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## Areas of research interest

Communication in Interpersonal & Group Processes; Social & Communication Networks; Affect in Social Interaction; Quantitative & Computational Methods.

#### Education

PHD in Communication (expected, Spring 2018)

Department of Communication, Cornell University

Advisory Committee: Connie Yuan, Drew Margolin, Ed Lawler, Michael Macy Dissertation: Communication, affect, and status organizing in task-oriented groups

2012-2015 MSc in Communication

Department of Communication, Cornell University

2009-2012 MA in New Media Studies

School of Journalism and Communication, Tsinghua University, China

2005-2009 BA in Advertising

Department of Advertising, Xiamen University, China

#### **Papers**

JOURNAL ARTICLE

Liao, W., McComas, K. A., & Yuan, Y. C. (2016) The influence of unrestricted information exchange on willingness to share information with outsiders. *Human Communication Research*. first published online. doi:10.1111/hcre.12104

Thoemmes, F., Liao, W., & Jin, Z. (2016) The analysis of the regression-discontinuity design in R. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 42(3), 341-360. doi:10.3102/1076998616680587

- <u>Liao, W.</u>, Bazarova, N. N., & Yuan, Y. C. (2016) Expertise judgment and communication accommodation in linguistic styles in computer-mediated and face-to-face groups. *Communication Research*. first published online. doi:10.1177/0093650215626974
- <u>Liao, W.</u>, Yuan, Y. C., & McComas, K. A. (2016) Communal risk information sharing: motivations behind voluntary information sharing for reducing interdependent risks in a community. *Communication Research*. first published online. doi:10.1177/0093650215626981

#### MANUSCRIPT IN PREPARATION

- <u>Liao, W.</u>, Bazarova, N. N., & Yuan, Y. C. Unpacking channel effects: A social relations analysis framework for studying individual, dyadic, and group processes in computer-mediated communication. (under review)
- Margolin, D. & Liao, W. Emotional 'group talk': A communication logic for self-organized solidarity among national football league fans on Twitter. (writing up)
- Yuan, Y. C., <u>Liao, W.</u>, & Bazarova, N. N. Judging expertise through communication styles in intercultural collaboration (writing up)

#### BOOK CHAPTER

2015

Liao, W., MacDonald, P., & Yuan, Y. C. (2016) The impact of communication behaviors on expertise recognition in intercultural collaboration. In J. Treem & P. Leonardi (Eds.), Communication, Expertise, and Organizing. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

- Liao, W., Bazarova, N. N., & Yuan, Y. C. (2017, May) Development and application of an analytical framework for analyzing social behaviors with social relations models in CMC Groups. Poster presented at the 67th Annual Conference of the International Commmunication Association, San Diego, CA, USA
- Liao, W., McComas, K. A., & Yuan, Y. C. (2016, November) The influence of unrestricted information exchange on willingness to share risk information with outsiders. Paper presented at the National Communication Association 102th Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA, USA
  - Margolin, D., <u>Liao, W.</u>, & Lin, Y.-R. (2015) Conversing in Reflective Glory: A Systematic Study Using National Football League Games. Proceedings of ICWSM'15
    - <u>Liao, W.</u>, Bazarova, N. N., & Yuan, Y. C. (2015, May) Expertise judgment and communication accommodation in CMC and FtF groups. Paper presented at the 65th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico
    - <u>Liao, W., Yuan, Y. C., & McComas, K. A. (2015, August) Communal risk information</u> sharing: motivations behind voluntary information sharing of late blight infection

in U.S. agricultural communities. *Top 2 faculty paper of the CommSHER division* at the Annual Conference of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass communication, San Francisco, CA, USA

2012-2014

- <u>Liao, W.</u> & Liu, Y. (2014, May) Personalized public goods production in social networking site. Paper presented at the 63th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Seattle, WA, USA
- Theommes, F. & Liao, W. (2014, May) The Markov equivalence class of the mediation model. Paper presented at the Modern Modeling Method Conference. Storrs, CT, USA
- <u>Liao, W.</u> & Liu, Y. (2014, May) Personalized public goods production in social networking site. Paper presented at the 63th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Seattle, WA, USA
- <u>Liao, W.</u> (2013, Nov). The digital legitimation of stratification. National Communication Association 99th Annual Convention, Washington, D.C., USA
- Thoemmes, F. & Liao, W. (2013, May) Propensity score matching (with multilevel data) using SPSS and R. Paper presented at the Modern Modeling Methods Conference, Storrs, CT, USA

Involvement in Funded Research Projects

2015-

Web-based Software to Estimate Power and Causal Effects of Various Regression Discontinuity Designs (US Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, R305D150029)

Research Assistant: collaborating on the design and implementation of the method and software

Output (current): coauthoring a paper published in *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics* 

2013-2015

Reducing Losses to Potato and Tomato Late Blight by Monitoring Pathogen Populations, Improved Resistant Plants, Education, and Extension (US Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, 2011-68004-30154)

Research Assistant: leading a national survey of US growers' intention to share risk information within and across agricultural communities

Output: leading two papers published in Communication Research and Human Communication Research

## **Teaching**

2016 Spring

Structural Equation Modeling (COMM 6950)

Department of Communication, Cornell University

Instructor (6 students, rated 5/5): lecturing for lab sessions and recent advances in SEM

# 2013 Fall Research Issues in Social Networks (INFO 7040)

Department of Information Science, Cornell University

Teaching Assistant (20 students): grading essays for first-year graduate students in Information

Science

# Softwares

R package for regression discontinuity design

with Prof. Thoemmes, F. & Jin, Z.

2013-2015 SPSS plugin for propensity score matching

with Prof. Thoemmes, F.

sourceforge.net