# Chinese Management Scholars Community (CMSC): The Workshop Lessons on the Craft of Scholarly Writing for Leading Management Journals

**Date:** Wednesday, August 14, 2019 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

**Venue:** Room (TBD), Manning School of Business, UMass Lowell

Pulichino Tong Building, 72 University Avenue, Lowell, MA 01854

# **Purpose:**

1. To learn how to write an introduction

- 2. To understand the recent trends in premier management journals
- 3. To understand new requirements/standards on methods
- 4. To facilitate the development of a knowledge- and experience-sharing community for Chinese scholars
- 5. To learn how to become a dedicated and effective researcher
- 6. To foster a rewarding and integrated research career and a balanced life

# **Target Audience:**

- 1. Chinese scholars in management areas (e.g., strategic management, organizational theory, entrepreneurship, international business, organizational behavior, and technology and innovation management)
- 2. Advanced doctoral students (who have passed qualification exams)
- 3. Junior faculty members

#### **Coordinators:**

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### **Panelists:**

Kenneth Huang, National University of Singapore Zhi Huang, University of Kentucky Cuili Qian, University of Texas at Dallas Wei Shen, Arizona State University Brian Wu, University of Michigan Haibin Yang, City University of Hong Kong Yu Zhang, CEIBS

Note: The program will be conducted primarily in Chinese. If you are interested in participating, please register online at <a href="https://cmscevent.wufoo.com/forms/2019-cmsc-registration/">https://cmscevent.wufoo.com/forms/2019-cmsc-registration/</a> before June 30<sup>th</sup> or until the full capacity of 35 participants is reached. For any logistical questions, please email <a href="mailto:cmsc@mingjerchen.com">cmsc@mingjerchen.com</a>.

# Workshop Agenda

09:00 a.m09:30 a.m. Arrival and Registration				
Session 1	09:30-09:45	Introduction and Overview		
		Facilitators: Eric Zhao, Danqing Wang		
		<ul> <li>Introduction:</li> <li>Welcome remarks</li> <li>Overview of the program</li> <li>Self-introductions and grouping</li> </ul>		
Session 2	09:45-11:15	How to Write an Introduction		
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		<ol> <li>Reading Assignments:</li> <li>"Being Scheherazade: The importance of storytelling in academic writing" (Pollock &amp; Bono), Academy of Management Journal, 2013, 56(3), 629-634.</li> <li>"Positioning a theory paper for publication" (Barney), Academy of Management Review, 2018, 43(3), 345-348.</li> <li>"Optimal distinctiveness in console video game industry: An exemplar-based model of proto-category evolution" (Zhao, Ishihara, Jennings, Lounsbury), Organization Science, 29(4), 588-611.</li> <li>"The State, the Labor Process, and the Diffusion of Managerial Models" (Alexandra Kalev, Yehouda Shenhav and David De Vries) Administrative Science Quarterly, 2008 53(1), 1-28.</li> </ol>		
		<ul> <li>Study Questions:</li> <li>1. Please read all four articles, and evaluate how effective authors of paper 3 &amp; 4 wrote their introductions.</li> <li>2. How would you improve those introductions based on the insights you gained from paper 1 &amp; 2.</li> <li>3. How are those introductions structured differently from the prescribed templates of paper 1 &amp; 2? Are these differences necessary? why?</li> </ul>		
		Format: The chair will have a brief opening on how to write a good introduction. (30 mins)		
		Then each panelist will lead the group to discuss the study questions. (30 mins)		
		30 mins for summary, sharing and discussing.		
Break	11:15-11:30			
Session 3	11:30-13:00	Developing Theoretical Research		
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		<ul> <li>Reading Assignments: <ol> <li>"On a Clear Day You Can See Competitors" (Chen), January 5, 1990 (first written draft)</li> <li>"Competitor Analysis and Interfirm Rivalry: Toward a Theoretical Integration" (Chen), January 20, 1995 (first draft submitted to the Academy of Management Review)</li> </ol> </li> <li>Study Questions: <ol> <li>Consider the key ideas in the two drafts of each paper. How do these ideas differ from draft to draft? Why?</li> <li>What might some reasons be for their differences?</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
Lunch	13:00-14:15	Recent Trend in Leading Journals and New Method
Session 4		Requirement
		Facilitator: Eric Zhao and Danqing Wang
		Panelists: Journal editors and board members
		Reading Assignments:
		1. "New ways of seeing: Radical theorizing" (Nadkarni et
		al.), Academy of Management Journal, 2018, 61(2), 371-
		377.
		2. "Creating repeatable cumulative knowledge in strategic
		management" (Bettis et al.), Strategic Management
		Journal, 37. 257-261.
		3. "A brief primer on data visualization opportunities in
		management research" (Ertug et al.), Academy of
		Management Journal, 2018, 61(5), 1613-1625.
		4. "Show Me the Data! Improving Evidence Presentation for Publication" (Greve), <i>Management and Organization</i>
		Review, 2018, 14(2), 423-432
		Study Questions:  1. Discuss the new requirements on theoretical development
		and data presentation
		2. How do we make balanced research that satisfies the two
		requirements at the same time
		3. How do we pick the right journal outlets based on the fit
		between the research and the journal?
Break	14:15-14:30	
Session 5	14:30–15:45	How to Craft Response Letters
		Facilitator: Eric Zhao
		Reading Assignments:
		1. "Responding to reviewers" (Shaw), <i>Academy of</i>
		Management Journal, 2012, 55(6), 1261-1263.
		2. Articles and Review letters picked by lead discussants

		Format: Each group will spend 30 minutes on questions regarding the review process. Then each group summarizes the key questions and insights in 5 minutes.  We encourage each panel member to use one of his/her own published papers to illustrate some of the major challenges they faced in the review process, and to explain in detail how they addressed those issues.  Participates can also share their relevant experiences.
Break	15:45-16:00	
Session 6	16:00–16:45	Building a Research-Centered Career and Balancing Career and Life
		<ul> <li>Study Questions: <ol> <li>How do you balance the competing demands of career and life?</li> <li>What makes a great teacher? What makes a great researcher? What makes a great business leader? What do these three have in common?</li> <li>What three strategic insights into research and career have you gained today that can help you cope with the challenges or capitalize fully on the opportunities available to you in academia?</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
Section 7	16:45-17:00	Closing Remarks
		Facilitator: Eric Zhao, Danqing Wang

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The Chinese Management Scholars Community (CMSC) is an informal, open-platform community that offers career-related services to Chinese (or Chinese-speaking) management scholars. Our community represents a grass-roots, voluntary effort initiated by individuals who are bonded by common interests and values. We are guided by our mission, to pass the baton (傳承), and our core values derive from the "middle" or "zhong" (中) philosophy: integrity, harmony, balance, integration, dynamics, and independence. Founded in 2006 by Ming-Jer Chen (http://www.mingjerchen.com) as a small "workshop" for Chinese scholars in strategic management dedicated to the development of well-balanced business academics, the group is now composed of 500-some members. Our current focus is on serving scholars in the management area, and we offer the following member-centered programs: 1) CMSC-Workshop; 2) CMSC-Reunion; 3) CMSC-RF (Research Forum); 4) CMSC-TF (Teaching Forum); 5) CMSC-Camp (Mentors' Camp).