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EDUCATION

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ph.D. Candidate in Public Policy and Sociology — expected May 2017
M.S., Statistics — 2014
Committee: Yu Xie (Chair), Mary Corcoran (Co-Chair), Sarah Burgard, Jennifer Barber, and Brian Jacob

Peking University, Beijing

B.A., Sociology (Yuan-Pei College) — 2011
B.A., Economics — 2011

AREAS OF INTEREST

Child Development, Social Inequality, Quantitative Methodology, China

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

2016 **Liu, Airan** and Yu Xie. "Why Do Asian American Academically Outperform Whites? -- The Cultural Explanation Revisited" *Social Science Research (forthcoming)*

2015 **Liu, Airan** and Yu Xie. "Influences of Monetary and Non-Monetary Family Resources on Children's Development in Verbal Ability in China". *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, 40:59-70

2015 Xu, Hongwei, **Airan Liu**, and Yueyun Zhang. "Inequality in Children's Wellbeing and Development: Evidence from a National Panel Study." *Chinese Journal of Sociology, 1(1):88-107.*

Book Chapters

2013 Xu, Hongwei and **Airan Liu**. "Chinese Children's Development (in Chinese)." Pp.

183-214 in *Report on Family Wellbeing and Development in China*, edited by Yu Xie, Xiaobo Zhang, Jianxin Li, Xuejun Yu, and Qiang Ren. Beijing: Peking University Press.

Under Review

Liu, Airan. "Non-cognitive Skills and Growing Achievement Difference." *Under review*

Liu, Airan. "Can Non-cognitive skills Compensate for Background Disadvantage? -- The Moderation of Non-cognitive Skills on Family SES and Achievement during Early Childhood and Early Adolescence" *Under review*

Working Papers

Adolescent Neighborhood and Development of Socio-emotional Skills

Mental wellbeing of Asian American youths

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2016 "Non-cognitive Skills and the Growing SES Achievement Gap" Population Association of American Annual Meeting, Washington DC., US.

2015 "Culture and Asian-White Achievement Difference" Population Association of American Annual Meeting, San Diego, US.

2013 "Influence of Monetary and Nonmonetary Family Resources on Children's Development in China." Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28) of the ISA, Trento, Italy.

HONORS AND AWARDS

2016-17	Barbour Scholarship (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
2015	Ford School of Public Policy Research Grant (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
2015	Department of Sociology Small Grant (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
2015	Rackham Conference Travel Grant (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
2013	Rackham Conference Travel Grant (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
2012	Katherine Taylor Fellowship Award (Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
2011-2012	Rackham Regents Fellowship (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
2010	Guanghua Scholarship: Peking University
2008	Li & Fung Scholarship: Li & Fung Foundation Limited, Hong Kong

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Sociology Department, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Statistics (for Graduate Students)

Statistics (for Undergraduate Students)

Student Coordinator for Inequality, Family and Demography Workshop

REFERENCES

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