

# Yangyang Li

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Employment

2022-Now **Department of Mathematics**, *The University of Chicago*  
L.E. Dickson Instructor

### Education

- 2017-2022 **Mathematics**, *Princeton University*  
Ph.D. in Mathematics, advised by Fernando Coda Marques  
Ph.D. Thesis: *Min-max minimal hypersurfaces in higher dimensions*
- 2013-2017 **Mathematical Sciences**, *Tsinghua University*, Beijing  
Bachelor of Science in Mathematical Sciences
- 2017 **Mathematics**, *École Normale Supérieure*, Paris  
Visiting Program, supervised by Jacques Smulevici

### Research Interests

Differential Geometry, Partial Differential Equations

### Publications and Preprints

- 1\* *Existence of Infinitely Many Minimal Hypersurfaces in Higher-dimensional Closed Manifolds with Generic Metrics*,  
[arXiv:1901.08440](https://arxiv.org/abs/1901.08440), 2019 January  
**J. Differ. Geom.** 124 (2) 381 - 395, June 2023. DOI: [10.0.16.214/jdg/1686931604](https://doi.org/10.0.16.214/jdg/1686931604)
- 2\* *On the Existence of Minimal Hypersurfaces with Arbitrarily Large Area and Morse Index*,  
[arXiv:2001.07689](https://arxiv.org/abs/2001.07689), 2020 January  
**Geom. Topol.** 26 (6) 2713 - 2729, 2022. DOI: [10.2140/gt.2022.26.2713](https://doi.org/10.2140/gt.2022.26.2713)
- 3 *An Improved Morse Index Bound of Min-Max Minimal Hypersurfaces*,  
[arXiv:2007.14506](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.14506), 2020 July  
**Calc. Var.** 62, 179 (2023). DOI: [10.1007/s00526-023-02512-8](https://doi.org/10.1007/s00526-023-02512-8)
- 4 *Generic Regularity of Minimal Hypersurfaces in Dimension 8* (joint with Zhihan Wang),  
[arXiv:2012.05401](https://arxiv.org/abs/2012.05401), 2020 October (superceded by [arXiv:2205.01047](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.01047))
- 5 *Equivariant Manifolds with Positive Scalar Curvature* (joint with Tsz-Kiu Aaron Chow),  
[arXiv:2109.12725](https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.12725), 2021 September  
**Trans. Am. Math. Soc** 377 (2024), 5993-6020. DOI: [10.1090/tran/9181](https://doi.org/10.1090/tran/9181)

- 6\* *Minimal hypersurfaces for generic metrics in dimension 8* (joint with Zhihan Wang), [arXiv:2205.01047](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.01047), 2022 May (submitted to Invent. Math.)
- 7 *A strong multiplicity one theorem in min-max theory* (joint with Adrian C. Chu), [arXiv:2309.07741](https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.07741), 2023 September
- 8\* *Existence of 5 minimal tori in 3-spheres of positive Ricci curvature* (joint with Adrian C. Chu), [arXiv:2409.09315](https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.09315), 2024 September
- 9\* *Existence and regularity of min-max anisotropic minimal hypersurfaces* (joint with Guido De Philippis and Antonio De Rosa), [arXiv:2409.15232](https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.15232), 2024 September

## Invited Talks

- 2025.06 **Milan**, International geometric analysis conference in Milan
- 2024.11 **Johns Hopkins University**, Analysis & PDE Seminar
- 2024.07 Existence and Regularity of Anisotropic Minimal Hypersurfaces **BICMR**, Workshop on Minimal Surfaces and Mean Curvature Flow 2024
- 2024.06 Existence and Regularity of Anisotropic Minimal Hypersurfaces **ETH Zurich**, CHallenge in ANalysis and GEometry
- 2024.03 Existence and Regularity of Anisotropic Minimal Hypersurfaces **MIT**, Geometric Analysis seminar
- 2024.03 Existence and Regularity of Anisotropic Minimal Hypersurfaces **NYU Courant Institute**, Geometric Analysis and Topology Seminar
- 2024.03 Existence and Regularity of Anisotropic Minimal Hypersurfaces **Caltech**, MAGEC 2024
- 2023.12 Existence and Regularity of Anisotropic Minimal Hypersurfaces **Princeton University**, Differential Geometry and Geometric Analysis seminar
- 2023.11 Min-max widths of the unit 3-sphere and a strong multiplicity one theorem **BICMR**, Geometric Analysis Seminar
- 2023.10 Min-max widths of the unit 3-sphere and a strong multiplicity one theorem **UTK**, Geometric Analysis Seminar
- 2023.08 Existence and regularity of anisotropic minimal surfaces in Riemannian 3-manifolds **BIRS-UBC-O**, "Non-Linear Critical Point Theory in Analysis and Geometry" workshop
- 2023.06 The geometric structure of min-max minimal hypersurfaces **Tsinghua University**, Math Department Colloquium
- 2023.06
  - The geometric structure of min-max minimal hypersurfaces
  - Minimal hypersurfaces in a generic 8-dimensional closed Riemannian manifold
  - Existence and regularity of anisotropic minimal surfaces**Chinese Academy of Sciences**, Hua Loo-Keng Lecture Series

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\*denotes my most significant contributions.

