

DATA SCIENCE SPEAKER SERIES

LUNCH TALK

LOCALIST TURNS — A RECURRING PATTERN IN CHINESE HISTORY



November 20, 2019 12:30-2:00 pm (Lunch provided)
SRH3, LBJ School, Bass Lecture Hall

Every Chinese dynasty has experienced a localist turn in which the centralizing power of the founding gives way to increasing localism, but all localist turns are not the same. This talk will note the general phenomena and explore a specific case of the localist turn under the Mongols's Yuan dynasty, the consequences of which have continued into the present. Using the particular case of Wuzhou (Jinhua) a prefecture in Zhejiang province, the talk will show how a data-driven approach, spatial and social network analysis can reveal trends in local society that would not be otherwise apparent.



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