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EDUCATION

- 2003 Ph.D. The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
(Sociology and Demography, minor in Statistics)
- 1999 M.A. The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
(Sociology and Demography)
- 1994 M.A. Foreign Affairs College, Beijing, China
(International Relations and Diplomacy)
- 1991 B.A. Nanjing University, Nanjing, China
(English Language and Literature)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2006-present Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Michigan State University
- 2003-2006 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Bowling Green State University
- 2000-2001 Graduate Student Instructor, Department of Sociology, Penn State University (Summer Semesters, 2000 & 2001)
- 1998 Graduate Student Instructor, Department of Sociology, Penn State University (Fall and Summer Semester, 1998)
- 1996-1997 Assistant Professor, Department of English, Nanjing Normal University, China

RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

- 2006-present Core Faculty, Asian Studies Center, Michigan State University
- 2006-present Core Faculty, Center for Gender in Global Context, Michigan State University
- 2006-present Research Associate, Health, Institutions, and Health Initiative, Michigan State University
- 2003-present Research Affiliate, Center for Family and Demographic Research, Bowling Green State University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

United States: Family and Health in Later Life, Morbidity and Mortality, Racial/Ethnic/Immigrant Inequality in Health

China: Risk Factors of Cognitive Impairment in older adults, Early-Life Environment and Health, Family, Gender, and Health in Later Life

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2004 Rand Summer Institute Scholarship
- 2000 Honorable Mention, ASA's Section on Aging and the Life Course Graduate Student Paper Award
- 1994 Outstanding Graduate Student Award, Foreign Affairs College, Beijing, China
- 1993 Outstanding Graduate Student Award, Foreign Affairs College, Beijing, China
- 1991 Nanjing University Scholarship, Nanjing University, China
- 1990 Nanjing University Scholarship, Nanjing University, China

RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2006-2008 Principal Investigator, "Early-Life Conditions and Cognitive Well-Being in Late Life." New Faculty Grant, Michigan State University, Total costs: \$ 33,988
- 2006-2007 Principal Investigator, "Early-Life Environment and Cognitive Functioning in Late Midlife." Agency: Center for Demography of Health and Aging, University of Wisconsin-Madison. WLS pilot grant program. Total costs: \$10,000.
- 2004 Principal Investigator, "The Marital Life Course and Cardiovascular Disease in Midlife." Faculty Research Development Award, Center for Family and Demographic Research, Bowling Green State University, \$7000.

PUBLICATIONS

- Hayward, M. D., E. M. Crimmins, and Zhenmei Zhang. 2007. "Consequences of Educational Change for the Burden of Chronic Health Problems in the Population." In *Riding the Age Waves: Allocating Public and Private Resources across Generations*, edited by Anne H. Gauthier, Cyrus Chu, and Shripad Tuljapurkar. New York: Springer.
- Zhang, Zhenmei and M. D. Hayward. 2006. "Gender, the Marital Life Course, and Cardiovascular Health in Late Midlife." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 68(3): 639-657.

- Zhang, Zhenmei. 2006. "Gender Differentials in Cognitive Impairment and Decline of the Oldest Old in China." *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 61B: S107-S115.
- Zhang, Zhenmei. 2006. "Marital History and the Burden of Cardiovascular Disease in Midlife." *The Gerontologist* 46: 266-270.
- Zhang, Zhenmei and M. D. Hayward. 2001. "Childlessness and the Psychological Well-Being of Older Persons." *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 56B:S311-320.
- Hayward, M. D. and Zhenmei Zhang. 2001. "The Demographic Revolution in Population Aging: A Century of Change, 1950-2050." Pp. 69-85 in the *Handbook of Aging and the Social Sciences, Fifth Edition*, edited by Robert K. Binstock and Linda K. George. New York: Academic Press.

WORKING PAPERS

- Zhang, Zhenmei and M. D. Hayward. "Is there a Mexican American "Epidemiologic Paradox" in Midlife? A Closer Look at Chronic Morbidity." *Under Review*.
- Zhang, Zhenmei and Danan Gu. "Childhood Socioeconomic Status, Social Mobility, and Later-Life Cognitive Functioning in China."
- Zhang, Zhenmei, Danan Gu and M. D. Hayward. "Early-life Conditions and the Onset of Cognitive Impairment among the Oldest-Old in China."
- Zhang, Zhenmei. "Early-Life Environment and Cognitive Functioning in Late Midlife."
- Bulanda, Jennifer Roebuck and Zhenmei Zhang. "Racial-Ethnic Differences in Subjective Survival Expectations for the Retirement Years."
- Hayward, M. D., E. M. Crimmins, and Zhenmei Zhang. "Racial/Ethnic Disparities in the Burden of Heart Disease in the United States."
- Zhang, Yuanting and Zhenmei Zhang. "Extramarital Affairs in China: A Feminist Approach."
- Schiamborg, Lawrence B., Gia E. Barboza, James Oehmke, Robin Weatherill, Robert J. Griffore
Zhenmei Zhang, Lori Post. "Elder Abuse in Nursing Homes: An Ecological Perspective."
Under review.

