

# KHANG DINH

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EDUCATION	<b>University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA</b> PhD, Linguistics	2025-	
<b>University of California, Santa Barbara, Goleta, CA</b> Overall GPA: 3.97 (Highest Honors)			
B.A., Linguistics (Language and Speech Technologies Emphasis), <i>College of Letters and Science</i>		2021-2025	
English Minor		2021-2025	
Transfer Courses: Music Composition, College of Creative Studies Long Beach City College, CA		March 2023 - December 2024 Summer 2020	
<b>Gretchen A. Whitney High School, Cerritos, CA</b> Unweighted GPA: 3.70   High Honors		2017-2021	
HONORS AND AWARDS	<b>Linguistics Distinction in the Major</b> , UCSB <b>Dean's Honors</b> , UCSB <b>AP Scholar with Distinction</b> , College Board	June 2025 March 2022 - June 2025 July 2021	
GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS	<b>Eugene V. Cota-Robles Fellowship</b> , UCLA <b>Kelly Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship</b> , UCSB	2025-2030 2024	
LAB MEMBERSHIP	<b>CPLS Lab</b> , UCSB <b>SPaRK Lab</b> , UCSB	October 2024 - March 2025 November 2023 - June 2024	
RESEARCH	<b>Papers</b>  <i>(unpublished) Dinh, Khang.</i> Register complex transfer in the lexical tone-tune interface in V-pop. November 2024.  <i>(unpublished) Frankle, Khang Dinh, Du, Dillon.</i> Comparing Twitter language of congresspeople before and during election. June 2023.		
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS	<b>Dinh, Khang.</b> "Tonal Trading Relations in Vietnamese Pop." <i>Society of Linguistics Undergraduates Students (SLUGS): 9th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium.</i>  <b>Dinh, Khang.</b> "Language lost? The case of V-pop: How singers of a tone language maintain meaning in pitch cancellation." <i>8th Annual Research &amp; Creative Activities Conference (RACA-CON).</i>  <b>Dinh, Khang.</b> How does lexical tone interface with melody in V-pop? [poster]. <i>8th Annual Research &amp; Creative Activities Conference (RACA-CON).</i>	April 2025 November 2024 November 2024	
LANGUAGES	English (native), Vietnamese (native), Spanish (beginner)		
COMPUTER SKILLS	Ableton Live, Audacity, CSS, Elan, HTML, LaTeX, MuseScore, Praat, Python, R, SonicVisualizer		

WORK AND SERVICE	<p>UCLA Graduate Student Orientation Volunteer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>distributed food, managed check-ins, worked the help desk, and posted surveys at workshops for incoming UCLA graduate students</li> </ul>	<i>September 2025</i>
	<p>Vietnamese Outreach Initiative for College Education (VOICE) Mentor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>mentored low-income/underrepresented high school students from Orange County with UCSB's Vietnamese Student Association (VSA)</li> </ul>	<i>April 2025</i>
	<p>Vol. 66 Spectrum Literary Journal Editorial Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>admissions officer for 431 submissions</li> </ul>	<i>January 2023-June 2023</i>
	<p>Polished Nail Spa Receptionist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>managed appointments, transactions, profits, clientele needs</li> </ul>	<i>February 2022-May 2022</i>
	<p>The Bottom Line Newspaper Distributor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>distributed newspapers across UCSB campus and Isla Vista</li> </ul>	<i>November 2021-May 2022</i>
MISCELLANEOUS	<p><b>1st Place, 10th Annual Los Angeles County Spelling Bee, LACOE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This was the beginning of my academic pursuit in linguistics.</li> </ul>	<i>March 2015</i>