Hana Zjakic

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Education and Qualifications

Master of Research Western Sydney University, Bankstown 2016 – 2017

Thesis project: Effects of Orthography on Monolingual and Bilingual Perception of Nonnative Consonant Clusters (Supervisors: Prof. Paola Escudero and Dr. Alba Tuninetti)

Bachelor of Arts (Key Program Psychology/ Major Linguistics) Western Sydney University, Bankstown 2013 - 2015

Higher School Certificate

East Hills Girls' Technology High School 2006 – 2011

Work / Volunteer Experience

June 2019; September 2019 – June 2021

Teacher: Kids&Us Language School (Stockel, Belgium)

- Teaching the Kids&Us English curriculum to babies and children aged 1-11 years
- Preparing lesson plans and writing low-performance analysis reports
- Administering oral language tests to children
- Liaising with staff to ensure high quality teaching and parent satisfaction

June - August 2019

Research Intern: GoffauxLab (Université catholique de Louvain)

- Scheduling adult participants
- Data collection for a project investigating useful visual cues for face identification

January – December 2018

Research Assistant: The MARCS BabyLab

- Scheduling infant participants
- Testing babies and children (onsite and offsite) using behavioural paradigms and electroencephalography (EEG)
- Collecting and managing data for two large-scale, longitudinal projects (Seeds of Literacy and Seeds of Language Development)
- Providing regular reports to the Chief Investigators on the status of each project
- Administering standardised language tests to children
- Segmenting and pre-processing acoustic data (Praat)
- Transcribing audio recordings (CLAN)

December 2015 – December 2017

Research Intern & Assistant: The MARCS Institute for Brain, Behaviour and Development

- Scheduling infant and adult participants
- Testing adults using behavioural and EEG paradigms
- Data processing and analysis (SPSS)
- Programming behavioural experiments (E-prime)

2013 - 2015

Shift Supervisor: Georges Hall Newsagency and Café

- Customer service and liaison with businesses
- Point of sale transactions EFTPOS, cheques and cash handling
- Administration skills (use of Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook)
- Managing and adjusting customer delivery invoices
- Stock-take and placing orders
- Opening/closing of store and training new staff

2015

Piano Tutor: Bankstown Montessori Pre-school

• Teaching piano to children aged 5-years

2010 Volunteer: Peer Reading Program – East Hills Girls' Technology High School

• One on one literacy tutoring with junior students with reading difficulties

2009 Volunteer: Student Community Involvement Program – East Hills Girls' Technology

High School

Facilitating educational activities with special needs children

Achievements / Certifications

Master of Research

2017

Scholarship

Awarded the 2017 Master of Research Scholarship for achieving a distinction average or

higher in all of my first-year course work.

Linguistics Achievements 2017

Invited by the editor of Discourse, Context & Media to review an article for the journal.

Selected by Dr. Chong Han to appear in the Linguistics promotional video for Western Sydney University (School of Humanities and Communication Arts) and to present at the

Autumn and Spring orientation sessions for Linguistics.

2015

Selected by Dr. Chong Han to present my research at the Research Training Scheme

workshops at Western Sydney University.

Dean's Merit List 2014, 2015

Awarded a place on the Dean's Merit List at Western Sydney University.

Other 2010

Attained Certificate of Completion and completed Grade 3 of AMEB Musicianship for

piano.

Publications

Zjakic, H., Tuninetti, A., & Escudero, P. (in prep). The effects of orthographic input on consonant cluster learning in nonnative minimal pairs.

Zjakic, H., Han, C., & Liu, X. (2017). "Get fit!"-The use of imperatives in Australian English gym advertisements on Facebook. *Discourse, Context & Media*, 16, 12-21.

Zjakic, H., Tuninetti, A., & Escudero, P. (2016). Monolingual and bilingual adults can learn foreign language words implicitly. *Proceedings of the 16th Australasian International Conference on Speech Science and Technology*, 125-128.

Conferences

Zjakic, H., Tuninetti, A., & Escudero, P. Monolingual and bilingual adults can learn foreign language words implicitly. Poster presentation at *ARC Centre of Excellence for the Dynamics of Language*, Sunshine Coast, Australia, February 2017.

Zjakic, H., Tuninetti, A., & Escudero, P. Monolingual and bilingual adults can learn foreign language words implicitly. Oral presentation at the 16th Australasian International Conference on Speech Science and Technology (SST2016), Parramatta, Australia, December 2016.

Referees

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