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## EDUCATION

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### Sun Yat-sen University (Zhongshan University),

Guangzhou, China

- Master of Laws in Sociology, Expected June 2024, Overall Average Score: 90.6/100
- Bachelor of Laws in Sociology, June 2021, GPA: 4.0/4.0

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Labor Market, Education, Stratification and Inequality, Work, Employment and Occupation, Social Mobility, Housing, Quantitative and Computational Methods

## PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

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### Conference Presentations

- 2023** Wei, J. Trends in Returns to Secondary Vocational Education in China (2005-2017): An Analysis Using Age-Period-Cohort Model (In Chinese). [**#Writing Sample**]  
• *Urban Social Forum 2023, Editorial Department of Sociological Studies, Guangzhou.*
- 2023** Wei, J. Deinstitutionalization or Reinstitutionalization: Examining the Evolution of Returns to College in China's Public Sectors (2003-2021) (In Chinese).  
• *Annual Meeting of Chinese Sociological Association (CSA 2023), Tianjin.*
- 2022** Wei, J. Analyzing the Impact of Housing Acquisition on Youth Consumption in Urban China: Evidence from China Family Panel Studies 2016-2018 (In Chinese).  
• *Winter Forum of Sociology of Consumption, Chinese Sociological Association, Virtual.*
- 2022** Wei, J. Examining the Impact of Housing Privatization Reform on Consumption inequality in Transitional Urban China: Evidence from Chinese General Social Survey 2016 (In Chinese).  
• *Annual Meeting of Chinese Sociological Association (CSA2022), Xiamen.*
- 2022** He, J. Wei, J. Mobility and Structuring: A Network Approach to Understanding Labor Market Dynamics in China (1994-2018) (Extended Abstract).  
• *Sunbelt 2022, International Network for Social Network Analysis (INSNA 2022), Virtual.*  
• *Contributed to community detection analysis, and authored the draft.*
- 2020** He, Q., Wei, J., Wu S., & Xia, W. Unraveling Green Consumption as a Social Process: Affordances and Informal Practices (In Chinese).  
• *Annual Meeting of Chinese Sociological Association (CSA 2020), Shanghai.*  
• *Contributed to designing research, coordinating interviews, facilitating discussions, drafting initial manuscript.*

### Submitted Manuscripts

- 2023** Wei, J. Educational Expansion, Industrial Upgrading and Returns to Secondary Vocational Education  
• *submitted to Chinese Sociological Review*

- 2024** Cheng, K., Shi, X., **Wei, J.**, & Du, J. Could the Free Trade Zone be China's Growth Engine: Industrial Policy and Neighborhood Effects
- submitted to *Finance Research Letters*
  - contributed to study design, conducted data collection and analysis, and authored initial drafts.

### Peer-Reviewed Article

- 2021** Zheng, S., **Wei, J.**, Wu D., Sun Y., & Feng Y. Decoding Time Banking Localization in China: "Logic Deviation" and the Role of "Trust Building" (In Chinese). *The Chinese Journal of Volunteering*. 2021(3), 131-162.
- Annual Meeting of Chinese Sociological Association (CSA 2019), Kunming.
  - **Outstanding Thesis**, the 1st "Sliver Age Award" (2021), Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.
  - **First-Class Winner** of the 10th "Focus on Society" Social Survey Competition.
  - Funded by the **"Climbing Program" Special Fund** in Guangdong Province.
  - Contributed to designing research, coordinating interviews, facilitating discussions, drafting initial manuscripts, and overseeing revisions.

### Book Chapters

- 2023** Xiang, X., Wu, Z., Li, Z., Yang, Z., Xie, Z., **Wei, J.**, & Wu, S. (2023). Examining Policy Transformations and Implementation Outcomes: The Interprovincial High School Entrance Examination in Guangzhou (2019–2022). In J. Han, S. Feng, & Y. Liu (Eds.), *Annual Report on China's Education for Migrant Children (2021-2022)*. Beijing: Social Sciences Academic Press (In Chinese).
- Contributed to data collection, conducted data analysis, and authored the draft.
- 2019** He, Q., **Wei, J.** Demographic, Economic, and Social Profile of International Migration in China. In Y. Liang, K. Huang (Eds.), *Guangzhou International Migration Report (2019)*. Beijing: China Social Sciences Press (In Chinese).
- Contributed to data cleaning, conducted data analysis, and authored draft.

### HONORS & AWARDS

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- 2021-23** Graduate Merit Fellowship, Sun Yat-sen University, ¥20,000
- 2022** Outstanding Thesis, the 1<sup>st</sup> "Sliver Age Award" Essay Contest, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, ¥1,200
- 2020** **National Scholarship, Chinese Ministry of Education**, ¥8,000
- 2020** **The "Climbing Program" Special Funds, Guangdong Provincial Government**, ¥20,000
- 2018-20** Undergraduate Merit Scholarship, Sun Yat-sen University, ¥4,000
- 2019** First Prize, the 10<sup>th</sup> "Focus on Society" Social Survey Competition, Sun Yat-sen University, ¥4,500
- 2019** Third Prize, the 4<sup>th</sup> Youth Studies Competition, Sun Yat-sen University, ¥1,500
- 2019** Third Prize, Special Funds for the Cultivation of Undergraduate Students' Scientific Capacity, Sun Yat-sen University, ¥1,500

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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#### Research Assistant

- Worked with Prof. **Yucheng LIANG** at the Center for Social Survey, Sun Yat-sen University. **2018-now**
- **Co-researcher**, *Research on the Evolution of College premium in China*
    - Conducted an analysis of the evolving college premium over time and across generations (age groups) in China, employed APC (Age-Period-Cohort) models to disentangle age, period, and cohort effects, explored the impact of structural changes, including educational expansion and technological advancements, on educational-related wage differentials.

