YIXIAO SUN

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EDUCATION

Nanjing University
M.A. in Communication

Nanjing, China
2022—present

Advisor: Dr. Cheng-Jun Wang; GPA: 93.39

Sichuan International Studies University

B.A. in Network and New Media (graduated with honors)

Advisor: Prof. Hao Liu; GPA: 92.58

Chongqing, China

2018-2022

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

[1] Sun, Y., Yan, X.F., Zhang, Y., Chen, J., Chen, Z.*, & Wang, C.J.* (2024). Globalization in International Tensions: The Impact of Military Conflicts on the Cultural Orientations of Multinational Corporations' Advertising in Modern China (1932–1937). Chinese Journal of Communication. Online First in May 2024.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- [6] Sun, Y., & Ma, Z. (2024). Authoritarians in Response to Societal Crises: Reciprocal Dynamics of Right-Wing Authoritarianism, COVID-19 Fear and Prevention Belief. Paper to be presented at the 110th Annual National Communication Association (NCA) Conference, New Orleans, LA. [Top Paper Award]
- [5] Sun, Y., Fei, Y., & Yu, C. (2024). Resource Exchange, Perceived Social Support, Companionship and Intimacy: Characterizing the Social Relationship Between Users and ChatGPT. Paper to be presented at the 110th Annual National Communication Association (NCA) Conference, New Orleans, LA. [Top Student Paper Award]
- [4] Sun, Y., & Zhou, Z. (2024). Building Identity Through Narratives: Who Voices Dissent Within the Party?. Paper to be presented at the 110th Annual National Communication Association (NCA) Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- [3] Zhang, Y., Sun, Y., Chen, Z., & Wang, C.J. (2024). How Emotion and Narrative Foster Resilience in Adversity: The Case of Large-Scale Online Donations during COVID-19. Paper to be presented at the 110th Annual National Communication Association (NCA) Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- [2] Sun, Y., Yan, X.F., Zhang, Y., Chen, Z., & Wang, C.J. (2023). From Imperialism to Cultural Imperialism: Localized Versus Globalized Advertisements of Imported Commodities in China (1932–1937). Paper presented at the 73rd Annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference, Toronto, Canada.
- [1] Zhang, Y., Lu, G., **Sun, Y.**, Chen, Z., & Wang, C.J. (2023). Traversing the Valley of Despair in Affective Mobilization: Issue Engagement, Emotion, and Online Donation on Sina Weibo during the Outbreak of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Paper presented at the 73rd Annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference, Toronto, Canada.

UNDER REVIEW

- [5] Sun, Y., & Ma, Z.* (Under Review). Bipolarity of Positive and Negative Affects: Investigating the Contemporaneous Relations of Nuanced Affect States During the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- [4] Sun, Y., & Ma, Z.* (Under Review). Authoritarians in Response to Societal Crises: Reciprocal Dynamics of Right-Wing Authoritarianism, COVID-19 Fear and Prevention Belief.
- [3] Zhang, Y., Sun, Y., Lu, G., Chen, Z.*, & Wang, C.J.* (Under Review). Let Us Not Wallow in the Valley of Despair: The Role of Emotion and Narrative in Fostering Resilience.
- [2] Zhang, Y., Sun, Y., & Wang, C.J.* (Under Review). Unraveling the Narrative Labyrinth: Analyzing the Effects of Narrative Structure, Confidence, and Emotion on Twitter Users' Attention to NFT Transactions.
- [1] Chen, Z., Yu, W., Sun, Y., Wang, C.J.*, & Liu, X.F.* (Revise and Resubmit). Will the Dark Side of the Internet Lead to More Misinformation Beliefs? Evidence from the COVID-19 Pandemic and the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election. Communication and the Public.

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

- [5] Sun, Y., & Ma, Z.* Measuring Agency Through Text and Language Data: Validating Two Distinct NLP Approaches, Riveter and LIWC, Across Diverse Scenarios.
- [4] Sun, Y., & Ma, Z.* The Role of Agency and Meaning in Life in Forming Emotion During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Does Sex Matter?.
- [3] Sun, Y., Zhou, Z., & Wang, C.J.* Building Identity Through Narratives: Who Voices Dissent Within the Party?.
- [2] Zhou, Z., Sun, Y., & Wang, C.J.* When the Blacks Take Up Arms: Enlistment of African Americans and Racial Prejudice During the American Civil War.
- [1] Sun, Y., & Wang, C.J. Chapter 15: Digital Marketing Performance Evaluation and Monitoring. In L. Zheng (Ed.), Digital Marketing Textbook.

HONORS and AWARDS

•	Top Paper, Political Communication Division, National Communication Association	Jul 2024
•	• Top Student Paper, Human Communication and Technology Division, National Communication Association	Jul 2024
•	HUANG Jianliang Scholarship	Oct 2023
•	Dissemination Data Mining Competition (National Second Place)	Sep 2023
•	Chongqing Excellent Graduation Thesis Award	Jan 2023
•	Chongqing Distinguished Graduate Award	Jun 2022
•	National Scholarship for Undergraduate Student	Dec 2021
•	ESG National College Innovation Competition (First Place in West China)	Dec 2021

• Challenge Cup National Academic Works Competition (Provincial Second Prize)

Aug 2021

• National Advertising Art Competition (Provincial Third Prize)

Jul 2021

• National English Competition for College Students (National Third Prize)

Nov 2020

GRANTS

External

National Social Science Foundation of China (22BXW032), ¥200,000, Research Fellow
 Project title: Computational Narrative Research on Chinese Stories and Chinese Voices in the Digital Media Era (PI: Cheng-Jun Wang)

2022 - 2025

2022 - 2024

- CAST Science Popularization Program (KXYJS2022063), ¥30,000, co-PI
 Project title: The Dissemination of Science Popularizating Information in Public Health Emergencies and Its Impact on Social Mobilization
- Chongqing College Students' Innovation Training Program (S202010650015), ¥2,500, PI 2020–2021

 Project title: Research on the Visualization of Public Opinions along the Belt and Road from the Perspective of Geopolitics: Twitter as an Example

Internal

• Distinguished Postgraduate Talent Cultivation Program (2023GYB08), ¥10,000, PI 2023–2025

Project title: Research on Advertising Strategies for Imported Commodities during the Republic of China from the Perspective of Cultural Imperialism

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant

Text Data Analysis, Nanjing University

Spring 2024

Graduate lecture; Instructor: Dr. Zhicong Chen

Planning and Creative Strategy, Nanjing University

Spring 2024

Graduate seminar; Instructor: Dr. Zhihao Ma

Advertising Strategy and Creation, Nanjing University

Fall 2023-2024

Undergraduate lecture; Instructor: Dr. Zhihao Ma

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Computational Communication Collaboratory, Nanjing University

Student Member

Nanjing, China Sep 2022–present

Chongqing Overseas Publicity Research Center

Global Public Opinion Research Intern

Chongqing, China May 2020–May 2022

SKILLS

- Statistical Programming / Markup Languages: Python, R, Stata, LaTeX, HTML, SQL, CSS, SPSS
- Languages: Mandarin (Native), English (Proficient)
- Applications: Tableau, CiteSpace, Brackets, Photoshop, Premier Pro, Animate, Audition
- Music: Piano (Level 8 Certificate), Singing