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# ECONOMIC INEQUALITY AND DEMOGRAPHIC OUTCOMES IN CHINA



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**Session chaired by:**  
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In this presentation, Professor Yu Xie first highlights a significant increase in economic inequality in contemporary China by utilizing various data sources. He then presents results from his research program on the significant impact of rising economic inequality on a variety of social and demographic outcomes in China: intergenerational mobility, marriage age, marriage partner choice, fertility, and mortality. Professor Xie shows that across a variety of social and demographic outcomes, the heightened levels of economic inequality in today's China have negative consequences from lowering social mobility, making marriage difficult, to reducing fertility and life expectancy.

## OUR SPEAKER



**Professor Yu Xie**  
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Yu Xie is Bert G. Kerstetter '66 University Professor of Sociology and has a faculty appointment at the Princeton Institute of International and Regional Studies, Princeton University. He is also a Visiting Chair Professor of the Center for Social Research, Peking University. His main areas of interest are social stratification, demography, statistical methods, Chinese studies, and sociology of science. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Academia Sinica and the National Academy of Sciences.