- **Fieldwork Investigator**, *China Labor-force Dynamics Survey (2018)*.
  - Supervised a team of six interviewers in tracking three Shenzhen communities, conducted access skills training, created community maps for PPS sampling, interviewed 105 households, awarded National Excellent Investigator recognition.
- ▣ Worked with Dr. **Xin XIANG** at the Youth Growth (Clover Youth) Service Center, Guangzhou. **2022-2023**
  - **Project Evaluator**, *Education for Migrant Children Program*
    - Designed pre-test and post-test questionnaires, conducted data analysis using Stata, produced over 10 strategic evaluation reports on educational interventions for migrant children.
    - Analyzed trans-regional high school entrance exam policy documents across 11 districts in Guangzhou (2019-2022), compared the differences in high school admissions between migrant and local students, contributed a 20+ page analysis report on migrant student education.
- ▣ Worked with A.P. **Xinxiang SHI** at the Institute of Free Trade Zones, Sun Yat-sen University. **2020-2022**
  - **Co-researcher**, *Examining the Policy Effects of the Economic Special Zones*
    - Collected geographical, economic, and social data for the past 10 years from 21 national free trade zones, used difference-in-difference method to analyze the policy-induced agglomeration and neighborhood effects of free trade zone, contributed to a 20+ page academic paper currently under review.
  - **Policy Analyst**, *Research on Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area*
    - Collected and compiled policy documents related to regional integration from 11 prefecture-level cities in Greater Bay Area, produced regional reports.
- ▣ Worked with Dr. **Minjing ZHU** at the Guangzhou Academy of Social Sciences. **2020-2021**
  - **Co-researcher**, *Research on labor shortage in Guangzhou*
    - Designed survey and sampling methods for large-scale manufacturing and service enterprises in Guangzhou City, calculated the occupational shortage index, and compiled the list of Occupations in Demand in Guangzhou (2021).

## Student Teamwork

### 2019 Student Leader: Special Funds for the Cultivation of Undergraduate Students' Scientific Capacity

- Conducted research on "Urban Integration Promotes Innovation and Development" under the guidance of Professor Yonghong ZHANG, awarded the third prize in student competition at Sun Yat-sen University (out of selective 15+ teams).
- Supervised a team of 15 undergraduate students, conducted a 30-day fieldwork investigation in Nanshan District, Shenzhen, China.
- Assisted in resolving dining and accommodation issues, coordinated interview schedules, and interviewed over 100 individuals from enterprises, research institutes, and the local community.

### 2018 Student Leader: The 10th "Focus on Society" Social Survey Competition

- Conducted research on "Time Banking Localization in China" under the guidance of Professor Ning WANG, awarded the first prize in student competition at Sun Yat-sen University (out of 70+ teams), and funded by the "Climbing Program" Special Funds
- Supervised a team of 5 undergraduate students, designed research, applied for funding, organized fieldwork plans, coordinated initial draft assignments, and drafted the preliminary version of the paper.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Teaching Assistant

- ▣ Advanced Statistics and Academic Writing (SA232), Computational Sociology (SA3122). **Fall 2022**
  - Provided technical guidance to undergraduate students at Sun Yat-sen University in the execution of quantitative projects at various stages.
- ▣ Computational Social Science Workshop, Sun Yat-sen University **Fall 2024**

- Teaching assistant for the Text Analysis session with Dr. Yongxue ZHANG and the Machine Learning session with Professor Xiaoshuang JIA.

## METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING

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### Workshop & Training

- Computational Social Science Workshop, Sun Yat-sen University, 2019
- Summer School on Sociological Theories and Methods, Nanjing University, 2020

### Relevant Courses

- Statistics: Basic, Intermediate, Advanced (undergraduate and graduate)
- Methods for Social Research (undergraduate and graduate)
- Computational Sociology (undergraduate and graduate)
- Network Analysis (graduate)
- Econometrics (graduate)

## ACADEMIC SUPPORT

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**Graduate Student Mentor for Undergraduates:** the 13th “Focus on Society” Social Survey Competition (2022); the 14th “Focus on Society” Social Survey Competition (2023), the 15th “Liberal Arts Education” - Sichuan-Guangdong-Guizhou Practical Project (2023).

**Academic Events Coordinator for the Department:** Held the position of Vice Leader in the Academic Committee of the Student Union. Orchestrated academic lectures featuring professors, graduate students, and alumni. Successfully planned and executed over 10 academic events.

## VOLUNTEER SERVICE

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- ☐ Volunteer, Youth Growth (Clover Youth) Service Center, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou. **2023**
  - Researched and tracked educational enrollment policies in Guangzhou, offering academic and career guidance to junior high school students.
- ☐ Volunteer, Sustainable Urban and Rural Development Center, Tianhe District, Guangzhou. **2019**
  - Assisted in organizing the Green Life Fair to promote sustainable lifestyle concepts.
- ☐ Volunteer, Guangtian Community Service Center, Tianhe District, Guangzhou. **2018**
  - Offered assistance and support to migrant worker families, with a focus on educational services for migrant children.
- ☐ Project Manager, Enactus (SIFE-Students in Free Enterprise), Sun Yat-sen University. **2018**
  - Organized college major information seminars for high school students and provided comprehensive counseling services for their university applications.

## SKILLS & MEMBERSHIP

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- Programming: Proficient in R, Stata, Python, UCINET, Pajek, Netlogo
- Memberships: Chinese Sociological Association, International Network for Social Network Analysis
- Languages: Chinese (Native), Vahcuengh (Native), English (Fluent), Cantonese (Fluent)