

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- 1992 Ph.D., Sociology, The University of Chicago
- 1988 M.A., Sociology, The University of Chicago
- 1983 B.Sc., Mathematics, Jilin University, China

EMPLOYMENT

- 2023- Chair, Department of Sociology, SUNY at Albany
- 2023- Distinguished Professor of Sociology and East Asian Studies, SUNY at Albany
- Fall 2015- Director of Developmental Core, Center for Social and Demographic Analysis
- Fall 2006- Professor of Sociology, SUNY at Albany
- Fall 2020- Affiliate Faculty Member, Department of East Asian Studies, SUNY at Albany
- 2002-2006 Associate Professor of Sociology, SUNY at Albany
- 2000-2003 Doctoral faculty member in sociology, Graduate Center, CUNY
- 1999-2003 Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Queens College

- 1998 Assistant Professor (with tenure), Department of Sociology, Queens College
- 1993-1998 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Queens College, City University of New York
- 1992-1994 Post-doctoral fellow, Brown University

ACADEMIC HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2025 The Best Book Award (Honorable mention) of RC31 of International Sociological Association. Rabat, Morocco, July 6-12.
- 2024 Sorokin Lecture Award on behalf of the Department of Sociology, the American Sociological Association
- 2024 Research Incentive Award (one course release), College of Arts and Sciences, UAlbany
- 2023 Elected Member, the Sociological Research Association (SRA)
- 2023 SUNY Distinguished Professorship
- 2025 Chair, International Migration Section of the American Sociological Association
- 2020 The 2020 Louis Wirth Best Paper Award from International Migration Section of the American Sociological Association
- 2020 UAlbany President Public Engagement Award, on behalf of Urban China Research Network and in partnership with Confucius Institute
- 2018 2017-2018 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities
- 2017 University at Albany President's Award for Excellence in Research and Creative Activities
- 2014-2015 Visiting Scholar, The Russell Sage Foundation in New York City
- 2015-2017 Changjiang Scholar Visiting Chair Professor, Xi'an Jiaotong University,

- China
- 2012 Choice “Outstanding Academic Title” for a 2012 Book.
- 2010-2013 Kuang Yaming Visiting Chair Professor, Jilin University, China
- 2009 Visiting Chair Professor, Renmin University of China
- 2004 Who is Who in Social Science Higher Education
- 2002 City University of New York Faculty Honoree
- 1998 Queens College Presidential Research Award (one semester research leave)
- 1998 Poster Session Award from Population Association of America
- 1997-1998 City University of New York Faculty Honoree
- 1994 Recipient of 1994 Dorothy Swaine Thomas Award from
Population Association of America
- 1992-93 Post-doctoral Fellowship from the Rockefeller Foundation
- 1990-92 Hewlett Foundation Dissertation Fellowship
- 1991 Fellowship for the Summer Workshop at the East-West Center
- 1986-88 Pre-dissertation fellowship from the United Nations

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Migration/Immigration, Race and Ethnic Relations, Economic Sociology, Social Demography, Migration and Children’s Well-being, Asian American Studies, and China Studies.

SELECTED EXTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS

2025-2026. “The Economic Suffering and Recovery of Manhattan’s Chinatown during COVID.” Chinatown Partnership and Chinatown BID. Principal Investigator.

2025-2026. “Anti-Immigrant Policies, Rhetoric and Violence in a New Destination

Ethnic Economy: Comparing the Experiences of Chinese and Spanish-Speaking Workers.” The Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Award. Co-PI (Joanna Dreby as PI).

2024-2025. “The Impact of COVID and Anti-Asian Hate on NYC’s Chinatown.” The Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Award. (#2305-43784). Principal Investigator (TC Yang as Co-PI).

2021-2024 (with one-year no-cost extension). Chiang Ching-Kou Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange (U.S.A.). “Global Health Crisis and the Well-being of International Students.” (RG004-A-20). Principal Investigator.

2015-2020 (with no cost extension). The National Science Foundation. “The Educational and Health Consequences of Parental Migration on Children.” (SES#1524282). Principal Investigator with Glenn Deane and Katy Schiller as Co-investigators.

2019-2024. China Social Science Foundation (Major Research Grant), “China International Migration Project”. (#18ZDA133) Principal Investigator (in collaboration with colleagues from Xi’an Jiaotong University, Sun Yat-sen University, Wuhan University, Guangzhou University, Zhejiang Normal University).

2015-2019. China Social Science Foundation (Key Research Project). “A Study on Migrant Children and Left behind Children in China.” (#15AZD053). Principal Investigator.

2018-2019. Global Religion Research Initiative (International Collaboration Grant), University of Notre Dame, with funding from John Templeton Foundation. “Religion and Social and Economic Assimilation of Immigrants in China.” Principal Investigator with Daming Zhou and Tao Xu as Co-PIs.

2015-2017. Chiang-ching Kou Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange (USA). “The Adaptation Process of African Merchants in Guangzhou, China: The Role of Churches/mosques and Foreigner Service Centers.” (#RG008-A-14). Principal Investigator.

2013-2015. Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. “Impact of Migration on Children.” (1R03HD074671). Co-PI. (Youqin Huang as Principal Investigator).

2012-2015 (with one-year no-cost extension). Lingnan Foundation. “A Joint Training and Research Program of Next Generation of Urban China Scholars.” (#T-11-20-M2). Principal Investigator (Steve Messner, Daming Zhou, and Lin-ping Liu as Co-PIs).

2011-2013. Chiang Ching-Kou Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange (USA). “From Tidal Wave to Shortage: Understanding Recent Migration Dynamics in China.” (#RG025-A-10). Principal Investigator.

2012-2017. Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development “Center for Social and Demographic Analysis at the University at Albany.” (2 R24 HD044943-09). Co-investigator (Tim Gage as Principal Investigator).

2010-2013 (with one year no-cost extension). The Russell Sage Foundation. “From Chinatown to Non-gateway Destinations.” Principal Investigator. (#88-10-06).

2008-2011 (with one-year no cost extension). Lingnan Foundation. “A Joint Training and Research Program of Urban China Scholars.” Principal Investigator (Co-PIs: Steve F. Messner, Zhou Daming, Liu Lin-ping). (#T-08-14).

2007-2010 (with one-year no cost extension). The National Science Foundation. “Migration and Transformation of Rural China.” (SES-0718083). Principal Investigator.

2007-2009. The Spencer Foundation. “A New Approach to Studying Education of Migrant Children in China.” (#200800098). Principal Investigator.

2007-2010. The National Science Foundation. “Effects of Cross-Boundary Processes on Human-Nature Dynamics in Wolong Nature Reserve for Giant Pandas.” (Jiangguo Liu as Principal Investigator). Co-investigator.

