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### **Academic and Professional Qualifications**

- 2012 **PhD**, Department of Social Work & Social Administration, HKU  
1993 **MSW**, San Diego State University, USA  
1998 Registered Social Worker (**RSW**) of the Social Workers Registration Board, HK  
1988 **BSocSc**, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (*Major: Social Work; Minor: Sociology*)

### **Present Academic Position**

- 2019-present **Associate Professor**, Department of Social Work and Social Administration, HKU  
  
2013-present **Associate Director**, The HKJC Centre for Suicide Research and Prevention,  
Faculty of Social Sciences, HKU

### **Previous academic positions held (with dates)**

- 2013-2018 **Assistant Professor**, Department of Social Work and Social Administration, HKU

### **Other Appointments**

- 2019 – present Program Director, MSocSc (Social Service Management) Program  
2021 Senior Equal Opportunity Advisor, Equal Opportunity Committee, HKU

### **Research Grants**

#### **As principal investigator or co-principal investigator:**

#### **On-going**

1. 2023-2026: A Mixed-Method Study on Anti-bullying Intervention among School-aged Children and Adolescents in Hong Kong– Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust (7.61M).
2. 2023-2025: Evaluation study for SKHWC project for substance abusers and their families. Commissioned by the HKSKH Welfare Council (0.4M)
3. 2023-2024: Self neglect, maladaptive behavior, clutter accumulation and household-management competency among low-income families in subdivided housing units (HKU Seed Fund for Basic Research)
4. 2023-2025: Collating evidence of good practices for drug treatment and rehabilitation in Hong Kong: a mixed-method study - Beat Drug Fund, HKSAR (2.5M) - Developing a generic intervention model for individual drug abusers based on a systematic review with multiple synthesis methods of drug treatment and rehabilitation projects in Hong Kong
5. 2022-2025: Evaluation study of quality of life among children and their families living in the Hong Kong sub-divided housing units – Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust (3.28M).
6. 2022-2023: Online disinhibition effect and mental wellbeing in cyber environment- HKU Seed Fund for Basic Research

7. 2022-2024: Pathways to Harm Reduction Drug Policy in Hong Kong and East & Southeast Asia: Principles, Process and Practices (Co-PI) (Research Impact Fund Ref. R7031-21) (3M)
8. 2022-2023: Testing a competency-based theory of change for suicide risk among young male Internet users with societal masculinity (GRF Ref. 17618921) (0.7M)

### **Completed**

9. 2019-2022: ‘Drug Free with Love’ A Jockey Club Pilot Project for Substance Abusers and their families – Commissioned by the HKSKH Welfare Council (0.48M)
10. 2020: Men’s mental health problems and use of Internet- *HKU Seed Fund for Basic Research*
11. 2019-2020: Gender-specific strategies for young people at risk of self-harm and addictive behaviors – HKU Seed Fund for Basic Research
12. 2018-2021: Formation of program evaluation guidelines towards evidence-based practice of drug treatment and rehabilitation for psychotropic drug abusers in Hong Kong – a mixed method study - Beat Drug Fund, HKSAR (1.4M)
13. 2017-2019: Effects of community-based caring contact on post-discharge young adults with self-harm – a multi-center randomized controlled trial (ECS Ref. 27612816) (0.4M)
14. 2015-2017: An evaluation study on Project Respect—Anti-bullying programs for primary school children in HK – commissioned by the Boys and Girls Clubs Association (0.4M)
15. 2014-2018 - Study on Determinants of Poverty and Potential Interventions to Alleviate Poverty in Hong Kong (Co-PI), Chief Executive Fund, HKSAR (14.62M)

### **As co-investigator:**

1. 2023-2024: Development of a hepatitis C infection care model for prisoners: a pilot program for micro-elimination of hepatitis C infection in Hong Kong - Health and Medical Research Fund (HMRF Ref. no.: 20211881) (PI: Mak Lung Yi)
2. 2019-2020: The Evaluation and Knowledge Dissemination Subcommittee of the project “Jockey Club Online Youth Emotional Support”

