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Education

2018 – Present PhD in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics

University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

PhD Candidate

Topic Phonological acquisition of variable input

Supervisor Prof Brechtje Post

2014 – 2015 MPhil in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics

University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

Distinction

Thesis Language dominance and accent variation: a phonetic study of two

groups of educated Malay speakers of Singapore English

Supervisor Prof Francis Nolan

2010 – 2014 Bachelor of Arts (Education)

National Institute of Education, Nanyang Technological University

First Class Honours

Independent A Feature-based Study of English Trainee Teachers' Treatment of

research Singapore English
Supervisor Asst/Prof Tan Siew Imm

Employment

2018 (Jan) – Curriculum Planning and Development Department

2018 (Sept) (Ministry of Education Headquarters)

Curriculum Planning Officer

English Language and Literature Branch

2015 (Jul) – Anglican High School 2017 (Dec) (Ministry of Education)

English Language Teacher

2014 (May) – Temasek Secondary School

2014 (Sept) (Ministry of Education)

English Language Teacher

Journal articles

- Sim, J. H. & Post, B. (2021). Variation in quality of maternal input and development of coda stops in English-speaking children in Singapore. *Journal of Child Language*. https://doi.org/10.1017/S0305000921000593.
- Sim, J. H. (2021). Sociophonetic variation in English /l/ in the child-directed speech of English-Malay bilinguals. *Journal of Phonetics*, *88*. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.wocn.2021.101084.
- Sim, J. H. (2019). "But you don't sound Malay!" Language dominance and variation in the accents of English-Malay bilinguals in Singapore. *English World-Wide*, 40(1), 79–108. https://doi.org/10.1075/eww.00023.sim
- Sim, J. H. (2014). A Feature-based Study of English Trainee Teachers' Treatment of Singapore English. *Reinvention: An International Journal of Undergraduate Research*, 7(1).

Unpublished papers

- Sim, J. H. (2015). Language dominance and accent variation: a phonetic study of two groups of educated Malay speakers of Singapore English [unpublished MPhil thesis]. University of Cambridge
- Sim, J. H. (2015). *The 'educated' accent of Singapore English: a rating experiment*. [unpublished manuscript]

Conference papers

(Presenting author in bold)

- Sim, J. H. & Post, B. (2021, Sept 8-10). Clear /l/ and the Malays in Singapore: origin, social meanings, and ethnic identity. UK Language Variation and Change 13. University of Glasgow. https://uklvc13.com/
- **Sim, J. H.** & Post, B. (2021, Jun 21-23). *Variation in pitch scaling in English of young simultaneous bilinguals in Singapore*. Phonetics and Phonology in Europe 2021, Barcelona. https://pape2021.upf.edu/
- Sim, J. H. & Post, B. (2021, Jun 21-23). Variation in pitch scaling in English of young simultaneous bilinguals in Singapore. Phonetics and Phonology in Europe 2021, Barcelona. https://pape2021.upf.edu/
- Sim, J. H. (2021, Jun 7–10). Indexical properties of syllable-final /l/ in Singapore English. Sociolinguistics Symposium 2021, Hong Kong. https://www.ss23hk.com/
- Sim, J. H. & Post, B. (2021, Jun 2–4). Variation in ethnic-accentedness in child-directed speech of bilinguals. Variation in Language Acquisition 4, Rorschach, Switzerland. https://www.shlr.ch/shlr/die-shlr/events/vila-4/
- **Sim, J. H.** & Post, B. (2021, Mar 6). *Variation in quality of input and development of coda stops in bilingual children.* Jesus College MCR Graduate Conference 2021, Cambridge.
- Sim, J. H. & Post, B. (2020, Jul 1–3). Variation in the development of English syllable-final /l/ in English-Malay and English-Chinese bilingual children. Building Linguistic Systems, York, United Kingdom. https://sites.google.com/york.ac.uk/buildinglinguisticsystemsyork [postponed]

- **Sim, J. H.** & Post, B. (2020, Apr). *Maternal input and variability in the development of coda stops in bilingual children*. British Association of Academic Phoneticians Colloquium, York, United Kingdom. https://sites.google.com/york.ac.uk/baap2020york/home [cancelled]
- Koh, S., Koh, L., Sim, J. H., Ng, K. & Mohan, J. (2017, Jun 29). Exploring the Joy of Learning from NASA to EL. 3rd Anglican High School National Symposium 2017: Assessment Drives the Learning Paradigm.

