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Research Interests	syntax-semantics interface, syntactic theory, experimental syntax, information structure, modal concord, Sino-Tibetan and Ugric languages	
Education	University of Edinburgh	Edinburgh, UK
	MSc by research in Linguistics	2020 – 2021
	Thesis: <i>A syntax-semantics interface approach to wh-fronting in Chinese</i>	
	Supervisor: Peter Ackema; Examiners: Hans van de Koot, Robert Truswell	
	National University of Singapore	Singapore
	MA in English Language and Linguistics (highest distinction)	2019 – 2020
	Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics	Nanchang, China
	B.A. in Finance (Classification: First class, top 10%)	2015 – 2019
	Univeristy of Debrecen	Debrecen, Hungary
	Exchange student in Business Management	Fall 2017
Research Experience	Student researcher in linguistics (part-time)	
	Mentors: Zhiming Bao (National University of Singapore) May – June 2020	
	Conduct corpus analysis to investigate the interaction between negative verb and psych verb in Singlish and Chinese	
Work Experience	iFLYTEK Co., Ltd. , Department of Speech Synthesis	Shanghai, China
	Linguistic resource engineer (intern)	November 2021 – present
	Text cleaning of Malaysian, Indonesian and Hakka data using Python for TTS;	
	Develop a new morpho-syntactic annotation framework of Hokkien which improves the accuracy of the company's model in its tone sandhi processing	
	Chaoyouai Technology Co., Ltd , Content Department	Chengdu, China
	English editorial intern	July – September 2020
	Provide staff training about English phonetics and phonology; design grammar instructional materials for the English learning app "Cake English"	
Computer Skills	General: Linux command, \LaTeX , HTML/CSS, Git, MySQL	
	Programming: RStudio (data visualization), Python (Regex, NLTK, Pandas)	
	Data structure, Machine learning and NLP algorithms (some knowledge) (eg. Sklearn, TensorFlow, sentiment analysis, text clustering, ref. github page)	
	Specialized (linguistics): ELAN, Praat, Wmatrix 4, Sketch Engine	

Scholarships and Awards	First-class award for Study Abroad Exchange Scholarship <i>Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics, China</i>	2017
	National second prize in the Internet Financial Innovation Competition <i>Ministry of Education of China</i>	2016
Complementary Education	Central European Summer School in Generative Grammar (EGG)	August 2021
	Leiden summer school on <i>Comparative Uralic Linguistics</i>	July 2021
	Fudan university advanced seminar on <i>Phonetics and Phonology</i>	July 2019
Fieldwork	Moroccan Arabic, <i>Midelt city</i> (virtual, 2 months)	
Membership	Member of the seminar group on <i>syntactic agreement</i>	Edinburgh
Languages	Mandarin (native), English (IELTS 8), French (intermediate) Spanish (intermediate), Japanese (intermediate), Hungarian (basic)	

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