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Education

The University of Hong Kong

Ph.D. 2012 Sociology of Education

East China Normal University

M.Phil. 2007 Higher Education

B.A. 2004 English Literature

Appointments

2016- Visiting Fellow, Hughes Hall, the University of Cambridge

2015- Assistant Editor, Chinese Education and Society

2014- Post-doctoral Fellow, Faculty of Education, the University of Hong Kong (HKU)

2012-2013 Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Education, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Publications

Books

2016 Xie, A. (2016). *Family Strategies, Guanxi and School Success in Rural China*. London, New York: Routledge.

Xie, A. & Hong, Y. (forthcoming). *Social Capital and Education* [in Chinese]. Shanghai: Shanghai Education Publishing House.

Journal articles

2016 Xie, A., & Postiglione, G. A. Guanxi and school success: an ethnographic inquiry of parental involvement in rural China. *British Journal of Sociology of Education*, 37(7), 1014-1033. doi: 10.1080/01425692.2014.1001061. (2015 Impact Factor, 1.220)

Xie, A., Rural Students in China' Elite University: Social Mobility and Habitus Transformation (in Chinese). *Educational Research*, 442(11),70-82. Accepted. (2015 Impact Factor, 2.532)

Xie, A., & Hong, Y. Social Capital and Its Application in Education Research: A Critical Review (in Chinese). *Tsinghua Journal of Education*. Accepted in September 2016. (2015 Impact Factor, 2.231)

Postiglione, G. A., Xie, A., Jung, J., & Hong, Y. Rural Students in a Chinese Top-tier University: Family Background, School Effects and Academic Performance. *Chinese Education & Society*. Accepted in September 2016.

Liu, L., & Xie, A. Muddling Through the School Life: An Ethnographic Study of the Subculture of "Deviant" Student in China. *International Studies in Sociology of Education*. Accepted in May 2016.

- 2015 Xie, A. Towards a More Equal Admission? Access in the Mass Higher Education Era. *Chinese Education & Society*, 48(3), 157-162.
Xie, A. Inside the College Gate: Rural Students and Their Academic and Social Success. *Chinese Education & Society*, 48(2), 77-80.
- 2014 Xie, A., & Ouyang, Y. An International Comparison of Profiles of Master's Degrees in the US, UK, Australia and Canada [in Chinese]. *Tsinghua Journal of Education*, 35(1), 94-101. (2015 Impact Factor, 2.231)
- 2013 Xie, A., & Wu, Z. Consolidating Rural Schools in China: Policy, Issues, and Debates. *Chinese Education & Society*, 46(5), 3-8.
Xie, A., & Postiglione, G. A. Guanxi Exclusion in Rural China: Parental Involvement and Students' College Access [In Chinese]. *China's Education: Research and Review*, 16(1), 67-112.
- 2009 Xie, A. Decentralization in Hong Kong University: Towards A Shared Governance? [in Chinese]. *Fudan Education Forum*, 11(6), 29-33. (2015 Impact Factor, 1.385)
Xie, A. Guanxi Resources and the Intergenerational Transmission of Advantages in College Access [in Chinese]. *China Rural Studies*(2), 272-297.
Xie, A. The Pathway to Excellence: Social Capital and the Growth of Top Students [in Chinese]. *China's Education: Research and Review*, 13(1), 1-34.
Xie, A. Social Capital, Rural Residents and College Access. *Research Studies in Education*, 7(1), 50-56.
Postiglione, G. A., & Xie, A. Catering for the Market: China's Graduate Employment Problem. *Chinese Cross Currents*, 6(2), 80-87.

Book chapters

- 2016 Postiglione, G. A., & Xie, A. International Faculty in Two Top Tier Chinese Universities: One Country, Two Types of Internationals. In M. Yudkevich, L. P. G. Altbach & E. Rumbley (Eds.), *International Faculty in Higher Education: Comparative Perspectives on Recruitment, Integration, and Impact* (pp. 132-179). New York, London: Routledge.
- Xie, A. (forthcoming). Parental Involvement in Anhui: Coping with the Burden of Guanxi In G. A. Postiglione & P. Kong (Eds.), *Rural Education in China's Social Transition*. London, New York, London: Routledge.

Journal articles under review

- 2016 Xie, A. "Useless Schooling"?: An Qualitative Inquiry of Rural Parents' Understanding in the Role of Education for Social Moblity (in Chinese), submitted to *Peking University Education Reveiw* in October, 2016.
- Xie, A. Hong. Y, Postiglione, G. A., & Huan, K. Cultural Capital Deficiency as A Challenge: Rural Students in Elite Universities (in Chinese), submitted to *Sociological Studies* in October, 2016.

