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Fuller Theological Seminary
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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Developmental Psychology, 2011

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Dissertation Title: “Children’s Mental Representations of Attachment: Associations with Attachment Security and Parent-Child Narrative Quality”

M.A. in Psychology, 2008

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Thesis Title: “Predictors of Infant-Mother and Infant-Father Attachment Security: Parental Beliefs, Marital Quality, and Infant Temperament”

M.S. in Family Ecology, 2004

University of Utah

Thesis Title: “Understanding Parental Beliefs and Behaviors Concerning Children’s Emotional Expression: Relations with Parent Gender, Child Gender, Child Grade, and Children’s Social Competence”

B.A. in Psychology, 2002

University of British Columbia, Canada

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor of Psychology, September 2011-present

Fuller Theological Seminary

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Children’s social, emotional, and spiritual development; attachment relationships; child temperament; parent-child narratives; family interactions; child development in China

TEACHING INTERESTS

Attachment theory; human development; children’s social-emotional development; family systems theory

HONORS & AWARDS

Student Travel Award, Society for Research in Child Development, 2011

APA Advanced Training Institute Travel Grant, for attending the Structural Equation Modeling in Longitudinal Research Workshop at the University of Virginia, 2009

Student Travel Award, Society for Research in Child Development, 2009

List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2009
(Instructor for Child Psychology)

Lyle H. Lanier Travel Award, Department of Psychology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2008

List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2007
(Instructor for Introductory Psychology)

Student Travel Award, Society for Research in Child Development, 2005

National Alumni Chapter Master's Fellowship, Kappa Omicron Nu (National honor society recognizing excellent research in family and consumer studies: \$2,000), 2004

Graduate Supplemental Travel Award, University of Utah, 2004

Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society (Family and Consumer Science), 2004

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Award, University of Utah, 2002

RESEARCH FUNDING

Fung, J., & **Wong, M.S. (PI)**. Migrant children and families in China. Evangelize China Fellow, Fuller Theological Seminary. Dates: 2013-2015. Amount: \$10,000.

Wong, M.S. (PI) & Fung, J. (PI). Finding the Zen between Church and Family Commitment of Chinese American Church Leaders. Louisville Institute. Dates: 2013-2015. Amount: \$24,994.

Wong, M.S. (PI). Children's emotional and spiritual development in Christian families. Travis Research Institute Seed Grant Award, Fuller Theological Seminary. Dates: 2012-2013. Amount: \$3000.

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

- Leerkes, E.M., & **Wong, M. S.** (In press). Infant distress and regulatory behaviors vary as a function of attachment security, emotion context, and maternal involvement. *Infancy*.
- Jessee, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Shigeto, A., & **Wong, M.S.** (In press). Temperament as a moderator of the effects of parental depressive symptoms on child behavior problems. *Social Development*.
- McElwain, N.L., Holland, A.S., Engle, J., & **Wong, M.S.** (2012). Child anger proneness moderates associations between child-mother attachment security and child behavior with mothers at 33 months. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 26, 76-86.
- Wong, M.S.**, Bost, K.K., Shin, N., Verissimo, M., Maia, J., Monteiro, L., Silva, F., Coppola, G., Costantini, A., & Vaughn, B.E. (2011). Preschool children's mental representations of attachment: Antecedents in their secure base behaviors and maternal attachment scripts. *Attachment & Human Development*, 13, 489-502.
- Jessee, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J., Shigeto, A., & **Wong, M.S.** (2010). Parents' differential susceptibility to the effects of marital quality on sensitivity across the first year. *Infant Behavior & Development*, 33, 442-452.
- Bost, K.K., Choi, E., & **Wong, M.S.** (2010). Narrative structure and emotional references in parent-child reminiscing: Associations with child gender, temperament, and the quality of parent-child interactions. *Early Child Development and Care*, 180, 139-156.
- Wong, M.S.**, Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Neff, C., & Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J. (2009). Parental beliefs, sensitivity, infant temperament, and marital quality: Associations with infant-mother and infant-father attachment. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 23, 828-838.
- Wong, M.S.**, McElwain, N.L., & Halberstadt, A.G. (2009). Parent, family, and child characteristics: Associations with mother- and father-reported emotion socialization practices. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 23, 452-463.
- Mangelsdorf, S.C. & **Wong, M.S.** (2009). Independence and dependence. In J.B. Benson & M.M. Haith (Eds.), *Social and Emotional Development in Infancy and Early Childhood* (pp. 208-218). San Diego, CA: Elsevier. (Reprinted from *Encyclopedia of Infant and Early Childhood Development*, vol. 2 (146-154), by M.M. Haith & J.B. Benson, Eds., 2008, Elsevier)
- Wong, M.S.**, Diener, M., & Isabella, R.A. (2008). Parents' emotion related beliefs and behaviors and child grade: Associations with children's perceptions of peer competence. *Journal of Applied Developmental Psychology*, 29, 175-186.

