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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2018-Present SMU Overseas PhD Scholar

Singapore Management University

EDUCATION

Exp. 2022 Ph.D., University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Psychology (Personality & Social Contexts)

2010-2014 B.A., Singapore Management University, Psychology

Honor's Thesis: Dispositional Gratitude and its Effects on Memory

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND HONORS

2017 Rackham Conference Travel Grant Award (\$800)

International Association for Cross Cultural Psychology Wikin-Okonji Travel Award

Singapore Management University Overseas Postgraduate Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

Kim, S. Y., Zhang, M. Y., Zeiders, K. H., **Sim, L.** & Gleason, M. E. J. (*accepted*). Acute salivary cortisol response among Mexican American adolescents in immigrant families. *Cultural Diversity & Ethnic Minority Psychology*. (Impact Factor: 2.04)

BOOK CHAPTERS

Kim, S. Y., Chen, S., **Sim, L.**, & Hou, Y. (2017). Stability and change in parenting and adjustment profiles across early, middle, and late adolescence in Chinese American families. In Y. Choi & H. C Hahm (Eds.), *Asian American parenting: Family process and intervention* (pp. 69-88). Cham, Switzerland: Springer.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Sim. L., & Kim, S. Y. (submitted). Role-based identity development in ethnic minority children from immigrant families: The development of language broker role identity. In *"Re/Formation and Identity: The Intersectionality of Development, Culture, and Immigration."*

Sim. L. & Kim, S. Y. *(in prep).* Parenting and centrality: Uncovering the role of life meaning as a mediator for parental warmth and language broker Identity. Target journal: *Journal of Youth and Adolescence.*

Sim, L.*, Ip, K. I.*, Ascigil, E., Lee, F. & Edelstein, R. S. (*in prep*). Supportive responses to positive event disclosure are culturally specific. Target journal: *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*.

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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Individual Talks

Sim, L. Ip, K. I.*, Ascigil, E., Lee, F. & Edelstein, R. S. (2017, July). Cross-cultural Differences in Couples' Sharing of Good News. To be presented during the 24th Congress of the Cross-cultural Psychology at the 2018 International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology Congress, Guelph, CA.

Sim, L. & Kim, S. Y. (2017, Jan). Parenting and Centrality: Uncovering the role of Life Meaning as a mediator for parental warmth and language broker Identity. Presented at the Lifespan Social-Personality Preconference at the 2017 Society for Personality and Social Psychologists Annual Convention, San Antonio, TX.

Sim, L., Kim, S. Y., Zhang, M., & Zeiders, K. (2017, Apr). *Acute Salivary Cortisol Response to a Translating Activity in Mexican-American Adolescent Language Brokers*. Presented at the Paper Symposium at the 2017 Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Austin, TX.

Poster

Sim, L. & Edelstein, R. S. (2018, Mar). *Dyadic associations between prenatal hormone changes and sexual desire over pregnancy.* Presented during the 2018 Society for Personality and Social Psychologists Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Michigan Ann Arbor

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Winter 2018

Courses:

Introduction to Psychology as a Natural Science (Dr. Brian Malley)

University of Texas at Austin

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Fall 2016

Courses:

Research Methods in Human Development and Family Sciences (Dr. Mark Pope) Theories of Child and Family Development (Dr. Jerry Manheimer)

Singapore Management University

Teaching Assistant

Courses:

Introduction to Psychology (Dr. Ivy Lau)

Advanced Research Methods (Dr. William Tov)

Psychometrics (Dr. William Tov)

Industrial and Organization Psychology (Dr. Guihyun Park)

Leadership and Teambuilding (Mr. Mohammad Ridzuwan)

Group Processes and Decision Making (Dr. Guihyun Park)

Capstone Seminar (Dr. William Tov)