2002-2005 The National Science Foundation. “RUI: China International Migration Project.” (SES-0138016). Principal Investigator.

2002-2008 (with no cost extension) The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. “China International Migration Project.” (1 R01 HD39720-01). Principal Investigator.

2002-2005 The Ford Foundation (1025-1056). “China International Migration Project.” Principal Investigator.

2004-2005 Andrew Mellon Foundation. “Urban China Research Network.” Principal Investigator (replacing John R. Logan, original PI).

2004-2005 Andrew Mellon Foundation. “Urban Studies and Demography of China.” Principal Investigator (replacing John R. Logan, original PI).

1998-2004 The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (with one year no cost extension). "Market Transition and Migration in China." FIRST Award (with no-cost extension). (1 R29 HD34878-01A2). Principal Investigator.

1997-1999 James A. Shannon Director's Award from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (1R55HD/OD3487801A1). "Market Transition and Internal Migration in China." Principal Investigator.

2001. U.S. National Academy of Sciences. "Urbanization in China."

1997 Travel Grant Award from Population Association of America and Mellon Foundation to go to IUSSP meetings in Beijing, China.

1995 Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline Award, American Sociological Association and National Science Foundation, "Market Transition and Migration in China." Principal Investigator.

1995 FIPSE Faculty/Mentor Project, Queens College. Fund from U.S. Department of Education. "Intermarriage of Asians and Hispanics in New York City." Principal Investigator.

1994 Rockefeller Foundation. Short-term Teaching and Research Grant (in China).

1992-1993 Rockefeller Foundation. "Interprovincial Migration in China." \$21,000. Principal Investigator.

INTERNAL GRANTS

2023-2024. UAlbany Faculty Research Award Program (FRAP A). "Impact of COVID-19 on Chinatown in New York City." Principal Investigator.

2020. UAlbany Faculty Research Award Program (FRAP B). "E-Commerce Entrepreneurs and New Immigrant Destinations in the United States." Principal Investigator.

2018. UAlbany Faculty Research Award Program (FRAP B) "The Well-being of Young Children of Immigrants." Principal Investigator.

2015. UAlbany Presidential Initiatives for Research and Scholarship. "Fragile Families and the Well-being of Young Children of Immigrants." Principal Investigator (Erin Bell and TC Yang as Co-PIs).

2014. Seed grant from Center for Social and Demographic Analysis. “Undocumented Status, Fragile Families, and the Well-being of US Citizen Children.” Principal Investigator (Erin Bell and TC Yang Co-PIs).

2014. Departments of Sociology and Political Science, Office of Vice President for Research, Center for Social and Demographic Analysis, College of Arts and Science, Office of International Education, and Confucius Institute. “International Conference on Contemporary Urban China Research.” Principal Investigator (Steve F. Messner as Co-PI).

2010. Departments of Sociology and Political Science, Office of Vice President for Research, Center for Social and Demographic Analysis, College of Arts and Science. “International Conference on Contemporary Urban Research: Social Science Perspectives.” Principal Investigator (Steve F. Messner as Co-PI).

2008. Seed grant from Center for Social and Demographic Analysis. “Migration and the Well-being of Children in China.” Principal Investigator.

2008. The University at Albany FRAP B Award. “Migration and the Well-being of Children in China.” Principal Investigator.

2006-2007 The University at Albany FRAP A Award. “A New Research and Training Program of Urban China Research Network.” (Chris Smith as Co-PI).

1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001. PSC-CUNY Research Foundation. Received grants on various research topics.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Liang, Zai. 2023. From Chinatown to Every Town: How Chinese Immigrants Have Expanded Restaurant Business in the United States. University of California Press.

-----The 2025 Best Book Award (Honorable mention) of RC31 of International Sociological Association. Rabat, Morocco, July 6-12.

-----Author meets critics session at the 2024 annual meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society, Washington, DC. March.

----- Book Forum Session at the 2025 annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, August 9-11.

-----Reviewed by LA Review of Books, American Journal of Sociology, Social Forces, Pacific Historical Review, The Western Historical Review.

-----Book presentations at Cornell University, Columbia University, Western Michigan University, the University at Albany, Cambridge Migration Group, Yale University, CUNY Graduate Center and Asia and Asian American Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania, University Forum at Harvard University, Tulane University among many others.

-----Book interview with Dr. Miranda Melcher at New Books Network.
(<https://newbooksnetwork.com/from-chinatown-to-every-town>)

Liang, Zai and Zhongshan Yue. 2023. Children during China's Urbanization Process. Social Science Publishing House.

Liang, Zai, Steven F. Messner, Youqin Huang, and Cheng Chen (editors). 2017. Confronting Challenges of Urbanization in China: Insights from Social Science Perspectives. New York, Routledge.

Liang, Zai, Steven F. Messner, Cheng Chen, and Youqin Huang (editors). 2012. The Emergence of a New Urban China: Insiders' Perspectives. (196 pages). Lexington Books.

--Selected by Choice as "Outstanding Academic Title" for 2012.

Zhou, Daming, Liu Lin-ping and Zai Liang (eds.). 2012. The Emergence of a New Urban China (城市社会学新探). Beijing, China Social Science Publishing House (Chinese translation of the above book, with three more chapters added).

Liang, Zai (ed.). 2012. Demography (in Chinese) (551 pages). Beijing, People's University of China Press.

Editor of Special Issues.

Liang, Zai and Shichao Du. 2025 "Digital Migration Studies." Special issue proposal for the Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies. (under review).

Liang, Zai. 2021. "Migration and Children in China." The Chinese Sociological Review.

Selected Peer Reviewed Articles and Book Chapters

Zai Liang. 2025. "In Pursuit of Migration and Migration Studies: My Personal and Professional Journey." In Min Zhou (ed.) Crossing Borders, Advancing Scholarship: Life Stories of Thirteen Sociologists of Chinese Descent Traversing Diasporic, Ethnic, and Migration Studies. De Gruyter Academic Publishing. Forthcoming.

Qiao Li, **Zai Liang**, Yuanfei Li. 2025. "Migration of Minority Children in Chinese Cities: Opportunities and Constraints." Eurasian Geography and Economics. 66:530-555.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/15387216.2024.2416895>

Zequn Tang and **Zai Liang**. 2024. "Holding a Share of 'City Stock'? Second Home Ownership and Land Finance under Urban Entrepreneurialism." Cities.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cities.2024.105387>

Wenli Li, **Zai Liang**, and Bo Zhou. 2024. "Destination Choices of International Students in China: The Impacts of Environmental and Policy Factors." Population Research and Policy Review. 43. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11113-024-09915-1>

Qiao Li and **Zai Liang**. 2024. "Heterogeneous Effects of Return Migration on Children's Mental Health and Cognitive Outcomes." Social Science Research.
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0049089X24000632>

Fanling Cheng and **Zai Liang**. 2024. "The Making of A Global Neighborhood in China." Urban Studies. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00420980241245324>.

