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**Academic Appointments**

Professor of Sociology (Practice), School of Social Sciences, SMU, Jul 2017 - Present

**Academic Administrative Positions**

Urban Fellow, SMU Urban Institute, SMU, Aug 2023 - Present

Director of Centre for Research on Successful Ageing (ROSA), Centre for Research on Successful Ageing, SMU, Jul 2020 - Present

Dean of Students, Office of Dean of Students, SMU, Jul 2017 - Present

**RESEARCH**

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**Research Interests**

Medical sociology and health care systems, with special focus on preventive health (especially cancer prevention) and the importance of social support networks in health-related issues.

Sociology of ageing.

Methods for social research, focus on research designs, sampling, survey as well as non-survey research methods.

Social statistics (the use of statistics and computer software packages as tools for social research).

Sociology of the family, work/family relations.

Social inequality and stratification systems.

**Publications**

Journal Articles [Refereed]

How does parents' social support impact children's health practice? Examining a mediating role of health

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Addressing the implementation gap in flexiwork policies: the case of part-time work in Singapore, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; TADAI, Mindy E. (2018). *Asia Pacific Journal of Human Resources*, 56 (2), 1-20. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1744-7941.12126> (Published)

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Validating a Scale of Health Beliefs in Preventive Health Screenings Among Chinese Older Adults, by XU, Hanzhang; STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; PAN, Wei; ZHEN, Zhihong; WU, Bei. (2017). *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*, 28 (5), <https://doi.org/10.1177/1043659616661392> (Published)

Single Singaporeans and their Hesitation to use Commercial Matchmaking Services, by MATTHEWS, Mathew; STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay. (2016). *Journal of Comparative Family Studies*, 47 (2), 247-266. (Published)

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Factors determining acceptability of mammography in an Asian population: a study among women in Singapore, by SEOW, Adeline; STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; NG, Eng-Hen; EMMANUEL, Shanta C.; TAN, Chor-Hiang, LEE, Hin-Peng. (1997). *Cancer Causes and Control*, 8 (5), 771-779. <https://doi.org/10.1023/A:1018439623384> (Published)

Tracking the caring profession: Hospital nurses in Singapore, by TAN, E S; STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay. (1996). *Asian Journal of Social Science*, 24 (2), 99-109. (Published)

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A design thinking odyssey: Measuring and documenting graduate learning outcomes in the co-curricular space, by SIM, Alvin; STRAUGHAN, Paulin. (2021). In Adam Peck and Danielle DeSawal (Ed.), *Applying design thinking to the measurement of experiential learning* (pp. 123-133) Hershey, PA: IGI Global. <http://doi.org/10.4018/978-1-7998-7768-4.ch008> (Published)

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From population control to fertility promotion - A case study of family policies and fertility trends in Singapore, by JONES, Gavin; STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; CHAN, Angelique. (2012). In Gavin W Jones; Paulin Tay Straughan; Angelique Wei Ming Chan (Ed.), *Ultra-low fertility in Pacific Asia : trends, causes and policy issues* London: Routledge. <http://worldcat.org/isbn/9780415540780> (Published)

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## Conference Proceedings

Assessing student learning in sport event management through reflective practice: Measure of success in co-curricular learning in higher education, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin T.; TAY, Wan-Ying; SONG, Eric; KOH-TAN, Angela. (2018.0). *HERDSA 2018: (Re)Valuing Higher Education: 2-5 July 2018, Adelaide, Australia*, (pp. 123-142) Hammondville, NSW: Higher Education Research and Development Society of Australia. <http://www.herdsa.org.au/publications/conference-proceedings/research-and-development-higher-education-re-valuing-higher-11> (Published)

### Conference Papers

The higher education well-being revolution: caring for students and faculty, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; SIM, Alvin. (2022.0). *EDUtech Asia 2022, Singapore, November 8-10*, Singapore. (Presented)

The SMU resilience framework: Engendering pathways to a life of flourishing, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; SIM, Alvin. (2022.0). *The 18th APSSA International Conference 2022, Gold Coast, Australia, November 1-5*, Australia. (Presented)

Promoting student success through purposeful co-curricular engagement, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; SIM, Alvin. (2022.0). *The 18th APSSA International Conference 2022, Gold Coast, Australia, November 1-5*, Griffith University Australia, Gold Coast, Australia. (Presented)

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Parents' social support and children's healthy practice: examining the mediating effects of knowledge about BMI, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; XU, Chengwei. (2019.0). *The Ninth International Conference on Health, Wellness and Society, University of California, Berkeley, 2019 September 19-20*, University of California, Berkeley. (Presented)

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Social determinants of childhood obesity, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay. (2019.0). *Singapore Population Health Conversation & Workshop 2019: Children & Youth, April 17*, Singapore. (Presented)

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- Validating a measure of beliefs in health prevention screenings among old adults in China, by XU, H.; STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; PAN, W.; ZHEN, Z.; WU, B.. (2016.0). *GSA Annual Scientific Meeting Abstracts 2016*, Cary. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnw162.1078> (Presented)
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- Redefining retirement: The social significance of being "Post 65", by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay. (2015.0). *10th Singapore Public Health and Occupational Medicine 2015, August 12*, Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore. (Presented)
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- Successful ageing: Whose definition?, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay. (2014.0). *Public Health and Occupational Medicine Conference 9th PHOM 2014, August 28*, Singapore. (Published)
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- Social capital and health screening in the Singaporean elderly, by SON, J.; STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; FENG, Q. S.; SEOW, Adeline. (2013.0). *International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics IAGG, Coex, Seoul, South Korea, 2013 June 23*, Coex, Seoul, South Korea. (Presented)
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*How does parents' social support impact children's health practice? Examining a mediating role of health knowledge*, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; XU, Chengwei. (2022). <https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-1802245/v1> (Published)

*The psychosocial well-being of older adults in COVID-19 and the 'new normal'*, by TAN, Micah; STRAUGHAN, Paulin; TOV, William; CHEONG, Grace; LIM, Wensi. (2021). Singapore: Singapore Management University, ROSA. (Published)

*Results from the perception and attitudes towards ageing and seniors survey (2013/2014)*, by MATHEWS, Mathew; STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay. (2014). Singapore: Institute Policy Studies IPS Working Papers, no. 22. [http://lkyspp.nus.edu.sg/ips/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2014/10/wp22\\_1510151.pdf](http://lkyspp.nus.edu.sg/ips/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2014/10/wp22_1510151.pdf) (Published)

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*Shift work, job satisfaction, and turnover propensity: Nurses in a Singapore hospital*, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay; TAN, Ern Ser. (1996). Singapore: National University of Singapore. Working papers (Department of Sociology), no. 128. <https://worldcat.org/isbn/9789813033177> (Published)

*Screening for early detection of cervical cancer: The relationship between social integration and preventive health behaviour*, by STRAUGHAN, Paulin Tay. (1992). Singapore: National University of Singapore. Working papers (Department of Sociology), no. 111. <https://worldcat.org/oclc/608157026> (Published)

### Other Outputs and Contributions

#### Reports

*Public Cleanliness Satisfaction Survey 2023* by STRAUGHAN, Paulin; MATHEW, Mathews. (2024). (Published)

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*Singapore resilience Study* by STRAUGHAN, Paulin; CHEONG, Grace; LIM, Wensi; NGU, Rachel; TAN, Yan Er; WONG, Yen Cong. (2023). (Published)

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Contesting Life Goals and the Population Conundrum, Non-Graduating, Kyung Hee University, Korea

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Analytical Skills in Sociology, Undergraduate, National University of Singapore  
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