Working papers

- 2016 Xie, A. *Habitus Transformation and the Inevitable Hidden Injuries?: Successful Rural Students in China's Elite Universities.*
- Xie, A. Hong. Y, Postiglione, G. A., & Huan, K. *University Students Attending China's Selective Universities: A Profile.*
- Postiglione, G. A., Zhang, L, Xie, A., Hong. Y, Chen, Y., & Huan, K. *Getting into University: What matters at home for Urban and Rural Parents and Students in China*
- Xie, A., Derrick, T, & Zha, Qiang. *Would internationalization help rectify global university inequality? A Case Study of Leading Business School in Shanghai.*

Invited talks, conference papers and presentations***Invited talks***

- 2016 Xie, A. *The Students: College readiness, access and equity, and completion in China.* Lecture for Ed.D students in the Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management program, the University of Pennsylvania.
- Xie, A. *The Academic and Social Success of Rural Students in China's Elite Universities: A Longitudial Study.* School of Education. Guangzhou University.
- 2015 Xie, A. *Qualitative Data Analysis.* Qualitative Research Methods Course. Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- 2015 Xie, A. *Evaluting Faculty in Hong Kong and Shanghai: A Comparsion.* Human Resources and Development Center. Anhui Huangshan College.
- 2014 Xie, A. *Methodological Issues in Rural Education Research: A Reflection.* Ministry of Education Key Center in Rural Education Research. Northeast Normal University
- 2012 Xie, A. *Guanxi and School Success in Rural China: A Ethnographic Study.* Graduate School of Education. Shanghai Jiao Tong University.
- 2009 Xie, A. *Social Capital for Excellence in Unvoiersities: A Qualitative Study.* School of Education. Anqing Normal University.

Conference papers and presentations

- 2017 Xie, A., Hong, Y., Postiglione, G. A., & Zhang, L. *Rural students in China's elite universities: Understanding their first year academic and social success*. Paper accepted by The 2017 Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association.
- Xie, A., Kuang, H., Hong, Y., & Postiglione, G. A. *Rural students in China's elite universities: Cultural Capital and Social Success*. Paper accepted by The 2017 Annual Meeting of the Comparative and International Education Society.
- 2016 Xie, A. *The Social and Academic Success of Rural Students in Elite Universities*. Invited presentation at the 4th Forum for Educational Leaders in Chinese mainland, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan. Changchun.
- Xie, A. *Understanding the Social and Academic Experiences of Rural Students: A Longitudinal Study in Four Elite Universities*. Paper presented at 2016 Rural Education Workshop: School and Rural Student Development. Hong Kong.
- Xie, A., & Postiglione, G. A. *Integrating International Faculty into the Local Academic Context: the Case of Two Universities in Hong Kong and China*. Paper presented at The 4th Higher Education Research Association Conference. Hong Kong
- 2015 Xie, A. *Rural Students in China's Elite Universities: A Longitudinal Study*. Paper presented at 2015 Annual International Conference of Rural Education Research. Changchun.
- Xie, A., Hong, Y., Liu, D., & Chen, B. *Understanding the Social and Academic Experiences of China's Rural Students: How Class works in Campus Life*. Paper presented at 2015 Annual Conference of the Comparative Education Society of Hong Kong. Hong Kong.
- Postiglione, G. A., Xie, A., & Kuang, H. *Managing Parents Involvement in Promoting Student's Academic Success*. Paper presented at Integrating Perspectives on Educational Leadership and Policy for Tomorrow. Hong Kong.
- 2014 Xie, A. *Parental Involvement in Anhui: Coping with the Burden of Guanxi*. Paper presented at the Rural Education Development in China, Hong Kong.
- Xie, A. *The Partnership between School and Home: A Cultural Explanation*. Paper presented at the The 2014 Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association (AERA, 2014), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2013 Xie, A. *The Guanxification of the Link between Family and School*. Paper presented at the A Knowledge Exchange Forum on Rural and Migrant Education, Hong Kong.
- Postiglione, G. A., Xie, A., Hong, Y., & Zhang, L. *Disrupting Educational Inequality in China: the Challenge of Providing Quality Education for Rural Migrants in Urban China*. Paper presented at the The 2013 Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association (AERA 2013), San Francisco, CA.
- 2011 Xie, A. *Bridging the Linkage between School and Home: Parental Involvement and the Urbanization of Rural Schools [Invited keynote paper]*. Paper presented at the 2011 International Academic Symposium on Integration of Rural and Urban Education, Changchun.

Xie, A. *Guanxi Exclusion in China: Parental Involvement and Rural Students' College Access*. Paper presented at the the Seventh Annual Graduate Seminar on China, Hong Kong.

- 2010 Xie, A. *Parental involvement as a strategy to generating social capital: Rural students' college access in China*. Paper presented at the 7th World Congress of Comparative Education Society, Istanbul.
- 2009 Xie, A. *Capitalising Guanxi: Parental Involvement and the Transmission of Family Advantage*. Paper presented at the the International Conference of Equality, Quality and Efficiency: Planning and Policy Making in Rural Education, Changchun.