Zhu, Xiaowen, Wei Ren, and **Zai Liang**. 2024. "How Does Internet Access Quality Affect Learning Outcomes? : A Multiple Mediation Analysis among International Students in China," Journal of International Students. 14(1):449-463.
[https://www.ojed.org/index.php/jis/article/view/5881#:~:text=Drawing%20upon%20digital%20inequality%20research,synchronous%20online%20learning%20\(SOL\)](https://www.ojed.org/index.php/jis/article/view/5881#:~:text=Drawing%20upon%20digital%20inequality%20research,synchronous%20online%20learning%20(SOL)).

Shichao Du and **Zai Liang**. 2024. "Maternal/Paternal Migration, Delinquent Friendship, and Depressive Symptoms among Left-Behind Children in China." Chinese Sociological Review. Forthcoming. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/21620555.2024.2321603>

Zai Liang and Mengyao Cheng. 2023. "Return Migration and Economic Outcomes in Rural China." Sociology of Development: 9 (3): 285–310.
<https://online.ucpress.edu/socdev/article-abstract/doi/10.1525/sod.2022.0033/196784/Return-Migration-and-Economic-Outcomes-in-Rural?redirectedFrom=fulltext>

Zai Liang, Yuanfei Li, Zhongshan Yue. 2023. "Parental Migration, Children, and Family Reunification in China." Population, Space and Place e2673. <https://doi.org/10.1002/psp.2673>

Shichao Du and **Zai Liang**. 2023. "Religion and Perceived Discrimination among African Immigrants in China." Ethnic and Racial Studies.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/01419870.2023.2206466>

Han Liu, **Zai Liang**, Shiyong Zhang, and Lihua Liu . 2022. “Sociodemographic and Policy Factors Associated with the Transmission of COVID-19: Analyzing Longitudinal Contact Tracing Data from a Northern Chinese City.” Journal of Urban Health 99:582-593.

Liang, Zai and Qiao Li. 2022. “Social Support and Health of Disadvantaged Children: A Nutrition Intake Perspective.” Journal of Population Research 44:36-49.

Lei Lei and **Zai Liang**. 2023. “Social Networks, Wages, and Job Tenure among Migrant Workers in China: Heterogeneous Effects over Time and by Education.” Pp. 397-422 in Yanjie Bian and Yaojun Li (eds.). Socioeconomic Inequalities in Contemporary China. World Scientific Publications.

Han Liu, **Zai Liang**, David Miao Chunyu. 2021. “Chinese Immigrant Entrepreneurship in the United States: Temporal and Spatial Dimensions.” Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies. <https://www.tandfonline.com/eprint/AJNXKFT2PDEM2DDVBWED/full?target=10.1080/1369183X.2021.2007063>

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Liang, Zai and Wenli Li. 2021. “Migration and Children in China: A Review and Future Research Agenda.” Chinese Sociological Review 53(3): 312-331. DOI: 10.1080/21620555.2021.1908823.

Sun Feinuo and **Zai Liang**. 2021. “Parental Migration and Anemia Status of Children in China.” Social Science and Medicine 270. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0277953621000125>

Zai Liang and Wenli Li. 2021. “Children’s Left-behind Experience and Educational Development in Rural China.” Education Science 37(3):8-18.

Liang, Zai and Wenli Li. 2021. “Parental Education and Educational Investment in Rural China.” Journal of Population Research 43:37-57. -----2232 downloads as of August 2022

Liang, Zai and Feinuo Sun. 2020. “The Lasting Impact of Parental Migration on Education and Health of Children in China.” Demographic Research 43(9):217-244.

Fenglan Chen and **Zai Liang**. 2020. “A Study of Chinatown Bus Industry in New York City’s Chinatown.” Journal of Overseas Chinese History Studies 2(2):1-10.

Yue, Zhongshan, **Zai Liang**, Qian Wang, and Xinyin Chen. 2020. “The Impact of Parental Migration on depression of Children, New Evidence from Rural China.” Chinese Sociological

Review 52(4):364-388. First online publication in June
<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/21620555.2020.1776601>

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<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/21620555.2020.1776603>

Li, Yuanfei, Cheng Cheng, Glenn Deane, and **Zai Liang**. 2020. "Parental Migration and Chinese Adolescents' Friendship Networks in School." Chinese Sociological Review 52(4): 389-410. First published online in June
<https://doi.org/10.1080/21620555.2020.1776602>

Liang, Zai and Yuanfei Li. 2020. "The Spatial Diffusion of Chinese Immigrants and Diffusion of Chinese Culture." Pp. 179-192 in Blue Book (2020) on China's International Migration (edited by Huiyao Wang). China Social Science Press.

Liang, Zai, Zhongshan Yue, Yuanfei Li, Qiao Li, and Aihua Zhou. 2020. "Choices or Constraints, Education of Migrant Children in China." Population Research and Policy Review 39:671-690 (first published online December 2019). DOI 10.1007/s11113-019-09564-9.

Yuanfei Li, **Zai Liang**, and Zhongshan Yue. 2020. "Migrant Children's Education in Urban China." IUSSP Newsletter. December 7. <https://www.niussp.org/migration-and-foreigners/migrant-childrens-schooling-in-urban-chinascolarite-des-enfants-migrants-en-chine-urbaine/>

Qian Song and **Zai Liang**. 2019. "Remittance Behaviors in Comparative Perspective: The Case of Fujian, China." International Migration Review. 53(3):930-955.

Wenli Li and **Zai Liang**. 2019. "A Comparative Study of Parental Migration Decision for Children of Two Generations of Floating Population in China." Population Journal 41(3):66-79.

Qiao Li and **Zai Liang**. 2019. "The Return Decision of the Second-generation Migrants." Population Research. 43(3):65-77.

Qian, Song and **Zai Liang**. 2019. "New Emigrants from China: Patterns, Causes and Impacts." Modern China Studies 26(1):5-31.

Liang, Zai, Jiejun Li, Glenn Deane, Zhen Li, and Bo Zhou. 2018. "From Chinatown to Everytown: New Patterns of Employment for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the United States." Social Forces 97(2):893-919.

-----The 2020 Louis Wirth Best Article Award from the American Sociological Association

Liang, Zai and Bo Zhou. 2018. "The Rise of Market-based Institutions and Labor Market Niches for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants." Russell Sage Foundation Journal of Social Sciences: Special Issue on New Immigrant Labor Market Niches (edited by Susan Eckstein and Giovanni Peri) 4(1):78-95.

