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Biography

Wei Zhang is a Professor of Sociology at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa. Her research interests include medical sociology and social gerontology, with a primary focus on health disparities affecting vulnerable populations, including racial and ethnic minorities as well as older adults. She investigates the interplay of various social factors — such as cultural traits, social support, socioeconomic status, neighbourhood conditions, social engagement, and individual religious involvement — on health and well-being. Her work has been published in leading journals, including *Health & Place*, *Journal of Aging and Health*, *Research on Aging*, *The Gerontologist*, *Social Science & Medicine*, *Vaccine*, *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, *Archives of Gerontology and Geriatrics*, and *Social Psychology Quarterly*. Currently, she is conducting research on oral health and its relationship with chronic conditions among older adults in Hawai‘i.