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Education

Brandeis University, Waltham, MA

Master of Arts in Psychology

GPA: 3.7/4.0

Expected May 2025

Brandeis University, Waltham, MA

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Psychology

GPA: 3.7/4.0, Dean's List

August 2020 – May 2023

Research Interests

Early detection and intervention of psychological disorders, focusing on the developmental pathways that contribute to the onset of these disorders. I aim to identify early indicators of clinical conditions and explore preventative strategies to mitigate severe outcomes, particularly in relation to psychological disorders that emerge later in life.

Teaching Experience

Graduate Course Assistant, Developmental Psychology, Brandeis University

Principle Instructor: Hannah Snyder

Fall 2024

Graduate Course Assistant, Statistics, Brandeis University

Principle Instructor: Paul Dizio

Fall 2024

Research Experience

Master's Student Researcher / Undergraduate Research Assistant

Raymond-Knight Laboratory, Brandeis University

Dec 2021 – Present

- Developed research on the impact of alcohol factors on recidivism likelihood based on time since perpetrators' release.
- Submitted IRB proposal and acquired CITI certification for Master's project.
- Analyzed data from the Massachusetts Treatment Center (MTC) on alcohol and recidivism.
- Reviewed talks for ATSA and MASOC/MATSA presentations.

Undergraduate Summer Research Assistant

Chinese Academy of Sciences, Institute of Psychology

May 2021 – Sep 2021

- Investigated poverty-related psychological issues, female parenting behavior, and the relationship between income and happiness.
- Trained in data entry for Dr. Xuefeng Chen's project.
- Published work in *Applied Research in Quality of Life*.

AP Psychology Student Researcher

Bellevue Christian Highschool and Colorado Christian University

Sep 2018 – May 2019

- Studied behavioral differences among homeless women across economic regions.
- Conducted research on survival behaviors at The Sophia Way Women's Shelter and presented a thesis on low-income women's behavioral patterns.

Industrial Experience

Psychology Student Intern

Aug 2023 – June 2024

Boston Children's Hospital, PPOC

- Conducted a project on digital tools for enhancing pediatric care and clinician engagement.
- Developed strategies for a clinician-patient platform.
- Contributed to Behavioral Health Integration Project (BHIP) and shadowed treatment sessions.

Extracurricular Activities

Co-Founder

Dec 2022 – Jan 2024

Muhe Mood Psychology, Brandeis Chapter

- Led initiatives on mental health awareness through over 100 social media posts.
- Organized an anonymous letter exchange program for confidential professional advice.

Fellowships, Awards, and Grants

Merit Scholarship, Brandeis University

2023-24

GSAS Grant, Brandeis University

2023-24

Cum Laude, Brandeis University

2023

Dean's List, Brandeis University

2021-23

Skills & Test Scores

Programming Skills: R, SPSS, JASP, LaTeX, Python, Colab

Languages: Mandarin (native), English (bilingual), Spanish (intermediate)

GRE: 166 Verbal, 165 Quantitative (2021)

TOEFL: 114 (2016)