Presentations and seminars

(Presenting author in bold)

- **Sim, J. H.** (2021, May). The social life of L in Singapore English. Presented at the Jesus College Language and Linguistics Forum.
- **Sim, J. H.** & Post, B. (2021, Apr). Maternal input and variability in the development of coda stops in bilingual children. British Association of Academic Phoneticians Work in Progress (online)
- **Sim, J. H.** (2021, April). Indexical properties of /l/ in Singapore English. Presented at the Aarhus University Phonetics and Phonology seminar.
- **Sim, J. H.** (2021, Mar). Investigating coda stops in bilingual children. Presented at MPhil seminar, University of Cambridge.
- **Sim, J. H.** (2020, Aug). Investigating variation in tonal scaling and alignment in young bilingual children. Presented at the Experimental Phonetics and Phonology seminar, University of Cambridge.
- **Sim, J. H.** (2019, Nov). Phonological acquisition of contact varieties of English in simultaneous bilinguals: variation in maternal input and effects on child phonological acquisition. Presented at the Jesus College Language and Linguistics Forum.
- **Sim, J. H.** (2019, Jan). Phonological acquisition of variable input: children in bi-dialectal homes. Presented at the Experimental Phonetics and Phonology seminar, University of Cambridge.
- **Sim, J. H.** (2018, Oct). Language dominance and accent variation: a phonetic study of two groups of educated Malay speakers of Singapore English. Presented at the Experimental Phonetics and Phonology seminar, University of Cambridge.
- **Sim, J. H.** (2015, May). Language dominance and accent variation: a phonetic study of two groups of educated Malay speakers of Singapore English. Presented at the Experimental Phonetics and Phonology seminar, University of Cambridge.

Achievements, awards & grants

2021 University of Cambridge

MMLL Fieldwork funding (£170)

Jesus College Graduate Research grant (£98)

2020 University of Cambridge

Jesus College Graduate Research grant (BAAP 2020) £400 Jesus College Graduate Research grant (ViLA 4 2020) £100

MMLL Fieldwork funding (£170)

2019 University of Cambridge

MML Fieldwork funding (£250), TAL Fieldwork funding (£650)

Jesus College Graduate Research grant (£170)

Ministry of Education

Innergy (HQ) award for the development of Lenses and Links: A game of literary

perspective

2018 Singapore Police Force

NSman of the Year Award 2018

Ministry of Education

Innergy (HQ) award for the development of Ding Ding! A virtual discussion platform

2017 MOE Buildathon 2017

Third Place

National Institution of Education

NIE Overseas Graduate Scholarship (Full)

Anglican High School Most Innovative Teacher Ministry of Education

Outstanding Contribution Award (Team)

2016 Anglican High School

Most Engaged Staff

Ministry of Education

Outstanding Contribution Award (Team)

2015 Clare College, Cambridge

Fieldwork funding (£150)

2014 Ministry of Education

MOE Direct Master's Sponsorship

2014 National Institute of Education / Nanyang Technological University

Lee Kuan Yew Gold Medal (top of cohort)

Koh Boon Hwee Scholar's Award (academic and non-academic Excellence)

Valedictorian

2008 – 2009 National Service – Singapore Police Force

SPF Officer Cadet Course – Good Performance Award Commander's Commendation (Airport Police Division)

Best PNSF Award

Professional membership

2020 – Present The International Society for the Linguistics of English

Member

2017 – Present Singapore Association of Applied Linguistics

Member

Services

2021 – Present Data champion

2019 / 2020 Linguistics Tripos Part IIB

Undergraduate dissertation examiner

Linguistics Tripos Li6 Undergraduate supervisor Jesus College / MMLL

Undergraduate Admissions Selection Interviewer

Murray Edwards College, Cambridge

Linguistics mock exam marker

Leadership positions

2017 – 2018 Assistant Superintendent of Police

Singapore Police Force

Head Manpower and Logistics (PNSmen), Airport Police Division

2016 – 2017 Inspector of Police

Singapore Police Force

Commanding Officer, Training (PNSmen), Airport Police Division

2011 NTU CAC Choir

Head of Media and IT

Chairperson, Events Sub-Committee

2010 NTU CAC Choir

Head of Media and IT

Head Publicity, Concert Committee

Technical Skills

Phonetics: Praat, audacity
Statistics: R, RStudio
Others: Github, Jekyll