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EDUCATION

- Current Ph.D. Candidate, Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison (expected 2027)
 Committee: Michal Engelman, Felix Elwert, Eric Grodsky, Christine Schwartz, John Mullahy
 Qualifying Exams: Social Stratification; Demography and Ecology
 Minor: Population Health and Policy
- 2021 M.A., Sociology, Boston College
- 2018 B.A., Sociology, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Aging and the life course, health inequality, family, work, social stratification and social mobility

PUBLICATIONS

Book

- Li, Xiangyi, **Yue Qin**, and Rui Xie. 2022. *Distinctive Governance: A Comparative Case Study on Three Resettlement Programs* (in Chinese). Beijing: China Social Sciences Press.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Qin, Yue**, Eric Grodsky, Chandra Muller, and John Robert Warren. 2026. “Early-life bilingualism and midlife cognitive health: Evidence from High School and Beyond.” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00221465261460493> [replication]
- Qin, Yue**, Sara Moorman, and Michal Engelman. 2025. “Perceived spousal similarity in outlook on life: Implications for later-life well-being.” *The Journals of Gerontology: Series B* 80(9): gbaf134. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbaf134> [replication]
- Qin, Yue**. 2025. “Security capital in the field of work: A Bourdieuan perspective on precarity and social inequality.” *Work, Employment and Society* 39(6): 1373–1393. <https://doi.org/10.1177/09500170251343280>
- Kong, Jooyoung, Sara Moorman, and **Yue Qin**. 2024. “Lifetime abuse victimization and prospective health outcomes in older adults.” *Journal of Applied Gerontology* 43(7): 990–996. <https://doi.org/10.1177/07334648231225377>
- Qin, Yue**, Jooyoung Kong, and Sara Moorman. 2023. “Filial caregiving and Chinese adults’ depressive symptoms: Do early-life parent-child relationships matter?” *Journal of Applied Gerontology* 42(1): 12–18. <https://doi.org/10.1177/07334648221125367>
- Qin, Yue**. 2022. “Adult children’s intergenerational mobility and older adults’ self-rated health: A US-China comparison.” *The Journals of Gerontology: Series B* 77(6): 1154–1163. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbac034>
- Li, Xiangyi, and **Yue Qin**. 2022. “The formation and implementation of policy contracts: A comparative case study on land-lost peasants and reservoir emigrants” (in Chinese). *Social Sciences in Guangdong* 214(2): 189–201.

Book Chapter

Li, Xiangyi, and **Yue Qin**. 2018. "Land-lost peasants resettlement policies in Guangzhou: Evolution, challenges, and suggestions" (in Chinese). Pp. 192–214 in *Annual Report on Social Development of Guangzhou*, edited by Yueguo Zhang and Tao Yin. Beijing: Social Sciences Academic Press.

In Progress

Qin, Yue, and Michal Engelman. "Educational attainment, midlife work complexity, and later-life cognitive health: Evidence from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study."

Engelman, Michal, and **Yue Qin**. "Lifetime residential trajectories across the rural-urban spectrum and later-life health outcomes."

Qin, Yue, and Michal Engelman. "Labor union involvement, longevity, and later-life health: Evidence from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study."

Qin, Yue, Eric Grodsky, Chandra Muller, and John Robert Warren. "Gendered intergenerational occupational transmission across the status hierarchy: Evidence from High School and Beyond."

Qin, Yue. "Why precarious work persists: The role of legitimizing frame alignment."

Rauf, Tamkinat, Jeremy Freese, **Yue Qin**, and Michal Engelman. "Spatial risk factors for suicide across the adult life course."

HONORS AND AWARDS

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, American Sociological Association, 2026 (\$16,000).

Janet R. Hankin Award (for exemplary graduate research in medical sociology or demography), Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2026 (\$1,000).

New Investigator Award (for graduate students who had outstanding achievement in aging or life course studies), Institute on Aging, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2023 (\$500).

Student Research Grants Competition Research Travel Award, Graduate School, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2023 (\$1,500).

Graduate Student Summer Fieldwork Award, Institute for Regional and International Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2022 (\$3,000).

Outstanding Student Organization Leader, Sun Yat-sen University, 2017.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Presentations at Professional Meetings

2026 "Gendered Intergenerational Occupational Transmission Across the Status Hierarchy: Evidence from High School and Beyond." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York City, NY.

2026 "Educational Attainment, Midlife Work Complexity, and Later-Life Cognitive Health: Evidence from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study." New Data, Methods, and Theory: Life Course Cognitive Inequality, New Haven, CT.

2026 "Do Lifetime Residential Trajectories Influence Mortality or Later-Life Cognition?" Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, St. Louis, MO.

