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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 research A Feature-based Study of English Trainee Teachers' Treatment of Singapore English
Supervisor Asst/Prof Tan Siew Imm

Employment

- 2018 (Jan) – 2018 (Sept) **Curriculum Planning and Development Department (Ministry of Education Headquarters)**
Curriculum Planning Officer
English Language and Literature Branch
- 2015 (Jul) – 2017 (Dec) **Anglican High School (Ministry of Education)**
English Language Teacher
- 2014 (May) – 2014 (Sept) **Temasek Secondary School (Ministry of Education)**
English Language Teacher

Journal articles

- Sim, J. H. & Post, B. (in press). 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Unpublished papers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dominance and accent variation: a phonetic study of two groups of educated Malay speakers of Singapore English* [unpublished MPhil thesis].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 [unpublished manuscript]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

2017	Innergy (HQ) award for the development of Ding Ding! A virtual discussion platform 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