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APPOINTMENT

University of Alberta

Grant Notley Memorial Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology

Edmonton, CAN

2025–

EDUCATION

McGill University

PhD, Sociology

Montréal, CAN

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

MSc, Sociology

Oxford, UK

2015

National Tsing Hua University

BA, Interdisciplinary Program of Humanities and Social Sciences (*Honours*)

Hsinchu City, TW

2014

RESEARCH INTERESTS

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

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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

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

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

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 Initiative on Education + Skills (RIES)*

SELECT PRESENTATIONS

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

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

Canadian Research Data Centre Network & Women and Gender Equality Canada 2021–2022

- “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

The Research Initiative on Education and Skills 2020–2021

- “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

SSHRC “Women’s Work and Child Wellbeing Across the Life-course: Evidence from Nepal” (PI: Sarah Brauner-Otto) 2020–2021

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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

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| 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

- American Sociological Association
- Population Association of America
- Canadian Sociological Association
- Canadian Population Society
- Work and Family Researchers Network
- The Vanier Institute of the Family
- 2SLGBTQI+ (Rainbow) Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub