

# Zhongchi Li

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## CONTACTS

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Florida**, Gainesville, FL 2028  
Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology (Minor in Computer Science)  
Committee: Gregory D. Webster, Nicholas A. Coles, Geoff Tomaino, Brian Odegaard, Emmanuel J. Dorley

**University of Florida**, Gainesville, FL 2025  
Master of Science in Psychology  
Thesis: *From Financial Stress to Relationship Stress: Differential Effects of Emotion-Focused and Problem-Focused Dyadic Coping*

**Carnegie Mellon University**, Pittsburgh, PA 2023  
Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering

**Southeast University**, Nanjing, China 2020  
Bachelor of Engineering in Information Engineering (Chien-Shiung Wu Honored College)  
Thesis: *Underwater Acoustic Signal Recognition Technology*  
Advisor: Jun Tao

## AWARDS & GRANTS

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Diversity Graduate Registration Stipend, The Society for Personality and Social Psychology	2024
EJSR Program Award, The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality (\$100)	2024
Graduate Student Council Travel Grant (\$400)	2024
Student Conference Award, International Association for Relationship Research (\$100)	2024
Graduate Student Travel Award, University of Florida (\$750/semester)	2023 - 2025
Grinter Fellowship Award, University of Florida (\$2512/year)	2023 - 2026

## PUBLICATIONS

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Webster, G. D., **Li, Z.**, Park, S. Y., Mahar, E. A., Wongsomboon, V., & Rodriguez, L. M. (2024). Dyadic secondary meta-analysis: Attractiveness in mixed-sex couples. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 228, 112730. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.paid.2024.112730>

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

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**Li, Z.**, & Webster, G. D. (2025). Spillover and crossover effects of financial stress in romantic dyads: A daily diary study [Manuscript in revision]. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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### Talks

Webster, G. D., **Li, Z.**, Park, S. Y., Mahar, E. A., Wongsomboon, V., & Rodriguez, L. M. (2024, July). *Attractiveness in Opposite-Sex Couples: A Dyadic Secondary Meta-Analysis*. Paper presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Main Conference, Boston, MA.

### Posters

**Li, Z.**, Wongsomboon, V., Webster, G. D., & Macapagal, K. (2025, February). *Understanding online dating motivations of SGM feminine young adults: A topic modeling approach*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology 2025 Annual Convention, Denver, CO.

**Li, Z.**, & Webster, G. D. (2024, July). *Haunted by desire: Sexual fantasies about past partner impede post-breakup adjustment*. Poster presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Main Conference, Boston, MA.

**Li, Z.**, & Feeney, B. C. (2024, February). *How reciprocal self-disclosure affects internalized stigma of depression: Attachment orientation as a moderator*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology 2024 Annual Convention, San Diego, CA.

## TEACHING

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### Instructor

- PSY2012 General Psychology (Spring 2026, University of Florida)

### Teaching Assistant

- CLP6529 Applied Multivariate Methods (Graduate Level, Fall 2025, University of Florida)

- PSY3213L Laboratory Methods in Psychology (Spring 2025, University of Florida)
- SOP3004 Social Psychology (Fall 2024, University of Florida)
- PSY3213L Laboratory Methods in Psychology (Summer 2024, University of Florida)
- PSY2012 General Psychology (Spring 2024, University of Florida)
- PSY2012 General Psychology (Fall 2023, University of Florida)
- 18-755 Networks in the Real World (Fall 2022, Carnegie Mellon University)

## MENTORING

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Honors Thesis Students: Angela Anzalone, Micaela Chavez-Tafur

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

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### Research Assistant

October 2021 - May 2023

Relationships Lab, Carnegie Mellon University

PI: Brooke C. Feeney

- Coded couples' behaviors during discussions of their stressors
- Developed research protocols, administered daily diary studies, and conducted one-hour experimental sessions with participants
- Conducted an independent project to explore whether reciprocal self-disclosure about a stigmatized identity (depression) was associated with outcomes including internalization of the stigma of depression, emotional state, and help-seeking behavior

### Research Assistant

October 2021 - May 2023

Health and Human Performance Lab, Carnegie Mellon University

PI: J. David Creswell

- Designed surveys in Qualtrics, cleaned data and analyzed data in R & SPSS

### Research Internship

May 2022 - August 2022

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University

- Developed a pattern recognition system to detect different emotional states and drowsiness levels of drivers based on machine learning algorithms

### Research Internship

September 2020 - January 2021

Underwater Signal Processing Lab, Southeast University

PI: Liang An

- Designed algorithms for the signal encoding and decoding modules

### Honors Thesis Student

September 2019 - June 2020

Underwater Signal Processing Lab, Southeast University

Advisor: Jun Tao

- Compared two signal recognition methods: back propagation neural network and kernel

extreme learning machine in the Additive White Gaussian Noise (AWGN) channel and underwater acoustic channel

**Research Internship**

July 2019 - August 2019

Institute of Electrical Engineering Chinese Academy of Sciences

- Designed an intelligent communication device based on the MODBUS protocol

**Research Assistant**

March 2019 - June 2019

Signal and Information Processing Lab, Southeast University

PI: Chenhao Qi

- Explored the applications of convolutional and recurrent neural networks in wireless physical layer transmission

**Research Assistant**

November 2017 - September 2018

Display R&amp;D Center, Southeast University

- Designed an Augmented Reality (AR) 3D fitting mirror based on Kinect 2.0 and Unity 3D

**PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS**

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- *Advanced Topics in Dyadic Longitudinal Data Analysis* (2024). Workshop offered by the Statistics, Methods and Research Training (SMaRT). Instructor: Amie M. Gordon, Ph.D. & Kate Thorson, Ph.D.
- *Dyadic Longitudinal Data Analysis* (2024). Workshop offered by the Statistics, Methods and Research Training (SMaRT). Instructor: Amie M. Gordon, Ph.D. & Kate Thorson, Ph.D.
- *Multilevel Modeling for Longitudinal Data* (2024). Workshop offered by the Statistics, Methods and Research Training (SMaRT). Instructor: Aidan Wright, Ph.D.
- *Designing Ambulatory Assessment Studies* (2024). Workshop offered by the Statistics, Methods and Research Training (SMaRT). Instructor: Aidan Wright, Ph.D.
- *NIH Fellowships Workshop* (2024). Workshop offered by the Statistics, Methods and Research Training (SMaRT). Instructor: Aidan Wright, Ph.D.
- *Introduction to Structural Equation Modeling* (2023). Workshop offered by the Pittsburgh Summer Methodology Series. Instructor: Aidan Wright, Ph.D.

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

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**Affiliations**

Society for Consumer Psychology (SCP)

Association for Consumer Research (ACR)

International Association for Relationship Research (IARR)

Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)

American Psychological Association (APA)

Association for Psychological Sciences (APS)

**Services**

Lab Manager (PI: Gregory D. Webster)  
SPSP Annual Convention Review Board

2023 - 2025  
2024 - 2025

**Ad Hoc Journal Reviewing**

Personal Relationships  
Journal of Sex Research

**REFERENCES**

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Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering, University of Florida  
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Geoff Tomaino, Ph.D.

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