Liang, Zai and Qian Song. 2018. "From the Culture of Migration to the Culture of Remittances." Chinese Sociological Review 50(2):163-187. DOI: 10.1080/21620555.2018.1426988.

Huang, Youqin, **Zai Liang**, Qian Song, and Tao Ran. 2018. "Family Arrangement and Children's Education among Migrants: A Case Study of China." International Journal of Urban and Regional Research. Doi:10.1111/1468-2427.12649.

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Liang, Zai and Douglas de Toledo Piza. 2017. "Review Essay: Lessons from China's Migrations." Migration Studies 5(2):288-298.

Huang, Youqin, Qian Song, Ran Tao, and **Zai Liang**. 2017. "Migrants' Family Arrangements and Children's Health in China." Child Development. 89(2):74-90.

Liang, Zai. 2016. "China's Great Migration and the Prospects of an Integrated Society." Annual Review of Sociology 42:451-71.

Liang, Zai and Bo Zhou. 2016. "Legal Status and Labor Market and Health Consequences for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the U.S." The Annals of the Academy of American Political and Social Science. 666:150-163. (DOI:10.1177/0002716216650632).

Song, Qian and **Zai Liang**. 2016. "New Patterns of Internal Migration in Emigrant-sending Communities: The Case of China." International Migration 54(6):6-25 [leader article].

Li, Zhen and **Zai Liang**. 2016. "Gender and Job Mobility among Migrants in the Pearl River Delta in China". Urban Studies. 53(16):3455-3471.

Liang, Zai, Steven F. Messner, Youqin Huang, and Cheng Chen. 2016. "Introduction" Pp. 1-8 in Liang, Zai, Steven F. Messner, Youqin Huang, and Cheng Chen (eds.). Confronting Challenges of Urbanization in China: Insights from Social Science Perspectives. Routledge.

Liang, Zai and Qian Jasmine Song. 2016. "Migration in China" Pp.285-310 in Michael J. White (ed.) International Handbook of Migration and Population Distribution. Springer Handbook Series.

Zhou, Bo and **Zai Liang**. 2016. "Out of Africa: New Patterns of Settlement for African Immigrants in China." Pp. 108-126 in Liang, Zai, Steven F. Messner, Youqin Huang, and Cheng

Chen (eds.). Confronting Challenges of Urbanization in China: Insights from Social Science Perspectives. Routledge.

Liang, Zai. 2015. "Tales from the Field: Research Methods and Approaches to Studying Community." CUNY Forum 3(1):83-85.

Li, An, Wu Yang, **Zai Liang**, Ashton Shortridge, Jianguo Liu. 2015. "Demographic Decisions and Cascading Consequences." Pp. 96-108 in Jianguo Liu and Vanassa Hull (eds.) Pandas and People: Coupling Human and Natural Systems for Sustainability. Oxford University Press.

Zhuo, Angela Yue and **Zai Liang**. 2015. "Migration and the Well-being of the Elderly in China." Pp. 126-147 in Robyn Iredale and Fei Guo (eds.) Handbook of Chinese Migration: Identity and Wellbeing. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd.

Liang, Zai and Zhen Li. 2015. "Event History Analysis" Pp. 385-413 in Zhigang Guo (ed.) Methods for Social Statistical Analysis: Application of SPSS. Beijing, Renmin University of China Press.

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Shin, Hyoung-jin and **Zai Liang**. 2014. "Ethnic Labor Market Contexts and the Earnings of Asian Immigrants." International Migration. 52(2):140-157.

Liang, Zai. 2014. "Migration, *Hukou*, and the Prospects of an Integrated Chinese Society." Pp.42-59 in Jaques delisle and Avery Goldstein (eds.) China's Challenges. Philadelphia, University of Pennsylvania Press.

Lu, Yao, **Zai Liang**, and Miao David Chunyu. 2013. "Emigration from China in Comparative Perspective." Social Forces 92(2):631-658.

Liang, Zai and Miao David Chunyu. 2013. "Domestic and International Migration from China: Migration Networks, Selectivity, and Rural Political Economy." Population Studies 67(2):209-223.

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Chunyu, Miao David, **Zai Liang**, and Yingfeng Wu. 2013. "Interprovincial Return Migration in China: Individual and Contextual-level Determinants." Environment and Planning A 45:2939-2958.

Li, Yu, Andrés Viñaa, Wu Yanga, Xiaodong Chen, Jindong Zhang, Zhiyun Ouyangc, **Zai Liang**, Jianguo Liua. 2013, "Effects of Conservation Policies on Forest Cover Change in Giant Panda Habitat Regions, China." Land Use Policy 33 (2013) 42– 53

Guo, Lin and **Zai Liang**. 2013. "Schooling and Migration in China." Pp. 321-330 in Qiang Zha (ed.), Education in China: An Encyclopedic Handbook of Educational History, Models, and Initiatives. Berkshire Publishing.

Li, Jiejun, **Zai Liang**. 2012. "Migration and Housing Inequality in Metropolitan Shanghai." Pp.256-282 in Zhou Daming, Liu Linpin, and Zai Liang (eds.) New Patterns of Urban Changes in China. Beijing, Social Science Publishing House. (in Chinese).

Liang, Zai and Jiejun Li. 2012. "International Migration." Pp.209-232 in Zai Liang (ed.). Demography (in Chinese). Beijing, People's University of China Press.

Liang, Zai, Steven F. Messner, Cheng Chen, and Youqin Huang. 2012. "Introduction." Pp. ix-xviii in Zai Liang, Steven F. Messner, Cheng Chen, and Youqin Huang (editors). The Emergence of a New Urban China: Insiders' Perspectives. Lexington Books.

Xu, Tao and **Zai Liang**. 2012. "The Reconstruction of Social Support System for African Merchants in Guangzhou, China." Pp. 123-140 in Zai Liang, Steven F. Messner, Cheng Chen, and Youqin Huang (editors). The Emergence of a New Urban China: Insiders' Perspectives. Lexington Books.

Li, Zhen and **Zai Liang**. 2012. "Job Mobility of Migrant Workers: Pearl River Delta region as an Example." Pp. 3-24 in Zai Liang, Steven F. Messner, Cheng Chen, and Youqin Huang (editors). The Emergence of a New Urban China: Insiders' Perspectives. Lexington Books.

Liang, Zai. 2011. "Migration and Development in Rural China." Modern China Studies 17:48-74.

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Liang, Zai, Miao David Chunyu, Guotu Zhuang, and Wenzhen Ye. 2008. "Cumulative Causation, Market Transition, and Emigration from China." American Journal of Sociology. 114:706-737.

Liang, Zai, Lin Guo, and Charles Chengrong Duan. 2008. "Migration and the Well-being of Children in China." Yale China Health Journal 5:25-46.

