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### Position

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| 2023 -      | Assistant Professor, Shanghai University                                    |
| 2022 - 2023 | Postdoctoral Research Associate, GIS and Spatial Studies, Purdue University |

### Education

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| <b>Ph.D. in Sociology</b><br>University at Albany, SUNY, USA | 2016 - 2022 |
| <b>M.A. in Sociology</b><br>Peking University, China         | 2013 - 2016 |
| <b>B.A. in History</b><br>Fudan University, China            | 2007 - 2011 |

### Research Interests

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|-------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Migration         | Demography      | Sociology of Education |
| Population Health | Urban Sociology |                        |

### Research

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- Yuanfei Li**, Rui Li, Youqin Huang, and Kai Zhang. 2026. Population mobility, neighborhood social vulnerability, and COVID-19 outcomes in New York City: An origin-based perspective. *Urban Science* 10(10): 545. <https://doi.org/10.3390/urbansci10100545>.
- Qiao Li, Zai Liang, and **Yuanfei Li\***. 2025. Double jeopardy? China's minority migrant children in comparative perspective. *Eurasian Geography and Economics*, 66(4-5), 530-555. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15387216.2024.2416895>.
- Jungsun Kim, **Yuanfei Li\***, and Fenggang Yang. 2025. A spatial analysis of shamans in South Korea's religious market. *Religions*, 16(10):1327. <https://doi.org/10.3390/rel16101327>.
- Youqin Huang, **Yuanfei Li\***, Rui Li, and Kai Zhang. 2024. The privilege of working from home and health disparities during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Health and Place*, 86:103183. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.healthplace.2024.103183>.
- Kai Zhang, Jeffrey Lin, **Yuanfei Li**, et al. 2024. Unmasking the sky: high-resolution PM<sub>2.5</sub> prediction in Texas using machine learning techniques. *Journal of Exposure Science and Environmental Epidemiology*, 34(5), 814-820. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41370-024-00659-w>.
- Ce Liu, Li He, **Yuanfei Li**, Aimin Yang, Kai Zhang, and Bin Luo. 2023. Diabetes risk among US adults with different socioeconomic status and behavioral lifestyles: evidence from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. *Frontiers in Public Health*, 11:11979947. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2023.1197947>.

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- Kai Zhang, Robert D Brook, **Yuanfei Li**, Sanjay Rajagopalan, and Juyong Brian Kim. 2023. Air pollution, built environment, and early cardiovascular disease. *Circulation Research*, 132: 1707–1724. <https://doi.org/doi:10.1161/CIRCRESAHA.123.322002>.
- Zai Liang, **Yuanfei Li**, and Zhongshan Yue. 2023. “Children and China’s urbanization.” In Z. Liang et al. (Eds.), *Studies on Migrant Children and Left-behind Children in China’s Urbanization* (pp. 1-14). China Social Science Press.
- Fenggang Yang, Kim-kwong Chan, Charles Chang, Bing Han, and **Yuanfei Li**. 2022. Online Spiritual Atlas of the Global East - Hong Kong (OSAGE-HK) Data. <https://doi.org/doi:10.4231/MTMA-8479>.
- Annette Jacoby, and **Yuanfei Li**. 2022. Mental health care access and individual help-seeking during the covid-19 pandemic. *Community Mental Health Journal*, 58:1572–1583. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10597-022-00973-3>.
- Yuanfei Li**, and Dandan Zhao. 2021. Education, neighborhood context and depression of elderly Chinese. *Urban Studies*, 58(16):3354-3370. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0042098021989948>.
- Yuanfei Li**, Cheng Cheng, Glenn Deane, and Zai Liang. 2020. Parental migration and Chinese adolescents’ friendship networks in school. *Chinese Sociological Review*, 52(4):389-410. <https://doi.org/10.1080/21620555.2020.1776602>.
- Zai Liang and **Yuanfei Li**. 2020. “The spatial diffusion of Chinese immigrants and diffusion of Chinese culture.” In H. Wang (Eds.), *Blue Book (2020) on China’s International Migration* (pp. 179-192). China Social Science Press.
- Zai Liang, Zhongshan Yue, **Yuanfei Li**, Qiao Li, and Aihua Zhou. 2020. Choices or constraints: education of migrant children in urban China. *Population Research and Policy Review*, 39(4):671-690. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11113-019-09564-9>.
- [A revised version] **Yuanfei Li**, Zai Liang and Zhongshan Yue. 2020. Migrant children’s schooling in urban China. *N-IUSSP*. <https://www.niussp.org/article/migrant-childrens-schooling-in-urban-chinascolarite-des-enfants-migrants-en-chine-urbaine/>. December 7.

## Work Experience

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| University at Albany, SUNY<br>Research Assistant, Public Health                                                                                                     | 2022.05 - 2022.08 |
| University at Albany, SUNY<br>Research Support Specialist, Geography and Planning/Public Health<br>Project: health disparities in the COVID-19 pandemic in the U.S. | 2021.11 - 2022.04 |
| United Jewish Appeal - Federation of Jewish Philanthropies (NY)<br>Research Assistant, Impact & Performance Assessment Department                                   | 2021.06 - 2021.10 |

Project: The UJA Covid-19 Jewish Impact Study (2021)

University at Albany, SUNY  
*Part-time Lecturer, Sociology* 2021.01 - 2021.05

University at Albany, SUNY  
*Graduate Assistant, Sociology* 2016.08 - 2020.05

Peking University  
*Graduate Assistant, Sociology* 2016.02 - 2016.06

Yangpu District, Shanghai, China  
*Research Assistant, People's Government of Yangpu District*  
Project: children of returned Chinese immigrants 2009.09 - 2010.07

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**Research Grants**

The Impact of COVID and Anti-Asian Hate on NYC's Chinatown 2024-2025  
Principal Investigator: Zai Liang, Ph.D.  
The Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Award  
Role: Consultant

China International Migration Project 2019-2024  
Principal Investigator: Zai Liang, Ph.D.  
University at Albany, SUNY, USA  
China Social Science Foundation (Major Research Project)  
Role: Participant

The Educational and Health Consequences of Parental Migration on Children 2015-2020  
Principal Investigator: Zai Liang, Ph.D.  
Co-investigators, Glenn Deane, Ph.D., and Kathryn Schiller, Ph.D.  
University at Albany, SUNY, USA  
The National Science Foundation  
Role: Participant

A Study on Migrant Children and Left behind Children in China 2015-2019  
Principal Investigator: Zai Liang, Ph.D.  
University at Albany, SUNY, USA  
China Social Science Foundation (Key Research Project)  
Role: Participant

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**Memberships**

Population Association of America 2017-2022  
American Sociological Association 2019

**Service & Outreach**

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| Ad Hoc Reviewer, Health and Place                      | 2026      |
| Ad Hoc Reviewer, Population, Space and Place           | 2025      |
| Ad Hoc Reviewer, Cities                                | 2025      |
| Ad Hoc Reviewer, Population Research and Policy Review | 2021-2024 |
| Ad Hoc Reviewer, Social Science & Medicine             | 2022      |