

# Ya Su

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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### **Swarthmore College**

2022- Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology

### **Dickinson College**

2021-2022 Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology

## EDUCATION

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### **University of Notre Dame**

2021 Ph.D. Sociology

Dissertation: *She Left, He Left: Marriages at the Crossroads in Contemporary China*  
Committee: *Elizabeth McClintock (chair), Abigail Ocobock, Sarah Mustillo, Ke Li*

### **University of Notre Dame**

2017 M.A. Sociology

### **Lehigh University**

2015 M.A. Sociology

### **Minzu University of China**

2013 B.A. Sociology

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Marriage and Family; Gender and Sexuality; Law and Society; Research Methods & Social Statistics

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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Marshall A. Taylor, **Ya Su**, Kevin Barry, and Sarah A. Mustillo. 2022. "Using Structural Topic Modeling to Estimate Gender Biases in Student Evaluations of Teaching: An Illustration." Pp. 51-67 in *Analysing Student Feedback in Higher Education: Using Text-Mining to Interpret the Student Voice*, edited by E. Zaitseva, B. Tucker, and E. Santhanam. New York: Routledge. ([Link](#))

Shi, Wei, Guangzhe Frank Yuan, Brian J. Hall, Xiaoli Liu, **Ya Su**, Li Zhao, and Peng Jia. 2021. "Mental Disorders and Emotional Competence Among Chinese Adolescents Before and During COVID-19 Pandemic: A Longitudinal Mediation Model." *Frontiers in Public Health* 9: 767004. ([Link](#))

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## **WORK UNDER REVIEW AND IN PROGRESS**

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\* denotes equal authorship

### **Revise and Resubmit**

\*Minju Kwon and **Ya Su**. "Unworthy Victims? Older Women as Sexual Violence Survivors."

### **Under Review**

**Ya Su**. "Breadwinning, Homemaking, and Gendered Divorce in Contemporary China."

### **In Preparation for Submission (Manuscript Available)**

**Ya Su**. "Beyond the Nuclear Family: The Relation between Intergenerational Relations and Divorce in China."

**Ya Su**. "A Tale of Two Worlds? Child Custody Outcomes of Divorce Litigations in Contemporary China."

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## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Swarthmore College**

Instructor of Record: Research Methods in Social Science

Instructor of Record: Marriage and Family

Instructor of Record: Gender, Family and Work in East Asia

### **Dickinson College**

Instructor of Record: Gender, Family and Work in Contemporary China

Instructor of Record: Marriage and Family

Instructor of Record: Social Analysis

### **University of Notre Dame**

Instructor of Record: Statistics for Sociological Research (Undergraduate)

Instructor of Record: Linear Regression Lab (Graduate)

Instructor of Record: Social Statistics Boot Camp (Graduate)

Teaching Assistant: Linear Regression (Graduate)

Teaching Assistant: Marriage and Family (Undergraduate)

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## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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**Ya Su.** 2023. “Beyond the Nuclear Family: The Relation between Intergenerational Relations and Divorce in China.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**Ya Su.** 2022. “A Tale of Two Worlds? Child Custody Outcomes of Divorce Litigations in Contemporary China.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Los Angeles, California.

Minju Kwon and **Ya Su.** 2021. “Does Age Matter? Public Perception of Rape against Women in China.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Virtual.

Minju Kwon and **Ya Su.** 2021. “Does Age Matter? Public Perception of Rape against Women in China.” *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting*, Virtual.

**Ya Su** and Elizabeth McClintock. 2020. “Intergenerational Co-residence and Divorce Risk, U.S. and China” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, California. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)

**Ya Su.** 2020. “Gender, Justice and Family Politics in Changing East Asian Societies” *Association for Asian Studies, AAS-in-Asia Conference*, Kobe, Japan. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)

**Ya Su** and Elizabeth McClintock. 2019. “Intergenerational Co-residence and Divorce Risk, U.S. and China” *Invited Presentation at Portland State Colloquium*, Portland.

**Ya Su.** 2019. “Marriages at the Crossroads in Contemporary China” *Invited Presentation at Social Development and Social Governance Research Forum*, Shanghai, China.

**Ya Su** and Yu Wang. 2018. “What Makes a Wife Divorce Her Husband before Court? Gender Difference in Petitioning Contested Divorce” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**Ya Su** and Yu Wang. 2018. “Ruling Divorce, Ruling Gender: How Does Gender Affect Court’s Judgement on Contested Divorce Cases in China?” *International Sociological Association Joint Conference for Family and Population*, Singapore.

**Ya Su.** 2017. “She is the Dumper, He is the Dumper: How Money, Work, Norms, and Love affect Wives’ and Husbands’ Initiation of Divorce.” *11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Chinese Sociology and Demography Methodology*, Beijing, China.

**Ya Su.** 2017. "She is the Dumper, He is the Dumper: Rethinking Determinants of Different Types of Marital Dissolution in the United States." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

**Ya Su.** 2014. "Culture, Action, and Adaptation: Measuring the Development of Cultural 'Toolkits' among Chinese International Students." *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, California.

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## **GRANTS and AWARDS**

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2022 Faculty Grant Award  
Swarthmore College

2021 Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award  
The Graduate School and ND learning | Kaneb Center, University of Notre Dame

2021 G. Margaret Porter Gender Studies Graduate Writing Award  
Gender Studies Program, University of Notre Dame

2021 Graduate Student Research Grant (\$500)  
Gender Studies Program, University of Notre Dame

2020 Student Research Grant (\$1,500)  
Liu Institute for Asia & Asian Studies, University of Notre Dame

2020 Graduate Research Grant (\$ 300)  
Gender Studies Program, University of Notre Dame

2019 Student Research Grant (\$ 1,500)  
Liu Institute for Asia & Asian Studies, University of Notre Dame

2019 Graduate Student Travel Fund (\$ 400)  
Sociology Department, University of Notre Dame

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## **MEMBERSHIPS**

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Association for Asian Studies  
American Sociological Association  
- Sex and Gender; Family; Asia and Asian America; Sociology of Law  
Society for the Study of Social Problems  
International Chinese Sociologists Association

## **EDITORIAL WORK**

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1/2020-5/2020 Assistant Editor for *American Sociological Review*

## **SERVICE**

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8/2020-5/2021 Coordinator

Graduate Asia Working Group, Liu Institute for Asia and Asian Studies, University of Notre Dame

9/2020 Panel Organizer (*Cancelled due to COVID-19*)

Association for Asian Studies (AAS), AAS-in-Asia Annual Conference 2020

8/2019 Presider for Family Roundtable

American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting 2019

8/2019-5/2020 Graduate Studies Committee

Sociology Department, University of Notre Dame

8/2018-5/2019 Graduate Student Union Student Representative

Graduate School, University of Notre Dame

Peer Reviewer: *American Sociological Review*, *Journal of Family Issues*

## **SKILLS**

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Programming: STATA, SPSS, R, Python (basic)

Languages: Chinese (native), English (fluent)