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Education

Ph.D.	2021-	Sociology, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign	Advisor: Dr. Tim Liao -- Qualifying Exams: 1 st Exam on Social Inequality and Stratification (High Pass) 2 nd Exam on Population and Health
M.A.	2021	Sociology, Renmin University of China	Advisor: Dr. Yaqiang Qi
Bachelor	2019	Economics, Jinan University	

Areas of Interest

Work, Occupations, Organizations	Gender Inequality in Labor Markets
Family & Marriage	Immigrants
Social Stratification & Mobility	Sociology of Health
Computational Social Science	Quantitative Methodology

Work in Progress

Lu, Q. S., & Kevin Leicht. (forthcoming) “Low-Waged Hourly Employment as a Form of Precarious Work: Racial and Ethnic Disparity and Its Implications.” Accepted by *Social Indicator Research*

Hao, Lingxin, & **Q. S. Lu**. “A Frontier of Work and Family: Telework and American Families with Children.” Intended Submission to *Journal of Family and Economic Issues*

Lu, Q. S. “Fewer Work Hours, Poorer Health? Exploring the Impacts of Worktime Insecurity in a Precarious Labor Market Using the IPUMS CPS-ASES 2016-2023 Dataset.” Under Review of *Demographic Research*

Adler, Laura, Emma Zang, **Q. S. Lu**, . Deb Rowcroft “Home is Where the Gender Roles Are How Remote Work Reinscribes Gender Inequality into Workers’ Time Use.” Intended Submission to *Organizational Sciences*

Conference Presentations (* as presenting/first author)

2025 August	American Sociological Association (ASA)	*“ Will Teleworking Suppress or Transform In-Person Social Interactions? Sequence Analysis Insights from Weekday Diaries in American Time Use Study 2022-2023. ” (Oral), Chicago *“ Examining the Causal Effect of Telework on Family Wellbeing: A Reverse Difference-in-Differences Approach. ” (Roundtable), Chicago
2025 April	Population Association of America (PAA)	*“ Fewer Work Hours, Poorer Health? Exploring the Impacts of Worktime Insecurity in a Precarious Labor Market Using the IPUMS CPS-ASES 2016-2023 Dataset. ” (Oral), DC
2024 August	ASA	*“ More Work Hours, Healthier Workers? A Panel Study Through the Lens of Work Precarity with the IPUMS CPS-ASES 2016-2023 Dataset. ” (Roundtable), Montreal, Canada
2024 April	PAA	“ A New Frontier of Work and Family: Remote Work in Families With Children ”, (Oral), Columbus
2024 February	Applied Demography Conference	“Ethnic Disparities in Worktime Precarity: A Longitudinal Study on US Hourly Workers during the Pandemic”, (Oral), Virtual *
2023 December	Wittgenstein Centre Conference	“ Time Dimension of the Link between Income Inequality and Health: The Immediate, Cumulative, and Comparative Effects ”, (Oral), Vienna, Austria *
2023 April	PAA	“ Precarious Work Time in the Pandemic: Rhetoric vs. Reality for Ethnic Minorities ”, (Oral), New Orleans * “ The Integration Journey: Social Mobility of Immigrant Offspring in U.S. Education ”, (Poster), New Orleans *
2022 August	ASA	“ Household Differentials in Paid Work Resilience under Covid-19 Pandemic: The Single-Parent Disadvantage ”, (Regular Session), Los Angeles *

2022 April PAA [“Time Dimension of the Link between Income Inequality and Health: The Immediate, Cumulative, and Comparative Effects”](#), (Poster), Atlanta. *

Project Experience

2025.05-09 [United Nations Population Division](#) Intern Death Registration Completeness Evaluation and Global Time Trends from 1950s to 2020s – Data Preparation for Next Edition of [World Population Prospect](#)
[PI: [Dr. Patrick Gerland](#), Population Estimates and Projection Section | Population Trends and Analysis Branch, Population Division | Department of Economic and Social Affairs at the United Nations]

2023 Summer RA Compound Natural Disaster and Pandemic: How Do Minority Groups Fare?
[PI: [Dr. Lingxin Hao](#) from the Johns Hopkins University]

2022 Fall-2023 Summer RA [Call to Action Project: Understanding young adults’ perceptions of East Asians and mechanisms for improving cultural awareness, competency, and inclusivity](#)
[PIs: [Dr. Angela Lyons](#) & Dr. Tim Liao] (Funded by Office of the Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, University of Illinois)

Awards, Honors, and Fellowships

2025 Summer “Boost” Scholarships (\$7,666.68), Department of Sociology, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

2025 Conference Travel Award, Graduate College, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

2024 ASA Student Forum Travel Fund award for the Annual Meeting, American Sociological Association

2024 Beslow Graduate Paper Award, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

2024 CFP ASA Participation Scholarship, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

2023 & 2022 Graduate College Conference Presentation Award, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

2022 Department Conference Presentation Award, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

Professional Service

Occasional reviewer for *Social Problems*, *SOCIUS: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*.

2025 September Student Representative (Elected) [ASA – Sociology of Population Section](#)

2023 September -2025 August Newsletter Coordinator ASA – Sociology of Population Section

2024 August Table Presider 119th ASA Annual Meeting – Organizations, Occupations, and Work Refereed Roundtables/ Table 15: Precarious and Non-Standard Work

2021-2022 Committee Member Graduate Student Advising Committee, Sociology, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

2022 April Session Chair The Seventh Annual Amber-Buckley Shaklee Conference for Graduate Students, Sociology, University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

Trainings & Workshops

2024 June [10th Annual Berkeley Workshop on Formal Demography](#), Population Sciences at Berkeley, University of California

2024 June [Summer Institutes of Computational Social Science \(SICSS\), University of California-Los Angeles](#)

Invited Talks

2025	<p>“Two-Census Death Distribution Method Application in Next Edition of World Population Prospect (WPP): Global Time Trends of Gender-Specific Death Registration Completeness 1980s-2020s”, United Nations Population Division, New York (Virtual), September 2025</p> <p>“Evolving Frontiers of Quantitative Social Research Methods in the 21st Century US: From Causal Inference to Large Language models, Machine Learning, and Artificial Intelligence”, Shanghai Normal University (China), June 2025</p>
2024	<p>“Advanced Quantitative Social Research Methods in the US”, Shanghai Normal University (China), November 2024</p>

Teaching and Mentoring Experience

Grad Mentor (Grad College)	2025 Fall & 2026 Spring	Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program — <i>selected through a competitive, university-wide process</i> , University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
TA	2024 Fall & 2025 Spring	SOC 100: Introduction to Sociology (<i>Ranked as an Excellent TA by Students in Fall 2024</i>)
Grad Mentor	2024 Spring	SOC 199, Leadership and Engagement
TA	2024 Spring & 2023 Fall	SOC 280, Social Statistics (Ranked as an Excellent TA by Students in Spring 2024)
Teaching Certificate	2023 May	Certificate in Foundations of Teaching Conferred by Center for Innovation in Teaching & Learning (CITL), University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign
TA	2023 Spring	SOC 350, Technology and Society
TA	2022 Spring	SOC 310, Sociology of Deviance
TA	2021 Fall	SOC 378, Sociology of Law

Association Memberships

American Sociological Association	Population Association of America
Sequence Analysis Association	Global Network of Data Officers and Statisticians
World Association of Former United Nations Interns and Fellows (WAFUNIF)	