

MARIA PECHURINA

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Global Trade and Economic Development Professional, M.A. in International Trade & Economic Diplomacy with a background in International Relations, East Asian studies; Professional working proficiency in Chinese and Russian.

RELEVANT SKILLS, LANGUAGES AND INTERESTS

- In-person (direct) Economic Diplomacy
- Professional working proficiency in Chinese and Russian
- In-depth knowledge of the global trade regulatory environment

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

MIDDLEBURY INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AT MONTEREY
Master of Arts in International Trade and Economic Diplomacy

MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA
January 2022 - December 2023

NATIONAL YANG MING CHIAO TUNG UNIVERSITY
Chinese Language Flagship Program Capstone Year
Thesis: One Country, Two Systems in Hong Kong and Macau (Mandarin)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN
February 2021 - January 2022

SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY
Bachelor of Arts in International Relations, Bachelor of Arts in Chinese Language

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
September 2018 – May 2022

SHANGHAI INTERNATIONAL STUDIES UNIVERSITY
Chinese Language Program

SHANGHAI, CHINA
August 2015 – July 2016

AWARDS AND HONORS

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SAN FRANCISCO
Certificate of Honor

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
November 2024

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholar

TAIPEI, TAIWAN
February 2021 - January 2022

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SAN FRANCISCO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Executive Assistant, Director of International Business Development

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
May 2022 - Present

- Managed complex scheduling and coordination of 50+ high-level international trade ministerial visits
- Drafted and proofread professional correspondence, reports, and policy documents with high attention to detail
- Maintained confidential records and handled sensitive diplomatic communications
- Independently managed multiple concurrent projects while meeting strict deadlines
- Developed and improved administrative processes for international delegation visits
- Facilitated cross-cultural communication between diverse stakeholders

SUSU JOY 素素樂
Purchasing Representative

SHANGHAI, CHINA
June 2022 - September 2022

- Successfully conducted outreach to American vendors to build wholesale partnerships
- Prepared a shipment of American health foods for export to China

APEC YIE
US Delegate

TAIPEI, TAIWAN
September 2021 - January 2022

- Represented San Francisco State and Middlebury Institute at the Forum on Entrepreneurship for the Future of Work
- Fostered a global network of APEC-country participants from students, global tech professionals and local entrepreneurs

FULBRIGHT FOUNDATION FOR SCHOLARLY EXCHANGE
Intern

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
September 2021 - January 2022

- Drafted proposals and translated Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) from Chinese to English
- Developed social media content in Chinese and English to promote US-Taiwan cultural exchange