### **Selected Publication records**

- Chiang, B., **Law, Y.W.**, Yip, P.S.F. (Under review) Using discrete event simulation to model a crisis online counseling service operation. *JMIR*.
- Law Y.W.**, Lok R, Chiang B, Lai C, Tsui S, Chung P, Leung S (2023). Effects of community-based caring contact in reducing thwarted belongingness among postdischarge young adults with self-harm: randomized controlled trial. *JMIR Form Res* 2023;7:e43526, DOI: 10.2196/43526
- Wei. X. & **Law, Y.W.\*** (2023) Quality of life of services users in psychotropic drug treatment and rehabilitation services: a qualitative study from service user and provider perspectives, *Social Work in Health Care*, DOI: [10.1080/00981389.2023.2238008](https://doi.org/10.1080/00981389.2023.2238008)
- Wei, X., Wang, W., **Law, Y. W.**, & Zhang, H. (2023). The Impacts of Intimate Partner Violence on Postpartum Depression: An Updated Meta-Analysis. *Trauma, Violence, & Abuse*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/15248380231188068>
- Peng, C., **Law, Y.W.\*** (2023). How Do Consumption Patterns Influence the Discrepancy Between Economic and Subjective Poverty?. *J Happiness Stud* **24**, 1579–1604 (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10902-023-00651-5>

- Fraide A. Ganotice Jr, Xiaoai Shen, Jacqueline Kwan Yuk Yuen, Yin Man Amy Chow, Anita M. Y. Wong, Karen M. K. Chan, Binbin Zheng, Linda Chan, Pauline Yeung Ng, Siu Chung Leung, Elizabeth Barrett, Hoi Yan Celia Chan, Wing Nga Chan, Kit Wa Sherry Chan, Siu Ling Polly Chan, So Ching Sarah Chan, Esther W. Y. Chan, Yuet Ying Jessica Cheuk, Jacky Choy, Qing He, Julianne Jen, Jingwen Jin, Ui Soon Khoo, Ho Yan Angie Lam, May P. S. Lam, **Yik Wa Law**, Jetty Chung Yung Lee, Feona Chung Yin Leung, Ann Leung, Rebecca K. W. Liu, Vivian Wei Qun Lou, Pauline Luk, Zoe Lai Han Ng, Alina Yee Man Ng, Maggie Wai Ming Pun, Mary Lok Man See, Jiangang Shen, Grace Pui Yuk Szeto, Eliza Y. T. Tam, Winnie Wan Yee Tso, Ning Wang, Runjia Wang, Janet Kit Ting Wong, Janet Yuen Ha Wong, Grace Wai Yee Yuen & George Lim Tipoe (2023). Students' interaction anxiety and social phobia in interprofessional education in Hong Kong: mapping a new research direction, *Annals of Medicine*, 55:1, DOI: [10.1080/07853890.2023.2210842](https://doi.org/10.1080/07853890.2023.2210842)
- Luo, T., Law, Y.W.\*** & Lai, C. (2022). Coping strategy, Well-being, and bullying perpetration in primary schools: a longitudinal mediation model. *Current Psychology* (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12144-022-03376-5>
- Law, Y.W.\***, Lok, H.T.R., Wei, X.Y., Luo, T. (2021). Formation of Programme Evaluation Guidelines for Evidence-Based Practice of Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation for Psychotropic Drug Abusers in Hong Kong: A Delphi Study. Department of Social Work and Social Administration, The University of Hong Kong. [https://www.nd.gov.hk/en/research\\_reports.html](https://www.nd.gov.hk/en/research_reports.html)
- Xu, Z., Xu, Y., Cheung, F., Cheng, M., Lung, D., **Law, Y. W.**, Chiang, B., Zhang, Q., & Yip, P. (2021). Detecting suicide risk using knowledge-aware natural language processing and counseling service data. *Social Science & Medicine* (283): 114176. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.114176>
- Deng Z, **Law YW\*** (2020) Rural-to-urban migration, discrimination experience, and health in China: Evidence from propensity score analysis. *PLoS ONE* 15(12): e0244441. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0244441>
- Yip, P., Chan, W., Cheng, Q., Chow, S., Hsu, S., **Law, Y.W.**, ... & YEUNG, T. K. (2020). A 24-hour online youth emotional support: Opportunities and challenges. *The Lancet Regional Health–Western Pacific*, 4.
- Law YW.** (2020). Roads less taken: Pathways to care before near-lethal suicide attempts. *International Social Work*, 63(4):473-485. doi:10.1177/0020872818796135
- Peng, C., Yip, P. S. F., & **Law, Y. W.\*** (2020). What Factors Beyond Economic Poverty Lead People in High-income Societies to Feel Poor? Evidence from Hong Kong. *Social Indicators Research*. doi:10.1007/s11205-020-02419-3
- Lai, C. C. S., **Law, Y. W.**, Shum, A. K. Y., Ip, F. W. L., & Yip, P. S. F. (2020). A community-based response to a suicide cluster: A Hong Kong experience. *Crisis: The Journal of Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention*, 41(3), 163-171. doi:10.1027/0227-5910/a000616
- Chau, P. H., Yip, P. S. F., Lau, E. H. Y., Ip, Y. T., **Law, F. Y. W.**, Ho, R. T. H., . . . Woo, J. (2020). Hot Weather and Suicide Deaths among Older Adults in Hong Kong, 1976–2014: A Retrospective Study. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 17(10), 3449. Retrieved from <https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/17/10/3449>

