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Education

Ph.D., 2021 (Expected)	Washington State University, Sociology
M.A., 2014	New York University, Applied Quantitative Research
B.A., 2012	Peking University, Sociology (Major), Economics (Double Major)

Awards and Scholarships

2019	The Paul and Bessie Landis Scholarship, Washington State University, USA
2019	Fred R. Yoder Memorial Graduate Fellowship in Sociology, Washington State University, USA
2019	The Graduate Student Travel Funds, Washington State University, Vancouver, USA
2019	Graduate Student/Needs-Based Travel Awards, the Rural Sociological Society (RSS), USA
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2017	James F. Short, Jr. Research Award, Washington State University, USA
2017	Fred R. Yoder Memorial Graduate Fellowship in Sociology, Washington State University, USA
2009	Excellent Social Practice Award in Peking University, Beijing, China
2007	“Three virtues student” (Healthy, studious, and helpful) of Yangquan, Shanxi Province, China

Publications

Li, Xiao (2019). “Challenging Both Rural Advantage and Disadvantage Narratives: The Effects of Family Factors on American Student College Expectations in the Early 2010s’.” *Journal of Research in Rural Education*, 35(5), 1-16. Retrieved from <https://doi.org/10.26209/jrre3505>

In Process

Li, Xiao (in process). “American Rural-Urban Differences in Motherhood Wage Penalty”

MacLean, Alair and Xiao Li (in process). “Educational inequality by place across two cohorts in the early 21st century United States”

Presentations

October 2019 Li, Xiao “Migration Behaviors and Status Attainment of Rural and Non-Rural Youths” presented at Portland State University, Sociology Department

August 2019 MacLean, Alair & Li, Xiao “Educational Inequality by Place across Two Cohorts in the Early 21st Century United States” presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association.

August 2019 Li, Xiao “Migration Behaviors and Educational Attainment of Rural and Non-Rural Youths” presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings.

July 2018 Li, Xiao “American Rural-Urban Differences in Motherhood Wage Penalty” presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings.

August 2017 Li, Xiao “Rural-non-rural differences in the Motherhood Wage Penalty” (roundtable) presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association.

July 2017 Li, Xiao “Challenging both Rural Advantage and Disadvantage Logic: The Effects of Family Factors on Student College Expectations” presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings.

August 2016 Li, Xiao “Rural-non-rural differences in the effects of family factors on students’ college expectations” presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association.

Teaching Experiences

Spring 2020: Instructor, Development of Social Theory (WSU Vancouver Campus)

Fall 2019: Instructor, Social Inequality (WSU Vancouver Campus)

Spring 2019: Instructor, Development of Social Theory (WSU Vancouver Campus)

Fall 2018: Instructor, Development of Social Theory (WSU-Global Campus Online Class)

Summer 2018: Instructor, the Instruction to Sociology (WSU-Global Campus Online Class)

Spring 2018: Instructor, the Instruction to Sociology (WSU-Global Campus Online Class)

Fall 2017: Instructor, the Family (WSU-Global Campus Online Class)

Spring 2017: TA, Sociology of Education (Sarah Whitley)

Fall 2016: TA, Introduction to Sociology (Lisa McIntyre)

Fall 2015—Spring 2016: TA, the Development of Sociological Theory (Raoul Lievanos)

Research Interests

Rural Sociology, Social Stratification, Youth Status Attainment Strategies and Outcomes, Transition to Adulthood, Quantitative Methods, Life Course

Other Research Experiences

June—August 2019: **Research Assistance** of Dr. Alair McLean (WSU Vancouver), coauthoring the paper “Educational inequality by place across two cohorts in the early 21st century United States”

July—September 2011: **Research Assistance** of Prof. Huilin Lu (Peking University) in the investigation about rural education for left-behind children in Huailai, Hebei Province, China, doing interviews to collect data and arranging data to lay the foundation for further analysis.

July—August 2009: **Core member** of the social survey on the farmers’ housing problems in the county of Qingxu, Shanxi province, China, doing survey design, collecting data and writing reports.

Data Analysis and Internship

December 2014—May 2015: **Data Management Intern** in HRWorldnet, a global recruitment firm for hotels, restaurants, airline catering companies, arranging, organizing and managing data from resumes.

July 2014—August 2014: **Data analyst intern** in China UnionPay (U.S.) LLC, participating in the bank card industry research and data analyses; using **STATA** and **SAS** to match data from large datasets; arranging and analyzing data to help build a new database and lay the foundation for future analyses.

July 2012—October 2012: **Intern** in Siemens China, Co., Ltd. ID IA MC BU Strategy team, trawling and arranging news about competitors and customers to inform decisions; Translating Chinese into English and producing graphs and charts in PPTs to help improve meeting efficiency.

Leadership and Coordination

January 2010: **Instructor** in the Tsinghua Science Summer & Winter Camp held by the Mind Education Company, instructing 60 middle school students to travel in Beijing, encouraging their college aspirations and talking about learning experience.

December 2009: **Leader reciter** of PKU Sociology Department in “Dec.9” Commemoration Chorus Contest.

March 2009—June 2009, September 2009—December 2009: **Volunteer Teacher** of the Loving Heart Society of Peking University in the Dandelion Middle High School, helping improve the learning skills of migrant workers’ children, and collecting qualitative data about their life.

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association

—In Sections of Sociology of Education, Family, & Inequality, Poverty and Mobility

Rural Sociological Society

– in RIGs of Youth, Education, & Vitality, and Rural Gender

Skills

- Statistical software: familiar with STATA, SPSS, SAS (SAS Certified Base Programmer for SAS 9 Credential), R (trained in STAT 530 Applied Linear Model (2018), STAT 535 Regression Analysis (2019) and the R Bootcamp organized by WSU sociology graduate students)
- MS Office applications (familiar with Word, PowerPoint and Excel), and PhotoShop
- Language: Fluent in English; Passing ITA English test with a grade of 1- (highest grade is 1, lowest is 5) in 07/16; Chinese as the first language