2025 "Early-Life Bilingualism and Midlife Cognitive Health: Evidence from High School and Beyond." Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Boston, MA.

2025 "Durable Precarity: The Role of Interdependence and Shared Identities in Convergent Justifications." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

2025 "Multidimensional Social Mobility and Later-Life Cognitive Health: Evidence from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study." Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC.

2024 "Number of Siblings, Parent-Child Educational Expectation Gap, and Later-Life Cognition." Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Seattle, WA.

- 2024 “Midlife Work Complexity and Later-Life Cognition: Evidence from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study.” ISA-RC28 Spring Meeting, Shanghai, China.
- 2024 “State-Level Variations in the Gender Gap of Life Expectancy Across the United States During 2010–2020.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Columbus, OH.
- 2023 “Marital Closeness, Spousal Similarity, and Cognition: The Gendered Impact of Discordant Perceptions.” Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Tampa, FL.
- 2023 “Labor Union Membership and the Educational Gradient in Later-Life Health: Results from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study.” 33rd Institute on Aging Annual Colloquium, Madison, WI.
- 2023 “Multidimensional Social Mobility and Cognition in Mid and Later Life: Evidence from China.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2022 “Labor Union Membership, Working Conditions, and Postretirement Health in the Midwest.” Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Indianapolis, IN.
- 2022 “Longevity and the Timing of Rural Exposure Across the Life Course: Evidence from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study.” Synergies in Longitudinal Studies Conference, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Madison, WI.
- 2022 “Adult Children’s Intergenerational Mobility and Older Adults’ Self-Rated Health: A US-China Comparison.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Atlanta, GA.
- 2021 “Relationships with Parents and Chinese Adults’ Depression in Mid and Later Life.” Boston-Area Health Scholars Meeting (Virtual).
- 2021 “Number of Children and Late-Life Depression: Evidence from the Chinese Family Planning Policy.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (Virtual).
- 2018 “Find the Invisible Hand: How Could New Planned Economy with Big Data Prevent Market Risks? Results from Agent-Based Modeling.” Annual Meeting of the Chinese Sociological Association, Nanjing, China.

Invited Talks

- 2026 “Early-life bilingualism and midlife cognitive health: Evidence from High School and Beyond.” EdDem Spring 2026 Conference: Integrating Social & Biological Science in Dementia Research, Madison, WI.
- 2025 “Aging and Health in the Midwestern U.S.: Lessons from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study.” Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China.

Moderator and Discussant

- 2024 Chair, Session on International Migration, Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Columbus, OH.
- 2023 Discussant, Session on Social Isolation and Health Risks, Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2022 Moderator, Panel Session on Migration, Chicago Ethnography Conference, Madison, WI.

TEACHING

Instructor of Record

SOC 170: Population Problems (Undergraduate), Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison (Spring 2025).

Teaching Assistant

SOC 756: Advanced Demographic Techniques (Graduate), Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison (Fall 2025).

Guest Lectures

Population Projection. SOC 756: Advanced Demographic Techniques (Graduate), Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison (Fall 2025).

Family Relationships and Later-Life Health. SOC 343: Sociology of Health and Medicine (Undergraduate), Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison (Fall 2025).

SERVICE

Reviewer

Journals: Advances in Life Course Research; BMC Geriatrics; BMC Public Health; BMC Women’s Health; Child Abuse & Neglect; Journal of Health and Social Behavior; PloS One; Research on Aging; Scientific Reports; SSM–Population Health

Conferences: GSA Abstract Peer Review (2023–2025); PAA Applied Demography Conference (2025)

Departmental and University Service

- 2025–2026 Organizer, Sociological Methods & Research Reading Group, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison.
- 2024–2025 Graduate Student Mentor, Center for Demography and Ecology, University of Wisconsin–Madison.
- 2023–2024 Graduate Student Representative, Professional Development and Job Search Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison.
- 2023–2024 Graduate Student Mentor, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison.
- 2020–2021 Graduate Student Mentor, Department of Sociology, Boston College.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association; Population Association of America; Gerontological Society of America; International Sociological Association

COMPUTER SKILLS

Stata, R, L^AT_EX, NetLogo, NVivo, SQL, Python, SPSS

PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY

Media Coverage

[“Wisconsin’s ‘Happy Days cohort’ is helping researchers understand aging.”](#) *Wisconsin State Journal*.

Blog Writing

“ShyBean,” WeChat Public Account (2018–present). Writing accessible, research-based essays and book reviews on aging, family, education, and social inequality for a general Chinese-speaking audience on WeChat, one of China’s largest social media platforms.

Community Engagement

Consultant, Sichuan Origin Charity Center (2023). Provided research-informed recommendations for a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting children’s mental well-being through community-based and educational initiatives in China.