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Education

University of Wisconsin – Madison (UW–Madison) 2019 – 2025 Expected

PhD. Educational Psychology (Quantitative Methods)

(Advisor: Dr. David Kaplan)

M.S. Statistics

(Advisor: Dr. Sameer Deshpande)

Minor. Computer Science

University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign (UIUC)

2017 – 2019

M.S. QUERIES

(Advisor: Dr. Carolyn Anderson)

University of Macao (UM) | Honor College

2011 – 2015

B.Ed. Education

Minor. Psychology

Research Interests

- **Bayesian Statistics:** Bayesian nonparametrics.
- **Machine Learning:** Ensemble methods and transfer learning.
- **Clustering:** Hierarchical and mixture-based clustering.
- **Causal Inference:** Heterogeneous treatment effects.
- **Applications in Education, Psychology, and Population Health.**

Preprints

- 6 **Huang, M.** (2024+). Bayesian additive regression trees for estimating heterogeneous trajectories of test scores in large-scale education assessment. PsyArXiv: <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/s6cb3>.

Publications

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

- 5 **Huang, M.**, & Kaplan, D. (2024) [In press]. Predictive performance of Bayesian stacking in multilevel education data. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, PsyArXiv: <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/e9m6x>.
- 4 Xia, Y., Luo, Y., **Huang, M.**, & Yang, Y. (2022). On the use of inclusive strategy when some participants fail to provide data on all studied variables. *International Journal of Quantitative Research in Education*, 5(4), 356-378. DOI: [10.1504/IJQRE.2022.129794](https://doi.org/10.1504/IJQRE.2022.129794)
- 3 Garbacz, S. A., Stormshak, E. A., McIntyre, L. L., Bolt, D., & **Huang, M.** (2022). Family-Centered Prevention During Elementary School to Reduce Growth in Emotional and Behavior Problems. *Journal of Emotional and Behavioral Disorders*, 10634266221143720. DOI: [10.1177/10634266221143720](https://doi.org/10.1177/10634266221143720).
- 2 Kaplan, D., & **Huang, M.** (2021). Bayesian probabilistic forecasting with large-scale educational trend data: a case study using NAEP. *Large-scale Assessments in Education*, 9(1), 1-31. DOI: [10.1186/s40536-021-00108-2](https://doi.org/10.1186/s40536-021-00108-2).

Book Chapters

- 1 **Huang, M.**, & Anderson, C. (2021). A Bayesian solution to non-convergence of crossed random effects models. *Quantitative Psychology*, (pp. 297-307). Springer International Publishing. DOI: [10.1007/978-3-030-74772-5_27](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-74772-5_27).

Working Papers & Research in progress

- 4 **Huang, M.** (2024+). Bayesian nonparametric ensemble methods for personalized predictive modeling with input-dependent weighting scheme.
- 3 Kaplan, D., & **Huang, M.** (2024+). Evaluation of predictive accuracy when models are distinct: a Bayesian perspective.
- 2 Kokandakar, A.H., **Huang, M.**, Lyu, W., & Deshpande, S.K. (2024+). A mixture of finite mixture modeling approach for estimating heterogeneous treatment effects.
- 1 Pan, P., & **Huang, M.**, & Anderson, C. (2024+). A tutorial of Bayesian methods for estimating crossed-classified random effects.

Conference Presentations

- **Huang, M.** (2024). “Bayesian treed regressions for estimating heterogeneous trajectories of test scores in large-scale data”. Presented at the International Society of Bayesian Analysis (ISBA), Venice, Italy.

