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Research Interests

Language acquisition · Syntax · Semantics

Education

Ph.D. in Linguistics   August 2023 – Present
University of Connecticut   Storrs, CT

M.A. in Linguistics   September 2020 – July 2023
Soochow Universit   Suzhou, China

B.A. in English Language Teaching   September 2016 – July 2020
Jiangsu Normal University   Xuzhou, China

Publications

1. Yang, C., Hu, Y., **Fan, J.**, Dong, X. and Jeschull, L. (2022). An experimental study of Mandarin-speaking children's acquisition of recursion under a formal definition/classification system for recursion. *Lingua*, 271, 103228. DOI

2. Bai, B., Yang, C. and **Fan, J.**. (2022). Semantic integration of multidimensional perceptual information in L1 sentence comprehension. *Language and Cognition*, 14(1): 109–130. DOI

Presentations

Conference

2023   *On Mandarin-speaking children's acquisition of control structures and raising structures.* Beijing Foreign University 2023 Conference on Biolinguistics & Language Acquisition. Beijing Foreign University, Beijing, China, Sep 22.

2021   *An experimental study of Mandarin-speaking children's acquisition of recursion under a formal definition/classification system for recursion.* Workshop Recursion Across Languages: The Intricacies of Babel. Bucharest, Romania, June 1-2. (Virtual)

Talks

2025   *Mandarin-speaking children's acquisition of causative constructions.* Language Acquisition Workshop in New England. University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, USA, Apr 5.

2023   *Mandarin-speaking children's acquisition of relative clauses.* UConn Ling Lunch. University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, USA, Nov 7.

2022   *On Mandarin-speaking children's acquisition of control structures and raising structures.* UMass AcquiLab. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, USA, Dec 29.

       Coordination, embedding and feature sharing of locative proposition in Chinese. UMass AcquiLab. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, USA, Oct 20

Teaching

Spring 2025   Instructor, LING3610W Language and Culture
              Department of Linguistics, UConn, USA

Fall 2024   TA, LING1020 Language and Environment (Instructor: William Snyder)
              Department of Linguistics, UConn, USA

Fall 2023   Tech-TA, LING1020 Language and Environment (Instructor: William Snyder)
              Department of Linguistics, UConn, USA

Fellowship and Grants

- Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Department of Linguistics, UConn   Spring 2025

- Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Department of Linguistics, UConn   Fall 2024

- Graduate Assistant Fellowship, Department of Linguistics, UConn   Fall 2023

- Soochow University Research Grants   May 2022 – Jan 2023
  Research Program Director
  On Mandarin-speaking children's acquisition of control structures and raising structures

Skills

- **Languages**: Chinese (native); English (fluent); Japanese (beginner)

- **Techniques**: R; E-prime; Praat