Liang, Zai and Hideki Morooka. 2008. "International Migration and Development: The Case of China." Pp. 273-302 in Josh DeWind and Jennifer Holdaway (eds.) Migration and Development Within and Across Borders: Research and Policy Perspectives on Internal and International Migration. International Organization for Migration and the Social Science Research Council.

Liang, Zai, Hy Van Luong, and Yiu Por Chen. 2008. "Urbanization in China in the 1990s: Patterns and Regional Variations." Pp. 205-225 in John R. Logan (ed.) Urban China in

Transition. Blackwell.

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“Shortage of Labor in China.” The New York Times, Letter to the Editor. April. 2005.

Media Coverage: Chicago Policy Review, The New York Times, The New Yorker, Economist, China Daily (English edition), the World Journal, International Business News, National Journal, China Radio International (English), Newsnation, Axio.com.

SELECTED RECENT INVITED-PRESENTATIONS

2025. “Cross-Border Migration from Myanmar to China’s Yunnan Province.” Conference on Migration in East Asia and Southeast Asia, The University of Hong Kong. September 25-26.

2025. “Three Lectures on Migration Research.” Peking University, June 2, June 6, June 7.

2025. “China as A New Immigrant Destination: Macro and Micro Perspectives.” Department of Sociology, Minzu University (in Beijing).

2025. “Manhattan’s Chinatown: Sociological Research and Beyond.” Shanghai University. May 29.

2025. “China as A New Immigrant Destination: Macro and Micro Perspectives.” Institute of Social Development and Public Policy, Fudan University. May 28.

2025. “Small Restaurants and Big World.” Department of Sociology, Tulane University. April 18.

2025. “Manhattan’s Chinatown and COVID-19: Economic Suffering and Recovery.” Department of Sociology. Yale University. January 22.

2024. “New Patterns of Chinese Immigration to the United States: Macro and Micro Perspectives.” Keynote speaker, International Chinese Sociologist Association, Macao, June 13.

2024. “China as A New Immigrant Destination: Macro and Micro Perspectives.” Urban China Research Network.” April 11.

2024. “From Chinatown to Every Town.” Co-sponsored by Asian American/Asian Research Institute/CUNY and International Migration Program, CUNY Graduate Center. Mar 29.

2024. Author Meets Critics session “From Chinatown to Every Town.” Eastern Sociological Society. Washington, DC. March 2.

2024. Columbia China Forum. March 21 (declined due to schedule conflict).

2024. “China as A New Immigrant Destination Country.” Weatherhead East Asian Institute, Columbia University, March 5.

2024. “From Chinatown to Everytown.” Cambridge Migration Group. Feb. 26.

2023. ‘China as a New Immigrant Destination Country.’ Department of Urban Planning, Columbia University. Oct 14.

2023. “China as A New Immigrant Destination Country.” Princeton University, October 5.

2023. “From Chinatown to Everytown.” The Jeb E. Brooks School of Public Policy and Department of Sociology, and Cornell University, November 16.

2023. “From Chinatown to Everytown.” Presented at Western Michigan State University. February 22.

2022. “Spatial Dispersion of Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the United States.” Presented at NYU-Shanghai. April 27.

2022. “Data and Methodological Innovations in the Study of Chinese Immigrants in the United

States.” Presented at “The Asian American Experience: Diversity and Challenges.” University of Pennsylvania, April 1.

2022. “Spatial Dispersion of Chinese Immigrants in the United States.” Chinese University of Hong Kong. February 17.

2020. “The Lasting Impact of Migration on Children.” School of Humanities and Social Science, Xi’an Jiaotong University. September 15.

2020. “Children of the Great Migration in China.” School of Sociology, Xiamen University. January 5.

2020. “The New Spatial Diffusion of Chinese Immigrants in the U.S.” Huaqiao University. January 4.

2020. “A New Agenda for the Study of International Migration in China.” School of Humanities, Fuzhou University. January 6.

2019. “From Chinatown to Everytown.” Presentation at Population Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania, November 4.

2019. “The Long-lasting Impact of Parental Migration on children in China.” School of Sociology and Population Studies, Renmin University of China. July.

2019. “The New Spatial Diffusion of Chinese Immigrants in the United States.” School of Sociology, Nanjing University, June.

2019. “Children of the Great Migration in China.” School of Urban Design, Nanjing University. June.

2019. “Long-lasting Impact of Parental Migration for Children.” Shanghai University. May.

2019. “African Merchants in China.” Siena College, March 14.

2018. “Small Restaurant and the Big World.” Zhejiang University. Hangzhou, China. June 28.

2018. “Children of the Great Migration in China.” Central China University of Science and Technology. Wuhan, China. June 20.

2018. “Small Restaurant and the Big World.” Wuhan University, Wuhan, China. June 21.

2018. "Small Restaurant and the Big World." Southern China Normal University. June 2.

2017. "Going to the City or Staying behind: Parental Migration Decision of Children in Rural China?" Paper presented at the General Conference of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population. Cape town, South Africa, October 29-November 4.

2017. "Children of the Great Migration in China." Invited presentation at Wuhan University. Wuhan, July 18.

2017. Zai Liang and Mengyao Cheng. "A Reconceptualization of Return Migration in China." Paper presentation at annual meetings of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL. April.

2017. "Understanding the Puzzle of the Shortage of Migrant Labor." Invited presentation at School of Public Affairs, Xian Jiaotong University. January 9.

2016. Keynote speaker at Conference on "Circulation and Mobility." Minzhou University of China. Beijing, December 12-13.

2016. Keynote speaker at conference on "Pearl River Delta and Yangtz River Delta in China in Comparative Perspective." East China University of Science and Technology, Shanghai, November 5-6.

2016. "Children of the Great Migration in China." Invited presentation at Shanghai University. November 2.

2016, "The Rise of Market Based Job Search Institutions for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the U.S.". Invited presentation at conference "Immigrant Labor Market Niches in the United States." New York, Russell Sage Foundation. June 3.

2016. "Re-thinking Linkages between Internal and International Migration." Invited presentation at conference at Columbia Population Center, Columbia University. May 9.

2015. "Choices or Constraints: Education of Migrant Children in Urban China." Keynote speech at Financing of Education for the Vulnerable/disadvantaged Students in China." October 27-28, Peking University, Beijing, China.

