

LINGXI (CYNTHIA) ZHANG

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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology & Statistics and Data Science

Expected Jun 2025

Cumulative GPA: 3.975/4.000

Relevant Coursework: Introduction to Sociological Research Method; Development of Sociological Theory; Statistical Programming with R; Data Analysis and Regression; Social Statistics (Grad School Level, A)

AREAS OF INTEREST

Work and Labor Market, Poverty, Social inequality and stratification, Immigration, Health outcome

WORK IN PROGRESS

Zhang, Lingxi. 2024. "Parent-Child Distance and Its Effects on Mental Health, Job Satisfaction, and Income".

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

Zhang, Lingxi. 2024. "Job Conditions and Workers' Wellbeing in the New Economy: A Comparison of Food Delivery and Retail Workers in China", presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Montreal, August 2024.

FELLOWSHIP & AWARD

Honors Program 2024, American Sociological Association	2024
Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowship, The University of California, Los Angeles	2024
Undergraduate Research Fellowship, The University of California, Los Angeles	2023
Research Revealed Undergraduate Fellowship, The University of California, Los Angeles	2023

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant at UCLA Undergraduate Research Center

Los Angeles, CA

Student Researcher

Jun 2023 – Jun 2024

- Conducted literature review on students' performance in the Humanities, Art, and Social Sciences (HASS) research preparation program evaluation with Professor Kelly Kistner.
- Evaluated the efficacy of UCLA research preparation programs (2020-2022), analyzing 300+ student questionnaire responses, performing t-tests for quantitative data, and creating data visualizations.

Research Assistant I at UCLA Sociology Department

Los Angeles, CA

Research Assistant

Sep 2023 – Present

- Collected and analyzed archival materials such as newspaper articles, government documents, and property data.
- Conducted in-person interview and transcribed interview records of 5+ interviewees for a research project on community dynamics in Los Angeles' Chinatown with Victoria Tran.

Research Assistant II at UCLA Sociology Department

Los Angeles, CA

Research Assistant

Jul 2024 – Oct 2024

- Conducted an in-depth literature review on job displacement, technological displacement, and downward mobility, analyzing and synthesizing research papers under the supervision of Professor Jennie E. Brand.

- Prepared comprehensive summaries and reports, identifying key trends and gaps in the literature, and contributed to developing research frameworks and future publications.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Witness to Mass Incarceration

Online

Marketing and Communication Intern

Mar 2022 – Aug 2022

- Cooperated with team members to host the Suitcase Sunday event, bringing together 100+ formerly incarcerated people (FIP), more than 50 FIP-led services and businesses, religious organizations, and local and municipal governments.
- Designed 10+ promotional videos and 20+ social media posts to promote organization and event

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Sociology Undergraduate Association

Los Angeles, CA

Vice President

Oct 2021 - Present

- Organized and hosted 5+ Sociology research panels, lawyer-up, professor spotlights, and alumni panels.
- Reserved event venue, administered five faculty research panels and supervised communication with alumni.
- Promoted 10+ events on social media and newsletter; improved engagement and event attendance by 10%.

Love Save Pneumoconiosis

Chengdu, China

Initiator

Sep 2018 – Aug 2023

- Produced a documentary about Pneumoconiosis patients' past experiences as miner workers in Chongqing.
- Raised 2000 RMB budget for documentary and obtained more than 14,000 plays on Chinese social media.
- Shoot a following documentary to trace back on the pneumoconiosis patients in summer 2023.

Project Lux

Los Angeles, CA

Member

Sep 2022 – Jun 2023

- Collaborated with team members to provide essential resources such as water, food, and basic necessities to the unhoused community in downtown LA, ensuring consistent weekly support.
- Assisted in enrolling homeless individuals in healthcare programs, including health insurance, while advocating for improved access to medical services, demonstrating a commitment to community welfare and empowerment.

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Languages: Mandarin (native), English
- Statistical Software: R, SPSS, Tableau, LaTeX