

# Hyewon Yang

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## EDUCATION

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**Michigan State University** Michigan, United States  
Ph.D. Social / Personality Psychology (Advisors: William J. Chopik & Richard E. Lucas) Sep. 2022 – Present

**Yonsei University** Seoul, South Korea  
M.A. Social & Cultural Psychology (Advisor: Young-Hoon Kim) Mar. 2020 – Aug. 2022  
▪ Master's thesis: *The bittersweetness when neuroticism meets agreeableness: Agreeable spouse provides a buffer for neurotic individual but not for oneself*

**Sogang University** Seoul, South Korea  
B.A. English Literature & Psychology Feb. 2016 – Feb. 2020  
▪ *Summa cum laude*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Close relationships, personality, aging, friendship, lifespan development, causal inference

## HONORS, AWARDS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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- 2024: Summer School of Personality Science (SSPS) Fellowship, Association for Research in Personality (ARP) (\$600; selected as one of the two invited participants)
- 2023: Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship (\$1,500)
- 2022: Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship (\$1,300)
- 2021: Graduate Registration Award, Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) (Compensated convention registration)
- 2020: Brain Korea 21 Scholarship, Ministry of Education in South Korea (\$4,050)
- 2020: Summa Cum Laude, Sogang University

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Yang, H., Weidmann, R., Purol, M. F., Ackerman, R. A., Lucas, R. E., & Chopik, W. J. (2025). Ready for Love or Not? : Self and Other Perceptions of Commitment Readiness and Associations with Attachment Style. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, in press.
- Weidmann, R., Yang, H., Purol, M. F., & Chopik, W. J. (2024). Actor, partner, and similarity effects of attachment anxiety and avoidance on well-being and health in romantic couples. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/02654075241298710>
- Giasson, H., Chopik, W. J., & Yang, H. (2024). Self-Perceptions of Aging Predict Adjustment During the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Psychology and Aging*, 39(7), 818–828. <https://doi.org/10.1037/pag0000855>
- Weidmann, R., Alabdullah, A., Warkentien, J., Vesikar, S., Denehy, M. E., Yang, H., Rakhshani, A., Donnellan, M.B., & Lucas, R. E. (2024). Does Perceived Similarity Between Present and Future Self Predict Well-Being? A Reanalysis and Replication of. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, 15(7), 791-801. <https://doi.org/10.1177/19485506241257971>
- Cheon, J.E., Yang, H., Kang, I., & Kim, Y-H. (2024). Totality model of neuroticism: The sum of spousal neuroticism and marital satisfaction. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 228, 112726.

- Weidmann, R., Oh, J., **Yang, H.**, & Chopik, W. J. (2023). Let's forsake the standardized approach in life events research: A commentary on Bühler et al., (2023). *European Journal of Personality*, 38(3), 589-590.
- Kim, J., Lee, H. E., **Yang, H.**, Cheon, J. E., & Kim, Y-H. (2021). The mediating role of emotional suppression in the relationship between spouse's neuroticism and marital well-being. *Korean Journal of Family and Culture*, 33, 89-123. <https://doi.org/10.21478/family.33.2.202106.004>

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## BOOK CHAPTERS

- Kim, Y-H., **Yang, H.**, & Cheon, J. E. (2022). Social health and marital relationships: Dispositional, behavioral, and external factors. In M. Song (Ed.), *Present and future of social health*. Yonsei Publishing & Cultural Center. (as part of the SSK Social Health Project, in Korean).

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## MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

- Yang, H.**, Lucas, R. E., Weidmann, R., & Chopik, W. J. (*invited resubmission*). Modeling Interrelationship Between Well-Being and Functioning Over Time Among Older Adults.
- Yang, H.**, Low, A., & Chopik, W. J. (*under review*). Fibbing Friends: Self and Friend Perceptions of Honesty.
- Yang, H.**<sup>a</sup>, Chopik, W. J.<sup>a</sup>, Bechinski, H., Dunnun, Z., Parcels, A., Rao, S., Skaff, J., Sims, K., Oh, J., Weidmann, R., Moors, A. C., & Liu, H. (*in progress: manuscript stage*). Dyadic Effects of Personality on Sexual Behavior in Older Adulthood. <sup>a</sup> Joint first authorship
- Yang, H.**, Olaru, G., Weidmann, R., Brandt, M. J., Vallabha, S., Cassario, A., & Chopik, W. J. (*in progress: analysis stage*). A House Divided: Interpolitical Romantic Relationship and Their Co-Change.
- Yang, H.**, Weidmann, R., Hoff, K. A., & Chopik, W. J. (*in progress: analysis stage*). What Birds of a Feather Flock Together? Domain Similarity and Well-Being in Romantic Couples.

