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#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Broad Semantics, Pragmatics, Psycholinguistics
Narrow Plurality, Implicatures, Indefinites

#### **EDUCATION**

09/2021-09/2023 University College London (UCL)

**MPhil Linguistics** 

Supervisors: Yasutada Sudo (primary) and Richard Breheny (secondary)

09/2020-09/2021 University College London

MA Linguistics (Distinction)

Prize for Best Performance in MA Linguistics

• Thesis: Can contextual salience of canonical and symmetric alternatives influence SI derivation?

Supervisors: Paul Marty, Yasutada Sudo, and Richard Breheny

03/2017-06/2020 **Wenzhou University (WZU)** 

**BA English (Teacher-training Oriented)** 

• GPA: 4.07/5.00 Rank: 1/78

**Outstanding Graduate Award** 

Thesis: A contrastive study of English and Chinese subcategories: 'rank' and 'class'
 Outstanding Graduate Thesis

## **NON-DEGREE STUDIES**

08/2018-05/2019 State University of New York at Oswego (SUNY Oswego)

Linguistics, Philosophy

GPA: 4.46/5.00

09/2016-03/2017 **Wenzhou University (WZU)** 

Biotechnology GPA: 4.01/5.00

#### **FURTHER ACADEMIC TRAINING**

09/2021-present <b>Doctoral Skills Training, UCL</b>
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Courses: RSLondon software carpentry Python workshop, Introduction to research

support and integrity, Introduction to doctoral skills development

07/2022 Virtual NYI Summer School #5

**Theoretical Linguistics and Cognitive Science** 

Courses: Topics in sentence processing, Exceptive-additive constructions cross-

linguistically, Conditionals and tense

04/2022 Experimental Methods in Language Acquisition Research (EMLAR)

Courses: Eye tracking: Visual world paradigm, Computational modeling in Python,

Bayesian statistics

08-09/2021 Göttingen Fall School in Linguistics

Courses: Two approaches to free choice, Discourse referents

07-08/2021 Eastern Generative Grammar (EGG) 2021

	Courses: Experimental methods in semantics and pragmatics, Semantic universals:				
	Theories and experimental investigations				
07-08/2021	32nd European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information (ESSLLI)				
	Courses: Approaches to implicature: Rational choice and/or exhaustification,				
	Experimental approaches to language universals in structure and meaning, Probabilistic				
	language understanding, Computational and experimental explanations in Semantics and				
	Pragmatics				
10-12/2019	Language, Mind and Brain, University of Arizona				
07-08/2017	American Language Program, Columbia University				

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Λ1	/2022-	present	MDhil	Research,	HCI
UI,	/ 2022-	present	MILLIM	Research,	UCL

## Project: Plural priming revisited: inverse preference and spillover effects

Supervisors: Paul Marty, Yasutada Sudo, and Richard Breheny

- Designed and implemented an online experiment on Gorilla
- · Analyzed participants' responses on RStudio
- Drafted the proceeding paper for the Amsterdam Colloquium 2022

## 05-09/2021 **MA Research, UCL**

# Thesis: Can contextual salience of canonical and symmetric alternatives influence SI derivation?

Supervisors: Paul Marty, Yasutada Sudo, and Richard Breheny

- · Assisted in the design and implementation of the online experiment on Gorilla
- · Reported the experiment in the MA thesis

# 01-06/2020 **BA Research, WZU**

Thesis: A contrastive study of English and Chinese subcategories: 'rank' and 'class'

- Outstanding Graduate Thesis
- Explored and compared the meaning of English and Chinese subcategory synonyms 'rank' and 'class' under the framework of Leech's (1981) seven types of meaning

#### **PUBLICATION**

12/2022

**Yizhen Jiang**, Shiyu Ren, Yihang Shen, Richard Breheny, Paul Marty, & Yasutada Sudo (to appear) Plural priming revisited: *inverse preference* and *spillover effects*. *Proceedings of Amsterdam Colloquium 2022*.

#### **PRESENTATION**

12/2022

**Yizhen Jiang**, Shiyu Ren, Yihang Shen, Richard Breheny, Paul Marty, & Yasutada Sudo (2022) Plural priming revisited: *inverse preference* and *spillover effects*. Poster at the Amsterdam Colloquium 2022. Universiteit van Amsterdam. December 19-21, 2022.

