

Yuxin Chen

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EDUCATION

University of Zurich, Department of Communication and Media Research (IKMZ)

M.A. in Social Sciences

Ex. 06/2026

Supervisors: Prof. Tobias Dienlin, Dr. Nicole Bizzotto

Shanghai International Studies University, School of Journalism and Communication

B.A. in Online Journalism & New Media (*Distinction*)

06/2024

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

Top Paper Award, *the 7th Graduate Forum on Image Studies and Global Communication* 2025

Excellent Graduate Award, *Shanghai Municipal Government* 2024

Chinese Undergraduate National Scholarship, *Chinese Ministry of Education (top 0.2% selection in China)* 2023

Presidential Scholarship, *Shanghai International Studies University (top 1 in school)* 2023

First-class Scholarship, *Shanghai International Studies University* 2023

Merit Student, *Shanghai International Studies University* 2022

Second-class Scholarship, *Shanghai International Studies University* 2022

Summer Research Program Outstanding Researcher, *Chinese University of Hong Kong Alumni Foundation* 2022

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATION

1. **Chen, Y.** (2025). Navigating the Digital Mirror: The Role of Information-Seeking Orientation and Uncertainty Tolerance in Social Media-Driven Body Image Anxiety. *Computers in Human Behavior Reports*. 18, 100665.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. **Chen, Y.** (June 2025). *Blurry Reflections in Uncertain Times: Social Media, Information Seeking, and Body Image Anxiety*. Presented at the 7th Graduate Forum on Image Studies and Global Communication, Shanghai, China. (**Top Paper Award**)

2. **Chen, Y.** (June 2025). *Navigating the Digital Mirror: The Role of Information-Seeking Orientation and Uncertainty Tolerance in Social Media-Driven Body Image Anxiety*. Presented at the 75th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association (ICA), Denver, USA.

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. **Chen, Y.**, Lyu, N. When Algorithms and Privacy Matter: Contextual Pathways of Incidental Exposure Shaping Internal Efficacy (Manuscript submitted)

2. **Chen, Y.** When AI Talks Health: Reasoning, Framing, and Threat in Shaping Persuasiveness (Preparing for ethical review)

3. Lyu, N., **Chen, Y.** Do Algorithms Make News Seem Fake? Investigating the Effects of Algorithmic Awareness on Fake News Perception (Manuscript in preparation)

ACADEMIC GRANT

Michael L. Haley Grant (*1,500 USD*)

2025

TEACHING

Shanghai International Studies University

Undergraduate Graduation Thesis

Deputy Coordinator

SS 2024

Research Seminar of Future Global Media Lab

Teaching Assistant

SS 2021, SS 2022, FS 2022

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Fact-checking and Misinformation: The Thinking behind The Truth

05/2022

In undergraduate research seminar series, invited by Office of Academic Affairs, SISU

Skills and Methods: News Fact-checking and Correction of Misinformation

04/2022

In practical session: fact-checking and misinformation, invited by Dr. Nancy Lyu

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Ad hoc Reviewer for

11/2024 - Present

Conferences:

- International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR) Annual Conference
- International Communication Association (ICA) Annual Conference

Journals:

Frontiers in Psychology: Media Psychology, Informatics and Health

INTERNSHIPS

NIO Inc.

10/2023 - 06/2024

Intern, Communication & User Growth

New York University Shanghai

06/2023 - 09/2023

Intern, Graduate Admissions

PwC Acceleration Center (Shanghai)

10/2022 - 03/2023

Intern, Employee Relationship

CAREER International

06/2022 - 10/2022

Intern, Consulting

Pear Video (Shanghai)

08/2021 - 09/2021

Intern, Media Operation