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EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine

Ph.D in Sociology (expected) 2024

M.S. in Statistics (expected) 2023

M.A. in Sociology 2021

Peking University

B.A. in Sociology (*with honors*) 2018

B.A. in Economics 2018

AREAS OF INTEREST

Social Networks, Migration, Demography, Inequality, Mathematical Sociology, Methodology

PUBLICATION

Peer-Reviewed Paper

Thomas, Loring J., **Peng Huang**, Yin Fan, Xiaoshuang Luo, Zack W. Almquist, John R. Hipp, Carter T. Butts. 2020. “[Spatial Heterogeneity Can Lead to Substantial Local Variations in COVID-19 Timing and Severity](#).” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 117(39), 24180-24187.

Working Papers

Huang, Peng, Carter T. Butts. “Intercounty Migration in an Immobile Era: A Network Perspective.”

Huang, Peng, Carter T. Butts. “Estimation of exponential-family random graph models for valued networks: a comparative simulation study.”

Thomas, Loring J., **Peng Huang**, Xiaoshuang Luo, John R. Hipp, Carter T. Butts. “Imputation of Three-Way Crosstab Data with Simulated Annealing.”

Wu, Qiong, **Peng Huang**, and Chunni Zhang. “The Paradox of Subjective Social Status of Migrants in China.”

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Huang, Peng**, and Carter T. Butts. 2021. “Estimation of exponential-family random graph models for valued networks: a comparative simulation study.” Computational Sociology Section, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA), Virtual, August.
- Thomas, Loring J., **Peng Huang**, Xiaoshuang Luo, John R. Hipp, Carter T. Butts. 2021. “Rising Floodwaters: Spatial Social Network Effects on COVID-19 Outcomes by Race and Ethnicity.” Social Networks Section, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA), Virtual, August.
- Huang, Peng**, and Carter T. Butts. 2021. “Estimation of Count-data Exponential-Family Random Graph Models (ERGMs).” North America Social Network Conference (NASN), Virtual, January.
- Thomas, Loring J., **Peng Huang**, Xiaoshuang Luo, John R. Hipp, Carter T. Butts. 2020. “Examining the Effect of COVID-19 Diffusion on Spatial Networks to Understand Ethnoracial Disparities in Disease Outcomes.” North America Social Network Conference (NASN), Virtual, January.
- Huang, Peng**, and Carter T. Butts. 2020. “The Networks of Inter-County Migration Flows in the U.S.” Internal Migration Section, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA), Virtual, August.
- Huang, Peng**, and Jacob Thomas. 2020. “The Strengths and Challenges of Cross-cultural Collaborative Field Research of Families and International Migration.” Evaluation of Qualitative Methods Section, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA), Virtual, August.
- Huang, Peng**, and Carter T. Butts. 2020. “Modeling the Network of Inter-County Migration Flows in the U.S. Using Dynamic Valued ERGMs.” Sunbelt Network Conference (INSNA), Virtual, June.
- Thomas, Loring J., **Peng Huang**, Xiaoshuang Luo, John R. Hipp, Carter T. Butts. 2020. “Estimating Inhomogeneous Spatial Interaction Functions for Spatial Network Simulation” Sunbelt Network Conference (INSNA), Virtual, June.
- Wu, Qiong, **Peng Huang**, and Chunni Zhang. 2018. “The Paradox of Subjective Social Status of Migrants in China” Joint Conference for Family (RC06) and Population (RC41) of the International Sociological Association (ISA), Singapore, May; Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America (PAA), Denver, CO, April.
- Thomas, Jacob and **Peng Huang**. 2017. “Family Matters, But Most of All Not in the Way Most International Migration Scholars Think.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA), Montreal, QC, August.

INVITED TALKS

Huang, Peng and Jacob Thomas. 2017. “The Advantages and Challenges of Conducting Bicultural Collaborative Ethnography.” Irene Flecknoe Ross Lecture Series Ethnography Working Group, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA, January.

Thomas, Jacob and **Peng Huang**. 2017. “Family Matters, But Most of All Not in the Way Most International Migration Scholars Think.” The Family Working Group, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA, January.

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Biao Xiang (Oxford, Max Planck) 2018

- Studied Beijing’s eviction programs towards floating population in history and at present
- Collected government documents and official reports to reveal the logic behind policy design

Research Assistant for Yinxian Zhang (CUNY) and Xi Song (UPenn) 2018

- Studied media coverage and public perceptions of inequality in China
- Coded media reports and cleaned data for sentiment analysis using machine learning

Research Assistant for Jacob Thomas (Princeton) 2016,2018

- Studied how states and family deter people from emigrating
- Conducted 103 in-depth interviews with informants interested in but deciding not migrating

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California, Irvine

Teaching assistant for SOC138/ECON148: Business Decisions Winter 2019,2021

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

University of California, Irvine

Dean’s Recruitment Fellowship, School of Social Sciences 2018

Peking University

Robin Li Scholarship, Department of Sociology 2016-2017

Tan Siu Lin Oversea Exchange Fellowship, National School of Development Summer 2017

Outstanding Research Award, Department of Sociology 2015-2016

Xinhe Overseas Study Scholarship, Office of International Relations Summer 2015

May 4th Scholarship, Department of Sociology 2014-2015