

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Sociology), State University of New York at Albany, Albany, New York  
M.A. (Sociology), Baylor University, Waco, Texas  
Honors Diploma (Sociology), Hong Kong Baptist College, Hong Kong

### EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Hong Kong Baptist University  
Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Hong Kong Baptist University  
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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social Networks; Gender; Social Stratification; Health; Chinese Societies

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

1. Lai, Gina, Jing Song, Odalia Wong, and Xiaotian Feng. 2016. "Transition to Higher Education in Contemporary China: A Study of High School Graduates in Urban Nanjing" *Journal of Sociology* 52:83-102.
2. Lai, Gina, Odalia Wong, Xiaotian Feng. 2015. "Family, School, and Access to Social Capital among High School Students in Urban Nanjing." *American Behavioral Scientist* 59:946-960.
3. Lai, Gina. 2014. "Social Support and Illness." Pp. 2193-2195, in Wiley Cockerham, William C., Robert Dingwall, and Stella R. Quah (eds.), *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Health, Illness, Behavior, and Society*. NJ: John Wiley & Sons.
4. Yao, Lu, Danching Ruan, and Gina Lai. 2013. "Social Capital and Economic Integration of Migrants in Urban China." *Social Networks* 35:357-369.

5. Ruan, Danching and Gina Lai. 2009. "From Exclusion to Inclusion: Attitudes and Behaviors of Local Shanghainese." Pp. 119-141, in Danching Ruan (ed.), *Remaking Shanghainese*. Shanghai: Xuelin Publishing Co. (in Chinese)
6. Lai, Gina. 2008. "Marriage, Gender, and Social Capital." Pp. 342-363, in Lin, Nan and Bonnie H. Erickson (eds.), *Social Capital: An International Research Program*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
7. 賴蘊寬，2008，〈中國經濟改革與女性就業：國家、市場和性別的關係〉(Market Reforms and Women's Employment in China: The Relationships among State, Market, and Gender)，《持續與變遷：當代中國的政經、社會和空間發展》(香港：香港教育圖書公司)，頁 140-176。
8. Lai, Gina and Rance P.L. Lee. 2006. "Market Reforms and Psychological Distress in Urban Beijing." *International Sociology* 21:551-579.
9. Lai, Gina and Yat-Ming Siu. 2006. "Residential Mobility and Social Capital in Urban Shanghai." *Asian Journal of Social Science* 34:573-599.
10. Lee, Rance P.L., Danching Ruan and Gina Lai. 2005. "Social Structure and Support Networks in Beijing and Hong Kong." *Social Networks* 27:249-274. (5-year impact factor: 3.851)

## SELECTED RESEARCH GRANTS

1. *Research Grants Council (HKBU12403814)*, funded to project, "School-to-Work Transition in Urban China: High School Students from Urban Nanjing as a Case Study" (PI: Gina Lai; Co-I: Odalia Wong, Jing Song, Xiaotian Feng), HK\$479,000, January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2017 (proposed).
2. *Research Grants Council (HKBU32-12-456)*, funded to project, "Pathways and Social Consequences of High School Transition in China: An Exploratory Study of High School Students in Urban Nanjing." (PI: Gina Lai; Co-I: Odalia Wong, Jing Song, and Feng Xiaotian), HK\$398,610, January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2014.
3. "Exploring the Social Networks of Residents in Tin Shui Wai" (PI: Gina Lai), funded by Central Policy Unit, HKSAR, HK\$188,639, March 1, 2008 – January 31, 2009.
4. *Research Grants Council (HKBU2032/02H)*, funded to project, "Social Networks and Marital Power: A Cross-sectional Study in Hong Kong." (PI: Gina Lai, Co-I: Danching Ruan and Odalia Wong). HK\$974,517, 2002-2005.

## SELECTED PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

1. Member, Academic Advisory Board, Master of Social Sciences (Social and Cultural Transformation in Chinese Societies) degree programme, Hong Kong Shue Yan University, April 2012-April 2016.
2. External examiner, M.A. program in Sociology, Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2012-2015.
3. Hong Kong representative to the North America Chinese Sociologists' Association, 2003-present
4. Member, Working Group on Youth Sexuality Study 2011, Hong Kong Family Planning Association, 2011
5. Council member, Hong Kong Sociological Association, 2008-2012

6. Member, HKCE Social Studies Subject Committee, 2003-2010
7. Member, the Expert Group on Thematic Household Survey on Hong Kong Family, Central Policy Unit, HKSAR, 2008
8. Member, the Expert Group on Thematic Household Survey on Hong Kong Residents Working in the Mainland of China, Central Policy Unit, HKSAR, 2004-2005
9. Anonymous reviewer of manuscripts for various international refereed journals, including *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *Gerontologist*, *Hong Kong Journal of Sociology*, *Journal of Comparative Family Studies*, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, *Journal of Family Issues*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *Journal of Sociology*, *Modern China*, *Social Forces*, *Social Networks*, *Social Problems*, *Social Psychology Quarterly*, *Social Science Research*, *Sociological Inquiry*, *Sociological Perspectives*, *Sociology of Health and Illness*, *Southeast Asian Journal of Social Science*, *Taiwanese Sociology*
10. Anonymous reviewer of research grants proposals for Hong Kong Research Grants Council, Hong Kong Hospital Authority, Hong Kong Health, Welfare, and Food Bureau, Hong Kong, Hong Kong Tung Wah College, and Hong Kong Polytechnic University
11. External examiner of MPhil and Ph.D. theses for Chinese University of Hong Kong and Hong Kong University of Science and Technology