

# Chih-lan Winnie Yang

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## APPOINTMENT

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**University of Alberta** Edmonton, CAN  
*Grant Notley Memorial Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology* 2025–

## EDUCATION

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**McGill University** Montréal, CAN  
 PhD, Sociology 2024

Dissertation:  
*Cohabitation, Marriage, and Family Among Sexual and Gender Minorities in Post Marriage Equality Canada*  
 • The Arts Insights Dissertation Award for the Social Sciences

**University of Oxford** Oxford, UK  
 MSc, Sociology 2015

**National Tsing Hua University** Hsinchu City, TW  
 BA, Interdisciplinary Program of Humanities and Social Sciences (*Honours*) 2014

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Sex, Gender, and Sexuality; Marriage and Family; Work and Family; Social Mobility; Life Course; Culture; Administrative Tax Data

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie.** (2025) “[Marriage, Cohabitation and Institutional Context: Household Specialization among Same-Sex and Different-Sex Couples](#)”, *Journal of Marriage and Family*. 87(1):300-321.

**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie**, Nicole Denier, Xavier St-Denis and Sean Waite. (2025) “[Studying Individuals in Same-Sex Couples Using Longitudinal Administrative Data from Canadian Tax Records: Opportunities and Challenges](#)”, *Demographic Research*. 52(2):25-70.

Denier, Nicole, **Chih-lan Winnie Yang**, Xavier St-Denis and Sean Waite. (2024) “[Earnings Trajectories of Individuals in Same-Sex and Different-Sex Couples: Evidence from Administrative Data](#)”, *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*. 92(2024):100950.

Brauner-Otto, Sarah, **Chih-lan Winnie Yang** and Ka U Ng. (2023) “[Women’s Employment Trajectories in a Low-income Setting: Stratification and Change in Nepal](#)”, *Demographic Research*. 49(8):157-200.

Cheng, Yen-hsin Alice and **Chih-lan Winnie Yang**. (2021) “[Continuity and Changes in Attitudes toward Marriage in Contemporary Taiwan](#)”, *Journal of Population Research*. 38:139-167.

## ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

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**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie.** “A Queer Marriage Gap? Traditionalist Attitudes in Politics, Family, and Gender Among Heterosexuals and Sexual Minorities”  
*R & R at the Journal of Marriage and Family*

## ARTICLES IN PROGRESS

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**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie.** “Marriage, Assimilation, and Cultural Change Among Sexual and Gender Minorities in Post-Marriage Equality Canada”

St-Denis, Xavier, **Chih-lan Winnie Yang**, Nicole Denier and Gaëlle Simard-Duplain. “Intergenerational Income Transmission and Assortative Mating in Same-Sex and Different-Sex Couples in Canada: Social Mobility at the Intersection of Gender and Sexual Orientation”

St-Denis, Xavier and **Chih-lan Winnie Yang**. “Intergenerational Transmission of Income in Young Adulthood: A Life Course Perspective on the Accumulation of Disadvantage over the Careers of Canadian Women and Men”

St-Denis, Xavier, Gaëlle Simard-Duplain and **Chih-lan Winnie Yang**. “Documenting and Explaining Gender Variations in Social Mobility Patterns”

Ng, Ka U, **Chih-lan Winnie Yang** and Sarah Brauner-Otto. “Parental Migration Experience and Children’s Marriage Timing in Nepal”

**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie.** “LGBTQ+ Experiences of Marriage in the Context of Marriage Equality in Canada” (International Collaboration of the “[Queer Marriage Project](#),” with D’Lane Compton & Gayle Kaufman)

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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St-Denis, Xavier and **Chih-lan Winnie Yang**. (2022) “[Intergenerational Transmission of Socio-economic Status and Intragenerational Mobility over the Early Life Course of Canadian Women and Men](#)” *Research on Education + Skills (RIES)*.

## SELECT PRESENTATIONS

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\* Indicates scheduled presentation

**\*Yang, Chih-lan Winnie.** “A Queer Marriage Gap? Traditionalist Attitudes in Politics, Family, and Gender Among Heterosexuals and Sexual Minorities”, Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association* (Global Perspectives on Same-Sex Marriage and Queer Parenting Session), 2025

**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie,** “Marriage, Assimilation, and Cultural Change Among Sexual and Gender Minorities in Post-Marriage Equality Canada”, Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association* (the Sociology of Sexualities Roundtable), 2024

**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie,** Nicole Denier and Xavier St-Denis. “Insights on Studying Individuals in Same-Sex Couples Using the Longitudinal Administrative Databank”, Annual Conference of the *Canadian Sociological Association*, 2023

Denier, Nicole, **Chih-lan Winnie Yang**, Xavier St-Denis and Sean Waite. “Wage Trajectories of Individuals in Same-Sex and Different-Sex Couples: Evidence from Administrative Data”, Annual Meeting of the *Population Association of America*, 2023