Diener, M., Isabella, R.A., Behunin, M.G., & **Wong, M.S.** (2008). Attachment to mothers and fathers during middle childhood: Associations with child gender, grade, and competence. *Social Development, 17*, 84-101.

Mangelsdorf, S.C. & **Wong, M.S.** (2008). Independence and dependence. In M.M. Haith & J.B. Benson, *Encyclopedia of Infant and Early Childhood Development*, vol. 2 (146-154). Elsevier.

MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLICATION

Haltigan, J.D., Leerkes, E.M., **Wong, M.S.**, Fortuna, K., Supple, A.J., O'Brien, M., Calkins, S.D., & Plamondon, A. (Under review). The Latent Structure of Adult Attachment: Confirmatory Replication, Measurement Invariance, and Predictive Significance.

McElwain, N.L., Holland, A.S., Engle, J., & **Wong, M.S.** (Under review). Child-mother attachment security and child characteristics as joint contributors to young children's coping in a challenging situation.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Wong, M.S. (In preparation). Developmental teleology: Connectedness to all humanity and beyond.

Wong, M.S., Haltigan, J.D., & Leerkes, E. (In preparation). Predicting parental sensitivity: The role of maternal attachment and empathy to infant crying.

Wong, M.S., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Shigeto, A., Jessee, A., Brown, G.L., & Neff, C. (In preparation). Children's mental representations of attachment: Associations with attachment security and parent-child narrative quality.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Haltigan, J.D., Leerkes, E.M., **Wong, M.S.**, Fortuna, K., Supple, A., O'Brien, M., & Plamondon, A. (2013, April). The three-factor structure of Adult Attachment: Measurement invariance and evidence for ethnic differences in passive, loss-related preoccupation. Poster to be presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Haltigan, J.D., Leerkes, E.M., **Wong, M.S.**, Fortuna, K., Supple, A., O'Brien, M., Calkins, S.D., & Plamondon, A. (2013, April). The latent structure of adult attachment: Confirmatory replication, measurement invariance, and relations to maternal sensitivity. Paper to be presented at the symposium titled "Associations between parental representations of past attachment experiences and caregiver sensitivity:

New analytic approaches and new insights” (Chair: J.D. Haltigan) at the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Leerkes, E.M., Haltigan, J.D., **Wong, M.S.**, Fortuna, K., O’Brien, M., Calkins, S.D., & Supple, A. (2013, April). A psychobiological model of the origins of maternal sensitivity to infant distress. Paper to be presented at the symposium titled “Maternal sensitivity: New insights on its antecedents, outcomes, and cross-cultural relevance” (Chair: J. Mesman) at the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Jessee, A., Mangelsdorf, S., **Wong, M.S.**, Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J., & Brown, G.L. (2013, April). Structure of reflective functioning and adult attachment scales: Is reflective functioning a distinct construct? Poster to be presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Manczak, E., **Wong, M.S.**, Shigeto, A., Jessee, A., Brown, G.L., & Mangelsdorf, S.C. (2013, April). Influence of parental personality characteristics on parent-child reminiscing. Poster to be presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Manczak, E., **Wong, M.S.**, Shigeto, A., Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J., Brown, G.L., McAdams, D., & Mangelsdorf, S.C. (2013, April). Parents’ own autobiographical memories of childhood contribute to subjectivity in ratings of perceived child temperament. Poster to be presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Shigeto, A., Neff, C., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., **Wong, M.S.**, & Jessee, A. (2013, April). Boundary problems during triadic family interaction at 3 years: Are some children more vulnerable than others? Poster to be presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Wong, M.S., Mangelsdorf, S., Shigeto, A., Brown, G.L., & Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J. (2013, April). Quality of early experiences inferred from the Adult Attachment Interview: Associations with parental sensitivity at 13-months. The latent structure of adult attachment: Confirmatory replication, measurement invariance, and relations to maternal sensitivity. Paper to be presented at the symposium titled “Associations between parental representations of past attachment experiences and caregiver sensitivity: New analytic approaches and new insights” (Chair: J.D. Haltigan) at the Society for Research in Child Development, Seattle, WA.

Jessee, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., **Wong, M.S.**, Brown, G., & Schoppe-Sullivan, S. (2012, June). The role of reflective functioning in predicting parenting quality. Poster presented at the International Conference on Infant Studies, Minneapolis, MN.

