

The Lee-Campbell Research Group: An Introduction

The Lee-Campbell Research Group constructs, analyzes, and disseminates Big Social Science Data collections largely from historical and contemporary China. Group members include faculty, postdocs, and students who collaborate with James Z. Lee and Cameron D. Campbell largely on these projects and attend weekly group meetings to discuss their research. We also work closely with other professors, students, and research assistants on more discrete sub-projects.

Much of our initial work has focused on the production and analyses of multi-generational longitudinal individual population datasets, two of which, CMGPD-LN and CMGPD-SC, are in public release through ICPSR. Many of our publications, including a number of co-authored prize winning books, continue to be derived from these and other similar socio-demographic data. Recent work using such data have been published or accepted for publication in such journals as *Social Science and Medicine*, *History of the Family*, *Social Science History*, *American Sociological Review*, and *Demography*. See James Lee's brief bio or full cv for details (<http://www.shss.ust.hk/school/cv.html>).

We have also begun three other Big Social Science Data projects on

- Social origins of university students in China, including Hong Kong, 1900-2010
- Civil service careers in Qing and Republican China, 1700-1950
- Rural wealth composition and distribution in the Peoples Republic of China, 1945-1966 (XING Long, PI, and HU Yingze, Co-I, Shanxi University)

Initial analyses of *China's Silent Revolution: the Social Origins of Peking University and Soochow University Undergraduates, 1949-2002*, the first new data project, published as a 21 page Chinese article, 无声的革命：北京大学、苏州大学的学生社会来源 1952-2002, in the January 2012 issue of 中国社会科学 and in August 2013 as a 300 page book by Beijing Joint Publishing have attracted over one hundred news and editorial print articles, interviews, webcasts, and broadcasts posted on one thousand Chinese websites. The book version was also awarded the 2014 third prize for Outstanding Achievement in Philosophy and Social Science by the Jiangsu Academy of Social Science.

Preliminary analyses of our new project beginning with quarterly published lists of Qing salaried government officials called 缙绅录, and of our project with the Shanxi University Research Center for Social History on PRC household and individual records of rural wealth and political status from the Four Clean-ups Movement (1964-66) called 四清登记表, are equally promising in terms of producing important new findings about early modern and contemporary China.

We are confident that in the decades ahead, all four Big Data projects, including our multi-generational longitudinal individual population datasets, will

continue to produce a Scholarship of Discovery, which, similar to our earlier work on Chinese population behavior, 1700-2000, should transform our understanding of the Chinese state and Chinese stratification, social organization, and social-economic mobility during the last three centuries.

For a preliminary summary of some of these research findings, please see our Coursera course *A New History for a New China, 1700-2000* (<https://www.coursera.org/course/newchinahistory1>).

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<http://clas.uiowa.edu/history/people/shuang-chen>

<http://www.sociology.ucla.edu/grads/dwight-davis>

<http://haodong.weebly.com/>

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