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EDUCATION

- Exp. 2023 **Ph.D., Sociology (Minor: Methods in Statistics and Data Science)** | University of Wisconsin-Madison
Committee: Michal Engelman (chair), Jenna Nobles, Jason Fletcher, Stephanie Robert, Alberto Palloni
- Dec 2018 **M.S., Sociology** | University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Jun 2016 **B.A., Sociology and German** *with first class honours* | The University of Hong Kong

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Ye, Leafia Zi** & Alexis R. Santos-Lozada (2022). "U.S. Immigrants Have Highly Heterogeneous Perceptions about How Selected They Are on Health." *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World* 8. ([Link](#))
- Ye, Leafia Zi** & Jason M. Fletcher (2022). "Immigrant Status and the Social Returns to Academic Achievement in Adolescence." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 48(15), 3619-3640. ([Link](#))
- Conwell, Jordan A. & **Leafia Zi Ye** (2021). "All Wealth Is Not Created Equal: Race, Parental Net Worth, and Children's Achievement." *RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences* 7(3): 101–21. ([Link](#); [Media feature](#))
- Ye, Leafia Zi** & Michal Engelman (2021). "Mobility, Stagnation, or Attrition? Diverse Earning Trajectories in a Cohort of Foreign-Born Men." *Population and Development Review*, 47(1): 113-149. ([Link](#); [Companion article in N-IUSSP](#))
- Engelman, Michal & **Leafia Zi Ye** (2019). "The Immigrant Health Differential in the Context of Racial and Ethnic Disparities: The Case of Diabetes." *Advances in Medical Sociology*, 19: 147-171.
- McHugh, David, Sarah Shaw, Travis Moore, **Leafia Zi Ye**, Philip Romero-Masters & Richard Halverson (2020). "Uncovering Themes in Personalized Learning: Using Natural Language Processing to Analyze School Interviews", *Journal of Research on Technology in Education*, 52(3): 391-402.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

- Ye, Leafia Zi.** "Continuous Integration or Cumulative Disadvantage? U.S. Immigrants' Economic Trajectories in Later Life." **R&R Minor** at *Social Forces*.
- *Best Graduate Student Paper Award*, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course

Ye, Leafia Zi. “Childhood Undocumented Status and Socioeconomic Development over the Life Course.” *Under Review*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Ye, Leafia Zi. “Economic Integration and Immigrants’ Later-Life Health Trajectories.”

(Equal authorship) Li, Anita H. and **Leafia Zi Ye.** “Rising Income Inequality among Asian Americans.”

Ye, Leafia Zi. “Explaining the Immigrant Advantage in Hispanic and Asian Americans’ Voting Turnout.”

Ye, Leafia Zi. “International Relations and the Well-being of White vs. Racially Minoritized Immigrants.”

GRANTS & AWARDS

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| 2019, 22 | Graduate Research Fellow (GRF) , Institute for Research on Poverty |
| 2021 | Best Graduate Student Paper Award (\$250), Section on Aging and the Life Course, American Sociological Association |
| 2019, 20 | Retirement and Disability Graduate Research Fellowship Award (\$25,000), The U.S. Social Security Administration Retirement and Disability Research Consortium and the UW Center for Financial Security. |
| 2018, 19, 20 | Robert M. Hauser Research Scholar Award (\$3,000), “Recipients are students with unusual potential for productivity in rigorous empirical research”, University of Wisconsin-Madison |
| 2018, 19 | Student Research Grants Competition Travel Award (\$600), University of Wisconsin-Madison |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2022, Su. | Lecturer, <i>Soc134 Sociology of Race and Ethnicity</i> |
| - | University Summer Collegiate Experience ; Evaluation score: 4.78/5.00 |
| 2020, Fa. | Lecturer, <i>Soc360 Statistics for Sociologists I</i> |
| - | Evaluation score: 4.81/5.00 |
| 2020, Sp. | Guest Lecturer, <i>Soc170 Population Problems (Topic: Immigration and Health)</i> |

PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS

- “Citizenship Status and Immigrant Children’s Socioeconomic Outcomes in Adulthood.”
- Paper Presentation, Southern Demographic Association (Knoxville TN 2022)

- Paper Presentation, ISA RC28 Summer Meeting (Notre Dame IN 2022)
- Poster Presentation, Population Association of America (Atlanta GA 2022)
- Roundtable Presentation, American Sociological Association (Virtual, 2021)

“Continuous Integration or Cumulative Disadvantage? U.S. Immigrants’ Economic Trajectories in Later Life.”

