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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

The University of Pittsburgh

Assistant Professor, School of Computing and Information, 2019–present

The University of Chicago

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology, 2016–2019

**Arizona State University** 

Postdoctoral Researcher, Global Biosocial Complexity Initiative, 2014–2015

EDUCATION

City University of Hong Kong

Peking University

Communication

Communication

M.A., 2009

China University of Political Science and Law

Political Science

B. A., 2006

REPRESENTATIVE RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

- **Wu, L.**, Wang, D., & Evans, J. A. (2019). Large teams develop and small teams disrupt science and technology. *Nature*, 566(7744), 378-382.
- Xu, F., Wu, L., & Evans, J. (2022). Flat Teams Drive Scientific Innovation. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)*, 119(23), e2200927119.

The New York Times Can Big Science Be Too Big?
The Atlantic Small Teams of Scientists Have Fresher Ideas
Forbes It Takes More Than Members to Make a Team
Harvard Business Review When Small Teams Are Better Than Big Ones

Börner, K., Scrivner, O., Gallant, M., Ma, S., Liu, X., Chewning, K., Wu, L., Evans, J. A. (2018). Skill discrepancies between research, education, and jobs reveal the critical need to supply soft skills for the data economy. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)*, 115(50), 12630-12637.

The Conversation How to fix the gap between school and work in South Africa Complexity Science In an Age of Workplace Automation, Being Human Matters Open Science Learning as Part of a Community Is a Powerful Skill

- **Wu, L.**, & Zhang, J. (2011). Accelerating growth and size-dependent distribution of human online activities. *Physical Review E*, 84(2), 026113.
- Wu, L. (2011), The accelerating growth of online tagging systems. *European Physical Journal B*, 83(2), 283.

New Scientist Why Social Networks Are Sucking up More of Your Time Science Daily Online Activity Grows in a Similar Pattern to Real-Life Networks Springer Select Predicting Collective Online Behavior GRANTS

PI, "Understanding Team Age Dynamics and Scientific Innovation", Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, \$250k, 2023–2026 (tentative).

PI, "Sideline to Frontline: Data-driven Technologies to Reskill Displaced Workers for Healthcare Economy and Beyond", Richard King Mellon Foundation, \$100k, 2020–2021.

Co-PI, "Quantifying Hyperlocal Digital Disadvantage: A Path to Supporting Digital Participation", NSF RAPID, \$196,271, 2020–2023.

PI, "Measuring Worldviews: A Map of Stubborn Social Skills", Institute for Cyber Law, Policy, and Security, University of Pittsburgh, \$6500, 2020-2021.

PI, "International Symposium on Complex Systems, Geometry, and Machine Learning", Kaifeng Foundation, \$442,930, 2016–2026.

PI, "International Symposium on Artificial Intelligence and Public Policy", Tencent Research Institute, \$43,700, 2018–2019.

Senior personnel, "Collaborative Research: Understanding Team Success and Failure", National Science Foundation (NSF) Award #1829344, \$592,772, 2018–2021.

Senior personnel, "Understanding Online Attention and User-generated Content Creation", Australian Research Council (ARC) Discovery Grant #140103688, \$225,000, 2014–2016.

Awards

Oxford Martin Fellowship, University of Oxford, 2021 Top 100 most-discussed papers across all sciences, Altmetric, 2019 Economic Graph Research Award, LinkedIn, 2016

Воок

Wu, L. (2014). *Data Visualization*, <a href="https://lingfeiwu1.gitbooks.io/data-mining-in-social-science/">https://lingfeiwu1.gitbooks.io/data-mining-in-social-science/</a>

Under review

Lin, Y., Frey, C. B., & Wu, L. (2022). Remote Collaboration Fuses Fewer Breakthrough Ideas. arXiv preprint arXiv:2206.01878. *Nature*.

Cui, H., **Wu**, L., & Evans, J. A. (2022). Aging Scientists and Slowed Advance. arXiv preprint arXiv:2202.04044. *Nature Communication*.

Tong, D., Wu, L., & Evans, J. A. (2021). Low-skilled Occupations Face the Highest Re-skilling Pressure. arXiv preprint arXiv:2101.11505. *PNAS*.

IN PREPARATION

Risha, Z., Lin, Y., Leahey, E., & Wu, L. The Productivity Cost of Convergence Science.

Chen, M., Neffke, F., & Wu, L. The Hard Challenge of Soft Knowledge.

Lin, Y. & Wu, L. Two kinds of Innovation in Science and Technology.

