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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. (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### **Unpublished research**

- 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dominance and accent variation: a phonetic study of two groups of educated Malay speakers of Singapore English [unpublished MPhil thesis].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 [unpublished manuscript]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 presentations**

#### (Presenting author in bold)

- Sim, J. H. & Post, B. (2021, Jun 21-23). Variation in pitch scaling in English of young simultaneous bilinguals in Singapore [Poster presentation]. 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 [Oral presentation], 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* [Oral presentation]. 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* [Poster presentation]. 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 [Oral presentation]. 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* [Oral presentation]. 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 [Oral presentation]. 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. To be 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

2016

| 2021 | University of Cambridge  |
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|      | MMLL Fieldwork funding (£170)  |
| 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)

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