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EDUCATION

2019 - now   University of York, UK

PhD in Linguistics
Advisors: Eleanor Chodroff, Paul Foulkes
Doctoral project: the production and perception of Mandarin dialect tone systems
Research areas: acoustic phonetics, speech perception, tone perception, perceptual adaptation

2016 - 2017   University College London, UK

MA in Linguistics (with Distinction)
Advisor: Yi Xu
Dissertation: *The Neglected Tone in Chinese Word Recognition --An Account of Frequency Effect on Lexical Access*

2012 - 2016   Jiangnan University, China

BA in English Language and Literature (with Honors; GPA 3.95)
Advisor: Minfen Yan
Thesis Title: *A Corpus-Based Study on Chinese EFL Learners' Use of MV-Around Constructions*
Award: The First Prize of Final Project for Bachelor's Degree in Jiangsu Province
Member of the Honors School of Jiangnan University

PRESENTATIONS

2021   Integrated top-down and bottom-up processing in perception of non-native tone systems [slides]
Liang Zhao and Eleanor Chodroff
PARLAY Conference @University of York, 29/September/2021 (virtual)

2020   One million km2: Broad coverage of Mandarin Chinese dialects using smartphone technology [slides]
Liang Zhao, Philip Harrison, Paul Foulkes, and Eleanor Chodroff
Australian Linguistic Society (ASL) workshop presentation, 14-15/December/2020 (virtual)

Lab presentations

2021   Hybrid processing of unfamialr tone system [slides]
Experimental Lab meeting @University of York, 15/November/2021 (in-person)

2020   Remote speech date collection using smartphone recording applications
        Experimental Lab meeting @University of York, 28/November/2020 (virtual)

PUBLICATIONS

2015   The Structure of Space in Amsterdam, published in Overseas English, 2015 (20). ISSN1009-5039.(*Chinese*)

2015   The Problems and Solutions of Talent Cultivation of Undergraduate Education, Northern Literature, 2015 (12). ISSN0476-031X. (*Chinese*)

TEACHING

Graduate Teaching Assistantship

10/2020 – now   *Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology* (Module convener: Dr. George Bailey)
        GTA at the University of York in the Department of Language and Linguistic Science
        Involved in leading seminars and grading

01/2022 –   *Intermediate to Phonetics and Phonology* (Module convener: Dr. Eleanor Chodroff)
        GTA at the University of York in the Department of Language and Linguistic Science
        Involved in leading lab practical sessions and grading

Employment

2018 - 2019   *Fundamentals in Linguistics* (as instructor)
            Survive interview in English (as instructor)
        Employment as the curriculum developer at Offcn Education & Technology Co.,Ltd   (Beijing Headquarter)

2016 - 2017   *Reading and Writing in Academic IELTS*
        Employment as the part-time IELTS tutor at the Global IELTS

Undergraduate Teaching Assistantship

03/2016 Lab Assistant at the Hebei University of Architecture, Department of English Language
        Involved in lab equipment maintenance and report drafting

2014 – 2016 Class tutor to freshmen of English major in Jiangnan University

07/2014 Teaching assistant in the *Conversational English Training Program* held by Honors School, Jiangnan University

INTERNSHIP & OTHER ACTIVITIES

07/2015 *China Daily* Wuxi Sub-branch, Online English Editor

07/2014 English interpreter for the *Wuxi Charity Gala* and related events

01/2014 Piano accompanist for the *New Year Night*, Dept of Foreign Language Studies, Jiangnan University

07/2013 Volunteer teacher of English writing in Baoshan Primary School in Yulong, Yunan province, China

HONOURS

2015 & 2016 National Scholarship, twice awarded by the Ministry of Education, China

2016   Merit Student of Jiangsu Province

2015   Merit Student of Wuxi City

2015   Pacemaker to Merit Student of Jiangnan University

2013 & 2014 Merit Student of Jiangnan University, twice awarded

2013 – 2016 The First Prize Scholarship of Jiangnan University, etc.

LANGUAGES

Standard Mandarin (native), English (advanced)

PROGRAMMING

R, Praat, HTML & CSS (beginner-level)