- 2023.05 Existence and regularity of anisotropic minimal surfaces  
[BIRS-IMAG](#), “Minimal surfaces in symmetric spaces” workshop
- 2023.03 Area ratio bounds and the existence of anisotropic minimal surfaces  
[NCTS](#), Differential Geometry seminar
- 2023.03 Area ratio bounds and the existence of anisotropic minimal surfaces  
[UConn](#), PDE and Differential Geometry seminar
- 2022.11 Area ratio bounds and the existence of anisotropic minimal surfaces  
[UToronto](#), Geometry and Topology seminar
- 2022.03 Minimal hypersurfaces in a generic 8-dimensional closed manifold  
[CUHK](#), Joint Geometric Analysis Seminar
- 2022.02 Minimal hypersurfaces in a generic 8-dimensional closed manifold  
[Yale University](#), Geometric Analysis and Application seminar
- 2021.11 Minimal hypersurfaces in a generic 8-dimensional closed manifold  
[UToronto](#), Geometry and Topology seminar
- 2021.10 Minimal hypersurfaces in a generic 8-dimensional closed manifold  
[CUNY](#), Geometric Analysis Seminar
- 2021.10 Minimal hypersurfaces in a generic 8-dimensional closed manifold  
[Cornell University](#), Analysis and Geometric Analysis Seminar
- 2021.06 Generic regularity of minimal hypersurfaces in dimension 8  
[CMS 75th+1](#), Geometric Analysis Session
- 2021.05 Generic regularity of minimal hypersurfaces in dimension 8  
[UChicago](#), Geometric Analysis Seminar
- 2021.04 Generic regularity of minimal hypersurfaces in dimension 8  
[UCSD](#), Differential Geometry Seminar
- 2021.02 Generic regularity of minimal hypersurfaces in dimension 8  
[The 1st Geometric Analysis Festival](#)
- 2020.11 Generic regularity of minimal hypersurfaces in dimension 8  
[JHU](#), Analysis and Partial Differential Equations Seminar
- 2020.10 Min-max minimal hypersurfaces in higher dimensions  
[AMS](#), Special Session on Variational Aspects of Geometric Analysis
- 2020.10 Existence of minimal hypersurfaces with arbitrarily large area and Morse index  
[Stanford University](#), Geometry Seminar
- 2020.03 Existence of minimal hypersurfaces with arbitrarily large area and Morse index  
[UCSB](#), Differential Geometry Seminar

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## Organization

2022 - Now Geometric Analysis Seminar (Co-organizer), *The University of Chicago*

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## Service

Review for: Geometric and Functional Analysis, Journal of Differential Geometry, Ars Inveniendi Analytica, Transactions of the American Mathematical Society, Journal of Geometric Analysis, Revista Matemática Iberoamericana.

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## Teaching

Sprint 2024 MATH 15910, Introduction to Proofs in Analysis, Instructor  
Winter 2024 MATH 26500, Introduction to Riemannian Geometry, Instructor  
Winter 2024 MATH 20310, Analysis in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  I (Accelerated), Instructor  
Spring 2023 MATH 20300, Analysis in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  I, Instructor  
Winter 2023 MATH 26500, Introduction to Riemannian Geometry, Instructor  
Winter 2023 MATH 20500, Analysis in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  III, Instructor  
Spring 2022 MAT 355, Introduction to Differential Geometry, Assistant Instructor  
Fall 2021 MAT 214, Numbers, Equations, and Proofs, Assistant Instructor  
Spring 2021 MAT 355, Introduction to Differential Geometry, Assistant Instructor  
Fall 2020 MAT 202, Linear Algebra, Preceptor  
Spring 2020 MAT 330, Complex Analysis with Applications, Assistant Instructor  
Fall 2019 MAT 335, Analysis II: Complex Analysis, Assistant Instructor  
Spring 2019 MAT 218, Accelerated Honors Analysis II, Assistant Instructor  
Fall 2018 MAT 215, Honors Analysis, Assistant Instructor

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## Selected Awards and Honors

2024 US Junior Oberwolfach Fellows  
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2023 The AMS-Simons Travel Grant  
2016 S.T. Yau College Student Mathematics Contests

- All-Around, Gold Medal
- Applied and Computational Mathematics, Gold Medal
- Analysis and PDEs, Bronze Medal

2016 Tsinghua Top Grade Scholarship (10 best undergraduate students)  
2014-2016 Member of Tsinghua Xuetao Mathematics Program  
2014 China National Scholarship