# QIYANG ZHANG

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### **EDUCATION**

PhD in Education

Expected July 2024

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

M.S.Ed. in Education Policy

August 2019 - July 2020

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Grade Point Average: 3.93/4.00

**B.A.** in Economics

August 2015 - June 2019

B.E. in Industrial Systems Engineering, with Honors and Distinction

National University of Singapore, Singapore

Cumulative Average Point: 4.42/5.00

**Summer Program in International Relations** 

Summer 2018

Peking University, Beijing, China

Semester Exchange Program

January - May 2018

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

### RESEARCH INTEREST

I am broadly interested in evidence-based education and research synthesis. To provide robust evidence, I often adopt rigorous methodology, such as meta-analysis, randomized controlled trials, and causal inference. As an educational economist by training, I want to investigate the complex relationship between education and health.

## **PUBLICATION**

Zhang, Q. (2020). The cost of illiteracy: A causal inference study on how illiteracy affects physical and mental health. Health Education Journal, 0017896920949894.

Qiyang Zhang and Soumya Mittal, book review of International Mobility and Educational Desire: Chinese Foreign Talent Students in Singapore by Peidong Yang, Perspectives on Urban Education Journal. [Under Review]

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

Qiyang Zhang and Soumya Mittal, Not Losing the Birth Lottery: Inclusion and Diversity in Graduate Programs (Oral Presentation), Graduate Education at Work in the World Conference, Graduate Center, CUNY [Postponed to Spring 2021 due to COVID-19]

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Project

August – December 2019

The cost of illiteracy: a causal inference study on the impacts of illiteracy on physical and mental health

Advisor: Dr. Wendy Chan

Graduate School of Education, University of Pennsylvania

Research Project

August - November 2019

Teacher Salary and Turnover: A Meta-Analytic Literature Review of Teacher Labor Markets in the US and China

Advisor: Dr. Amrit Thapa

Graduate School of Education, University of Pennsylvania

**B.E.** Dissertation

August 2018 - May 2019

Public Versus Private Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) in ASEAN Countries

Advisor: Dr. Tan Kay Chuan

Industrial Systems Engineering and Management, National University of Singapore

Research Project

February - March 2019

'Kampong Spirit' in Singapore HDB Neighborhood

Advisor: Dr. Guillem Riambau

Department of Economics, Yale-NUS College

Systems Design Project

August 2018 - May 2019

Building Data Intelligence in Healthcare

National University of Singapore and Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Advisor: Dr. Ng Kien Ming

Industrial Systems Engineering and Management, National University of Singapore

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant at National University of Singapore

January - April 2019

IE2150 Human Factor Engineering

**Tutor at Pantheon Education** 

January – April 2019

IB Physics, Chinese, IGCSE Combined Science, O-level Physics

TECHNICAL AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

Statistical Programming and Simulation

**Programming** 

Other Tools

Language Skills

R, Stata, Ithink, Automod

C, C++, Python

MS Excel, LATEX, Adobe Illustrator, basic SQL Mandarin (Native fluency), English (Proficient),

German (A1 level), Hindi (Intermediate)

STATISTICAL & METHOD TRAINING

Applied research methods to inform policy and practice, introduction to causal inference for educational research, methods of economic evaluation in education, survey methods & design, programming methodology, introduction to statistics, data structures and algorithms, probability models with applications, simulation, econometrics

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

M.S.Ed. Program Merit Scholarship	2019
NUS Ph.D. in Economics Research Scholarship (declined)	2019
NUS Bachelor Degree Scholarship	2015

## LEADERSHIP AND VOLUNTEERING

Junior Reviewer of Education Psychologist Special Edition	$August\ 2020$
President of TFC UPenn Student Association	July 2019 - July 2020

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