

# BOYONG ZHOU

## **Education:**

- From 2026.09: **London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)**, MSc in **Philosophy and Public Policy**
- 2022.09-2026.06: **University of St Andrews**, MA(Hons) in **Philosophy**  
GPA: 16.9/20 (First Class Honours)

## **Research Interests:**

The ethics of defensive harm, just war theory, moral responsibility, and related issues in normative and political philosophy.

## **Academic Publications:**

- Boyong, Z. (2026) "Conventions, Disagreements, and (Hart's) Inclusive Legal Positivism", *St Andrews Law Journal*, vol. 6, issue 1: 6-21 <https://doi.org/10.15664/stalj.v6i1.3148>

## **Academic Awards:**

- 2026.06: University of St Andrews Deans' List for Academic Excellence, 2025/26
- 2026.02: Durham University Inspiring Excellence Scholarship (Nominated for) (PGT) £5,000

## **Teaching Experiences:**

- 2024.05-2024.06: *Harrow International School Shenzhen*  
Teaching assistant for Leadership & Services Activities (LSA) Course: *Philosophy for Children*

## **Conferences & Selected Presentations:**

- 2026.08.08: "On the Overdetermination Defeater of Unjust Noncombatants' Liability to Defensive Attack":  
Presented at the Third Luojia Forum on Applied Ethics and Symposium on "International Justice and the Ethics of War," School of Philosophy, Wuhan University
- 2025.03.11: Roger White's "Fine-tuning and Multiple Universes"  
For the fourth year seminar of the UG Module PY4659, "Why Does The World Exist?", School of Philosophy, University of St Andrews

## **Summer School:**

- 2024.07: *Sun Yat-Sen University, Zhejiang University, and Peking University Joint Philosophy Summer School*  
Student of the "Outstanding Plan 2.0" Certificate Program

## **Internship Experiences:**

- 2026.06: Lezhi Yiyuan Cultural Development Co., Ltd., Guangzhou  
Marketing Copy Intern (Xiaopeng Motors)
- 2025.06-2025.07: China Development Institute  
Research assistant in the Department of Financial Development, State-owned Assets, and SOE Research
- 2025.07: Wutong Community, Haishan Subdistrict Office  
Social volunteer in Party-Mass Work.

## **LANGUAGES:**

Mandarin Chinese (native), English (professional proficiency)