

# Lü Pin 吕频

## Biography

### Short

Lü Pin 吕频 is a Ph.D. candidate in Political Science at Rutgers University, specializing in gender and politics with a focus on feminist activism in authoritarian contexts. Outside the academy, she is an active organizer in China's feminist movement, with over two decades of experience.

### Full

Lü Pin 吕频 is a PhD candidate in Political Science at Rutgers University, specializing in comparative authoritarianism, gender politics, and contemporary China. Her dissertation examines the adaptive strategies through which China's feminist movement sustains itself under intensifying authoritarian control in 2013–2023. She also studies the dynamics and effects of political violence against Chinese feminist activists on the individual level. Her research received the Carrie Chapman Catt Prize for Research on Women and Politics (2024) and funding from the Women, Gender, and Politics Research Section of the American Political Science Association (2026).

Outside academia, she brings nearly three decades of experience organizing and advocating for women's rights in China. She founded and led Feminist Voices (2009–2018), China's first and leading independent feminist media platform, and played a pivotal role in catalyzing China's youth feminist movement in the early 2010s. After relocating to the U.S. in 2015, she has fostered the growth of a Chinese feminist diaspora community along with other associates. She remains an influential media commentator, columnist, and public speaker on Chinese women's rights.