Leerkes, E.M., Haltigan, J.D., **Wong, M.S.**, & Fortuna, K. (2012, June). Pregnant women’s physiological, emotional, and cognitive responses to infant crying vary based on their

adult attachment status. Presented at the symposium titled “Mediators and moderators of maternal sensitivity: The role of physiological, neurobiological, and behavioral responding to distress” (Chair: A.M. Groh) at the International Conference on Infant Studies, Minneapolis, MN.

Wong, M.S. (2012, March). Attachment, gratitude, and religion spirituality. Paper presented at the 6th Sino-American Psychology of Religion Forum, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China.

Brown, G.L., Shigeto, A., **Wong, M.S.**, Neff, C., Mullins, E.J., & Mangelsdorf, S.C. (2011, March). Father involvement and father-child attachment security: Distinctions between workday and non-workday paternal engagement. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.

Jessee, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Shigeto, A., & **Wong, M.S.** (2011, March). Temperament as a moderator of the effects of parental depressive symptoms on child behavior problems. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.

Shigeto, A., Gavidia, A., **Wong, M.S.**, & Mangelsdorf, S.C. (2011, March). Correlates of mothers' and fathers' parenting behavior during dinnertime at age 5. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.

Shigeto, A., Jessee, A., **Wong, M.S.**, & Mangelsdorf, S.C. (2011, March). Parental control during dinnertime: Moderating effects of surgency to predict child adjustment. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.

Silvia, F., Fernandes, M.O., Moonteiro, L., Verissimo, M., Vaughn, B.E., & **Wong, M.S.** (2011, March). The influence of secure base behaviors and mother/father attachment scripts on children's mental representations of attachment. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.

Wong, M.S., Jessee, A., Brown, G.L., Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J., & Mangelsdorf, S.C. (2011, March). Adult attachment and child-rearing beliefs: Associations with coparenting quality at 12-months. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.

Wong, M.S., Shigeto, A., Jessee, A., Groh, A., & Mangelsdorf, S.C. (2011, March). Mother-child and father-child discussion of past events: Associations with children's

attachment representations. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.

Shigeto, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Jessee, A., & **Wong, M.S.** (2010, June). Mothers' and fathers' autonomy support, control, and structure: The link to child adjustment. Poster presented at the 40th Annual Meeting of the Jean Piaget Society, St. Louis, Missouri.

Jessee, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Shigeto, A., & **Wong, M.S.** (2010, April). The protective role of temperament against the intergenerational transmission of depressive symptoms. Poster presented at the Conference of Human Development, New York, New York.

Wong, M.S., & Bost, K.K. (2010, March). Maternal secure base script, children's attachment and temperament: Associations with children's social competence. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the International Conference on Infant Studies, Baltimore, Maryland.

Wong, M.S., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Neff, C., & Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J. (2010, March). Parents' attachment, well-being, and expectations of infant temperament: Associations with infant attachment and disorganization. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the International Conference on Infant Studies, Baltimore, Maryland.

Brown, G.L., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Shigeto, A., & **Wong, M.S.** (2009, April). Predictors of father-child attachment security: Direct and interactive effects of father involvement and paternal sensitivity. Presented at the symposium titled "The role of father involvement in young children's lives: A multidisciplinary, multimethod exploration" (Chair: C.M.K. Dush) at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Colorado.

Brown, G.L., Mangelsdorf, S.C., **Wong, M.S.**, Shigeto, A., & Neff, C. (2009, April). Fathering and father-child attachment across the first three years: Stability and longitudinal links. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Colorado.

Jessee, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J., Shigeto, A., & **Wong, M.S.** (2009, April). Changes in maternal and paternal triadic sensitivity during infancy: Effects of marital quality and parental personality. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Colorado.

Laxman, D., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J., Rossmiller, W., & **Wong, M.S.** (2009, April). Personality and marital correlates of coparenting quality. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Colorado.

- Shigeto, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., & **Wong, M.S.** (2009, April). Predicting children's behavior with mothers and fathers: The roles of temperament and marriage. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Colorado.
- Bost, K.K., Choi, E., Levin, R.L., **Wong, M.S.**, Hillman, C. H., Pontifex, M., Warren, S., Roisman, G. I., & Heller, W. (2009, April). Preschool children's organization of emotion: Perceptual asymmetry, attachment representations, and behavior among peers. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Colorado.
- Wong, M.S.**, Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Neff, C., Schoppe-Sullivan, S., & Perkins, A. (2009, April). Associations between adult and infant attachment: A report based on continuous factors. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Colorado.
- Wong, M.S.**, Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Neff, C., & Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J. (2008, March). Predicting infant-mother and infant-father attachment: Associations with expectations of infant temperament and pre-birth marital relations. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the International Conference on Infant Studies, Vancouver Canada.
- Wong, M.S.**, McElwain, N.L., & Engle, J. (2008, March). Positive and negative emotionality of mothers and toddlers: Relations with mother-toddler interaction in two contexts. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the International Conference on Infant Studies, Vancouver, Canada.
- Shigeto, A., Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., **Wong, M.S.**, Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J., & Szewczyk Sokolowski, M. (2007, March). Predictors of triadic family interaction patterns at 13 months postpartum. Paper symposium presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Wong, M.S.**, Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Neff, C., & Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J. (2007, March). Predicting antecedents of mother-infant and father-infant attachment: A comparison between categorical and continuous variables. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Wong, M.S.**, Mangelsdorf, S.C., Brown, G.L., Neff, C., & Schoppe-Sullivan, S.J. (2006, June). Antecedents of mother-infant and father-infant attachment: Infant temperament, parental beliefs about paternal roles, and marital quality. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the International Conference on Infant Studies, Kyoto, Japan.