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## PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

- Yang, H.**, Weidmann, R., Brandt, M. J., Vallabha, S., Cassario, A., & Chopik, W. J. (2025, February expected). *A House Divided: Interpolitical Romantic Relationship and Their Co-Change*. Poster to be presented at the 2025 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, Denver, CO.
- Yang, H.**, Weidmann, R., Brandt, M. J., Vallabha, S., Cassario, A., & Chopik, W. J. (2024, August). *A House Divided: Interpolitical Romantic Relationship and Their Co-Change*. Oral presentation presented at the 2024 European Conference on Personality Biannual Convention, Berlin, Germany.
- Yang, H.**, Weidmann, R., Purol, M. F., Ackerman, R. A., Lucas, R. E., & Chopik, W. J. (2024, July). *Ready for Love or Not? : Self and Other Perceptions of Commitment Readiness and Associations with Attachment Style*. Data blitz presented at the 2024 International Association for Relationship Research Annual Convention, Boston, MA.
- Yang, H.**, Chopik, W. J., Bechinski, H., Dunnun, Z., Parcels, A., Rao, S., Skaff, J., Sims, K., Oh, J., Weidmann, R., Moors, A. C., & Liu, H. (2024, July). *Dyadic Effects of Personality in Sexual Life for Older Adults*. Paper talk presented as part of a symposium *Dyadic Relationships and Health in Mid and Later Life: For Better and For Worse* at the 2024 International Association for Relationship Research Annual Convention, Boston, MA.
- Yang, H.**, Weidmann, R., Purol, M. F., Ackerman, R. A., Lucas, R. E., & Chopik, W. J. (2024, Feb). *Ready for Love or Not? : Self and Other Perceptions of Commitment Readiness and Associations with Attachment Style*. Poster presented at the 2024 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Diego, CA.
- Yang, H.**, Lucas, R. E., & Chopik, W. J. (2023, July). *Examining the Longitudinal Associations between Positive Emotion, Purpose, and Functioning in a Large Older Adults Sample*. Poster presented at the 2023 Association for Research in Personality Biennial Meeting, Evanston, IL.
- Yang, H.**, Weidmann, R., & Chopik, W. J. (2023, May). *Modeling Actor, Partner, and Similarity Effects of Adult*

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*Attachment on Health and Well-being*. Paper talk presented at the 2023 International Association for Relationship Research Mini-conference, Phoenix, AZ.

Chopik, W. J., Hickman, L., Weidmann, R., Purol, M. F., & **Yang, H.** (2023, May). *Lost in translation: Matching on love languages rarely explains variation in personal and relational outcomes*. Paper talk presented at the 2023 IARR Mini-Conference on Resilience in Interpersonal and Social Environments: Phoenix, AZ.

**Yang, H.**, Lucas, R. E., & Chopik, W. J. (2023, April). *Modeling the Interrelationship between Well-Being and Functioning in the NHATS*. Paper talk presented at the 2023 Midwestern Psychological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Chopik, W. J., Purol, M., **Yang, H.**, Wink, P., & Grimm, K. J. (2023, April). *Lifespan, Cultural, and Historical Development of Honest Disposition*. Paper talk presented at the 2023 Midwestern Psychological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

**Yang, H.**, Weidmann, R., & Chopik, W. J. (2023, Feb). *Modeling actor, partner, and similarity effects of adult attachment on health and well-being*. Poster presented at the 2023 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA.

Cheon, J. E., **Yang, H.**, & Kim, Y-H. (2022, Feb). *Totality model of neuroticism: It is the sum of wives' and husbands' neuroticism that predicts marital dissatisfaction*. Poster presented at the 2022 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.

Chung, H. J., **Yang, H.**, & Kim, Y-H. (2022, Feb). *Violence, power, and gender in predicting marital satisfaction*. Poster presented at the 2022 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.

**Yang, H.**, & Kim, Y-H. (2022, Feb). *Do you love me more?: Affectionate communication discrepancy matters to anxiously attached spouses*. Poster presented at the 2022 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.

Lee, H. E., **Yang, H.**, & Kim, Y-H. (2021, Nov). *Housework time means more than time spent on chores for women: exploring varying effect and mechanism of domestic labor in different cultural context*. Poster presented at the 2022 Korean Social and Personality Psychological Association Winter Convention, Seoul, South Korea.

**Yang, H.**, & Kim, Y-H. (2021, July). *The more loving one: detrimental effect of affectionate communication discrepancy on marital satisfaction for preventive people*. Poster at the 14<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of Asian Association of Social Psychology, Virtual/Seoul.

**Yang, H.**, Park, H. G., & Kim, Y-H. (2021, Feb). *When neuroticism meets agreeableness: agreeable spouse provides a buffer for neurotic individual within marriage through a reduced sense of insecurity*. Poster presented at the 2021 Society for Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, Virtual. **[SPSP Graduate Registration Award received]**

## **NON-REFEREED PRESENTATION**

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**Yang, H.** (2024, November). *A house divided: Investigating inter-political couples' political trajectories*. Guest lecture delivered at Michigan State University Issues in Psychology (PSY 493) course (30 minutes).

**Yang, H.** (2024, April). *Self and other perceptions of commitment readiness and association with attachment style*. Guest lecture delivered at Michigan State University Issues in Psychology (PSY 493) course (30 minutes).

**Yang, H.** (2024, Feb). *Investigating close relationship in dynamic lens: older adults and friends*. Guest lecture delivered at University of Michigan – Flint. Virtual (40 minutes).