- Sha, F., Li, B., Guo, Y., **Law, Y. W.**, & Yip, P. S. F. (2020). Effects of the transport support scheme on employment and commuting patterns among public rental housing residents in Hong Kong. *Transport Policy*. 87, 10-18.
- Law, Y.W.**, Kwok, R., **Chan, P.Y.**, Chan, M., & Yip, P.S.F. (2019). Online Engagement and Empowerment for Young Internet Users: A Quasi-experiment. *Journal of Affective Disorders*. doi: 10.1016/j.jad.2019.02.061
- Sha, F., Li, B., **Law, Y. W.**, & Yip, P. S. F. (2019). Associations between commuting and well-being in the context of a compact city with a well-developed public transport system. *Journal of Transport & Health*, 13, 103-114.
- Sha, F., Li, B., **Law, YW.** & Yip, PSF. (2019). Beyond the resource drain theory: salary satisfaction as a mediator between commuting time and subjective well-being. *Journal of Transport & Health* 15, 100631
- Law, Y.W.**, Yeung, T.L., Ip, F.W.L., & Yip, P.S.F. (2019). Evidence-based suicide prevention: Collective impact of engagement with community stakeholders. *Journal of Evidence-Informed Social Work*. doi: 10.1080/23761407.2019.1578318
- Law, Y.W.**, Chan, M., Zhang, H.P., Tai, L., Tsang, S., Chu, P., & Yip, P.\* (2019). Divorce in Hong Kong SAR, 1999–2011: A review of 1,208 family court cases. *Journal of Divorce & Remarriage*. doi: 10.1080/10502556.2018.1558855
- Peng, CH., Fang, L., Wang, JSH, **Law, YW**, Zhang, Y. & Yip, PSF. (2019). Determinants of poverty and their variation across the poverty spectrum: evidence from Hong Kong, a high-income society with a high poverty level. *Social Indicators Research* 144 (1), 219-250
- Peng, CH., Kwok, CL., Law, YW., Yip, PSF & Cheng, Q. (2019). Intergenerational support, satisfaction with parent–child relationship and elderly parents’ life satisfaction in Hong Kong. *Aging & mental health*, 23 (4), 428-438
- Shum, A., Lai, E., Leung, W., Cheng, M., Wong, H, So, S., **Law, YW** & Yip, P. (2019). A digital game and school-based intervention for students in Hong Kong: quasi-experimental design. *Journal of Medical Internet Research*, 21(4).
- Yip, PSF., Chan, CH., **Law, YW.**, Guo, Y., Jordan, L. & Xiong, C. (2018). Consultancy study on the long-term development of childcare services. The University of Hong Kong
- Peng, C.H., Yip, P.S.F., & **Law, Y. W.\*** (2018). Intergenerational earnings mobility and returns to education in Hong Kong: A developed society with high economic inequality. *Social Indicators Research*. doi: 10.1007/s11205-018-1968-2
- Fu, Y. & **Law, YW** (2018). Chinese adolescents’ meaning-focused coping with prolonged parent-child separation. *Journal of Adolescent Research*, 33(6), 752-773
- Sha, F., Chang, Q., **Law, YW**, Hong, Q & Yip, PSF. (2018). Suicide rates in China, 2004–2014: comparing data from two sample-based mortality surveillance systems. *BMC Public Health*, 18(1), 1-9
- Chan, M., Li, T.M.H., **Law, Y.W.\***, Wong, P.W.C., Chau, M., Cheng, C., Fu, K.W., Bacon-Shone, J., & Yip, P.S.F. (2017). Engagement of vulnerable youths using internet platforms. *PLOS ONE*, 12(12): e0189023. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0189023

