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EDUCATION		
2015-2018	Ph.D. in Zoology, School of Life Sciences, Sun Yat-sen University	
	Advisor: Yang Liu, Hong Pan, Scott Robinson	
2012 - 2015	M.Sc. in Zoology, Faculty of Life Sciences, Southwest Forestry University	
	Advisor: Xu Luo, Lianxian Han	
2008 - 2012	B.Sc. in Wildlife and Nature Reserve Management, Faculty of Forestry, Southwest Forestry University	
APPOINTMENT		
April 2019 -	Postdoctoral Research Associate	
	Princeton School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University	

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Conservation Science, Community Ecology, Urban Ecology, Stable isotope Ecology, Ornithology

Supervisor: David Wilcove

PUBLICATIONS

- **1. Liang**, **D.**, Gao, G., Liu, Y., Luo, Xu. Breeding biology of a high altitudinal *Aethopyga* sunbird in southwestern China. Journal of Natural History. (In press)
- **2. Liang, D.,** Yang, S., Pagani-Núñez, E., He, C., Liu, Y., Goodale, E., Liao, W., Hu J. How to become a generalist species? Individual niche variation across habitat transformation. Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution. (In revision)
- **3.** Pan, X., **Liang, D.**, Zeng, W., Hu, Y., Liang, J., Wang, X., Robinson, S.K., Luo, X., Liu, Y., 2019. Climate, human disturbance and geometric constraints drive the elevational richness pattern of birds in a biodiversity hotspot in southwest China. **Global Ecology and Conservation** 18, e00630.
- **4.** Pagani-Núñez, E., **Liang, D**., He, C., Zhou, X., Luo, X., Liu, Y., Goodale, E., 2019. Niches in the Anthropocene: passerine assemblages show niche expansion from

- natural to urban habitats. **Ecography**, 42, 1360–1369.
- **5.** Shi, B., Zhan, X.M., Zheng, J.X., Qiu, H., **Liang, D.**, Ye, Y.M., Yang, G.J., Liu, Y. and Liu, J., 2018. Identifying key bird species and geographical hotspots of avian influenza A (H7N9) virus in China. **Infectious diseases of poverty**, 7(1), p.97.
- **6. Liang, D.,** He, C., Luo, X., Liu, Y., Goodale, E. and Pagani-Núñez, E., 2018. Breath rate of passerines across an urbanization gradient supports the pace-of-life hypothesis and suggests diet-mediated responses to handling stress. **Ecology and evolution**, 8(18), pp.9526-9535.
- 7. Pagani-Núñez, E., Xia, X., Beauchamp, G., He, R., Husson, J. H. D., **Liang, D.**, & Goodale, E. (2018). Are vocal characteristics related to leadership patterns in mixed-species bird flocks? **Journal of Avian Biology**, 49(5), e01674. http://doi.org/10.1111/jav.01674
- **8. Liang, D.**, Gao, G., Pagani-Núñez, E., Pang, H., Liu, Y. (#), Luo, X. (#), & Robinson, S. K. (2018). Incubation behaviour of a high-altitude species: The Fire-tailed Sunbird *Aethopyga ignicauda*. **Bird Study**, 1-5. https://doi.org/10.1080/00063657.2018.1446905
- **9. Liang, D.**, Gao, G., Han, L. X., & Luo, X. 2017. Breeding biology of Fire-tailed Myzornis (*Myzornis pyrrhoura*) in an alpine environment in Southwestern China. **The Wilson Journal of Ornithology**, 129(3), 568-575.

MANUSCRIPT IN PREPARATION

- **10.** Liang, D., Giam, X. Hu, S., Ma, L., Wilcove, D. Illegal hunting threatened terrestrial vertebrates in China. *In preparation*
- **11.** Zhang, Z. (*), **Liang, D. (*)**, Cheng, G., Zou, F., Lei, F., Dong, L., Grisesser, M. (*), Liu, Yang (*). Molecular evolution of Toll-like receptors associated with infection risk and extensive parental care throughout avian radiation. * Co-first authors * Co-corresponding authors. Submitted
- **12.**Liu, Y., Zhang, Z., Wang, X., **Liang, D.**, Chen, G., Cromie, Ruth, Johansson, U., Höglund, J., Geiesser, M. Life history traits predict strength of positive selection of Toll-like receptor in relation to in Anatidae. *In preparation*
- **13.**Pan, X., **Liang, D.** (#), Luo, X., Hu, Y., Robinson, S., Liu, Y. Seasonal variation in community composition and distributional ranges of birds along a subtropical elevation gradient in China. *Submitted*

