

# Jie Yang PhD

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## EDUCATION

2000-2006	PhD Anthropology, University of Toronto
1996-1999	MA Sociolinguistics, Beijing Language and Cultural University
1989-1993	B A English Language and Literature, Shandong Normal University

## EMPLOYMENT

September, 2019	Professor, Simon Fraser University
2014—2019	Associate Professor, Simon Fraser University
2007—2014	Assistant Professor, Simon Fraser University
2006—2007	



*Worlds, Material Girls: Language, Gender and Globalization*, edited by Bonnie McElhinny, 73-102. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter.

### **Book Reviews**

- 2016 Review of *The Impotence Epidemic: Men's Medicine and Sexual Desire in Contemporary China* by Everett Yuehong Zhang. *American Anthropologist* 118 (4): 989-990.
- 2014 Review of *The "Specter" of the People: Urban Poverty in Northeast China* by Mun Young Cho. *American Ethnologist* 41(3): 606-607.
- 2014 Review of *Anxious Wealth: Money and Morality among China's New Rich* by John Osburg. *American Ethnologist* 41 (4): 798-799.
- 2014 Review of *A Localized Culture of Welfare: Entitlements, Stratification, and Identity in a Chinese Lineage Village* by Kwok-Shing Chan. *American Anthropologist* 116 (4): 865-866.

### **Work in progress**

#### **Monograph**

- "Officials' Heartache": Bureaucracy, Double Bind, and "Existential" Therapy in China (proposal, introduction and two chapters)*
- Holistic Care: Gender, Body and the Heart in China's Beauty and Wellness Industry (2 chapters)*

#### **Edited Volume**

*Indigenous Psychologies and Mental Health in China*

#### **Articles and Chapters**

- "Double Bind, Mental Distress and 'Existential' Therapy in China". Under review
- "Bureaucratic "Aphasia" and Political Depression in China."
- "The Politics of Voice: Language, Subjectivity and Schizophrenia in China."
- "*Hanshan* 'Shouting at Mountains': (Eco)psychology, Reflexivity and Mental Health in China"
- "The Balance of Interest Conflict in Counseling"
- "Family Therapy or Communist Family Mediation"
- "Advertising and Therapeutic Consumption in China"

### **AWARDS, FELLOWSHIP, RESEARCH GRANTS**

- 2019 SFU FASS Rapid Response Grant (\$5,000) (May 15)  
Workshop on "Indigenous Psychology and Mental Health in China"
- 2019 SFU-VPR Travel Grant (Tokyo Conference)(\$2000) (May 1)
- 2019 **Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Insight Grant (CAD \$121,102) (2019-2024)**
- 2018 SSHRC Institutional Grant (\$6990)
- 2018 Nominated by SFU to Royal Society of Canada, College of New Scholars.
- 2016 University Publication Grant (CAD\$ 2000)
- 2016 **Francis L.K. Hsu Book Prize**, Society for East Asian Anthropology

2014	SFU Publication Grant (CAD\$4,500.00)
2011-2014	<b>Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada</b> Standard Research Grant (CAD \$77, 275) (2011-2014)
2010	SFU/VPR Travel Grant (CAD \$600)
2009	SFU/VPR-SSHRC 4A Grant (CAD \$9,960)
2009	Research Incentive Grant, FASS, SFU (CAD \$500)
2008	SSHRC SFU Travel Grant (CAD \$1,500)
2008--2010	SSHRC Institutional Grants (CAD \$4,950)
2007--2009	SFU President Start-Up Research Grant (CAD \$17,500.00)
2004—2006	Dissertation Completion Grant,

Feb.—Aug. 2015 **Psychiatry, Psychopharmacology and Subjectivity**

Conducted participant observation and interviews with patients, family members, psychiatric nurses and psychiatrists at schizophrenia wards in two mental hospitals in Changping, Beijing and Zhangqiu, Shandong Province.

Aug. 2013 **“Officials’ Heartache”: Depression, Suicide and Chinese Bureaucracy**

Conducted in-depth interviews with officials in Zhangqiu, Shandong Province, psychiatrists in both Beijing and Shandong Province who treated public servant patients, and collected media discourse on officials’ suicides since 2009.

Jul.-Aug. 2011 ***Psychologization and Psychosocial Work***

examined the role of psychologypsy/chotherapy in governing urban poverty and the trend of

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Nov. 2010 Organizer, double panel “The Rise of the Therapeutic in China: Circulating Norms, Expertise and Therapy.” 109th **Annual**

(Dis)Orders: Mental Health Institutions as Reflections of Political,  
Socio- Economic and Moral Orders in Different Historical and Regional Contexts.  
Department of Anthropology **Washington University, St. Louis**, April 29.