Edited Volumes, Commissioned Reports and Other Publications

- 2015 Xie, A. (Eds.). *Access and Equity Higher Education: Challenges for a Massive Higher Education System in China* [Special issue], *Chinese Education & Society*, 48(3).
- Xie, A. (Eds.). *College Experience of Rural Students in China* [Special issue]. *Chinese Education & Society*, 48(2).
- 2013 Xie, A., & Wu, Z. (Ed.). *Consolidating Rural Schools in China: Policy, Issues, and Debates* [Special issue]. *Chinese Education & Society*, 46(5).
- Xie, A. Review: *The Source of the River: The Social Origins of Freshmen at America's Selective Colleges and Universities*. NJ: Princeton University Press, 2011, pp. x+ 283 [in Chinese]. *China's Rural Education: Review and Research*, 1(1), 257-262.
- Xie, A. (Eds.). *Postgraduate Education: Global Trends*. Beijing: Academic Degrees Committee of the State Council, China.
- Xie, A. *Summer Programs in Shanghai Jiao Tong University: Annual Evaluation Report*. Shanghai: Shanghai Jiao Tong University.
- Xie, A., & Qiu, W. *Postgraduate Education: Global Trends*. In B. Yuan (Ed.), *2013 Annual Report on Graduate Education in China* (pp. 153-184). Beijing: China Renming University Press.
- 2012 Xie, A. *Summer Programs in Shanghai Jiao Tong University: Annual Evaluation Report*. Shanghai: Shanghai Jiao Tong University.
- Xie, A., & Bai, Y. *Postgraduate Education: Global Trends*. In B. Yuan (Ed.), *2012 Annual Report on Graduate Education in China* (pp. 153-183). Beijing: China Renming University Press.

Translated books

- 2016 Xie, A. (Trans.). *The Dissertation Journey: A Practical and Comprehensive Guide to Planning, Writing, and Defending Your Dissertation* (Carol M. Roberts). Shanghai: Shanghai Educational Publishing House. Forthcoming
- 2014 Xie, A., Zhou, S., & Liu, L. (Trans.). *The Chosen: The Hidden History of Admission and Exclusion at Harvard, Yale, and Princeton* (Jerome Karabel). Beijing: China Renmin University Press.

- 2011 Xie, A., Zhou, S., & Liu, L. (Trans.). *The Handbook of Academic Writing: A Fresh Approach* (Rowena Murray and Sarah Moore). Shanghai: Shanghai Educational Publishing House.
- 2009 Zhou, S., & Xie, A. (Trans.). *American Education: A History* (Jennings Wagoner and Wayne Urban). Beijing: China Renmin University Press.

Research Grants and Funding

External

- 2016-19 The Ford Foundation, Research Grant. "Rural students in elite universities: Tracing their job search outcomes" . 2016-2019, US \$ 150,000. Role: Co-Principal Investigator. University Research Council, General Research Grant. "Rural students' final year in elite universities: Examining determinants of academic and social success" . 2016-2019, HK\$ 928,748. Role: Co-Principal Investigator.
- 2014-16 The Ford Foundation, Research Grant. "Understanding the Social and Academic Experiences of Rural Students: A Longitudinal Study in Four Elite Universities in Shanghai and Nanjing" . 2014-2016, US\$ 116,302. Role: Principal Investigator.
- 2013-14 The Ministry of Education, Humanities and Social Science Research Fund,: "Tracing the Social and Academic Experience of Rural Students in China's 985 University" . 2013-2014, RMB 80,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

Internal

- 2015-17 The University of Hong Kong, Small Project Funding: "Inside the Gates: How Do Rural Students Navigate the College Environment in Two Universities of China? " . 2015-2016, HKD 52,800. Role: Principal Investigator.

Awards and Fellowships

- 2015 Doris Zimmern HKU-Cambridge Hughes Hall Fellowship
- 2014 URC/CRCG-Conference Support for Teaching Staff, HKU
- 2013 Chenxing Scholar Fellowship, SJTU
- 2013 WCU Outstanding Teaching Award, Graduate School of Education, SJTU
- 2013 Early Career Award, SJTU
- 2013 International Collaboration Award for Early Career Scholar, SJTU
- 2013 Humanity and Social Science Seed Fund, SJTU
- 2006 Outstanding Postgraduate Student Award, East China Normal University
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Teaching and Mentoring

Courses taught

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Sociology of Education: X350617 (Postgraduate)

Students advising

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Master's thesis

Liu Qunqun (Social Studies of Education, 2013)

Ouyang Yuxiang (Internationalization & Higher Education, 2012)

Professional Memberships and Service

Reviewer, Researchers International Mobility Experience Programme, The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) (2016)

Member of Comparative and International Education Society (2016-)

Member of Wah Ching Center of Research on Education in China (2014-)

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Member of Comparative Education Society of Hong Kong (2014-)

Co-coordinator, Erasmus Mundus Action 3 project "EU-China Doc" (2013)

Member of Editorial Board of the journal *China's Rural Education: Research and Review* (2013-)

Editor for the online journal *Postgraduate Education: Global Trends* (2012-2013)

Director for Summer Program at Graduate School of Education, Shanghai Jiao Tong University (2012-2013)

Interviews by Media *Chronicle of Higher Education*, *China Economic Review*, *Science*, *Shenzhen TV*, *Shenzhen Education News*.

Occasional Manuscript Referee for *Comparative Education Review*, *Journal of Current Chinese Affairs*, *Frontier of Education in China*, *Asia Pacific Education Review*.