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EDUCATION

Teachers College, Columbia University

May 2020 | New York, NY

M.A. in Clinical Psychology, GPA: 4.0/4.0

Thesis: Childhood Gender Nonconformity and Identity Development Among a Diverse Transgender Community Sample in the United States

Advisor: Walter Bockting, PhD

National Taiwan University

June 2012 | Taipei, Taiwan

B.A. in Economics

Relevant Coursework: Statistics I, II, Introductory Psychology, Neuroeconomics

Senior thesis: The Association between the Growth Factors and The Development of Social Enterprises in Taiwan

Faculty Advisor: Show-Ling Jang, PhD

Stanford University

Summer 2010 | Palo Alto, CA

Exchange Student

Thesis: Attitudes towards Same-Sex Marriage in Silicon Valley

AWARDS & HONORS

Psych in Ed Ambassador, Teachers College, Columbia University	2019
Psi Chi Psychology Honors Society, Teachers College, Columbia University	2019
Teachers College Scholarship (\$2,500), Teachers College, Columbia University	2018

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Columbia Psychiatry | New York State Psychiatric Institute

Dec 2018 – Present | New York, NY

Division of Gender, Sexuality, & Health

Faculty Advisor: Walter O. Bockting, PhD

Research Assistant – Program for the Study of LGBT Health

- Perform statistical analysis and data visualization on various projects using SPSS and R
- Collaborate with post-doctoral scholars and faculty on independent research projects
- Analyze qualitative transcripts using content analysis on Dedoose
- Present papers on monthly journal club with post-doctoral scholars and faculty

Research Intern – Project AFFIRM

- Conduct literature reviews and co-author ongoing manuscripts for journal submission
- Lead an independent research project and write the manuscript as first author
- Develop research hypotheses, develop quantitative analysis plan, and conduct exploratory research
- Analyze cross-sectional and longitudinal datasets and interpret the findings
- Assist with project disseminating research findings to the community and the public for the purpose of advocating for the mental well-being of transgender population
- Attend weekly meetings to contribute to research discussions with doctoral students, post-doc researchers and principal investigators

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Research Assistant

- Conducted literature search, participated in experiment design, selected measures, and adapted training items and test stimulus for fMRI and EEG task
- Developed facial image stimuli and morphs for research study of fear conditioning
- Implemented and tested EEG experiment for participants (children and adolescents)
- Managed data from evidence-based assessment (ASEBA, CBCL) with REDCap

Taipei City Hospital and Psychiatric Center

Aug. 2016 – Sept. 2017 | Taipei, Taiwan

Lab of Clinical and Translational Studies, Department of Psychiatry

Advisors: Bo-Yu Chen, MD, Dr. Ming-Chyi Huang, MD, PhD

Clinical Research Coordinator/Assistant

- Coordinated four studies with patients with major depressive disorder, schizophrenia, substance use disorder
- Conducted clinical interviews and cognitive tests for research studies
- Scheduled and ran 200+ sessions with participants from inpatients and outpatients
- Conducted literature search, participated in experiment design, selected measures, and adapted training items
- Screened and recruited prospective participants from different settings
- Maintained the lab's recruitment database by regularly updating family's eligibility for studies, continued interest, and participation status
- Involved in all parts of the study start up including developing protocols and streamlining study procedures
- Served as liaison between the research team and Institutional Review Board
- Trained and supervised new research assistants in the lab

PUBLICATIONS

1. **Chang, Y.**, Singh, A., LeBlanc, A., Bockting, W. (In preparation). Childhood Gender Nonconformity and Identity Development among a diverse transgender community sample in the United States.
2. Bockting, W., **Chang, Y.**, Singh, A., LeBlanc, A., Dolezal, C., & Ehrhardt, A. (In preparation). Resilience in the face of transgender stigma: The moderating effect of Erikson's stages of psychosocial development.
3. Barucco, R., **Chang, Y.**, Dolezal, C., & Bockting, W. (In preparation). Transgender People in the Workforce: Building Capacity to Increase Employment.