PAPERS IN CHINESE

1. Han, L. X., Han, B., Liang, D., & Gao, G. 2016. Range expansion of the Asian Open-

- billed Stork in Southwest China. **Sichuan Journal of Zoology**, 35(1), 149-153.
- 2. Wang, X., **Liang, D.**, He, Y., & Luo, X. 2016. Breeding ecology of *Alcippe vinipectus* at Pianma Pass on Gaoligong Mountain, Southwest China. **Journal of Southwest Forestry University**, 36(3): 181-186.
- 3. **Liang, D.**, Gao, G., Wang, B., Wang, X., Chen, Y., Wu, X., Zhao, C., Jiang, D., Han, L., & Luo, X. 2016. The diversity and vertical distribution of the birds in Middle Gaoligong Mountain, Southwest China. **Sichuan Journal of Zoology**, 34(6): 930-940.
- 4. **Liang, D.,** Li, B. Z., Liu, W. L., & Zhang, Q. 2014. *Falco severus* and *Halcyon smyrnenesis* discovered in Medog County, Tibet. **Chinese Journal of Zoology**, 49(3): 463.
- 5. **Liang, D.**, Li, D., Li, Q., Ma, G., & Luo, X. (2012). Differentiation of diet niche of Sclater's Monal and Blood Pheasant detected with fecal analysis in Mt. Gaoligong in Yunnan Province. 200-209. In eds. *Advances in biodiversity conservation and research in China IX*. China Meteorological Press.

TRANSLATED BOOKS

- 1. Sweet, P. Extraordinary birds. Translated by **Dan Liang.** Chongqing: Chongqing University Press. 2017.
- 2. Lederer, R. J. Latin for birdwatchers. Translated by **Dan Liang.** Chongqing: Chongqing University Press. 2020.

POPULAR SCIENCE PAPER

- 1. **Liang, D.,** Luo, X., & Gao, G. 2018. Breeding birds in the alpine environments: Firetailed Myzornis and Fire-tailed Sunbird. In CloudMountain Conservation. [In Chinese]
- 2. **Liang, D.** 2017. Resident Birds. The bulletin of Chinese Birdwatching Society, 23: 10-11. [In Chinese]
- 3. **Liang, D.** 2017. Breeding Birds. The bulletin of Chinese Birdwatching Society, 24: 10-11. [In Chinese]
- 4. **Liang, D.** 2017. Migratory Birds. The bulletin of Chinese Birdwatching Society, 25: 10-11. [In Chinese]
- 5. **Liang, D.** 2017. Wintering Birds. The bulletin of Chinese Birdwatching Society, 26: 10-11. [In Chinese]
- 6. **Liang, D.** Li, L. W., Luo, X. 2013. Breeding birds in Pianma Pass of Gaoligong Mountains. Life Word, 12: 64-71. [In Chinese]
- 7. Luo, X., Liang, D., Jiang, D. M. 2013. Exploring the history of modern birds. Human

HONORS AND AWARDS

Aug. 2019	Fundamental Research Award from Chinese Ornithological Society
Jul.2018	International traveling scholarship for Graduate Students from Sun Yat-sen University
Sep. 2017	Award for honored English talk of the Chinese Ornithological Congress, and earned a reward (6000 RMB) from Ornithological Journal <i>Avian Research</i> to attend the 27 th International ornithological Congress in Aug. 2018
Jul. 2016	International traveling scholarship for Graduate Students from Sun Yat-sen University
Jun. 2015	Honored Master Thesis of Southwest Forestry University
Jun. 2012	Honored Bachelor Thesis of Southwest Forestry University
Sep. 2010	Inspirational Scholarship in Yunnan Province, China

PRESENTATIONS

Mar. 2019	Presented the paper "Bird hunting in China – the present situation and socioeconomic basis" on the Shorebird Conservation Planning Workshop organized by Birdlife International in Bangkok, Thailand (Invited Speaker)
Sep. 2017	Presented the paper "Habitat and diet specialists display divergent acute stress across an anthropogenic disturbance." on the 14 th Chinese Ornithological Congress in Xi'an, China (Oral Presentation)
Aug. 2016	Presented the paper "Breeding biology of Fire-tailed Myzornis (<i>Myzornis pyrrhoura</i>) in an alpine environment in Southwestern China." on the North American Ornithological Conference 2016 in Washington D.C., US. (Post Presentation)
Nov. 2015	Presented the paper "Breeding biology of Fire-tailed Myzornis (<i>Myzornis pyrrhoura</i>) in an alpine environment in Southwestern China." on the 13 th Chinese Ornithological Congress in Hefei, China. (Oral Presentation)
Aug. 2012	Presented the paper "The Feeding Habitat and Singing Behavior of Firetailed Myzornis" on the 8 th Kingfisher Forum of Chinese Ornithological Society in Beijing, China. (Oral Presentation)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Chinese Ornithological Society
International Ornithological Society

REVIEW FOR JOURNALS AND FOUNDATIONS

Conservation Biology, Biological Conservation, Scientific Report, Ecology and Evolution, Condor, Avian Research, Forktail

Zhilan Foundation