



PHD IN PSYCHOLOGY

Hwajin Yang

Associate professor of Psychology

OVERVIEW

Programme structure

Career outcomes

Why SMU-SOSS-Psychology?

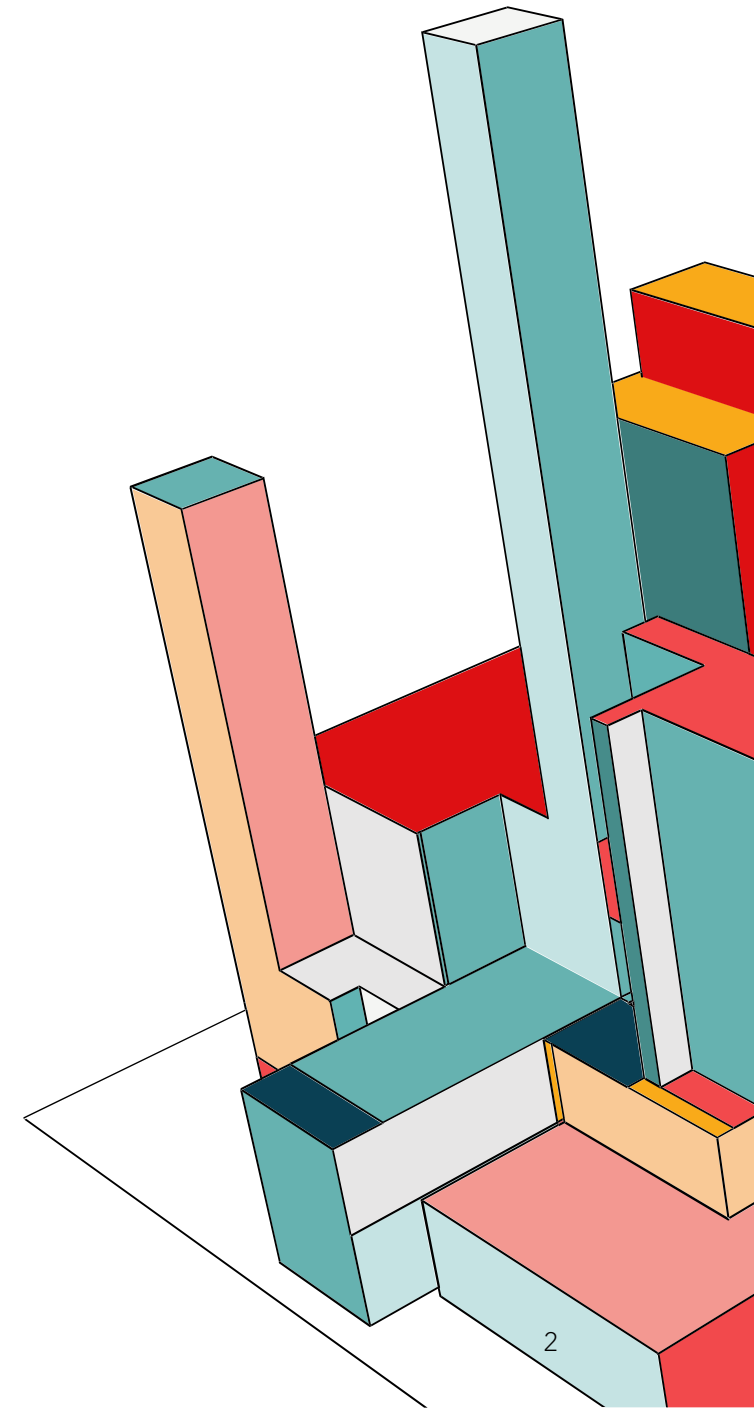
Top faculty

Mentor-mentee ratio

Financial aids

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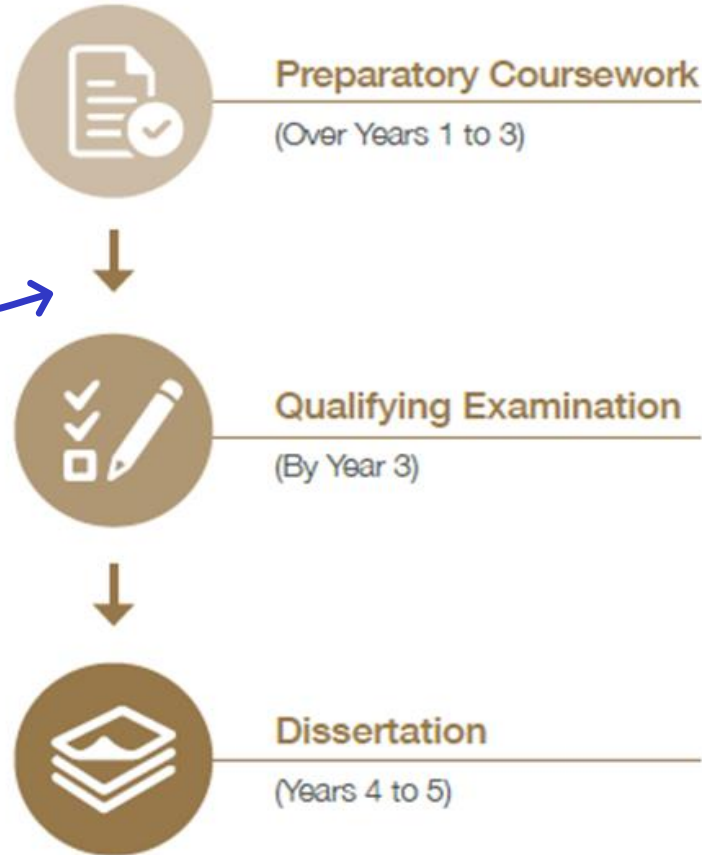
Application



PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Master's thesis

- Proposal defense
- Thesis defense



12 Courses

- 6 foundation
- 2 electives
- 3 advanced research topics
- 1 empirical research project

4 papers in 2 weeks
Ph.D. candidate

Dissertation research

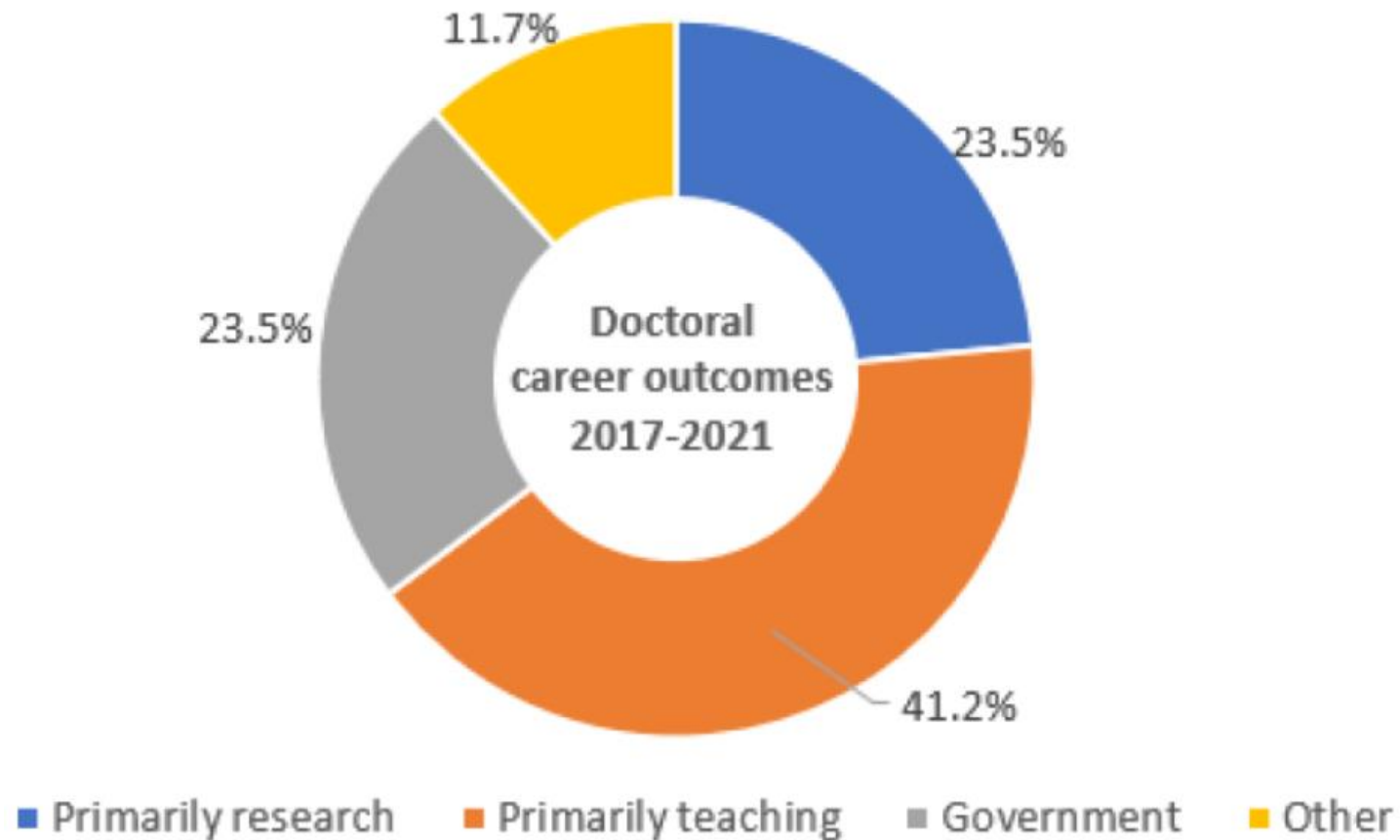
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Additional requirements