**Yang, H.** (2023, Oct). *The interrelationship between well-being and health in older adults*. Guest lecture delivered at University of Michigan – Flint. Virtual (40 minutes).

**Yang, H.**, Park, H. G., & Kim, Y-H. (2021, May). *Personality dynamics in marital relationship*. Talk presented at

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the 4<sup>th</sup> SSK Networking Symposium, Virtual (30 minutes).

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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

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### Graduate Research Assistant, 2022-present

*Close Relationships Lab, Michigan State University*

- Advisor: Dr. William Chopik
- Contributed to ongoing papers and reviewed manuscripts for publication
- Pursued and worked on independent research projects
- Advised independent groups of undergraduate RAs

### Graduate Research Assistant, 2022-present

*Personality & Well-Being Lab, Michigan State University*

- Advisor: Dr. Richard Lucas
- Contributed to ongoing papers and reviewed manuscripts for publication
- Pursued and worked on independent research projects
- Advised independent groups of undergraduate RAs

### Graduate Research Assistant & Lab Coordinator, 2020-2022

*Social & Cultural Psychology Lab, Yonsei University*

- Advisor: Dr. Young-Hoon Kim
- Contributed to ongoing papers and reviewed manuscripts for publication
- Pursued and submitted independent research projects
- Created survey items using Qualtrics, collected student samples via SONA, and collected community couples data using SNS advertisement and data collecting company
- Oversaw logistics for lab management, including IRB documentation (Jan 2021 – Aug 2021)
- Designed and led sessions on statistics for new team members. Archived pedagogical resources.

### Undergraduate Research Assistant, 2019

*Social & Organizational Psychology Lab, Sogang University*

- Advisor: Dr. Jinkyung Na
- Assisted as a confederate in a lab experiment to test the effect of experiencing unjust world circumstances on monetary decision making.

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## TEACHING & MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCES

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### Instructor

- Data Analysis and Psychological Research (MSU, Summer 2025)
- Lifespan Development (MSU, Summer 2024)
- Personality Psychology (MSU, Summer 2023)

### Teaching Assistant

- Data Analysis and Psychological Research (MSU, Spring 2025)
- Lifespan Development (MSU, Fall 2024), Introductory Psychology (MSU, Fall 2024)
- Social Psychology (MSU, Spring 2024), Abnormal Psychology (MSU, Spring 2024)
- Introductory Psychology (MSU, Fall 2023)
- Research Design and Measurement in Psychological Research (MSU, Fall 2022; led two lab sessions per week each consisting of approx. 30 students)
- Cultural Psychology (Yonsei University, Fall 2021)
- Advanced Psychological Statistics (Yonsei University, Fall 2020)

### Undergraduate Mentor

- Mentored 6 undergraduates for a research project in the 26<sup>th</sup> annual University Undergraduate Research and Arts Symposium (UURAF) at MSU
- Mentored 10 undergraduates for two research projects in the 25<sup>th</sup> annual University Undergraduate Research and Arts Symposium (UURAF) at MSU

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## STATISTICAL TRAINING

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### Network Analysis (credited course, 4.0/4.0)

Fall 2024

Dr. Zachary P. Neal, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

- Basic network analysis, visualization, and ERGM models in R

### Structural Equation Modeling (credited course, 4.0/4.0)

Fall 2023

Dr. Christopher Nye, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

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- Basics about SEM, factor analysis, and multigroup analysis

**Longitudinal Structural Equation Modeling (3-days workshop)** Summer 2023

Dr. Aidan Wright, as part of the Pittsburgh Summer Methodology Series, virtual

- Logics about longitudinal SEM and codes for GCM and lagged models on R and Mplus

**R Programming Workshop for Psychological Science (serial webinar)** Jun. 2021

Dr. Do-Joon Yi, Yonsei University, Korea

- Basic statistics, visualization, and generalized linear modeling in R

**Research Methods in Organizational Psychology (credited course, A+)** Spring 2021

Drs. Jinsoon Choi, Sinae Kim, and Hyewon Lee, Yonsei University, Korea

- Brief overview about R installation, factor analysis, and SEM using SPSS, and R

**Multilevel Modeling: Basics and Applications (credited course, A+)** Spring 2020

Dr. Hye Won Suk, Sogang University, Korea

- MLM, random intercept/contextual/random slope models, centering, and growth curve model in SAS

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## ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Association for Research in Personality, International Association for Relationship Research, European Association of Personality Psychology, Midwestern Psychological Association, and Korean Social and Personality Psychological Association

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## PROGRAMMING SKILLS

R: Structural Equation Models, Response Surface Analysis, Network Analysis, Longitudinal Lagged Models

Mplus: Structural Equation Models (APIM, APIMeM, longitudinal lagged models)

SPSS: ANOVA/regression, path models (using PROCESS Macro), Multilevel models

SAS: ANOVA/regression, factor analysis, Multilevel models

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## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Korean (Native), English (Proficient; TOEFL: 112 [Speaking: 28]), Italian & Spanish (Elementary)

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## REFERENCES

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