2015. "China International Migration Project and Beyond". Confucius Institute, Pace University, May 12.
2015. "The Rise of Emigration from China and the Renaissance of Sociology of Immigration." Keynote speech at International Conference on "Migration, Ethnicity, and the State". Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China. March 28-29.
2015. "Understanding the Puzzle of Shortage of Migrant Labor in China." Seminar at CUNY Demographic Initiative. Feb. 20.
2015. "China International Migration Project." International Conference on Global Ethnosurvey, Vanderbilt University, January 14.
2014. "From Chinatown to Every Town: New Patterns of Employment for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the United States." Brown University. November.
2014. "From Chinatown to Every Town: New Patterns of Employment for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the United States." Russell Sage Foundation in New York City. October 29.
2014. "From Chinatown to Every Town: New Patterns of Employment for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the United States." Office of Population Research, Princeton University. October 14.
2014. "Community-based Research in China and the U.S." Seminar at Mapping of Asian Americans in New York. December 15.
2014. "From Chinatown to Every Town: New Patterns of Employment for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the United States." Department of Sociology, Queens College of the City University of New York. September 29.
2014. "From Chinatown to Every Town: New Patterns of Employment for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the United States." Immigration Seminar Series at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York. September 23.
2014. "New Pattern of International Migration and Lessons for China." Keynote speech at Conference on New Patterns of Migration and Urbanization in China." People's University of China. July 5.
2014. "From Chinatown to Every Town." Shanghai Business School. May 29.
2014. "The Economic Potential of Migrants in China." Shanghai Forum. Shanghai, China, May

25.

2013. "Challenges of China's Floating Population." Center for Contemporary China Studies, University of Pennsylvania. April 25-26.

2013. Invited Discussant for International Conference on Megacities. Cologne, Germany. April 14-15.

2013. "Understanding the Puzzle of Shortage of Migrant Labor." Chinese University of Hong Kong. January 10.

2013. "Changing Patterns of China's Floating Population." Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. January 7.

2012. "Recent Trends of Migration in China and Implications for Development." United Nations Population Division. New York, New York. December 9.

2012. "The Shortage of Migrant Labor in China." Nanjing University, China. Oct 25.

2012. "From Chinatown to Every Town." Sun Yat-sen University, China. June 18.

2012. "The New Spatial Distributions of Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the United States." University of Texas at Austin. February.

2011. "Migration and Transformation of Rural China." Confucius Institute, University of Utah. April.

2007. "Migration and the Well-being of Migrant Children in China." Yale University. April.

2006. "Migration Networks, Hukou, and Recent Patterns of Internal Migration in China." Michigan State University. November.

2005. "Migration Networks, Hukou, and Recent Patterns of Internal Migration in China." Invited talk at Harvard University. Feb. 22.

2004. "China International Migration Project." Invited talk at Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan. November 23.

2003. "Internal Migration in China: Data Sources, Major Patterns, and a New Research Agenda." Paper presented at workshop on demographic trends in China in the beginning of the 21st century. Australian National University. December 10-12.

2000. "New Patterns of Urbanization in China." Population Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania. February.

1999. "New Patterns of Urbanization in China." Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University. November.

1999. "Internal Migration in China." Office of Population Research, Princeton University. May.

SELECTED RECENT PRESENTATIONS BEFORE PROFESSIONAL AUDIENCES

Silu Chen and Zai Liang. 2025. "The Impacts of Anti-Asian Hates on People's Life The Context of Flushing Neighborhood in New York City." Paper presented at annual meetings of Population Association of America. Washington, DC. April.

Liang, Zai, Wenli Li, and Nan Wang. 2023. "Changing Patterns of International Migration in China." Paper presented at the 2023 annual meetings of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, August 17-21.

Liang, Zai, Hongyan Wang, and Fanling Cheng. 2023. "International Migration in China: Between Policy and Realty." Paper presented at annual meetings of Population Association of America. April 12-15. New Orleans.

Cheng, Fanling and Zai Liang. 2022. "The Making of A Global Neighborhood." Paper presented at annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Los Angeles, CA.

Liang, Zai, Nan Wang, Yuanfei Li, and Zhongshan Yue. 2021. "Return Migration of International Students during Pandemic in China." Paper presented at annual meetings of the Population Association of America. May 5-8.

Lyv, Lidan and Zai Liang. 2021. "Children's Migration and Health of Parents in Urban China." Paper presented at annual meetings of the Population Association of America. May 5-8.

Liang, Zai, Han Liu, and Yuanfei Li. 2020. "E-Commerce Entrepreneurs and New Immigrant Destinations in the United States." Paper for annual meetings of the Population Association of America. April, Washington DC.

Yuanfei Li, Cheng Cheng, Glenn Deane, and Zai Liang. 2020. "Parental Migration and Chinese Adolescents' Friendship Networks in School." Paper for annual meetings of the Population Association of America. April, Washington DC.

Du, Shichao and Zai Liang. 2020. "Who Migrates Matters: Maternal/Paternal Migration, Delinquent Friendship, and Depression among Left-Behind Children in China." Paper presented for the 2020 annual meetings of the American Sociological Association. August, San Francisco.

Bo Zhou and Zai Liang. 2019. "Who is the Boss? A Comparison of Chinese and Indian Americans." Paper presented at the 2019 annual meetings of American Sociological Association, August, New York City.

Zai Liang and Bo Zhou. 2019. "The Role of Religion in the Adaptation Process of African Merchants in China." Paper presented at Conference "The Past, Present, and Future African-Asian Relations." at University of Neuchâtel (Switzerland). April.

Han Liu and Zai Liang. 2018. "Trajectories of Entrepreneurship: New Methods and Findings." Paper presented at annual meetings of American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, PA. August.

Liang, Zai and Yuanfei Li. 2018. "Children and Urbanization in China." Paper presented at annual meetings of Population Association of America, Denver, CO. April.

Bo Zhou and Zai Liang. 2018. "Impact of Migration on Children's Education: A Simulation Study." Paper presented at annual meetings of Population Association of America, Denver, CO. April.

Liang, Zai, Zhongshan Yue, and Yuanfei Li. 2017. "Going to the Cities or Leaving behind: Migration Decision of Children in Rural China." Paper to be presented at IUSSP general conference. Cape Town, South Africa. October 29-November 5.

Liu, Zhijun, Bo Zhou, and Zai Liang. 2017. "The Lasting Impact of Migration for Children in China." Paper presented at annual meetings of Population Association of America, Montreal, Canada. August 12-15.

Zai Liang. 2016. Discussant on session on international migration at annual meetings of the Population Association of America. Washington, DC. March 31-April 2.

Zai Liang and Zhongshan Yue. 2016. "No Longer Separate but Unequal: School Choices for Migrant Children in China." Paper presented at annual meetings of the Population Association of America. Washington, DC. March 31-April 2.

Lei Lei and Zai Liang. 2015. "Social Networks, Wages, and Job Tenure among Migrant Workers in China." Paper presented at annual meetings of the American Sociological Association. Chicago, IL. August

Zai Liang and Bo Zhou. 2015. "Consequences of Migration and for the Left Behind Children in China." Paper presented at annual meetings of Population Association of America. San Diego,

CA. April 29-May 1.

