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By the end of her master research, she was already thinking of doing a PhD in the Netherlands, where many professors had been working on related topic. Eventually she was offered a four-year PhD position with Dr. Daniel Balliet and Prof. dr. Paul A. M. Van Lange in the Department of Experimental and Applied Psychology at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. The present dissertation was made possible thanks to the financial support from China Scholarship Council (201206040030). Currently Junhui continues her work at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam until the end of November 2016.

Research Interests

Applying evolutionary psychology perspective and social psychology theories (e.g., interdependence theory), Junhui Wu’s main research interests involve: (a) why and how people vary their prosociality and cooperation due to personality differences (e.g., social value orientation) and situational factors (e.g., cues of gossip, environmental harshness); (b) the origins and underlying mechanisms of human cooperation.
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