#### HONORS, AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

12/2021	Dean's List, Faculty of Brain Sciences, UCL
09/2021	Prize for Best Performance in MA Linguistics, UCL (£100)
06/2020	Outstanding Graduate Thesis, WZU
06/2020	Outstanding Graduate, WZU
03/2020	Scholarship for Overseas Graduate Study, Huang Mengqi Dandelion Foundation (¥30,000)
05/2018	Scholarship for Overseas Exchange Study, China Scholarship Council (\$1,500 stipend/month for 9 months and travel grants)
05/2018	International Exchange Scholarship (international tuition waiver), SUNY Oswego and

	WZU
12/2017	Second Prize in Zhejiang University Student Physics Competition
12/2017 09/2017	International Exchange Scholarship, WZU (¥20,000)
05/2017	Third Prize in 9th Biological Experiment Skills Competition, WZU
03/2017	First Prize Scholarship & Outstanding Student of WZU (¥800)
03/2017-09/2020	riist riize scholarship & Outstanding student of W20 (+800)
TEACHING EXPERIE	ENCE
12/2020-present	HD Education (private education institute), China
	<b>Tutor</b> (to Chinese students studying in the US, Australia, and New Zealand)
	<ul> <li>Delivered tutorials to revise lecture materials</li> <li>Courses:</li> </ul>
	Linguistics: Introduction to Linguistics, Grammar of English, Grammar of the
	World's Languages, Structure of Language, Semantics, Syntax, Language, and Communication
	Philosophy: Introduction to Philosophy, Introduction to Logic
	Academic Writing: Writing: Grammar, Syntax, and Style
05-07/2019	Adult Culture and Technology Academy of Lizhu Town
·	Adult Literacy Project Assistant
	• Developed lesson plans that supported the learning needs of each adult student
	· Facilitated a learner-centered literacy class with support for language development
	· Collected, entered, and analyzed data on the student learning process
12/2018-03/2019	STARTALK Chinese Language and Culture Academy, Research Foundation at SUNY Oswego
	Chinese Culture Instructor and Research Aide
	Supervisor: Dr. Ching Hung Hsiao, Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, SUNY Oswego
	Developed and implemented a standards-based and thematically organized curriculum
	Planned, organized, and executed Chinese language and culture workshops
07/2017-03/2019	Best Education Services
,	English Language Instructor
	<ul> <li>Used age-appropriate authentic materials to integrate culture, content, and language</li> </ul>
	· Conducted performance-based assessment
	· Kept appropriate records and communicated with parents/guardians on students'
10/2017	progress  Politing Foreign Studies University Pagding Star Youth English Competition
10/2017	Beijing Foreign Studies University <i>Reading Star</i> Youth English Competition Marker and Instructor
	· Assessed candidates' English skills
	· Instructed students on English drama performance
OUTREACH	
02/2021	United Kingdom Linguistics Olympiad
	Marker
	· Graded students' papers
09/2017-09/2018	International Relations Office, Wenzhou University
	Student Ambassador

Arranged foreign affairs conferences and translated for foreign guests

The 12th Association for Cultural Studies "Crossroads in Cultural Studies"

Arranged accommodation and study for overseas students

08/2018

# Conference, Shanghai University

# **Panel Organizer**

 Translated and interpreted for guest speakers, designed conference brochures, and organized seminars and panels

## 09/2016-01/2017

# Wenzhou Dialect Club

## Member

- Learned Wenzhou Dialect through various activities such as performing dramas and singing Wenzhou folk songs
- · Conducted interviews with native speakers through field trips
- · Transcribed, entered, and analyzed language data from interviews

#### **INTERNSHIPS**

## 07/2017-09/2017

# **US International Education Association (USIEA)**

# **Business Development Project Assistant**

- · Coordinated with the project leader and organized project seminars and workshops
- · Maintained existing and developed new publicity channels on campus
- · Collected and reported customers' information

#### **SKILLS**

Languages Mandarin & Wu Chinese (native)

English (proficient)
French (beginner)

Wenzhou Dialect (beginner)

Programming R, Python, HTML

Experimental tools Gorilla experiment builder

Others LaTeX, MS Office, Git