- GIFT (Graduate Instructors Foundations in Teaching)
- CITI (Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative)
- GAP (Graduate Assistantship Programme)



CAREER OUTCOMES



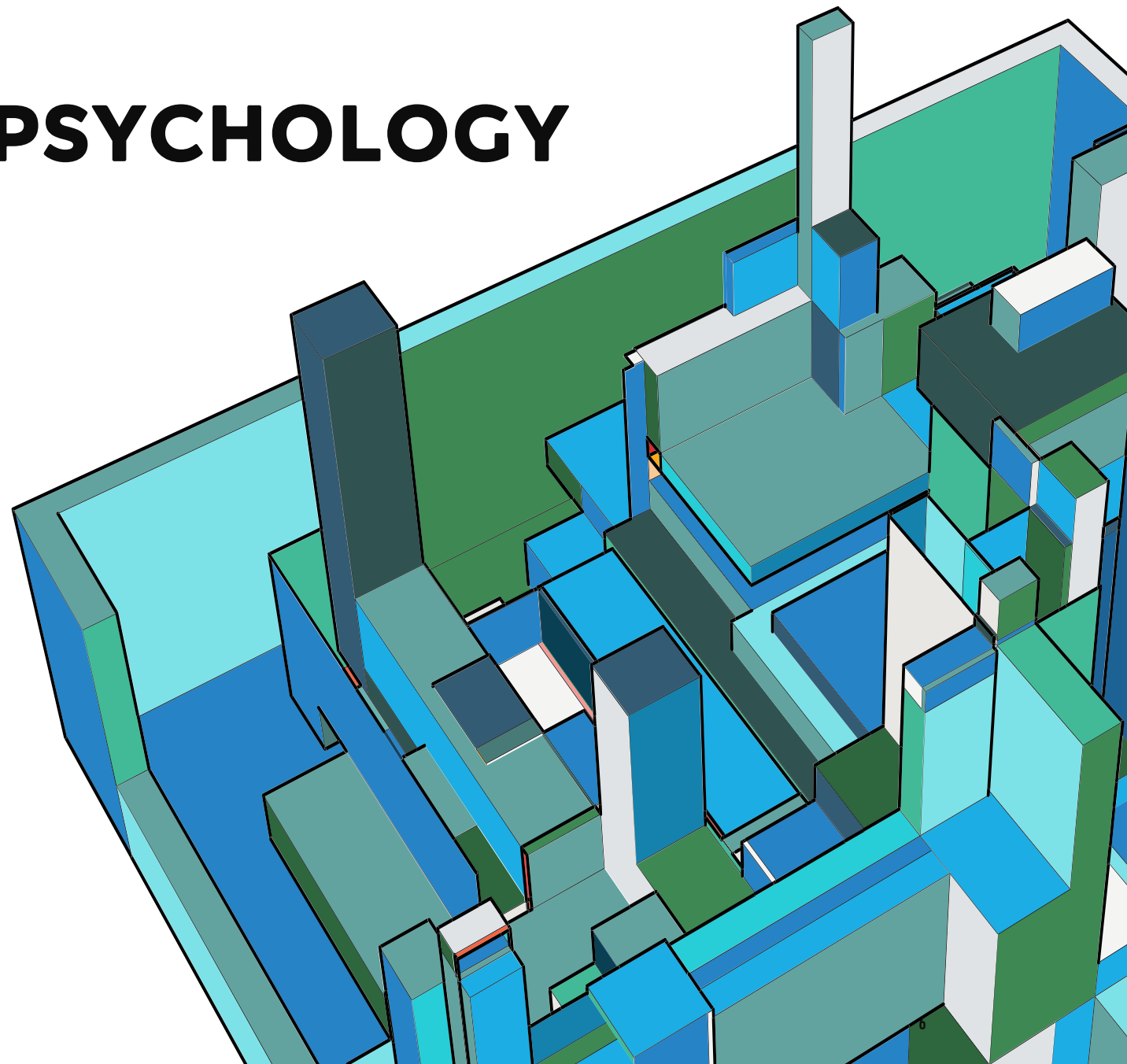
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MEET THE FACULTY



David Chan

Professor (PhD Michigan State Univ.)



