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POSITION

Research Assistant Professor (Jan 2022 –)

Urban Governance and Design Thrust, Society Hub

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Guangzhou)

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Demography – Office of Population Research, Princeton University, 2021

Graduate Certificate in Statistics and Machine Learning

Dissertation: Sex Ratio Imbalances in China

Committee: Arun S. Hendi (Chair), Noreen Goldman, and Alícia Adserà

M.A., Demography – Office of Population Research, Princeton University, 2019

M.A., Economics – National School of Development, Peking University, 2016

Advisor: Yi Zeng

B.A., Economics – Yuanpei College, Peking University, 2013

Major: Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE)

VISITING SCHOLAR

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany (Jan - Feb.2015)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Migration; Marriage and family;

Sex ratio imbalance; Population aging;

Population/household projections.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

3. **Xiong, W.** (accepted). Dynamics between Regional Sex Ratios at Birth and Sex Ratios at Prime Marriageable Ages in China. *Population and Development Review*.
2. **Xiong, W.** (2021). Does the Shortage of Marriageable Women Induce the Trafficking of Women for Forced Marriage? Evidence from China. *Violence Against Women*.
1. **Xiong, W.** (2021). Evidence of Son Preference in the Child Trafficking Market for Illegal Adoption in China. *Journal of Human Trafficking*.

Book Chapter

1. **Xiong, W.**, Gu, D., and Zeng, Y. (2021). Single-age-specific Life Tables (ages 0-105) by Sex and Urban/Rural Areas Based on the Sixth National Population Census of China in *Studies on Influencing Factors of Healthy Aging and Effective Interventions in China*, edited by Yi Zeng. Beijing: Science Press. (*forthcoming*)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Skewed Sex Ratios and the Trafficking of Women for Forced Marriage in China
Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility, Princeton, Aug 2019
- Your Sadness, My Sorrow: Emotional Concordance within Married Couples
Population Association of America, Denver, Apr 2018
- Prince and Cinderella: Sex Selection and Social Status
Population Association of America, Chicago, Apr 2017
China Economics Annual Conference, Shanghai, Nov 2015
- Sex Differences in Household Educational Expenditure in Urban China (with Bo Zhao)
Urbanization and Social Integration of Migrants Forum, Shanghai, Jul 2015

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Journal reviews: *International Journal of Population Studies, European Journal of Population, Journal of Human Trafficking, Journal of Population Economics*

TEACHING

Princeton University, Assistant Instructor

Research Methods in Demography (POP502/ECO572/SOC532), Spring 2019

Introduction to Quantitative Social Science (POL345/SOC305), Fall 2018

Epidemiology (GHP351), Spring 2018

Peking University, Teaching Assistant

Intermediate Econometrics, Fall 2015

Intermediate Microeconomics, Spring 2015

Student Mentor for PPE, 2013-2015