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EDUCATION

University of Southern California

Ph.D. in Linguistics (Expected: June 2021)

August 2015 - Present

Los Angeles, USA

University of Southern California

M.A. in Linguistics

Thesis: *Quantified exponence constraints and the typology of exponence*

August 2015 - May 2017

Los Angeles, USA

East China Normal University

M.A. in Linguistics and Applied Linguistics.

Thesis: *A diachronic phonological study of 'zi' rime change in northern Henan Province*

August 2012 - June 2015

Shanghai, China

Tianjin Normal University

B.A. in English Language and Literature

August 2008 - June 2012

Tianjin, China

NON-DEGREE

Fudan Intensive Summer Teaching, Fudan University

Speech and Hearing Sciences

August 2014

Shanghai, China

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLE

Accepted Yang, Yifan, Rachel Walker, Alessandro Vietti & Armin Chiochetti. Ladin, Fassa Valley dialects. *Journal of International Phonetic Association*.

SUBMITTED

In revision Yang, Yifan. Rapa Nui: a case for correspondence in reduplication. Ms. University of Southern California.

BOOK CHAPTER

- 2016 Zhang, Jisheng and Yifan Yang. 晋豫边界鹤壁地区“子”变韵的音系理据 [Phonological evolution of 'zi' rime change on the boundary of Shanxi and Henan Province: A case study of Hebi area]. In Wei Zheng (ed.), 《边界方言语音与音系演变论集》 [The Phonetic and Phonological Evolution of the Dialects on Dialectal Boundaries]. Shanghai: 中西书局 [Zhongxi Book Company]. (In Chinese)

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- 2018 Yang, Yifan. Quantified exponence constraints and the typology of exponence. In Gallagher, Gillian, Gouskova, Maria, and Sora Yin (eds.), Supplemental Proceedings of the 2017 Annual Meeting on Phonology. Washington, DC: Linguistic Society of America.

- 2017** Yang, Yifan and Wei Wei. Verbal reduplication in Mandarin Chinese: An analysis at syntax-phonology interface, In Michael Yoshitaka Erlewine, and Yosuke Sato (eds.), *Proceedings of GLOW in Asia XI* (Vol.1). Cambridge, MA: MITWPL.
- 2014** Yang, Yifan. Phonetic analysis and special pattern of nasal rime change in Qixian Chinese. *Proceedings of 2014 International Conference on Phonetic Research and Language Learning & English Phonetic Conference in China (ICPRLL&EPCC2014)*. pp.89-92.
- 2014** Yang, Yifan. Evolutionary process of zi rime change in north Henan Province: perspectives of linguistic geography. *Proceedings of The 14th International Symposium of Chinese Languages and Linguistics (ISCLL-14) and The 10th Anniversary of the Institute of Linguistics, Academia Sinica*. pp.376-89.

PRESENTATIONS

- 2019** Generalized Surface Correspondence in reduplication. Poster presented at *The 2019 Annual Meeting on Phonology* (AMP 2019). October 2019, Stony Brook, NY
- 2019** Variation of sibilants in three Ladin dialects. Poster presented at *The 3rd Phonetics and Phonology in Europe Conference* (PaPE 2019). June 2019, Lecce, Italy. (Co-authors: Yang, Yifan, Rachel Walker, & Alessandro Vietti.)
- 2019** Cumulative markedness in three-consonant clusters. Talk presented at *The 14th Old World Conference on Phonology* (OCP-14). January 2019, Verona, Italy. (Co-authors: Walker, Rachel & Yifan Yang.)
- 2018** Backcopying driven by Surface Correspondence. Talk presented at *The Workshop on Phonological Variation and its Interfaces*. November 2018, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2017** Quantified exponence constraints and the typology of exponence. Poster presented at *The 2017 Annual Meeting on Phonology* (AMP 2017). September 2017, New York City.
- 2017** Non-concatenative effects of mora affixation: A case study of Huozhou Chinese. Talk presented at *The 11th International Workshop on Theoretical East Asian Linguistics* (TEAL-11). June 2017, Taipei, Taiwan.
- 2017** Verbal reduplication in Mandarin Chinese: An analysis at syntax-phonology interface. Talk presented at *GLOW in Asia XI*. February 2017, Singapore. (Co-authors: Yang, Yifan & Wei Wei.)
- 2016** Realize nonconcatenative allomorphs in Harmonic Serialism: A case study of diminutive formation in Huozhou Chinese. Talk presented at *The 7th International Conference on Formal Linguistics* (ICFL-7). December 2016, Tianjin, China.
- 2016** The realization of mutation in Chinese dialects. Poster presented at *The 2016 Annual Meeting on Phonology* (AMP2016). October 2016, Los Angeles.
- 2014** Phonetic analysis and the special pattern of nasal rime change in Qixian Chinese. Talk presented at *The 2014 International Conference on Phonetic Research and Language Learning & English Phonetic Conference in China* (ICPRLL&EPCC2014). October 2014, Changsha, China.
- 2014** Evolutionary process of zi rime change in northern Henan Province: perspective of linguistic geography and markedness. Talk presented at *The Third International Symposium on Chinese Language and Discourse* (ISCLD-3). June 2014, London.

