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Research Interests

I am broadly interested in morality, behavioral ethics, judgment and decision-making, and social cognition. I aspire to apply findings in these areas to practical realms (environmental conservation, protection of animal welfare, gender equality, etc.). I practice open science since the first day of my academic training, and I value replicability, reproducibility, and evidence-based practices (e.g., effective altruism).

Education

Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in Social Psychology 2019 – 2021 (expected)
University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR, China
Advisor: Gilad Feldman, Ph.D.

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Philosophy and Psychology (1st Class Honours) 2015 – 2018
University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR, China

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Philosophy (Study Abroad Exchange Program) 2016
King's College London, U.K.

Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.) (transferred) 2014 – 2015
University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR, China

Publications

Working Papers

*Equal contribution

Xiao, Q.*, Pettibone, J.*, & Feldman, G. (work in preparation). Using decoys to explore context effects on romantic partner selection: Dominance valuing and compromise aversion.

Xiao, Q., & Feldman, G. (work in preparation). Moral typecasting: Replication and extension of Gray and Wegner (2009). (To be submitted as a Registered Report)

Ziano, I.*, **Xiao, Q.***, Yeung, S. K.*, Wong, C. Y. J.*, Cheung, M. Y. S.*, Lo, J.*, Yan, M.*, Narendra, G. I.*, Kwan, L. W. K.*, Chow, C. S. R.*, Chak, Y. M.*, & Feldman, G.* (under review). Numbing or sensitization? Replications and extensions of Fetherstonhaugh et al.'s (1977) "Insensitivity to the value of human life". *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*.
<https://doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.10976.71681>

Xiao, Q., Zeng, S., & Feldman, G. (Stage 2 conditional acceptance). Revisiting the decoy effect: Replication and extension of Ariely and Wallsten (1995) and Connolly, Reb, and Kausel (2013). *Comprehensive Results in Social Psychology*. <http://doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.26395.00803/2> (Registered Report)

Xiao, Q.*, Lam, C. S.*, Piara M.*, & Feldman, G.* (conditional acceptance; revised and resubmitted). Revisiting status quo bias: Replication of Samuelson and Zeckhauser (1988). *Meta-Psychology*. <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/ta97c> (Pre-registered)

Published

Mass Collaborations

Hall, B. F., Wagge, J. R., Pfuhl, G., Stieger, S., Vergauwe, E., Ijzerman, H., ... **Xiao, Q.**, ... Lowry, M. B. (in-principle acceptance) Registered Replication Report: Turri, Buckwalter, & Blouw (2015). *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*. <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/zeux9> (Accelerated CREP project)

Research Experience

Independent Thesis Student Brain & Behavior Lab, HKU (PI: Dorita H. F. Chang, Ph.D.) Topic: Reference frames for coherent motion perception	2017 – 2018
Research Intern Consciousness & Metacognition Lab, HKU (PI: Hakwan Lau, D.Phil.) Topic: Metacognitive sensitivity for peripheral visual perception	2017 – 2018
Research Intern Attention Brain & Cognition Lab, HKU (PI: Janet H. Hsiao, Ph.D.) Topic: Association between face recognition performance, eye-movement, and autism	2016 – 2017

Funding & Awards

Dean's Honours List	2017 – 2018
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Evergreen Scholarship for Student Enrichment	2016

Professional Services

Reviewing experience

Journal of Pacific Rim Psychology
Scientific Reports
Social Psychological and Personality Science

Professional Affiliations

Society for Judgment and Decision Making

Member

Teaching

University of Hong Kong

PSYC3052 Advanced Social Psychology (teaching assistant)

2020 – 2021 Fall Semester

PSYC2071 Judgment and Decision Making (teaching assistant)

2020 – 2021 Fall Semester

Skills

Data analysis: R / Python / SPSS / Meta-analysis / Bayesian statistics / Visualization

Experimentation: MATLAB / Qualtrics / MTurk / PsychoPy / E-Prime

Languages: English (full professional proficiency) / Mandarin (native) / Cantonese (limited working proficiency) / German (elementary proficiency) / Japanese (elementary proficiency)

Training myself on: jsPsych (an open source, JavaScript-based experiment builder) / big data analytics / structural equation modeling