Zai Liang and Zhen Li. 2014. "Moving Out and Moving Up: New Destinations and Wage Outcomes for Lower-skilled Chinese Immigrants in the U.S." paper presented at annual meetings of the Population Association of America, May 1-3. Boston.

Zai Liang and Qian Jasmine Song. 2013. "From the Culture of Migration to the Culture of Remittances." Paper presented at annual meetings of Population Association of America, New Orleans. April 11-13.

Qian Jasmine Song and Zai Liang. 2013. "Internal Migration in the Context of High Emigration." Paper presented at annual meetings of the Population Association of America. New Orleans. April 11-13.

Zai Liang. 2012. Discussant for a regular paper session on Internal Migration. Annual meetings of American Sociological Associations. Denver, Colorado. August.

Zai Liang and Jiejun Li. 2012. "From Chinatown to Everytown: New Patterns of Employment for Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants." Paper to be presented at annual meetings of the Population Association of America. San Francisco, May.

Jiejun Li and Zai Liang. 2012. "The Impact of Migratory Behavior on Fertility in Fujian, China." Paper to be presented at annual meetings of the Population Association of America. San Francisco, May.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Project on New Settlement Patterns of Chinese and Asian Immigrants in the United States

Project on a Comparative Study of Chinese and Indian Americans

Project on International Migration in China

Project on COVID 19, Anti-Asian Hate, and Low-skilled Chinese Immigrants in NYC.

COURSES TAUGHT AT QUEENS COLLEGE/CUNY GRADUATE CENTER and SUNY ALBANY

Social Statistics, Multivariate Analysis, Population, Development, and Environment, Migration in Global Perspective, Immigration and Entrepreneurship, Ethnicity and Immigration, Ethnic Identity, Race and Ethnic Relations, Special Topics on Inter-marriage, Introduction to Demography, Statistics for Sociologists, Introduction to

Social Research, Event History Analysis, Statistics I (for Ph.D. students at CUNY Graduate Center), Immigration in the 21st Century, Immigrants and the City, Migration and Children in Global Perspective, Surveys on Sensitive Topics, China and Globalization (new course).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Chair. 2025. International Migration Section of ASA.

Organizer. 2026. Thematic session “From Central America to the United States: New Pathways and Patterns of Integration.” 2026 Annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, New York City. August.

Editorial Board Member, International Migration Review. 2025-2028

Organizer. “International Migration.” Regular session for the 2025 annual meetings of the American Sociological Association. Chicago, August 8-12.

Organizer. “Mobility Patterns in the Post-COVID Era.” Regular session for the 2025 meetings of International Sociological Association. Rabat, Morocco. July 5-11.

Chair, International Migration Section of the American Sociological Association. 2024.

Organizer, 2024. “Asians, Asian Americans, and Society.” Regular session for the 2024 American Sociological Association, Montreal, August.

Co-Organizer (with Diego Leaf), 2024. “4 paper sessions for International Migration Section of ASA.” The 2024 American Sociological Association, Montreal, August.

Co-organizer (with Jody Agius Vallejo and David Cook-Martin), 2024. “Conference for the 30th Anniversary of the International Migration Section.” Montreal, August.

Committee member (with Jody Agius Vallejo and David Cook-Martin), 2024. Distinguished Career Award. International Migration Section of ASA.

Chair-Elect, International Migration Section of ASA. 2023.

Organizer, session on “New Immigrant Destinations in Global Perspective.” The 2022 Annual Meetings of Population Association of America.

Associate Editor, *Frontiers in Sociology (Migration and Society)*. Since 2021.

Chair, Louis Wirth Best Paper Award Committee, International Migration Section of the American Sociological Association. 2021

Co-chair (with Dina Okamoto), Contribution to the Field Award Committee. Asia and Asian America section of the American Sociological Association. 2020.

Chair, Nan Lin Best Graduate Student Paper Award Committee. International Chinese Sociologist Association. 2019.

Standing Review Member, Hong Kong Research Grant Council (RGC). 2019-now.

Organizer, Regular session on “Urbanization and Urban Change.” The 2019 annual meetings of Population Association of America, Austin, Texas. April.

Member, Editorial Board: Chinese Sociological Review, 2015-present.

Member, Editorial Board: China Population and Development Studies, 2017-present.

Judge, Poster Sessions, Annual Meetings of Population Association of America, 2015.

Member, National Science Foundation Sociology Program Advisory Panel. 2012-2015.

Member, Population Science Subcommittee. NIH/NICHD. 2009-2012.

Member, Editorial Board, Migration Studies. 2012-2020.

Member, Program Committee, 2011 Annual Meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society

Member, Editorial Board. Population Journal (in Chinese). 2012-present.

Member of the Editorial Board, International Population Research.

Organizer, Regular session on “Development.” The 2009 Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA.

Discussant, session on “Internal Migration and Urbanization.” XXVI IUSSP International Population Conference, Marrakech, Morocco, September 27-October 2. 2009.

Discussant, session on Internal Migration in Developing Countries. 2009 annual meetings of Population Association of America, Detroit, MI.

Chair. Section on Asia and Asian America of American Sociological Association. 2005-2006.

Proposal Screener. International Fieldwork Collaboration Program. Social Science Research Council. 2006.

Co-chair (with Zhenchao Qian). Research Paper Award Committee. Section on Asia and Asian America of the American Sociological Association. 2005-2006.

Fellowship Award Reviewer, International Dissertation Field Research Fellowship Program at the Social Science Research Council. 2004-2005.

Co-director (with Steven Messner for 2004-2005, with Chris Smith for 2005, with John Logan for 2014-2018, with Zhigang Li for 2018-present), Urban China Research Network. University at Albany. 2004-2022.

Organizer. Section on "Migration and Health," IUSSP. Tours, France (July 18-23). 2005.

Co-organizer (with David Takeuchi). Section on "New Frontiers in Asian and Asian American Studies." Annual meetings of American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA. August 13-16. 2005.

Co-Director, Urban China Research Network, 2004-present.

Review panel member, Social Sciences and Population Studies Study Section, NIH/NICHD. 2003-2004.

Review panel member, Social Sciences, Nursing, Epidemiology, and Methods (formerly the Social Sciences and Population Study Section), NIH/NICHD. 1999-2003.

Member, Fellowship Award Committee. International Migration Program, Social Science Research Council. 2000-2002.

Member, Dorothy Swaine Thomas Award Committee. Population Association of America. 2002-2005.

Member, International Advisory Board. Urban China Research Network at State University of New York at Albany. 1999-present.

Board Member, North American Chinese Sociologists Association. 2001-2005.

Treasurer, North American Chinese Sociologist Association. 2002-2005.

