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EDUCATION

Expected June 2026	Ph.D. in Sociology, Indiana University <i>Committee:</i> Ethan Michelson (Chair), Clem Brooks, Fabio Rojas, Jennifer Barber, Byungkyu Lee (New York University)
2021	M.A. in Social Science Research Methods, Indiana University
2018	M.A. in Social Sciences, University of Chicago
2017	B.A. in Sociology (with Distinction), Sun Yat-Sen University, China

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Political Sociology, Inequality, Gender, Sociology of Information Technologies and Media, Digital Sociology, Computational Social Science, Mixed Methods.

PUBLICATIONS (* Graduate student co-author)

- 2024 Chen, Zhaodi and Junghun Han*. "Her Lips Are Sealed: Effects of Negative Feedback on Women's Participation in Online Political Discussions." *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic Worlds* 10.
- The journal's Featured Article, October 2024
 - Seidler Graduate Student Paper Award, *North Central Sociological Association*, 2022
- 2023 Chen, Zhaodi and Dali L. Yang. "Governing Generation Z in China: Bilibili, Bidirectional Mediation, and Online Community Governance." *The Information Society* 29(1): 1-16.
- 2023 Zhao, Andy* and Zhaodi Chen. (Equal Authors) "Let's Report Our Rivals: How Chinese Fandom Game Content Moderation System to Restrain Opposing Voices." *Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media* 3.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Working Papers (Draft Available Upon Request)

Chen, Zhaodi. "Private Harms, Public Silence: The Private/Public Divide in the Online Visibility of Violence Against Women Incidents in China."

Chen, Zhaodi and Byungkyu Lee. "Crowdsourced Moderation Without Representation: How In-Group Bias Drives Disparities in Toxicity Exposure."

Allendorf, Keera, Emily Meanwell, and Zhaodi Chen. "Ambivalent Arrangements: Narratives of (Asian) Indian Marriages in American Media"

Data Analysis Stage

"Making Grassroots Heard: Bridging the Digital Attention Gap in Violence Against Women Disclosures in China."

"Does Going Viral Help Others Speak? Assessing the Effects of Publicized Gender Violence Disclosure Online."

"Leveraging Large Language Models for Event Extraction in Social Media Disclosures: A Novel Pipeline."

"The Role of Social Tie Activation in the Formation of Relational Trust." (With Byungkyu Lee and Peter Bearman)

"Gender and the Construction of 'Credible' Threats in Online Content Moderation." (with Andy Zhao)

GRANTS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2025-26	Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, American Sociological Association (\$15,905).
2025-26	Doctoral Fellowship, Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation (\$20,000) (Declined)
2025-26	Lindesmith-Mullins Dissertation Fellowship, Indiana University (\$23,000)
2025	Advanced Departmental Fellowship, Indiana University (\$11,500)
2025	UGS Grant-in-aid Award, Indiana University (\$1,000)
2024	SAGE Publishing Keith Roberts Teaching Innovation Award, American Sociological Association (\$1,000)
2023-24	College of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Research Fellowship, Indiana University (\$22,000)
2023	Sheldon Stryker Graduate Research Grant, Indiana University (\$950)
2022	Seilder Graduate Paper Award, North Central Sociological Association
2022	College of Arts and Sciences Travel Award, Indiana University (\$300)
2020	Summer Research Fellowship, Indiana University (\$2,700)
2017-18	Merit-Based Scholarship of Half Tuition, University of Chicago
2015&16	National Scholarship, Ministry of Education of China

2015&16 First-Class Student Scholarship, Sun Yat-Sen University

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 “Gender Bias in Content Moderation and Its Downstream Effects on Online Discourse.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. (With Byungkyu Lee)
- 2022 “Let’s Report Our Rivals: How Chinese Fandoms Game Content Moderation System to Restrain Opposing Voices.” The 8th International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC2S2), Chicago, IL. (With Andy Zhao)
- 2021 “Gendered Online Participation: How Competitive Online Contexts Shape Gender Differences in Online Political Talks” North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN. (With Junghun Han)
- 2021 “Gendered Online Participation: How Competitive Online Contexts Shape Gender Differences in Online Political Talks” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Virtual. (With Junghun Han)
- 2018 “Traditional and Cultural Innovation in the Digital Economy: The Case of Bilibili” The 2nd International Symposium of Innovation-Driven Development, Guangzhou, China. (With Dali L. Yang)
- 2016 “Is College Useless? The Intersection of Political and Generational Differences in Education Attitude in China.” Chinese Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Lanzhou, China.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Indiana University

- 2022–23 **Research Associate**, Sociological Research Practicum - Indian American Family Study. (PI: Keera Allendorf)
- 2021–23 **Research Assistant**, Dimensions of Relational Trust. (PI: Byungkyu Lee)
- 2020 **Research Assistant**, Immigrants Collective Activism in America Media. (PI: Dina Okamoto)

University of Chicago

- 2018–19 **Research Assistant**, Digital Governance and Youth Online Participation in China. (PI: Dali L. Yang)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (* Graduate-Level Courses)

Instructor of Record, Indiana University (*Full responsibility for course design, instruction, and grading*)

2022 Introduction to Sociology, 48 students

2021 Introduction to Sociology, 49 students

Lab Instructor, Indiana University

2024 Statistical Techniques in Sociology I* with Patricia McManus, 14 students

Associate Instructor, Indiana University

2023 Sociological Research Practicum* with Keera Alledorf, 10 students

Teaching Assistant, Indiana University

2025 Introduction to Sociology (Assistant to Jacob Miller)

2024 Understanding Social Data (Assistant to Eunhye Lee)

2022 Digital Sociology (Assistant to Fabio Rojas)

2022 Medicine in America (Assistant to C. Meza)

2021 Introduction to Sociology (Assistant to Jessica Calarco)

2019 Introduction to Sociology (Assistant to Jessica Calarco)

Guest Lecturer, Interdisciplinary Studies, UC-Berkeley

Nov 2021 Introduction to Research Methods: "Study Online Behaviors Using Survey Experiments."

SERVICE AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2022– Graduate Student Peer Mentor. Department of Sociology, Indiana University.

2022–23 Secretary. Sociology Graduate Student Association, Indiana University

2021 Presider. Section on Social Media and Internet: Politics and Collective Crisis, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

2020–22 Recruitment Committee. Department of Sociology, Indiana University

2020– Member. American Sociological Association (Sections: Communication, Information Technologies and Media Sociology; Political Sociology; Teaching and Learning Society)

Ad Hoc Reviewer: *American Journal of Sociology*, *New Media & Society*, *The Information Society*, *Culture, Health & Sexuality*, *International Journal of Communication*, *Humanities and Social Science Communications*.

SKILLS

Software: R, Stata, Python, Qualtrics, NVivo, MaxQDA, LaTeX

Languages: Mandarin Chinese (Native), Cantonese Chinese (Frequent), Japanese (Moderate)

REFERENCES

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