

• "Han Dynasty Envoys to the Western Regions: A Study of Zhang Qian's Missions," Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Boston, MA, March 2024.

• "Confucian Principles in Han Legal Codes," American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, January 2023.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- UC Riverside Chancellor's Fellowship for Graduate Study, 2023-2024
- XXX XXXX-XXX Foundation Doctoral Fellowship, 2022
- Best Graduate Student Paper, Stanford East Asian Studies Department, 2021

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Association for Asian Studies, 2021-Present
- American Historical Association, 2021-Present
- Early Medieval China Group, 2020-Present

SKILLS

- Fluent in Mandarin Chinese; Reading proficiency in Classical Chinese
- Proficient in digital paleography tools for ancient Chinese texts
- Experience with GIS mapping of historical trade routes

LANGUAGES

- English (Native)
- Mandarin Chinese (Fluent)
- Classical Chinese (Reading proficiency)
- Japanese (Intermediate)

VOLUNTEER AND SERVICE

- Graduate Student Representative, UC Riverside History Department Committee, 2023-Present
- Volunteer Docent, Asian Art Museum of San Francisco, 2022-2023

REFERENCES

Available upon request