Wong, M.S. & McElwain, N.L. (2005, May). Child and family characteristics as correlates of fathers' and mothers' emotion socialization practices. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Wong, M.S., Diener, M., & Isabella, R.A. (2005, April). Understanding parental emotion-related beliefs and behaviors: Relations with gender, child age, and adult relationship styles. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Atlanta, Georgia.

Wong, M.S., Diener, M., & Isabella, R.A. (2004, April). Understanding parental beliefs and behaviors about children's emotional expression: Relations with parent and child gender. Poster presented at the 18th Biennial Conference on Human Development in Washington, DC and the 14th Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Human Development in Park City, Utah.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Co-Instructor, Human Development in Context, Graduate School of Psychology, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2013

Instructor, Attachment, Graduate School of Psychology, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2012

Instructor, Child Psychology, Department of Psychology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2009

Teaching Assistant, Developmental Psychopathology, Department of Psychology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2008

Instructor, Introductory Psychology, Department of Psychology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2006, 2007

Teaching Assistant, Developmental Psychology Lab, Department of Psychology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2005

Teaching Assistant, Whole Child Online, Family and Consumer Studies, University of Utah, 2003, 2004

Teaching Assistant, Child Development, Family and Consumer Studies, University of Utah, 2003

Teaching Assistant, Parent-Child Relationship, Family and Consumer Studies, University of Utah, 2003

Teaching Assistant, Theories of Human Development, Family and Consumer Studies, University of Utah, 2002

MENTORING AND ADVISING EXPERIENCE

Graduate School of Psychology, Fuller Theological Seminary

Advisor of Ph.D. Students:

Hannah Myung (To be completed: 2015)

Danielle Hand (To be completed: 2018)

Advisor of Psy.D. Students:

Rebecca Rouse (To be completed: 2014)

Erika Lara (To be completed: 2015)

Mary Jacobs (To be completed: 2015)

J.D. Perez (To be completed: 2017)

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Facilitator of Teaching Assistant Orientation, 2009

Undergraduate Research Mentor:

Angela Perkins: Associations between Infant Attachment Security and Maternal Attachment Representations: A Preliminary Report, 2008

Megan Baldassarre: Mothers' and Fathers' Parenting Behavior at 3.5-months: Associations with Adult Attachment (Paper awarded departmental distinction at graduation), 2009

Wells Ling: Maternal Encouragement and Criticism of Father Involvement: Associations with Maternal Personality Traits, 2010

TEACHING TRAINING

Teacher Scholar Certificate, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2009

- Explored pedagogy and performed discipline-based service
- Designed an original class activity assessed by students and peers

Graduate Teacher Certificate, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2008

- Participated in teaching development workshops
- Analyzed and reflected on peer and student feedback and evaluations

University Teaching Certificate, University of Utah, 2004

- Elected to participate in an interdisciplinary TA Scholars Program over two semesters and developed a teaching handbook for teaching assistants

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Certified reliable coder of the Adult Attachment Interview, 2008

Adult Attachment Institute

Instructors: Drs. Sonia Gojman de Millan and June Sroufe

APA Advanced Training Institute: Structural Equation Modeling in Longitudinal Research, 2009

University of Virginia

Instructors: Drs. John J. McArdle, John R. Nesselroade, Keith Widaman, Emilio Ferrer, and Kevin Grimm

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Ad Hoc Reviewer

Infant and Child Development

Journal of Experimental Child Psychology

Journal of Family Psychology

Merrill-Palmer Quarterly

Parenting: Science and Practices

Pediatrics

Psychology of Religion and Spirituality

Assistant to the Associate Editor, 2009-2011

Journal of Social and Personal Relationships

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)

International Society on Infant Studies (ISIS)

American Psychological Association (APA)

SELECTED UNIVERSITY SERVICES

Member, Admissions Committee, Graduate School of Psychology, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2011-present

Advisor, Fuller Cantonese Fellowship, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2012-present