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### **Teaching experiences**

1. CCGL6001 Change for a better community.
2. SOWK6331 & SOWK6056 Online counselling and psychosocial interventions for digital generations

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3. SOWK6289 Organizational analysis and strategic organizational management
4. SOWK4055 Management in Human Service Organizations
5. SOWK6243 Social Services Management
6. SOWK3129 Research method in social work and social administration I
7. SOWK2085 Social service research I: methodology

### **Knowledge Exchange Activities**

May 2022 Presentation on “Formation of Programme Evaluation Guidelines for Evidence-Based Practice of Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation for Psychotropic Drug Abusers in Hong Kong: A Delphi Study” to Research Advisory Committee, Beat Drug Fund, HKSAR

May 2022 Application for KE Fund “Developing a family-based intervention for drug abusers and intervention manual for community service in HK: from research to practice.”

Aug 2022 Public Seminar on ‘Drug Free with Love’ A Jockey Club Pilot Project for Substance Abusers and their families –Organized by the HKSKH Welfare Council

September 2022 A book published on ‘Drug Free with Love’ Published by the HKSKH Welfare Council

### **Professional Membership & Community Services**

Chair, Research Advocacy Committee of Boys and Girls Clubs Association (BGCA) (2022-2023).

Member, Management Committee of Boys and Girls Clubs Association (BGCA) (2019-2023).

Member, Executive Committee of Boys and Girls Clubs Association (BGCA) (2017-2023).

External Examiner (Bachelor of Social Work), Caritas Institute of Higher Education (2021-2026)

Editorial Board Member, Hong Kong Journal of Social Work (2021-2024)

Assessment Panel Member, Social Work Registration Board (2021-2024)

Working Group Member, 3-year Plan of Treatment and Rehabilitation Service, Narcotics Division, Security Bureau, HKSAR (2023-2024)

### **Supervision on Research Postgraduate Students**

*Current*

Primary supervisor

Matt Wong MPhil

Guan Jingqi PhD

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Co-supervisor  
Cheung, Vanessa Hoi Mei, PhD.  
Wang, Juan  
Yuen, Man Yan

*Completed since 2019*  
Luo, Tingyu, PhD  
Wei, Xinyi, PhD  
Cai, Ziyi, PhD, Award of Li Ka Shing Prize 2021-2022  
Deng, Zihong, MPhil  
Gao, Siyu, PhD  
Kim Jungsu, MPhil  
Li, Feng, PhD  
Peng, Chenhong, PhD  
Tang, Xinfeng, PhD  
Zheng Yan, PhD

### **Awards**

2019 Research Output Prize (Faculty of Social Sciences), HKU  
Peng, C.H., Yip, P.S.F., & **Law, Y. W.\*** (2018). Intergenerational earnings mobility and returns to education in Hong Kong: A developed society with high economic inequality. Social Indicators Research. doi: 10.1007/s11205-018-1968-2

2017 Knowledge Exchange Excellence Award, HKU  
The HKJC Centre for Suicide Research and Prevention (PI: Paul S.F. Yip, **YW Law**, Q Cheng)  
<https://www.ke.hku.hk/research-impact/honours-and-awards/ke-excellence-award>