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Academic Qualifications

Ph.D. in Psychology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong	Sept. 2020 – Present
Master of Philosophy in Psychology, Beijing Normal University	Sept. 2017 – June 2020
Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Beijing Normal University	Sept. 2013 – June 2017

Research Experience

Postdoctoral researcher. Department of Psychology, Psychology of Motivation, Volition, and Emotion, University of Zurich **July 2024 – Present**

Publications

- Lin, Z.**, Chin, D. C. W., Fung, H. H., Lay, J. C., & Tse, D. C. K. (2023). Hot instantaneous temperature and affect: Meaningful activities as a buffer for older adults with low socioeconomic status. *Innovation in Aging*, igad057. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igad057>.
- Lin, Z.**, Yang, Y., & Kou, Y. (2020). The Meta-Stereotypes of Elderly People and Their Consequences for Social Interaction. *Psychological Development and Education*, 36(6), 686-693. <https://doi.org/10.16187/j.cnki.issn1001-4918.2020.06.06>.
- Leung, H., **Lin, Z.**, Lay, J. C., & Tse, D. C. K., Fung, H. H. (2023) *Discrepancies between thermal perception and thermal acceptance among older adults and their relationships with physical symptoms under hot temperatures* [Unpublished manuscript]. Department of Psychology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- Lin, Z.**, Kou, Y., & Fung, H. H., (2023). *You are doomed but I ought to help? Relationship between entity belief and helping* [Unpublished manuscript]. Department of Psychology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- Lin, Z.**, Kou, Y., & Fung, H. H., (2023). *Two Sides of Narcissism: The Divergent Effects of Narcissistic Admiration and Rivalry on Prosocial Behaviors* [Unpublished manuscript]. Department of Psychology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- Lin, Z.**, Tse, D. C. K., Fung, H. H., & Lay, J. C. (2023). *The interaction between momentary solitude, preference for solitude, and socioeconomic status on older adults' meaningful engagement* [Unpublished manuscript]. Department of Psychology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- Lin, Z.**, Kou, Y., & Fung, H. H. (2023 March). *The Bright Side of Fixed Mindsets: Entity Beliefs Promote Willingness to Help* [Unpublished manuscript]. Department of Psychology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Conference presentations

- Lin, Z.**, & Fung, H. H. (2023, November). *A Diverse Life Is a Better Life? The Association Between Activity Diversity and Psychological Well-Being in Hong Kong*. Symposium presentation presented at Gerontological Society of America 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting, United States, Tampa, FL.
- Lin, Z.**, Tse, D. C. K., Fung, H. H., & Lay, J. C. (2023, July). *The interaction between solo activities, preference for solitude, and socioeconomic status on older adults' vital*

engagement. Poster presentation presented at International Positive Psychology Association 8th IPPA World Congress, Vancouver, Canada.

Lin, Z., Kou, Y., & Fung, H. H. (2023 March). *The Bright Side of Fixed Mindsets: Entity Beliefs Promote Willingness to Help*. Poster presentation presented at APS's International Convention of Psychological Science (ICPS) 2023, Brussels, Belgium.

Research work and grants

Co-I, General Research Fund: Age differences in thermal comfort in hot weather (\$1,013,785 HKD funded to Prof. Helene Fung) **August 2024 – April 2027**

Co-I, Direct grant for research: When favoring family is against public interest: Age-related differences in prioritization between pro-family and prosocial goals (\$100,000 HKD funded to Prof. Helene Fung) **June 2023 – June 2025**

Team Member, Research Impact Fund: Increasing the resilience to the health impacts of extreme cold weather on the older population under future climate change (\$366,000 HKD funded to Prof. Helene Fung) **Aug. 2023 – Aug. 2025**

Team Leader, Interdisciplinary Research Seed Funding: A confident helper or a vulnerable defender: Disentangling the effects of narcissistic admiration and rivalry on prosocial behaviors (\$15,000 HKD) **Oct. 2022 – Oct. 2023**

Team Member, Research Impact Fund: Increasing the resilience to the health impacts of extreme weather on elderly people under future climate change (Extreme Hot Weather Project, \$ 3,957,760 HKD funded to Prof. Helene Fung) **Jun. 2019 – Jun. 2022**

Team Member, NSFC (National Natural Science Foundation of China) grant for research: Chinese Citizens' Prosocial Behavior and its Transmission in the Background of Economic Inequality (\$680,000 RMB funded to Prof. Yu Kou) **2020 - 2023**

Team Member, Social Development of Adolescence: A Three-year Tracking Project (PI: Prof. Yu Kou) **2017 – 2020**

Team Leader, National Innovation and Entrepreneurship Program for College Students Grant for Research (\$10,000 RMB) **2015 – 2016**

Awards and Scholarship

Postgraduate Scholarship, CUHK **Aug. 2020 – July 2024**
Outstanding MPhil dissertation, Beijing Normal University **Sept. 2017**

Skills and Language

Skills: SPSS, R, Mplus, and Comprehensive Meta Analysis

- **Proficient** in using R or Mplus to run Structural Equation Modeling (SEM), Multilevel Modeling (MLM), Latent Growth Curve Model (LGCM), Random Intercept Cross-Lagged Panel Model (RI-CLPM) and other longitudinal models.

Language: Mandarin (native speaker), English (fluent)