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Biography

Professor Syaru Shirley Lin teaches political science at the University of Virginia and is a member of the founding Faculty of the Master's program in global political economy at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. She graduated from Harvard College and earned her masters and PhD from the University of Hong Kong. Before starting her academic career, Professor Lin was a partner at Goldman Sachs, where she was responsible for direct investment in Asia and spearheaded the firm's investments in many technology start-ups such as Alibaba and Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation. Previously, she specialized in the privatization of state-owned enterprises in Singapore and China. Professor Lin's present board service includes Goldman Sachs Asia Bank, Langham Hospitality Investments and Mercuries Life Insurance. She also advises Crestview Partners and the Focused Ultrasound Foundation and is a member of the Hong Kong Committee for Pacific Economic Cooperation.

Her book, *Taiwan's China Dilemma: Contested Identities and Multiple Interests in Taiwan's Cross-Strait Economic Policy*, was published by Stanford University Press in 2016.