Co-organizer (with John R. Logan). Workshop on “Urban Studies and Demography of China.” Minneapolis, MN, April 30, 2003.

Organizer, session on “Temporary Migration”. 2002 Annual Meetings of Population Association of America, Atlanta, Georgia. May.

Member, Program Committee of 2001 Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. 1999-2001.

Consultant, U.S. National Academy of Sciences. Committee on Urbanization. 2000.

Organizer, a special session on “Learning the Ropes: How Rural Migrants Make it in the Cities.” The 2001 Annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA. August.

Member, Committee on China Study and Exchange of the Population Association of America, 1995-1998.

Organizer, session on Demographic Research in East Asia, 1996 annual meetings of Population Association of America.

Associate Book Review Editor, American Journal of Sociology, 1990-92.

Occasional Reviewer: American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Demography, International Migration Review, Sociological Perspectives, Canadian Journal of Sociology, Asian and Pacific Migration Journal, European Journal of Population, American Political Science Review, Journal of Comparative Economics, Population and Development Review, Science.

Occasional reviewer: National Science Foundation, Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics Program; National Science Foundation, Sociology Program, British Wellcome Trust, and Research Grants Council of Hong Kong, Social Sciences and Humanities Council of Canada.

External reviewer for tenure/promotion (University of North Carolina at Charlotte, University of Utah, Wright State University, University of Pennsylvania (twice), Pennsylvania State University, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, University of Maryland at College Park, Chinese University of Hong Kong, City University of New York-Queens College (twice), Peking University, Brown University.)

SERVICES AT SUNY AT ALBANY

University and CAS Committees

Member, Review Committee of SUNY Distinguished Dissertation Awards. 2024
Member, Ad Hoc Committee to Evaluate Sabbatical Leave Application. 2024.
Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, College of Arts and Sciences. 2021-2023.
Director, Developmental Core, Center for Social and Demographic Analysis (2015-present)
Member, UAlbany Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation Award Committee. 2020.
Executive Committee, Center for Social and Demographic Analysis (2008-present)
Advisory Board, Center for Social and Demographic Analysis (2006-2008)
Member, FRAP A Review Committee (2003 and 2004)
Member, CAS Faculty Council (2004-2006)
Liaison between University's Council on Research and CAS Faculty Development Committee (2004-2005)
Member, University Senate (2005-2007)
Member, Undergraduate Council (2005-2006)
Member, Subcommittee on Interdisciplinary Studies
Member, Committee on Ethics of Research and Scholarship (2006-2008)
Chair, Committee on Ethics of Research and Scholarship (2007-2008)
Member, China Semester Working Group (2007)
Member, University Committee on Internationalization (2007-08)

Service in Sociology Department

Member, Executive Committee (2019-2021)
Member, Graduate Committee (2019-2021)
Chair, Comprehensive Methods Exam Committee (2019)
Member, Undergraduate Committee (2017-2019)
Member, Graduate Committee (2015-2017)
Chair, Teaching Committee (2012-2014)
Member, Diversity Committee (2011-2012)
Member, Graduate Committee (2011-2012)
Director of Graduate Studies (2008-2011)
Executive Committee (2006-08)
Faculty Recruitment Committee (2007-2008)
Faculty Promotion Committee (for David Wagner) (2007-2008)
Faculty Promotion Committee (for Angie Chung) (2007-2008)
Graduate Committee (2002-2003, 2004-2005, 2005-2008)

Graduate subcommittee for Liska and Meadows Awards (2005)
Ad hoc committee for evaluation of Best Undergraduate Student Research Paper Awards
(2004)

SERVICE AT QUEENS COLLEGE

Technology committee (1993-2000)
Curriculum on research methods committee (1997-1999)
Academic Senate, at large member (1996-1999)

Ph.D. comprehensive exam committee at SUNY Albany:

(2003)
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Karen Marotz: demography (member)
Yue (Angela) Zhuo: demography (chair)

(2006)
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(2007)
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(2008)
Jeremy Pais: demography (member)
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(2009-2010)
Michael Barton: urban (member)
Jeffery Napierala: demography (member)
Jenny Zhen Li: demography (chair)
Cheng Chen: migration/immigration (chair)

Lina Rincom: migration/immigration (member)
Jasmine Qian Song: demography (Chair)

(2011)

Jasmine Song: Urban (chair)
Yuching Cheng: migration/immigration (member)
Bo Zhou: demography (chair)

(2012)

Lei Lei: Demography (chair)

(2013)

Wendie Choudary: demography (chair)
Bo Zhou, urban sociology (chair)

(2014)

Dean Weld: urban sociology (member)

(2016)

Amanda Zequn Tang: urban sociology (chair)

(2017)

Kyle Masuta: urban sociology (member)
Amanda Zequn Tang (member)
Feinuo Sun: Urban Sociology (chair)
Seulki Kim: Migration/Immigration (Chair)
Xuemei Cao: Migration/Immigration (member)

(2018)

Yuanfei Li: Migration/Immigration (chair)
Yuanfei Li: Urban Sociology (member)
Feinuo Sun: Urban Sociology (member)
Feinuo Sun: Migration/Immigration (chair)

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Xumei Cao: Migration/Immigration (member)

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Jeewoo Choi: Migration/Immigration (Chair)
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Silu Chen: Demography (Chair)

MA Thesis

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Xueji Liang

Bo Zhou

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Professor and Chair of Sociology

Department of Sociology

Fayetteville State University

Miao David Chunyu (2010)

Associate Professor of Sociology

University of Wisconsin at Steven Point

Lin Guo (2012)

Research Scientist

University of Texas Medical Center

Zhen Li (2016)

Associate Professor of Sociology

Shanghai University

Qian Jasmine Song (2015)
Associate Professor
University of Massachusetts at Boston
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Jiejin Li (2016)
Research Scientist
Rochester Institute of Technology

Bo Zhou (2018)
Associate Professor
Guangzhou University

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Lecturer
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Doctoral students supervised (Committee member):

Yingfeng Wu (2004)
Research Scientist

Mailman School of Public Health
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Jill Chao (2009)
Associate Professor
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Yue (Angela) Zhuo (2011)
Associate Professor of Sociology
St John's University

Lei Wu (2012)
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Renmin University of China

Lei Lei (2016)
Assistant Professor
Department of Sociology
Rutgers University

Allen Wong (2017)
Assistant Professor of Sociology
Stonehill College

Xuemei Cao (2022)
Assistant Professor
Bentley University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member, American Sociological Association
Member, Population Association of America
Member, Association of Asian Studies
Member, European Population Association
Member, International Sociological Association
Member, International Union for the Scientific Study of Population

LANGUAGES

Mandarin Chinese: Native
Japanese: Fair
Russian: Beginning