Feb. 2017



Mar. 2008 “Modes of Ideological Interpellation in China.” Grad

- Dec. 2017      “Qian Guize: Gender, Bureaucracy and Depression in China.” 115<sup>th</sup>  
annual meetings of American Anthropological Association, Washington DC, Dec. 2.
- Jul.2017      “Eating Disorders and



## **TEACHING INTERESTS AND COURSE DEVELOPED**

Culture, Mental Health and Therapeutic Governance  
Happiness and Affective Governance in China  
Neoliberalism and postsocialism  
Anthropology and Contemporary Life  
Language, Gender and Political Economy  
Language, Ideology and Power  
Contemporary China: State, Market and Culture  
Gender politics in China

## **TEACHING and SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE**

### **Postdoc Supervision**

Zhipeng Gao, PhD, Psychology, York University. “Moving China.” (May 2019--2021)

### **Graduate Supervision**

Senior supervision: Marina Khonina, MA, Sociology, “Disordered Eating among Female Athletes” (fall 2018)

Linying Hu, PhD, “*Gender and Postpartum Depression in China*” (fall 2017--)

Marion Lougheed, MA, *The Flip Side of the World: Sound, Sleep, and Willful Unbelonging among Sailing Cruisers*. SFU (completed, 2016)

Ryan Brown MA, sociology (completed, 2013)

Sarah Smith MA, anthropology (fall 2010-2011)

Jennifer Graham MA, anthropology (fall 2008- 2009)

Saiviq Kis

Masoud Shadnam, PhD,

2004--2005

Teaching Assistant **University of Toronto**

Jan.2019 reviewed an article on positive energy and psychological self-help in China, *Ethnos*

Oct. 2018 reviewed a book proposal entitled *Configuring Clinical Psychology* for **Cambridge University Press**

Oct. 2018 reviewed an article on the psychological health and sociality of Chinese youth, *Transcultural Psychiatry*

Aug. 2018 reviewed an article on affective labor in China, *Gender, Place and Culture*

Aug. 2018 reviewed an article on postpartum depression in China, *Ethos*

Aug. 2018 External reviewer of a tenure application at Bucknell University

Jun. 2018 reviewed an academic report on a qualitative research on suicides in an urban community in Shenzhen, Guangdong Province for policy makers in Beijing

May, 2018 reviewed a book manuscript on psychological development and mental health care in China for a book series of Qiuzhen Chubanshe (Qiuzhen Press)

**Apr. 2018—2021** **Executive Committee of the Editorial Board, Pacific Affairs**  
Attend two annual meetings, review articles, shortlist articles for Holland Prize winner, offer suggestion on the general direction of the journal

Apr. –Nov.2018 Member of **Francis Hsu Book Prize Committee**, Society for East Asian Anthropology, American Anthropological Association  
Read books, shortlist them, help draft the prize citation

Apr. 2018 reviewed an article “Plural Selves—On the Vignettes of Psychiatric Pluralism in Kerala and the Global Mental Health Discourses” for *Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry*

Jan. 2018 reviewed an article on gender, leftover women, and neo/zero liberalism in China for *Critical Studies in Media Communication*

Jan. 2018 reviewed an article on mental health, migration and the megacity in Shanghai for *Public Culture*

Sept. 2017 reviewed a book manuscript on family psychology for **Cornell University Press**

Aug. 2017 reviewed an article on Disorientation in Shanghai for *Ethos*

Jun.2017 reviewed an article for *American Ethnologist*

Jun. 2017 reviewed an article for *Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry*

**Apr. 2017-Dec. 2017** **Chair, Francis Hsu Book Prize Committee** (Society for East Asian

May, 2014  
Apr. 2014  
Mar. 2014  
Feb. 2014

reviewed an article for *Modern China*  
reviewed an article for *Ethos*  
reviewed a grant proposal for **National Science Foundation (US)**



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## **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

Sept 2007 Teaching Portfolio Workshop, Learning and Instructional Development Center,  
Simon Fraser University

Aug 2007 Instructional Skills Workshop for new faculty, Vice President, Academic,  
Simon Fraser University

May 2007 Workshop on How to Teach a Linguistically Diverse Class  
Academic Skills Center at UTM and TATP at the University of Toronto

2004 Workshops for Teaching Certificate (TATP)  
Teaching Assistance Office, University of Toronto

2004 “Oral Communications for International Teaching Assistants”  
School of Graduate Studies, University of Toronto

Oct 2003 Workshop on How to Design Multiple Choice Questions  
University of Toronto at Scarborough

2003-2004 “Discourse Lab”  
Department of Anthropology, University of Toronto  
Analyzed discourse and linguistic data from different approaches in Linguistic  
Anthropology organized by Professors Bonnie McElhinny and Jack Sidnell

## **ACADEMIC ASSOCIATIONS**

American Anthropological Association (AAA)  
American Ethnological Society (AES)  
Society of Psychological Anthropology (SLA)  
Society of East Asia Anthropology (SEAA)

## **REFEREES**

**Dr. Hy Van Luong** ([vanluong@chass.utoronto.ca](mailto:vanluong@chass.utoronto.ca)) **Tel: 1-416-946-8985**  
Professor, Anthropology, Director, Collaborative MA Program in Asia Pacific Studies,  
University of Toronto

**Dr. Bonnie McElhinny** ([bonnie.mcelhinny@utoronto.ca](mailto:bonnie.mcelhinny@utoronto.ca)) **Tel: 1-416-946-5383**  
Associate Professor, Anthropology, and Director, Women and Gender Studies Institute, University of  
Toronto

**Dr. Lisa Rofel** ([lrofel@ucsc.edu](mailto:lrofel@ucsc.edu)) **Tel: 1-831-459-3615**  
Professor, Anthropology, University of California, Santa Cruz