

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

M.S.S., University of California, Los Angeles, <i>Social Science</i>	2020
B.M., Wuhan University, <i>Social Welfare</i>	2018
B.S., Center China Normal University, <i>Psychology (minor)</i>	2018

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities <i>Graduate Student Assistant</i>	08/2022 ~ Present
University of Missouri, Columbia <i>Data Manager for Missouri Prevention Science Institute</i>	03/2021 ~ 04/2022
University of California, Los Angeles <i>Senior Research Assistant</i>	12/2019 ~ 02/2021
University of California, Berkeley <i>Research Assistant</i>	08/2017 ~ 12/2017

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

Wuhan University

Scholarship for Undergraduate Students Studying Abroad	2018
Excellence Award in Summer Social Activities for Students	2015

RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP, AND CREATIVE WORK

Department of Family Social Science

Research Assistant, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities 08/2022 ~ Present
Supervisors: Xiaoran Sun, Zha Blong Xiong

Duties:

- Conducted data documentation, data cleaning, preliminary descriptive analysis, and data analysis (i.e., Structural Equation Model, Factor Analysis) for secondary data to produce peer-reviewed first-author or second-author papers.
- Submitting a manuscript on the research for the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR)

Missouri Prevention Science Institute**Data Manager**, University of Missouri, Columbia

03/2021 ~ 04/2022

Supervisors: Keith Herman, Wendy Reinke

Duties:

- Created data documentation including data collection timeline, data directory, data codebook.
- Mainly used R Studio, Excel, and SPSS for data management, cleaning, validation, and data analysis.
- Conducted in-person data collection including observations and surveys at district schools.
- Worked collaboratively with teams and provided data support to managers, coordinators, and students.

UCLA Middle & High School Diversity Projects**Senior Research Assistant** University of California, Los Angeles

12/2019 – 02/2021

Supervisors: Sandra Graham, Jaana Juvone

Duties:

- Completed the attrition task: in this longitudinal study, subjects may miss any or all the waves for participation for a variety of reasons, including a lack of interest, parental consent, or absence from school. To ascertain why, I handled and coded the 6000 participants over nine waves individually.
- Organized and arranged a complex set of data that has approximately 6,000 participants through leveraging proficiency with SPSS software and Excel.
- Recruited participants online for the 10th wave, followed up with participants, and pilot testing surveys.

Community Research for a Local Nonprofit Preschool in Los Angeles**Researcher**, Mar Vista Family Center (MVFC)

12/2019 – 04/2020

Supervisor: Tami Kremer-Sadlik

Duties:

- Gathered useful information on the organization's history, the uniqueness of their methods, and the MVFC population through communicating with MVFC on a weekly basis.
- Observed the site, conducted interviews with five preschool teachers and five parents, and took part in Parent Rap seminars to gain insight into how they teach, engage with children and parents.
- Consulted academic literature on education and parenting, particularly in low-income families.
- Proposed several evaluative measures that, upon further development, will enable an assessment of the impact of the Preschool Program on the MVFC parents, students, and community.
- Produced a scientific report for MVFC to justify its approach to early childhood education, which would aid in future fund raising.

UCB Self, Identity and Relationship (SIR) Lab**Research Assistant**, University of California, Berkeley

08/2017 – 12/2017

Supervisor: Serena Chen

Duties:

- Recruited subjects by approaching people and asking if they were willing to participate in psychological research around campus, had them finish the survey on iPads, and answered all questions from participants.
- Participated in weekly meetings to explore methods to improve the recruitment process.