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### EDUCATION

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**2020–present**

**Ph.D., Sociology**

Comprehensive exam: Family, Work

Advisor: Dr. Yue Qian

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

**2019**

**M.A., Sociology**

Thesis: “Rethinking marriage and family: A qualitative study of how Chinese lesbians, gays, and their parents perceive *xinghun*”

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, United States

**2018**

**B.Econ., Economics**

Peking University, Beijing, China

### PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

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**Cai, Manlin** and Yue Qian. Forthcoming. “Digital **Ethnic** Enclaves: Mate Preferences and Platform Choices Among Chinese Immigrant Online Daters in Vancouver.” *Canadian Review of Sociology*.

Qin, Siqu, **Manlin Cai**, Sylvia Fuller, and Yue Qian. Forthcoming. “Gender, Parenthood and Employment During COVID-19: An Immigrant-Native Born Comparison in Canada.” *Canadian Ethnic Studies*.

Qian, Yue, Yang Shen, and **Manlin Cai**. 2022. “[Gendered Age Preferences for Potential Partners: A Mixed-Methods Study Among Online Daters in Shanghai](#).” *Chinese Sociological Review* 54(3): 304-331.

– Featured in [Sixth Tone](#), [Ms-Muses \(in Chinese\)](#)

### OP-ED

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**Cai, Manlin**. 2021. “[Forget ‘Leftover Women.’ Let’s Talk About the Women Being Left Out.](#)” *Sixth Tone*.

– Reprinted by [The World of Chinese](#)

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

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**Cai, Manlin.** “Marriages of Convenience in China: Lesbians, Gays, and Their Parents.” Revise and Resubmit at *LGBTQ+ Family: An Interdisciplinary Journal*.

## MANUSCRIPT IN PREPARATION

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**Cai, Manlin** and Yue Qian. “When High Hopes Meet Harsh Realities: How Gender Scripts and Unscripted Territory Frustrate Online Daters.” In Preparation for *Journal of Marriage and Family*.

## GRANT

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2021–2022	Small Grants for Faculty-Graduate Student Research Collaborations, Centre for Migration Studies, University of British Columbia (\$1,100) Principal Investigator: Yue Qian
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## HONOURS AND AWARDS

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2022–2023	Centre for Migration Studies Fellow, University of British Columbia (\$500)
2022	Kurt and Anne Paulus Memorial Scholarship in Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia (\$242)
2022	Congress Graduate Merit Award, Canadian Sociological Association, Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences (\$500)
2021	Sociology Graduate and Patricia Marchak International Research Scholarship, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia (\$276)
2020	Kurt and Anne PAULUS Memorial Scholarship in Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia (\$322)
2020–2024	Four-year Graduate Fellowship, University of British Columbia (\$54,000)
2020–2024	President’s Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award, University of British Columbia (\$6,000)
2020–2024	International Tuition Award, University of British Columbia (\$12,800)
2018–2019	Merit Based Scholarship, University of Chicago (\$10,500 USD)
2016	Academic Excellence Award, Peking University

- 2016                      Meiyi Merit Based Scholarship, Peking University (CNY4,000)
- 2015                      Merit Student Award, Peking University
- 2015                      Leo Koguan Academic Scholarship, Peking University (CNY10,000)

### INVITED TALK

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- 2022                      “Partner Preferences and Online Dating in China and Canada: Evidence from Two Studies.” Guest Speaker for Social Demography, School of Sociology and Population Studies, Renmin University of China

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- 2022                      “Digital Enclaves: Mate Preferences and Platform Choices Among Chinese Immigrant Online Daters in Vancouver.” Annual Conference of Canadian Sociological Association, Canada (Zoom)
- 2022                      “Swipe Right, What Next?: Relationship Progression Among Chinese Online Daters in Vancouver.” Annual Conference of Canadian Sociological Association, Canada (Zoom)
- 2022                      “Digital Enclaves: Mate Preferences and Platform Choices Among Chinese Immigrant Online Daters in Vancouver.” University of Cambridge Pembroke Workshop of “Chinese Migration, Diaspora, and Mobility,” United Kingdom (Zoom)
- 2021                      “Matching on Immigration Status and Timing: Online Dating of Chinese Immigrants in Metro Vancouver.” The Chinese University of Hong Kong International Conference on Gender and (Im)mobility in Uncertain Times, Hong Kong (Zoom)
- 2021                      “Matching on Immigration Status and Timing: Online Dating of Chinese Immigrants in Metro Vancouver.” Annual Conference of Canadian Sociological Association, Canada (Zoom)
- 2019                      “Rethinking Marriage and Family: A Qualitative Study on How Lesbians, Gays, and Their Parents Perceive *xinghun* in China. University of Chicago Gender and Sexuality Studies Working Group, United States
- 2019                      “Marriage of ‘Convenience’: A Qualitative Study on How Lesbians, Gays, and Their Parents Perceive *xinghun* in China. University of Chicago MAPSS Academic Conference, United States

**TEACHING**

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2021– Teaching Assistant, University of British Columbia  
– Inequality and Social Change  
– Family Context of Human Development  
– Survey Methods

**SERVICE**

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2022–2023 Student Representative on the Workload Policy Committee, Department  
of Sociology, University of British Columbia

2021–2022 Doctorate Student Representative, Department of Sociology, University  
of British Columbia

**AFFILIATIONS**

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Members:

2020– American Sociological Association

2020– Canadian Sociological Association