POSTERS & PRESENTATIONS

1. **Chang, Y.**, & Chen, S. (2020, November). Identifying School-Based Intervention Targets for the Risk of Suicide Attempt Amongst Gender Questioning Youth. Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies 54th Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA.
2. Tang, S., & **Chang, Y.** (2020, August). Mental health disparities among LGBTQ Asian and Pacific islander youth: A cross sectional analysis. American Psychological Association Convention 2020, Washington, DC.
3. **Chang, Y.**, Bockting, W. (2020, June). Childhood gender nonconformity and identity development among a diverse transgender community sample in the United States. Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology (JCCAP) Future Directions Forum, Washington, DC.
4. **Chang, Y.**, Bockting, W. (2020, April). Childhood gender nonconformity and identity development among a diverse transgender community sample in the United States. Counseling Psychology Conference, New Orleans, LA. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)
5. **Chang, Y.** (2019, September). Childhood Gender Non-Conformity among Project AFFIRM participants. Project AFFIRM Cross-State Weekly Meeting, Columbia Psychiatry, New York, NY

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6. **Chang, Y.** (2019, July). Childhood gender nonconformity and identity development among a diverse transgender community sample in the United States. Program for the Study of LGBT Health monthly meeting, Columbia Nursing School, New York, NY
 7. **Chang, Y.** (2019, March). 2019 Admitted Student Day Master's Student Panel. Chosen as the graduate representative to speak to incoming students. Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, NY

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Taiwan Tongzhi (LGBT) Hotline Association
Supervisor: Chia-Wei Shiu, MSW

Feb. 2017 – June 2018 | Taipei, Taiwan

Hotline Counselor

- Completed an extensive 16-week clinical training with an emphasis on telephone counseling skills, crisis management, and appropriate interventions
- Passed a rigorous screening process and was selected to serve on the hotline among a pool of competitive trainees
- Wrote clinical reports after each call and presented complex calls to discuss goals and difficulties during weekly group supervision
- Provided education about HIV/AIDS and instruction on prevention to individuals
- Committed 15+ hours a week, including weekly clinical supervision

Taipei City Hospital and Psychiatric Center
Lab of Clinical and Translational Studies, Department of Psychiatry
Supervisors: Bo-Yu Chen, MD, Ming-Chyi Huang, MD, PhD

Aug. 2016 – Sept. 2017 | Taipei, Taiwan

Clinical Research Coordinator/Assistant

- Attended weekly rounds of clinical cases to discuss psychological and cognitive testing, evaluation of adaptive functioning, and psychiatric assessment
- Attended monthly meetings for a research study to present and discuss research processes and development
- Administered the Structured Clinical Interview-PANSS (SCI-PANSS) as part of the evaluation of symptom severity of schizophrenia participants for research studies
- Administered the Hamilton Anxiety Rating Scale (HAM-A) and Montgomery-Asberg Depression Scale (MADRS) as part of the evaluation of symptom severity of participants with major depressive disorder for research studies
- Administered the Columbia–Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS) to evaluate the severity of suicidal ideation and behavior of participants with major depressive disorder for research studies
- Shadowed psychiatrists during diagnosis with outpatients and daily rounds with inpatients
- Observed administrations of the M.I.N.I. and the Structured Clinical Interview (SCID) for DSM-5 to psychiatric inpatients by licensed clinicians

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2019 – Present	Association for Psychological Science
2019 – Present	Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies
2018 – Present	American Psychological Association of Graduate Students; APA Division 44

SKILLS

Relevant Coursework: Research Methods in Clinical Psychology (A); Child Psychopathology (A, Ph.D. level); Adult Psychopathology (A); Applied Regression Analysis (A); Data Science in R (A); Computational Psychiatry (A+)

Statistical/Modeling Programs: Proficient in SPSS, R (100+ hours)

Data Management Systems: RedCap, Qualtrics, Dedoose

Facial Stimuli Skills: FaceGen, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop

Languages: Mandarin (native), English (highly proficient), Japanese (beginner)

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