- **Huang, M.** (2024). “Bayesian Additive Regression Trees for estimating heterogeneous trajectories of test scores in large-scale educational data”. Presented at the 89th annual meeting of the Psychometric Society (IMPS), Prague, Czech Republic.
- Edwards, E., & **Huang, M.** (2024). “Predictive performance of Bayesian model mixing in large-scale clustered data”. Presented at the 5th annual Research Bazaar, Madison, WI.
- **Huang, M.**, & Kaplan, D. (2023). “Bayesian stacking in multilevel Models”. Presented at the 88th annual meeting of the Psychometric Society (IMPS), College Park, MD.
- **Huang, M.**, & Kaplan, D. (2023). “Bayesian hierarchical stacking in large-scale assessment”. Presented at the annual meeting of the National Council on Measurement in Education (NCME), Chicago, IL.
- **Huang, M.**, & Kaplan, D. (2022). “Bayesian hierarchical stacking in random effects models”. Presented at the 87th annual meeting of the Psychometric Society (IMPS), Bologna, Italy.
- **Huang, M.**, & Anderson, C. (2020) [Virtual]. “A Bayesian solution to non-convergence of crossed random effects models”. Presented at the 85th annual meeting of the Psychometric Society (IMPS).
- Kaplan, D., & **Huang, M.** (2020) [Virtual]. “Bayesian probabilistic forecasting with large-scale educational trend data: a case study using NAEP”. Presented at the 85th annual meeting of the Psychometric Society (IMPS).
- **Huang, M.** (2019). “Self-concept, motivational calibration and biology performance of college students”. The Annual Meeting of American Educational Research Association (AERA) [Accepted]. DOI: [10.3102/1431491](https://doi.org/10.3102/1431491).

Invited Talks

May 2024 “Bayesian treed regressions for estimating heterogeneous trajectories of test scores in large-scale clustered data”. Statistics Graduate Students Association, University of Wisconsin – Madison, Madison WI.

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant | Guest Lecturer

ED PSYCH 965 Applied Bayesian Statistics for Education Research	<i>UW-Madison</i> 2024
ED PSYCH 761 Statistical Methods Applied to Education II	2023/2024
ED PSYCH 760 Statistical Methods Applied to Education I	2022/2023

Graduate (Teaching) Assistant EPSY 199 Undergraduate Open Seminar	<i>UIUC</i> 2018 – 2019
Intern Homeroom Teacher <i>Jefferson Middle School</i>	<i>Urbana, IL</i> Jan – May 2014

Professional Experience

Project Assistant World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA) <i>University of Wisconsin – Madison</i>	June – July 2023
Project Assistant Testing and Evaluation Services (TNE) <i>University of Wisconsin – Madison</i>	2021 – 2022
Project Assistant Wisconsin Center for Education Research (WCER) <i>University of Wisconsin – Madison</i>	June – August 2021
Chair Project Assistant Department of Educational Psychology <i>University of Wisconsin – Madison</i>	2020 – 2021
Graduate (Research) Assistant International Student and Scholar Services <i>University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign</i>	2017 – 2018
Research Assistant Honor College Research Program <i>University of Macao</i>	2012 – 2015
International Baccalaureate (IB) PYP Program Coordinator <i>Country Garden Silver Beach International School</i>	2015 – 2017

Honors & Awards

Graduate School Fellowship <i>University of Wisconsin – Madison</i>	2019/2024
Student Research Grant Competition Award <i>University of Wisconsin – Madison</i>	2024
Student Travel Award <i>International Society of Bayesian Analysis (ISBA)</i>	2024

Student Travel Award	2023
<i>Psychometric Society (IMPS)</i>	
Busk Travel Award	2023
<i>University of Wisconsin – Madison</i>	
Dean’s Honor List	2011 – 2015
<i>University of Macao</i>	
Henry Fok Foundation Academic Prize	2015
<i>University of Macao</i>	
Dean’s Honor List	2014
<i>University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign</i>	
Wu’s Group Scholarship	2013
<i>University of Macao</i>	

Service

Ad Hoc Reviewer	AERA Annual Meeting.
Graduate Research Mentor	Undergraduate Research Scholar Program. evanjje . <i>University of Wisconsin – Madison</i>
Exchange Program Coordinator	Macao Exchange Services. <i>University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign</i>

Professional Affiliations

Psychometric Society
American Psychological Association (APA) Division 5
International Society of Bayesian Analysis (ISBA)
American Educational Research Association (AERA)

Programming

R, Python, Stan, SAS, *Mplus*, MATLAB, SPSS, CSS, shell script, C/C++, L^AT_EX, Git, Docker.