- 2014** Evolutionary process of zi rime change in north Henan Province: perspectives of linguistic geography. Talk presented at *The 14th International Symposium of Chinese Languages and Linguistics* (IsCLL-14). June 2014, Taipei, Taiwan.

TEACHING

TEACHER TRAINING

Teaching Practicum *Aug 2016 - Dec 2016*
Department of Linguistics, USC.

Teacher's Education Program *Sep 2009 - May 2012*
School of Education, Tianjin Normal University.

- ◊ *Core curriculum:* Pedagogy ◊ Educational Psychology ◊ Developmental Psychology ◊ Technologies in Education ◊ Micro-teaching ◊ Teaching Methods and Strategies.

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

Language and Society *Fall 2020, 2018, 2017, 2016; Spring 2019, 2018*
(Undergraduate General Education) *University of Southern California*

- ◊ Prepared materials for discussion sections ◊ Taught discussion sections ◊ Graded assignments and exams ◊ Provided academic assistance to students.
- ◊ Main topics: the history of English ◊ dialect ◊ diglossia ◊ language shift ◊ language preservation and revitalization ◊ pidgin and creole ◊ bilingualism ◊ accents of American English ◊ African American Vernacular English ◊ language relativity ◊ language change ◊ language and gender.
- ◊ Instructors: Prof. Sandra Disner / Prof. Andrew Simpson.

Language and Mind *Spring 2017*
(Undergraduate General Education) *University of Southern California*

- ◊ Prepared materials for lab sections ◊ Provided guidance to students on softwares and experimental methods for language study ◊ Graded assignments and exams ◊ Provided other academic assistance to students.
- ◊ Main topics: vocal tract anatomy ◊ phonetic transcription ◊ acoustic analysis ◊ speech perception ◊ experiment design ◊ phonology ◊ morphology ◊ reading ◊ dyslexia ◊ sign language ◊ language and the brain, aphasia, and bilingualism ◊ speech technology ◊ child speech production.
- ◊ Instructors: Prof. Sandra Disner and Prof. Toben Mintz.

Introduction to Linguistics *Sep 2013 - Jan 2014*
(Undergraduate course) *East China Normal University*

- ◊ Graded assignments and exams ◊ Provided general academic assistance to students.
- ◊ Main topics: phonetics ◊ phonology ◊ morphology ◊ syntax ◊ semantics ◊ pragmatics
- ◊ Instructor: Prof. Jisheng Zhang.

FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

Moenat Ladin — Moena, Trentino Province, Italy *October 2019*

- ◊ Investigated the phonotactics of Moenat Ladin.
- ◊ Funded by Graduate Student Travel Grant, USC Department of Linguistics.

Huozhou Chinese — Huozhou, Shanxi Province, China*July 2019*

- Investigated the morpho-phonological patterns in Huozhou Chinese ◇ Recorded natural speech and elicited words for acoustic analyses.
- Funded by Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship, USC Graduate School.

Brach, Cazet, and Moenat Ladin — Fassa Valley, Trentino Province, Italy*June 2018*

- Investigated the phonetic and phonological properties of Ladin, a threatened language ◇ Focused on the comparisons among three sub-varieties ◇ Recorded both spontaneous speech and elicited words for acoustic analyses.
- Funded by Summer Travel Grant, USC Department of Linguistics.

Yanggu Chinese — Yanggu, Shandong Province, China*July 2017*

- Investigated the sound inventory and morpho-phonological processes of Yanggu Chinese ◇ Recorded elicited words for acoustic analyses, with a focus on diphthongs and glides.

Zhongyuan Mandarin and Jin Chinese — Hebi, Henan Province, China*July 2013*

- Examined the distribution of an affix and a related phonological process in 21 villages of Hebi area, Henan Province ◇ Investigated language evolution from a dialect-geographical perspective.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Dornsife Doctoral Fellowship*August 2019*

The Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, USC.

Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship*May 2019*

The Graduate School of USC.

Student Presenter Travel Grant*February 2017*

GLOW in Asia XI, National University of Singapore.

Dornsife Doctoral Fellowship*August 2015*

The Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, USC.

Merit Graduate of Shanghai*June 2015*

Shanghai Municipal Education Commission.

Merit Student*December 2014*

East China Normal University.

National Scholarship*December 2014*

The Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China.

Grants for Oversea Visiting and International Conference*May 2014*

Graduate School, East China Normal University.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Intern*Feb 2014 - May 2014*

Career Development Center, New York University Shanghai.

Translator*Feb 2013 - May 2013*Translation program of *Economics for Business (3rd Edition)*, Shanghai Business School.**LANGUAGES**

Mandarin Native proficiency

English Fluent

French Reading proficiency

Varieties of Mandarin (Huozhou, Yanggu, Tianjin) and Ladin: Research knowledge.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Praat, R (intermediate), Matlab (beginner), Python (beginner)