PAPERS READ TO PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- Zhang, Zhenmei and Mark Hayward. 2006. "Gender, the Marital Life Course, and Cardiovascular Disease in Late Midlife." Paper presented at BGSU Center for Family and Demographic Research,

Bowling Green, OH.

- Zhang, Zhenmei, Danan Gu and M. D. Hayward. 2006. "Early-life Conditions and the Onset of Cognitive Impairment among the Oldest-Old in China." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, CA.
- Zhang, Zhenmei and Danan Gu. 2005. "Childhood Socioeconomic Status, Social Mobility, and Late-Life Cognitive Functioning in China." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, Florida.
- Zhang, Zhenmei and Cheryl Lero. 2005. "Gender Differentials in Cognitive Impairment of the Oldest Old in China." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Philadelphia, PA.
- Bulanda, Jennifer Roebuck and Zhenmei Zhang. 2005. "Racial and Ethnic Differences in Expectations of Length of Life: A Study of Older Adults." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Philadelphia, PA.
- Zhang, Zhenmei and M. D. Hayward. 2004. "Gender, the Marital Life Course, and Cardiovascular Morbidity." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, DC.
- Zhang, Zhenmei. 2004. "Beyond Current Marital Status: Complex Marital History and the Burden of Cardiovascular Disease." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Hayward, M. D., E. M. Crimmins, and Zhenmei Zhang. 2001. "Consequences of Educational Change for the Burden of Chronic Health Problems in the Population." Paper presented at the International Meeting on Age Structure Transitions and Policy Dynamics organized by the IUSSP, Taipei.
- Zhang, Zhenmei and M. D. Hayward. 2001. "Race, Nativity and Morbidity Patterns: The Effects of Health Selection, Acculturation and Socioeconomic Circumstances." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC.
- Zhang, Zhenmei and M. D. Hayward. 2000. "Childlessness and the Psychological Well-Being of Older Persons." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, CA.

Hayward, M. D., E. M. Crimmins, and Zhenmei Zhang. 2000. "The Racial Burden of Disease and Disability: A Life Cycle Model of Chronic Disease, Disability, and Mortality." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, CA.

Hayward, M. D., E. M. Crimmins, J. Barendregt, and Zhenmei Zhang. 1999. "Healthy Life Expectancy in the United States: The Confluence of Disease and Disability." Paper presented at the 11th Meeting of the International Network on Health Expectancy (REVES-11), London.

Hayward, M. D., E. M. Crimmins, J. Barendregt, and Zhenmei Zhang. 1999. "Disease-free life Expectancy in the United States." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, New York.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Courses

- Sociology 315: Family and Society, Fall 2006, MSU
- Sociology 101: Principles of Sociology, Fall 2005, BGSU
- Sociology 312: Population and Society, Spring 2005, BGSU
- Sociology 361: The Family, Fall 2003, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2006 BGSU
- Sociology 420: Techniques of Demographic Analysis I, Fall 2004, BGSU
- Sociology 023: Population and Policy Issues, Summer 2001, Penn State University
- Sociology 430: Family in Cross-Cultural Perspective, Summer 1998, Summer 2000, Penn State University

Graduate Courses

- Sociology 954: Techniques of Population Analysis, Spring 2007, MSU
- Sociology 520: Techniques of Demographic Analysis I, Fall 2004, BGSU
- Sociology 727: Morbidity and Mortality, Spring 2004, BGSU
- Sociology 597G: Statistical Lab, Fall 1998, Penn State University

Membership on Dissertation Committees

- Deborah Foster, in progress, Michigan State University
- Jennifer Roebuck Bulanda, Ph.D., 2006, BGSU

Membership on Thesis Committees

- Weiwei Zhang, M.A., 2006, BGSU
- Victoria Buelow, M.A., 2005, BGSU
- Kelly Jeffreys, M.A., 2005, BGSU
- Amy Wenmoth, M.A., 2004, BGSU

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Research and Teaching Learning Community. The Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology, BGSU, 2004-2005.

Demography, Economics, and Epidemiology of Aging, 11th annual RAND Summer Institute, Santa Monica, California, July 9-10, 2004

Mini-Medical School for Social Scientists, 11th annual RAND Summer Institute, Santa Monica, California, July 7-8, 2004

New Faculty Learning Community. The Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology, BGSU, 2003-2004.

SERVICES

Department

- Graduate Education Committee, Graduate Admission Committee, Internet and Computer Technology Committee, 2006-2007, Department of Sociology, MSU
- Undergraduate committee, 2005-2006, Department of Sociology, BGSU
- Publicity and Speakers Committee, 2003-2005, Department of Sociology, BGSU

University

- Faculty Development Committee, 2004-2005, BGSU

Professional

- Ad Hoc Reviewer: *Demography, Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences, Journal of Marriage and Family, Journal of Aging and Health, Research on Aging, International Journal of Geriatric Psychology*
- Co-organizer of The Eighth and Ninth Annual Demography Graduate Student Methodology Workshop Sponsored by Population Research Institute, 2002 and 2003, Penn State University

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Sociological Association
- Population Association of America
- Gerontology Society of America
- National Council on Family Relations