# YICHI ZHANG

Highly motivated graduate student interested in psychometrics and statistical models. Focused on practical implications of measurement issues in applied research and performance of statistical models in robust methods. Passionate about fairness and accuracy of psychological assessment. Fast learners with strong desire to learn new areas in statistics and software. Dedicated team members with strong communication skills.



# **EDUCATION**

2024 2019 PhD. Student, Quantitative Methods and Computational Psychology • Los Angeles, CA University of Southern California

· Relevant Coursework: Applied Machine Learning, Multilevel Modeling, Bayesian Data Analysis, Classic and Modern Statistic Methods

2019 2015 B.S., Mathematics, Psychology

Dickinson College

• Carlisle, PA

- · GPA 3.90/4.0
- · GRE 335/340
- · Pi Mu Epsilon National Honorary Mathematics Society
- · Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Current 2020

**Research Assistant** 

Measurement and Multilevel Modeling Lab

**Q** University of Southern California

- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Develop a Bayesian method for establishing measurement invariance and illustrate with a nationally representative sample of tenth graders
- · Extend the selection accuracy framework to multidimensions to illustrate the impact of item biases on selection decisions for personnel selections.
- · Conduct attrition analysis and reliability analysis in applied educational
- · Reviewed article using Item Response Theory framework to test measurement Invariance and article demonstrated reliability analysis in multilevel models.

2020 2020 **Student Researcher** 

University of Southern California

- O Los Angeles, CA
- · Wrote functions for sentiment analysis and machine learning algorithms such as Perceptron classifier, Naive Bayes classifier and classification tree classifier.
- · Conducted Monte Carlo simulation to compare performance of evaluation methods in multilevel modeling for small samples with heteroscedasticity and outliers

View this CV online with links at https://aithub.com/Yichi-Zhang2024/Resume-and-CV/blob/master/Yichi\_Zhang\_CV\_202

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### LANGUAGE SKILLS

R	
SPSS	
Mplus	
Python	
Julia	

Made with the R package pagedown.

The source code is available on github.com/nstrayer/cv.

Last updated on 2020-12-04.

**Undergraduate Researcher** 2019 Oarlisle, PA Dickinson College 2017 · Conducted an experiment on testing the role of appraisal among the relationship between bicultural and creativity · Designed an experiment and collected data in a small research group about the impact of reminded stigma on gay and lesbians' cognitive depletion, brief fear of negative evaluation and positive affect · Coded survey items about stereotypes of social classes into data ♣■ TEACHING EXPERIENCE **Teaching Assistant** 2020 O Los Angeles, CA University of Southern California 2019 • PSYC 274 Lg: Statistics and PSYC 100 Lg: Introduction to Psychology · Led lab sections of 50 students, planned lessons and activities · Made tutorials on SPSS · Graded papers and provided comments The Quantitative Reasoning Center Tutor 2017 OCarlisle, PA Dickinson College 2017 · Assisted students with questions about Math and Psychology PUBLICATION AND CONFERENCE A Bayesian Region of Measurement Equivalence (ROME) Approach for 2020 **Establishing Measurement Invariance** 2020 Manuscript · Authored with Mark H.C.Lai and Gregory J.Palardy · Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Psychometric Society (IMPS) and accepted by Modern Modeling Methods Conference · Used R posterdown package to make the poster AWARD First-Year Dornsife PhD Academy Psychology Department Research 2021 2020 Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences Output

University of Southern California

· Awarded \$1000

· Awarded \$400

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Psychology Department Travel Grant Award

Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences

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