Norman Li

Professor (PhD Arizona State Univ.)



Angela Leung

Professor (PhD UIUC)



William Tov

Associate Professor (PhD, UIUC)



Chi-Ying Cheng

Associate Professor (PhD, Michigan Univ.)



Min-Hong Tsai

Associate Professor (PhD UCLA)



Ivy Lau

Associate Professor (PhD, Univ. of Alberta)



Hwajin Yang

Associate Professor (PhD, Cornell Univ.)

MEET THE FACULTY



Kimin Eom

Assistant Professor (PhD UCSB)



Kenneth Tan

Assistant Professor (PhD Purdue Univ)



Jacinth Tan

Assistant Professor (PhD, UIUC)



Andree Hartanto

Assistant Professor (PhD, SMU, Singapore)



Lester Sim

Assistant Professor (PhD, Michigan)

MAIN AREAS OF RESEARCH



Industrial-
Organizational
Psychology

Personnel selection
Recruitment
Public policy



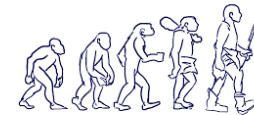
Social & cultural
Psychology

Emotion
Sustainability
Socioeconomic status
Interpersonal &
close relationship



Cognitive &
Developmental
Psychology

Healthy ageing
Language
Cognitive flexibility
Cog. development



Evolutionary
Psychology

Mate selection
Mismatch theory

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MENTOR-MENTEE RATIO

1 faculty : 2.4 students

FINANCIAL AIDS – MONTHLY STIPENDS

Citizenship	PhD	
	Before QE	After QE
Singapore Citizen*	S\$2,800	S\$3,300
Singapore PR	S\$2,400	S\$2,900
Foreign Student	S\$2,200	S\$2,700

Note: Postgraduate Research (PGR) Scholars are not allowed to take up any other gainful employment.

** From August 2015, Singapore Citizens will be provided with 17% CPF Contribution*

FINANCIAL AIDS – CONFERENCE FUND

- PhD students may apply for conference funding up to a maximum of **\$\$\$3,500.**
- This can be used to cover trip expenses such as airfare, accommodation, conference registration/membership fees, meal expenses, etc.

Eligibility

- ✓ in his/her **2nd or subsequent year**
- ✓ the **author or co-author** of the paper, presenting at a refereed conference
- ✓ in good academic standing

FINANCIAL AIDS – RESEARCH GRANT

PhD students may apply for
internal (max. S\$800/ year)
& **external** research grant

- Singapore children's society (\$2,000)
- Summer school research grant (USD1,000) by Asian Association of Social Psychology (USD 1,000)
- Mini research grant program (USD 1,000) by the International Society for Self and Identity

FINANCIAL AIDS – SCHOLARSHIP

Presidential (PDF) and Interdisciplinary (IDF) Doctoral Fellowship Awards

If you are awarded the fellowship award during your scholarship period, you will receive a higher monthly stipend. In addition, a S\$3,500 research trip will be provided.

Citizenship	Monthly Stipend
Singapore Citizen*	S\$3,600
Singapore Permanent Resident	S\$3,400
Foreign Student	S\$3,100

FACILITIES



Qualtrics

Web-based platform
for creating survey
studies



Research space

Each PhD student is
given a personal
cubicle.



Psychology lab

Reception/waiting lobby
Group study rooms
Individual rooms
Interview rooms
observation rooms

AY23 APPLICATION

Online application

1 Aug 2022 –
31 Jan 2023

MUST

1. CV
2. Transcript
3. Copy of Bachelor's degree
4. GRE for int'l students
5. TOEFL/IEFLTS for int'l students

Optional

1. Writing samples
2. GRE subject (non-psych major)
3. GRE (exempted for the graduates of Singapore's autonomous universities)
4. TOEFL/IEFLTS

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For more information

<https://socsc.smu.edu.sg/programmes/phd-in-psychology/overview-and-programme-goals>



THANK YOU

