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Education

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| 2025 (Expected) | Ph.D. Program in Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles <i>Committee: Jennie Brand (co-chair), Olav Sorenson (co-chair), David Brady, Kevan Harris, Edward Walker</i> |
| 2020 | M.A., Department of Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles |
| 2015 | M.A., Institute of Sociology, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan |
| 2012 | B.A., Department of Sociology, National Taipei University, Taiwan |

Research Interests

Organizations, Stratification and Inequality, Economic Sociology, Quantitative Methods

Job Market Paper

[“In the Red: How Bank Concentration Fuels Debt Burdens for Households, 1995–2019.”](#)
(under review)

- Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (DDRIG), American Sociological Association (ASA), 2023–2024
- Student Travel Award, International Sociological Association (ISA) Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28), 2023
- Early Career Workshop Award, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), 2023

Publications

Hu, **Bowei** and Olav Sorenson, “Resource Partitioning.” (forthcoming in the *Elgar Encyclopedia of Organizational Sociology*)

Lin, Thung-Hong and **Bowei Hu**. 2019. “[Subcontractors’ Dilemma: The Expansion of Taiwanese Firms 2002–2015](#).” *International Journal of Taiwan Studies* 2(2):199–229.

- Open Access Award, *International Journal of Taiwan Studies*, 2023

Lin, Kuan-Hui, Thung-Hong Lin, **Bowei Hu**, Yi-Chung Chang, Chin-Hsun Yeh, Gee-Yu Liu, and Chuang-Han Chan. 2017. “[Earthquake, Housing Damage, and Fatality: A Causal-effect Analysis of Seismic Risk in Chi-Chi Earthquake](#).” *City and Planning* 44(1):83–112.

Lin, Thung-Hong and **Bowei Hu**. 2017. “Size Matters: The Causes and Consequences of the Expansion of Taiwanese Business Groups.” Pp. 231–268, edited by Zong-Rong Lee and Thung-Hong Lin, *Unfinished Miracle: Taiwan’s Economic and Social Transition*, Taipei: Academia Sinica.

Working Projects

Hu, Bowei. “[Banking without Banks: How Bank Account Ownership Influences Racial Disparities in Alternative Financial Services](#).” (prepare for submission)

Hu, Bowei. “The Polarization in Local Banking Systems and Household Debt.” (data collection)

Hu, Bowei and Olav Sorenson. “Bank Concentration and Venture Capital.” (data collection)

Conference Presentations

Hu, Bowei. “Banking Without Banks: How Bank Account Ownership Influences Racial Disparities in Alternative Financial Services.”

- Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting (2024)
- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) Annual Meeting (2024)

Hu, Bowei. “Households in the Red: How Bank Concentration Grows Debt Burdens for Them, 1995–2019.”

- American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting (2023)

- International Sociological Association (ISA) RC28 Summer Meeting (2023)
- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) Annual Meeting (2023)

Hu, Bowei and Thung-Hong Lin. “The Politics of Financialization and Income Inequality.”

- American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting (2020)
- International Sociological Association (ISA) RC28 Summer Meeting (2019)

Hu, Bowei. “Educational Expansion and Urban-Rural Discrepancy in Education Attainment in Taiwan.”

- International Sociological Association (ISA) World Congress of Sociology (2014)

Honors, Fellowships, and Grants

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| 2024 | Nomination for the Student Representative Election on the Economic Sociology section council, ASA |
| 2024 | Nomination for the Student Representative Election on the Organizations, Occupations, and Work section council, ASA |
| 2023–2024 | Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, ASA |
| 2023–2024 | Dissertation Year Fellowship, UCLA |
| 2023–2024 | Taiwanese Overseas Pioneers Grant |
| 2023–2024 | J. Yang Scholarship, UCLA |
| 2022–2023 | Hiroshi Wagatsuma Memorial Fellowship, UCLA |
| 2021–2022 | J. Yang Scholarship, UCLA |
| 2020–2021 | J. Yang and Family Centennial Scholarship, UCLA |
| 2019–2022 | Summer Funding, UCLA Sociology |
| 2018–2022 | Departmental Fellowship, UCLA Sociology |
| 2018–2022 | Ministry of Education Government Fellowship for Studying Abroad |
| 2014–2015 | Academia Sinica Fellowship |
| 2011–2012 | National Science Council College Student Research Grant |
| 2011–2012 | Shen Lin Memorial Foundation Fellowship |
| 2009–2012 | National Taipei University Fellowship |

Professional Experiences

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| 2020 | Visiting Fellow, Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica |
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2015–2018 Research Assistant, Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica

Teaching Experiences

2022 Instructor, University of California, Los Angeles

- Introduction to Sociological Research Methods (Evaluation: 8.6 out of 9)

2020–2023 Teaching Assistant, University of California, Los Angeles

- Teaching Award: 2020–2021
- Introduction to Sociological Research Methods (with Megan Sweeney*3; Wei-hsin Yu; Michael Gaddis)
- Economy and Society (with Gabriel Rossman)
- Social Network (with Ka-yuet Liu)
- Introductory Sociology (with Andrés Villareal)
- Sociology of Education (with Richard Andalon)

2019–2020 Voluntary Mentor, Honors Thesis Program, University of California, Los Angeles

2014–2015 Teaching Assistant, National Tsing Hua University

- Application of Econometrics in Social Science (Graduate-level)
- Sociological Methodology

Professional Affiliations

American Sociological Association

- Economic Sociology
- Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility (Mentor: Nathan Wilmers, MIT Sloan)
- Organizations, Occupations, and Work
- Sociology of Consumers and Consumption

Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics

International Sociological Association

- Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility

Professional Services

External

2023 Roundtable Presider, ASA Annual Meeting (Economic Sociology Section)

2023 Roundtable Presider, ASA Annual Meeting (Organizations, Occupations, and Work Section)

2020 Reviewer, *American Sociological Review*

Internal

2024 Student Representative, Graduate Admissions Committee

2023–2024 Student Organizer, Organization and Market Working Group

2022 Student Representative, Undergraduate General Education Evaluation

2019–2020 Student Organizer, Stratification, Inequality, and Mobility Working Group

2019 Student Representative, Faculty Recruitment

References

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