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Measuring Romantic Traits: Development and Validation of the Romance Quotient (RQ)

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Abstract

When it comes to the term ‘romance’, research has developed and validated measurements that assess romantic love, romantic relationships, romantic beliefs, and so on. Nevertheless, no scales considered ‘romantic’ as an individual trait. The present study aims to address the gap by developing and validating a new scale, named the Romance Quotient (RQ), that measures varying levels of romantic traits. Using exploratory factor analysis and validation, the RQ was evaluated and ended up with 16 items with decent psychometric properties. In this talk, I will present the conceptualisation, development, and validation process of the RQ. Key findings, potential implication, limitation, and future directions will also be discussed.

About the Speaker

Xiaohan Lin is an MPhil candidate supervised by Professor Karson Kung at the Psychology and Human Development Lab. Xiaohan’s research interests mainly lie in diversity, equity, well-being, education, and interventions/programs.

Zoom Meeting (For participants who couldn’t attend the Seminar in person)

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