- Roundtable Presentation, American Sociological Association (Los Angeles CA 2022)
- Paper Presentation, Population Association of America (Virtual 2021)

“Immigrant Status and the Social Returns to Academic Achievement in Adolescence.”

- Paper Presentation, Population Association of America (Virtual 2020)

“Rethinking the Foreign-born Advantage: Immigrants’ Experience of Poverty in Later Life.”

- Speaker, Household Finance Seminar Series, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Virtual 2020)

“Mobility, Stagnation, or Attrition? Diverse Earning Trajectories in a Cohort of Foreign-Born Men.”

- Paper Presentation, ISA RC28 Summer Meeting (Princeton NJ 2019)
- Paper Presentation, Population Association of America (Austin TX 2019)
- Presenter, 30th Annual Colloquium on Aging (Madison WI 2018)
- Poster Presentation, Population Association of America (Denver CO 2018)

“Understanding Age Patterns in the Healthy Immigrant Effect.”

- Presenter, The Center for Demography of Health and Aging 20th Anniversary Symposium (Madison WI 2019)

“Does Destination Matter? Geographic Patterns of Immigrant Health in the U.S.”

- Paper Presentation, Population Association of America (Austin TX 2019)

“Single Motherhood and Children’s Emotional-Behavioral Health: Does Migration Status Matter?”

- Paper Presentation, ISA World Congress of Sociology (Toronto, Canada 2019)

“The Immigrant Health Differential in the Context of Racial and Ethnic Disparities: The Case of Diabetes.”

- Paper Presentation, Population Association of America (Denver CO 2018)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Ad-hoc Reviewer: *Demographic Research*, *PlosOne*, *Social Science & Medicine*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*

Member: American Sociological Association (Sections on *International Migration*; *Aging and the Life Course*; *Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility*; *Children and Youth*; *Sociology of Population*), Population Association of America, Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility

In the Academy

2022 Mentoring Pod Leader, Next Generation of Scholars in Population Research

Discussant, “*Aging in Vulnerable Populations*” and “*Work and Retirement Transitions in Later Life*”, Population Association of America

Chair, “*Immigrant Adaptation, Incorporation, and Stratification*”, Population Association of America

Graduate Student Discussant for “*An Integrative Approach to Health*” by Kathleen Mullan Harris, Population Association of America Presidential Address Panel

2021 Discussant, “*Advances in Measuring Poverty, Inequality, and Economic Well-being*”, Population Association of America

Chair, “*Global Perspectives on Aging*”, Population Association of America

At UW-Madison

2022 Associate Chair to Chair, Sociology Graduate Student Association Culture and Climate Committee

Member, Sociology Graduate Student Association Professional Development Committee

2021 Co-Writer, Senior Thesis Mentoring Policy, Department of Sociology

Working Paper Reviewer, Junior Scholar Intensive Training (JSIT) Program, Center for Financial Security

2019 Mentor for Undergraduate Researchers, Center for Financial Security

Organizer, Health and Aging Working Group, Center for Demography of Health and Aging

2018 – 22 Speaker / Panelist at various departmental workshops and events:
“*Reproducibility as a Goal in Research*”, CDE Reproducibility Workshop
“*Finding the Data and Methods for Your Research Project*”, NextGenPop Workshop
“*How to Give a Research Presentation*”, NextGenPop Panel
“*Steps to Writing a Master’s Thesis*”, First-Year Professionalization Seminar
“*Teaching a Quantitative Course Online*”, Online Teaching Workshop
“*What Grad Students Do in the Summers*”, End-of-First-Year Workshop
“*Life as a Grad Student at UW-Madison*”, Visit Day for Prospective Students

2018 – 21 Peer Mentor for Incoming Graduate Students, Department of Sociology

SKILLS

Computing: Stata (Advanced); R (Proficient); Tableau (Proficient); Python (Basic); SAS (Basic)

Languages: English (Fluent); Mandarin (Fluent); Cantonese (Fluent); German (B2 - Independent User); Spanish (Elementary)