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EDUCATION

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong MPhil in Social Science Supervisor: Professor Michelle Yik	2025-2027
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada B.A. in Psychology with High Distinction - GPA: 87.7/100	2021-2025

AWARDS

Dean's List, University of British Columbia, 2023-24

Dean's List, University of British Columbia, 2022-23

Outstanding International Student Scholarship, University of British Columbia, 2021

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Emotion and motivation

Parasocial interaction and relationship

Prosocial behaviors

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Hormones, Health, and Development, [Social Health Lab](#), UBC **2023-2025**

Research Assistant (*Principle Investigator: Dr. Frances Chen*)

- A quantitative longitudinal study on hormone-based medications and adolescents' social-emotional development.
- Facilitated experiments with adolescents, including participant recruitment and saliva collection.
- Conducted literature review and compiled participant data into research reports.

The Impact of Stereotypes on Children's Behavior: **2023**

Implications for Academic Achievement, UBC (Course paper)

- Designed an independent study on self-esteem as a buffer against gender stereotypes.
- Drafted research proposal outlining methodology and anticipated outcomes.

Facial Expression and Perceived Approachability, UBC (Poster) 2022

- Designed survey on smiling styles and perceived approachability.
- Conducted statistical analysis and summarized findings.
- Drafted final report; presented poster in university-level poster session.

Social Psychology and Media Psychology (Course paper) 2022

Advisor: Prof. Edward Schiappa, MIT

- Researched parasocial relationships and its effect on motivation in Chinese role-playing games.
- Drafted proposal; delivered presentation on media influence and identity formation.

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Beijing WM Therapeutics Ltd., Beijing, China 5/2024-7/2024

Research and Development Assistant

- Conducted literature searches on biological targets for mental disorder diagnosis and treatment; prepared accessible science briefings.
- Researched AI-based mental health products and market trends; compiled reports for stakeholders.
- Assisted in EEG data collection and preliminary analysis in collaboration with a hospital depression treatment center.

SKILLS

Software tools: SPSS, Qualtrics, VOSviewer

Languages: Mandarin (native), English (fluent)