**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie.** “Changing Couple-Level Socioeconomic Predictors of Marriage Among Same-Sex and Different-Sex Couples in Canada between 2006 and 2016”, Annual Meeting of the *Population Association of America*, 2022

**Yang, Chih-lan Winnie.** “Marriage Equality or Socioeconomic Inequality? Couple-Level Socioeconomic Predictors of Same-Sex Marriage in Canada between 2006 and 2016”, Annual Meeting of the *Canadian Population Society*, 2021

- Graduate Student Paper Award

## GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

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### Principal Investigator

*The Vanier Institute of the Family’s Secondary Data Analysis Grant*

2025

- “Who Gains and Who Loses? Earnings Trajectories Following the Transition to Marriage and Parenthood Among Same- and Different-Sex Couples” (\$25,000)

### Co-investigator

2021–2022

*Canadian Research Data Centre Network & Women and Gender Equality Canada*

- “Unpacking the Gendered Dimensions of Social Mobility in Canada, Using an Intersectional Approach” (\$69,980),  
(PI: Xavier St-Denis; Consultant: Gaëlle Simard-Duplain)

### Research Fellowship

2020–2021

*The Research Initiative on Education and Skills*

- “The Intergenerational Transmission of Income in Young Adulthood: A Life Course Perspective on the Accumulation of Disadvantage”  
(PI: Xavier St-Denis)

### Quantitative Analysis Graduate Research Training Fellowship

2020–2021

- SSHRC “Women’s Work and Child Wellbeing Across the Life-course: Evidence from Nepal” (PI: Sarah Brauner-Otto)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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University of Alberta Instructor of Record, <i>Population and Society</i>	Edmonton, CAN 2025
Quebec Inter-University Centre for Social Statistics Guest Lecture, <i>Bootcamp on Administrative Data Analysis</i> • “Sex, Gender and Same-Sex Couples in Tax Data”	Montréal, CAN 2023 & 2024
McGill University Guest Lecture, <i>Sociological Perspectives</i> • “Changing Family Dynamics in North America”	Montréal, CAN 2023
TA, <i>Sociological Perspectives</i> TA, <i>Social Stratification</i> TA, <i>Family and Modern Society</i>	2020 2020 2018 & 2019

## HONOURS & AWARDS

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The Arts Insights Dissertation Award for the Social Sciences, <i>McGill University</i>	2025
Taiwanese Overseas Pioneers Grants, <i>National Science and Technology Council</i> (~\$28,270 USD)	2024
Graduate Excellence Award, <i>McGill University</i> (\$845)	2024
CSDC Travel Grant, <i>McGill University</i> (\$2,000)	2023 & 2024
Oswald Hall Dissertation Fellowship in Sociology, <i>McGill University</i> (\$2,817)	2023
Prof. Erin Strumpf Graduate Award, <i>McGill University</i> (\$500)	2023
Céline Le Bourdais Distinguished James McGill Professor Graduate Research Fund, <i>McGill University</i> (\$5,000)	2022
Charles Bronfman and Alex Paterson Top-Up Awards, <i>McGill Institute for the Study of Canada</i> (\$10,000)	2021 & 2022
Graduate Student Paper Award, <i>Canadian Population Society</i> (\$500)	2021
Entrance Scholarship, <i>Quebec Inter-University Centre for Social Statistics</i> (\$2,000)	2020

Emerging Scholars Grant, <i>Canadian Research Data Centre Network</i> (\$1,000)	2020
Margaret Gillett Graduate Research Award, <i>Institute for Gender, Sexuality and Feminist Studies, McGill University</i> (\$500)	2020
Government Scholarship for Overseas Study, <i>Ministry of Education, Taiwan (ROC)</i> (\$168,000 USD)	2017–2021

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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Ad Hoc Reviewer <i>Social Forces, Demographic Research</i>	2023–
Session Discussant, Queer Fertility, Family Building, and Reproductive Health <i>Population Association of America</i>	2024
Session Co-organizer “Research on LGBTQ2S+ Communities using Survey and Administrative Data”, <i>Canadian Sociological Association</i>	2023
Student Representative, Management Committee <i>Quebec Inter-University Centre for Social Statistics</i>	2022–2024
Student Representative, Hiring Committee <i>McGill Graduate Sociology Student Association</i>	2022
Student Representative, Academic Committee <i>McGill Graduate Sociology Student Association</i>	2019–2021

## TRAINING

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Causal Inference with Observational Data: Dealing with Unobserved Variables and Reverse Causality, <i>Research and Expertise Centre for Survey Methodology Winter Methods School</i>	2021
Introduction to R Workshop, <i>Quebec Inter-University Centre for Social</i>	2021
Longitudinal Analysis, Including Categorical Outcomes, <i>ICPSR Summer Program</i>	2020
Multilevel and Mixed Models Using Stata, <i>ICPSR Summer Program</i>	2020
Summer Institute on Sexuality, Culture and Society, <i>University of Amsterdam</i>	2017

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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- American Sociological Association
- Population Association of America
- Canadian Sociological Association
- Canadian Population Society
- Work and Family Researchers Network