# PUBLICATIONS (FULL LIST)

- 1. Xu, F., Wu, L., & Evans, J. (2022). Flat Teams Drive Scientific Innovation. Forthcoming in Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)
- 2. Wu, L., Kittur, A., Youn, H., Milojević, S., Leahey, E., Fiore, S. M., & Ahn, Y. Y. (2022). Metrics and Mechanisms: Measuring the Unmeasurable in the Science of Science. *Journal of Informetrics*, 16(2), 101290.
- 3. Lin, Y., Evans, J. A., & Wu, L. (2022). New directions in science emerge from disconnection and discord. *Journal of Informetrics*, 16(1), 101234.
- 4. Li, L., <u>Wu, L.</u>, & Evans, J. A. (2020). Social centralization and semantic collapse: Hyperbolic embeddings of networks and text. *Poetics*, 101428.
- 5. Xu, H., Zhang, Z., <u>Wu, L.</u>, & Wang, C. J. (2019). The Cinderella Complex: Word embeddings reveal gender stereotypes in movies and books. *PLOS ONE*, 14(11).
- 6. <u>Wu, L.</u>, Wang, D., & Evans, J. A. (2019). Large teams develop and small teams disrupt science and technology. *Nature*, 566(7744), 378-382.
- Börner, K., Scrivner, O., Gallant, M., Ma, S., Liu, X., Chewning, K., <u>Wu, L.</u>, Evans, J. A. (2018). Skill discrepancies between research, education, and jobs reveal the critical need to supply soft skills for the data economy. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)*, 115(50), 12630-12637.
- 8. Wu, L., & Wang, C. J. (2016). Tracing the attention of moving citizens. *Scientific Reports*, 6, 33103.
- 9. Wang, C. J., <u>Wu, L.</u>, Zhang, J., & Janssen, M. A. (2016). The collective direction of attention diffusion. *Scientific Reports*, 6, 34059.
- 10. Wang, C. J., & Wu, L. (2016). The scaling of attention networks. *Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications*, 448, 196-204.
- 11. <u>Wu, L.</u>, Baggio, J. A., & Janssen, M. A. (2016). The role of diverse strategies in sustainable knowledge production. *PLOS ONE*, 11(3), e0149151.
- 12. Zhang, J., Li, X., Wang, X., Wang, W. X., & <u>Wu, L.</u> (2015). Scaling behaviours in the growth of networked systems and their geometric origins. *Scientific reports*, 5, 9767.
- 13. Li, X., Wang, X., Zhang, J., & <u>Wu, L.</u> (2015). Allometric scaling, size distribution and pattern formation of natural cities. *Palgrave Communications*, 1, 15017.
- 14. <u>Wu, L.</u>, Zhang, J., & Zhao, M. (2014). The metabolism and growth of Web forums. *PLOS ONE*, 9(8), e102646.
- 15. <u>Wu, L.</u>, & Ackland, R. (2014). How Web 1.0 fails: The mismatch between hyperlinks and clickstreams. *Social Network Analysis and Mining*, 4(1), 202.
- 16. Zhang J. and <u>Wu, L.</u> (2013), Allometry and dissipation of ecological networks. *PLOS ONE*, 8(9), e72525.
- 17. <u>Wu, L.</u> and Zhang, J. (2013), The decentralized structure of collective attention on the Web. *European Physical Journal B*, 86(6), 266.
- 18. **Wu, L.**, & Zhang, J. (2011). Accelerating growth and size-dependent distribution of human online activities. *Physical Review E*, 84(2), 026113.
- 19. **Wu**, **L.** (2011), The accelerating growth of online tagging systems. *European Physical Journal B*, 83(2), 283.

20. <u>Wu, L.</u>, Cai, Y., and Liu, D. (2011), Online shopping among Chinese consumers: An exploratory investigation of demographics and value orientation. *International Journal of Consumer Studies*, 35(4), 458.

#### TEACHING

#### Data Visualization

Information Visualization (INSCI2415), The Master of Science in Information Science program, University of Pittsburgh, 2019–present

# • Computational Social Science

AI for Team Science and Innovation (INFSCI 3350), Doctoral Seminar, University of Pittsburgh, 2020–present Computational Communication Seminar, Nanjing University. 2015 Complex Network Analysis Seminar, Arizona State University. 2014

#### **TALKS**

International Conference on the Science of Science and Innovation, DC, 2022 Zhejiang University, Department of Sociology. 2022.

Peking University, Department of Information Management. 2022.

Monash University, Department of Economics. 2021.

UT Austin, School of Information. 2021.

CMU, Societal Computing program. 2021.

MIT Sloan, Future of Work program. 2021.

Wuhan University, School of Information Management. 2021.

International Conference on Computational Social Science. 2020.

CMU, Social Cybersecurity Working Group, 2020

UC Davis, Computational Communication Research Lab, 2020

Harvard Kennedy School, Center for International Development. 2018

National Opinion Research Center (NORC). 2018.

International Conference on Computational Social Science. 2018.

Science of Team Science Conference. 2018.

National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC). 2018.

Science of Team Science Conference, 2017.

International Conference on Social Informatics. 2014.

International Communication Association Conference. 2012.

Nanyang Tech. University. School of Comm. and Information. 2011.

The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation. 2011.

Australian National University, Demographic & Social Research Inst. 2011.

Wolfram Research. 2010.

Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Conference. 2009.

ACM Web Science Conference. 2009.

#### Media coverage

SAGE Research Methods Ask a Researcher: Lingfei Wu on Networks and Computational Social Science

SAGE Big Data & Data Visualization in the Study of the Science of Science

The New York Times Can Big Science Be Too Big?

The Atlantic Small Teams of Scientists Have Fresher Ideas

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Harvard Business Review When Small Teams Are Better Than Big Ones New Scientist Why Social Networks Are Sucking up More of Your Time

Science Daily Online Activity Grows in a Similar Pattern to Real-Life Networks

Springer Select Predicting Collective Online Behavior

The Conversation How to fix the gap between school and work in South Africa

Complexity Science In an Age of Workplace Automation, Being Human Matters Open Science Learning as Part of a Community Is a Powerful Skill

# **SERVICE Conference/Workshop Co-Chair/Organizer**

International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC2S2) 2022 International Science of Team Science Conference (SciTS) 2022 Network Science Society Conference (NetSci) 2017, 2019, 2021, 2022 The Web Conference (WWW) 2020 Duke Forest Conference 2016 Conference on Complex Systems (CCS) 2015

### **Invited Reviewer for Academic Journals**

Scientometrics
Quantitative Science Studies (QSS)
Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology (JASIST)
Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications
PLOS ONE

# **Research Evaluation Consultant for Private Funding Agencies**

Novo Nordisk Fonden John Templeton Foundation

# **Invited Reviewer for Federal Funding Agencies**

National Science Foundation U.S. Department of Energy

SKILLS Python, R, Mathematica, STATA, IBM SPSS, SQL, Adobe Illustrator, Processing