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EDUCATION

SINGAPORE MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY **Aug 2023 – Present**
Fast-Track Master of Philosophy (MPhil) in Psychology

SINGAPORE MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY **Aug 2020 – Jan 2024**
Bachelor of Social Science, Major in Psychology
GPA 3.86/4
Summa Cum Laude

NANYANG POLYTECHNIC **Apr 2017 – Apr 2020**
Diploma in Food Science and Nutrition
GPA 3.72/4

WORK EXPERIENCES

SINGAPORE MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY **May 2022 – Present**

Research Assistant

- Projects involved and roles supervised by Prof Kenneth:
 - Independently performed payment processes for 501 participants in the “Personality and Mindsets in Human Interactions, Singles Study.”
 - Scheduled and conducted study briefing with interested dyadic participants in the “Mindsets in Human Relationships, Dyadic Study,” as well as supported reminders and payment processes.
- Projects involved and roles supervised by Prof Hwajin:
 - Supported the data collection of the “Feeling and Thinking Study” by facilitating survey and interaction sessions and consolidating a detailed process flow of the interaction session for the other RAs, as well as engaged in the data analysis process of audio transcription to prepare audio files for quantitative analysis and interaction coding for inter-rater reliability.
 - Assisted in the data collection process of the “Sense of Control Mediates the Relationship Between Optimism and Executive Functioning in Older Adults” project by conducting cognitive tasks and surveys with elderly from various SASCO Senior Citizens' Homes across Singapore.

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- Contributed to the data collection and data cleaning process of the "Effects of Bilingual Interactional Context on Major Aspects of Child Development" project by facilitating cognitive tasks with preschool children from various preschool centres across Singapore, calculating their scores for each scale used and cleaning data on Google Sheets using conditional formatting rules.
- Engaged in one of the screening processes in "Meta-analysis on Relationship Between Loneliness and Executive Functions" project by reading through nearly 4000 abstracts of preliminarily selected papers and seeking relevant keywords to pass or fail the papers for further screening.
- Consolidated a detailed literature review summary of various theories that could underlie or explain the "Relationship Between Campus-related Behaviour and Career Outcomes" for Prof Yang's research proposal.
- Independently handled the control condition of the "SMU-X Study" on the Subject Pool System (SPS2022-3346 - Online CASH study: I have NOT taken SMU-X) by creating survey sessions, crafting reminder messages and marking attendance, as well as following up with participants if necessary, paying all 160 participants individually and compiling proofs of receipts for claims in a timely and responsible manner.
- Meticulously created the post-test survey through Qualtrics for the "7-day Smartphone Use Study" using given questions and scales, which was approved at the first submission and subsequently disseminated through the Subject Pool System (SPS2022-3377 Are We Being Smart With Our Smartphones).

SINGAPORE MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY

Aug 2022 – Present

Teaching Assistant

- Supervised by Prof Lee Huey Woon in Psychology Research Methods II (AY2023/24 Term 2)
 - Performing class administrative matters such as class participation recording and formation of groups, as well as information and class materials dissemination
 - Assisting in grading of take-home assignments, proofreading of midterm questions, as well as answering students' queries
- Supervised by Prof Venkat in Managing in a VUCA Context Course (AY2022/23 and AY2023/24)
 - Performing class administrative matters such as attendance taking, class participation recording and formation of groups, as well as information and class materials dissemination
 - Assisting in answering students' queries

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Peer Helper Associate, PEER HELPER ASSOCIATE PROGRAMME AT SMU

Jan 2024 – Mar 2024

- A 5-week training programme to become a peer helper in Singapore Management University (SMU) who supports counsellors from the Mrs Wong Kwok Leong Student Wellness Centre by providing a listening ear and support system to peers in need

Volunteer, Online Team Leader, KIPERKIDS PROGRAMME AT RCS

Jan 2021 – May 2023

- Befriended primary school children and facilitated online character development sessions
- Emceed for RiverLife Community Services (RCS) Graduation Ceremony in 2022
- Provided weekly 1-on-1 Mathematics tutoring to a primary school student during the school term

Volunteer, Student Leader, NEE SOON SOUTH RC HOMEWORK CAFE

Sep 2018 – Sep 2018

- Conducted weekly 1-on-1/2 tutoring sessions with primary two to five students
- Assisted with conflict management among students
- Recorded and collated clocked-in hours of other student tutors

Student Tutor, SCL STUDENT TUTORSHIP PROGRAMME

Apr 2018 – Mar 2019

- Tutored Organic Chemistry to a classmate
- Provided summarised notes and tutoring sessions for the classmate before the examination

Module Representative, SCL CLASS ROLES

Apr 2017 – Mar 2020

- For the duration of three semesters at NYP School of Chemical and Life Sciences (SCL)
- Collected individual or group assignments from classmates for submission as a class
- Initiated and led planning for a class outing after examinations

Sectional Leader, XINMIN SECONDARY SCHOOL GUZHENG ENSEMBLE

Jun 2015 – Apr 2016

- Led section during sectional practices to prepare for performances
- Revised playing techniques for specific songs to fulfil the instructor's requirement for section

Quarter Master (Equipment), XINMIN SECONDARY SCHOOL GUZHENG ENSEMBLE

Jun 2015 – Apr 2016

- Managed housekeeping of Guzheng equipments such as leg stands and strings

ACHIEVEMENTS

EDUSAVE AWARDS

- Edusave Merit Bursary: 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020
- Edusave Certificate of Achievement: 2011, 2014, 2019, 2020
- Edusave Award for Achievement, Good Leadership and Service (EAGLES): 2016
- Edusave Scholarship: 2012, 2013, 2015

SINGAPORE MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY

- SMU Research Scholarship (MPhil)
- Singapore Prison Service Psychology Prize for Top Year Three Student with First Major in Psychology
- AY2022/23 Dean's List
- AY2021/22 Dean's List

NANYANG POLYTECHNIC

- Food Innovation Product Award 2019: Best Marketing Potential Award
- AY2019/20 Semester 1 Director's List
- AY2018/19 Semester 1 Director's List
- AY2017/18 Director's List

XINMIN SECONDARY SCHOOL

- Secondary 3 Guzheng Ensemble: Certificate of Distinction for SYF Arts Presentation 2015
- Secondary 2: Inter-class games (Badminton) 2nd position

SKILLS & INTERESTS

- **Languages:** English (native), Chinese (native), and Hokkien (conversational)
- **Technical skills:** Microsoft Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel), Canva, Qualtrics, RStudio
- **Soft skills:** Detailed-oriented, adaptability, proactiveness, interpersonal and listening skills
- **Psychology research interests:** Well-being, sustainability, emotions, social cognition, relationships, abnormal psychology, clinical psychology, counselling psychology