# Chen Liu

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## Education

2022 - 2023 University of California, Merced (UC Merced), California, USA

Master of Cognitive & Information Science

2017- 2021 National Tsing Hua University (NTHU), Hsinchu, Taiwan

Bachelor of Education in Special Education

2018 - 2019 Semester exchange, Tsinghua University in Beijing

Major in Psychology

2018 Summer UBC Vancouver Summer Program of Culture, Creativity, and Learning Technologies

## Lab Experience

2022-Present Language, Learning, and Teaching Lab

PI: Dr. Zenaida Aguirre-Muñoz

Research focus: bilingualism, second language acquisition, STEM education

2022-Present Language, Interaction, & Cognition Lab

PI: Dr. Rachel Ryskin

Research focus: sentence predicting processing, computational linguistic

2019 Research Assistant, Research Center for Education and Mind Science

Research focus: cognitive load, working memory span

# **Publications & Manuscripts**

Aguirre-Muñoz, Z., Pando, M., & Liu, C. (2024). Enhancing Bilingual/ESL Teachers' STEM Instruction with Targeted Content and Disciplinary Literacy Professional Development: A Study on Knowledge and Practice Outcomes. *Education Sciences*, 14(7), 745.

**Liu,** C., Ryskin, R., Aguirre-Muñoz, Z. (*in preparation*). Effects of context and proficiency on processing difficulty during L2 reading

## **Posters & Presentations**

Liu, C., Ryskin, R., Aguirre-Muñoz, Z. (2023). Effect of context and proficiency on processing difficulty during L2 reading. At CAlifornia Meeting on Psycholinguistics (CAMP[6]). Stanford, CA

Aguirre-Muñoz, Z., **Liu, C.**, Casper, R., L, Shan. (2025) Enhancing College Text Comprehension Through Brief Metalinguistic Training. At TESOL International Convention & Expo. (TESOL). Long Beach, CA

## **Work Experience**

2023-current UC Merced Cognitive & Information Science Department, California, USA

Lab Manager/ Project Coordinator

• Coordinated research projects on enhancing college text comprehension through brief metalinguistic training

- Managed comprehensive lab administrative operations,
- Supervised and mentored undergraduate Research Assistants

## 2022 Yu-Tsai Bilingual Elementary School, New Taipei City, Taiwan

School Counselor and 3<sup>rd</sup>&4<sup>th</sup> grade Science Teacher

- · Counseling students with special needs
- Designed hybrid courses and activities for students in science
- Participate in school activities, including Freshman Admissions and graduation

## 2021 - 2022 Yonghe Elementary School, New Taipei City, Taiwan

Intern Resource Room Teacher

- Designed Social Emotional Learning (SEL) program for second-grade autistic students
- Helped students with learning disabilities develop their individual learning strategies

## 2021 National Experimental High School, Hsinchu, Taiwan

Student Teacher, Gifted Education Classroom, Hsinchu Science Park Elementary Dept.

- Designed STEM activities for students to explore their interests in different fields
- Designed problem-based activities for students to develop problem-solving skills
- Design courses for creativity and leadership skills

## 2020 Dongmen Elementary School, Hsinchu, Taiwan

Student teacher, Special Education Classroom

- Improved students 'gross motor and fine motor skills by giving functional motion training
- Used storybooks to help students accumulate common vocabulary

## **Volunteer Experience**

#### 2019 National Taiwan University Hospital Hsinchu Branch

- Designed classes for early intervention children
- Coordinated with physical therapists to help children improve the quality of their movements
- Observed performance of developmentally delayed children in cognition, movements, and emotion

#### 2019 International Volunteer in Romania

- Communicated and cooperated with people from different countries and cultures
- Hosted weekly English camps in different villages

#### 2018 Saint Joseph Social Welfare Foundation

• Designed camp activities for people with special needs

## **Course Project**

Modeling endangered languages: The effects of bilingualism

#### https://drive.google.com/file/d/1tMXlHno3pG90Urj\_oqf\_TEUxND58FlJT/view

## Diversity and Representation at the University of California

https://joyce9936.github.io/project/UC-representation1207.html

How multimedia storybooks could impact reading comprehension ability and visual attention in sequential Mandarin-English bilinguals encompassing both L1 and L2

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1 HKw3PMvmBq3ZG5cZ0krTqQfs7CdUcIv/view

#### Skills

- R (intermediate)
- Tobii Eye tracking Experimentation (intermediate)
- Qualtrics/ Gorilla (intermediate)
- MatLab (beginner)
- EEG Experimentation (beginner)
- Python (beginner)

#### **Online Certificates**

## Introduction to Psychology, Yale University

• Topics include perception, communication, learning, memory, decision-making, persuasion, emotions, and social behavior.

#### Fundamental Neuroscience for Neuroimaging, John Hopkins University

- Gained knowledge in various neuroimaging approaches and experimental design
- · Learned advantages and disadvantages in structural and functional when doing research
- Understood recent research in neuroscience using different approaches

#### Anatomy: Human Neuroanatomy, University of Michigan

- Trained in neuroanatomy, sensory pathways, motor pathways, and the autonomic nervous system
- Learned about the structural anatomy of the human brain

## Human Resources Analytics: University of California, Irvine

- Gained basic knowledge of the principle and importance of human resources
- Learned standard tools for analyzing human resources data