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### **EDUCATION**

#### **Master of Arts**

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Starting Sept 2013

- Quantitative Methods in Psychology

#### **Bachelor of Arts**

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

2007-2012

- Psychology
- Cumulative GPA: 92%

### **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

University of British Columbia Graduate Entrance Scholarship (2013)

McGraw Hill Prize for Academic Excellence in Biology (2011)

Arts Travel and Learn Abroad Award Scholarship (2011)

Recipient of the Canadian Millennium Scholarship (2010)

UBC's President Entrance Scholarship (2007)

British Columbia Government Scholarship (2007)

Science Achievement Award of BC Innovation Council (2007)

Recipient of the Governor General's Academic Bronze Medal (2007)

Top Academic Student of the Year (2007)

District Parent Advisory Council Robert Reid McBay Award (2007)

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

#### **2012 Nov – Present: Research Assistant in Dr. Victoria Savalei's Lab**

- Working with Dr. Victoria Savalei on a paper about how to calculate reliability coefficients for exploratory and confirmatory factor analyses models.

#### **2011 Sept—Present: Directed Studies Student for Boris Gorzalka's Sexuality Lab**

- Working with graduate student Sabrina Chang on two research projects: 1) Sexuality and Culture; 2) Perceptions on Interracial Couples. For the first study, I help design the study, run participants and analyze the data. For the second study, I help design the study and write the ethic application.

#### **2011 Jan—2011 Apr: Research Assistant for Steven Heine's Culture and Self Lab**

- Worked with graduate student Jason Martins on a project on Meaning Maintenance Model. I helped with running the participants and entering the data.

#### **2009 Sept—2010 Apr: Directed Studies Student for Steven Heine's Culture and Self Lab**

- Worked with the PhD student Carl Falk on research on different measurements of implicit self-esteem. I helped design the experiment, program a number of questionnaires on self-esteem measures and run participants. I also trained two research assistants to run participants with me.

**2009 Sept—2010Apr: Research Assistant for the Mother-Infant Wellness Lab**

- Worked on a project examining how common are anxiety disorders among pregnant and postpartum women, and which types of anxiety problems are most common about these groups of women. I mainly helped with recruiting participants in the hospital and prenatal classes.

**2009 (Summer): Research Assistant for Steve Heine's Culture and Self Lab**

- Worked with the master student Daniel Randle on Meaning Maintenance Model. I helped with recruiting participants on Kitslano Beach.

**PUBLICATION**

**Zhang, C. X. J.** (2012). Too much sex, a mental disorder? Examining both sides of the debate on hypersexual disorder. *University Of British Columbia's Undergraduate Journal of Psychology*, 1, 35-43.

Falk, C. F., Heine, S.J., **Zhang, C. X. J.**, & Chih-Wei Hsu. (2012). Are implicit self-esteem measures valid for assessing individual and cultural differences. *Journal of Personality* (conditionally accepted).

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**Zhang, C. X. J.** (2012 July). *Attitudes towards interracial relationships among Chinese, Korean and Japanese University Students in Canada*. Poster presentation presented Connecting Minds Undergraduate Research Conference in Psychology, Vancouver, Canada.

Falk, C.F., Heine, S. J, & **Zhang, C. X. J.** (2011, January). *The validity of Presentations implicit self-esteem measures for assessing individual and cultural differences*. Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Cultural Psychology Preconference, San Antonio, TX, USA.

**Zhang, C. X. J.**, Falk, C. F., Heine S. (2010 July). *How should implicit self-esteem be measured? Reassessing the utility of current implicit self-esteem measures*. Poster presentation presented Connecting Minds Undergraduate Research Conference in Psychology, Vancouver, Canada.

**QUANTITATIVE METHODS EXPERIENCES**

**Courses Taken at the University of British Columbia**

- Multiple Regression (PSYC 546E)
- Measurement in Psychology (PSYC 546H)
- Survey Multivariate Methods (PSYC 546D)

**LANGUAGES**

Mandarin Chinese (Native)  
English (Proficient)

**REFERENCES**

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