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Dr. Wong holds a M.A. and Ph.D. in Developmental Psychology from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, and has taught at Stevenson since 2014. She is the recipient of the university's 2019 Rose Dawson Excellence in Teaching Award. Her areas of focus and research include children's social-emotional development, attachment relationships, parent-child narratives, family interactions, work-family balance, migrant children and families in China, and effective teaching in psychology. Her work has been published in peer-reviewed journals such as *Child Development*, *Social Development*, and *The Journal of Family Psychology*.



AREAS OF FOCUS

- Attachment
- Children's Social-Emotional Development
- Emotion Socialization

CURRENT RESEARCH

The scholarship of teaching and learning psychology. Dr. Wong is currently serving as one of the editors for an ebook for the Society for the Teaching of Psychology titled *Incorporating diversity in classroom settings: Real and engaging examples for various Psychology courses*. Available in January 2021, this eBook will include 100 entries from psychology instructors around the world.

SELECT PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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