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Incoming PhD Student in Linguistics

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Broad: sociophonetics, computational methods, language variation and change

Narrow: chain shifts, sociolinguistic cognition, computational sociolinguistics, corpus linguistics, speech perception, metalinguistic awareness, fieldwork, performance

EDUCATION

2021-2022	M.A. in Linguistics GPA: 4.00/4.00 Thesis: Transgressing the binary: Gendered language practices on Twitter. Advisor: Rob Voigt Reader: Annette D'Onofrio	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
2018-2022	B.S. in Linguistics and Communication Studies <i>summa cum laude</i> , with Departmental Distinction GPA: 3.98/4.00	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. D'Onofrio, A. & **Senko, M.** (*In prep*). "If you say /ʃəkəɡʊʊ/, get the fuck out of my face": Variable discourses of localized authenticity in the Chicago vowel. For submission to *Journal of Sociolinguistics*.

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

2. **Senko, M.** & Voigt, R. (*To appear*). Transgressing the binary: A computational approach to gendered reference. In S. Burnett & F. Vigo (Eds.), *Battlefield linguistics: Contemporary contestations of language, gender, and sexuality*. DeGruyter Mouton.

PRESENTATIONS

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. D'Onofrio, A. & **Senko, M.** (2022). "If you say /ʃəkəɡʊʊ/, get the fuck out of my face": Variable discourses of localized authenticity in the Chicago vowel. Paper presented at *New Ways of Analyzing Variation 50*. 13-15 October, San Jose, CA.
2. **Senko, M.** & Voigt, R. (2022). Transgressing the binary: Gendered language practices on Twitter. Paper presented at *Lavender Languages and Linguistics 28*. 23-25 May, Catania, Italy.

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022-2023	Taiwan English Teaching Assistantship	THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM
2022	Conference Travel Grant	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
2022	Lambda Pi Eta	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
2021	Abraham Demoz Prize in Linguistics	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
2018	Kaplan Humanities Scholar	NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

SKILLS

Languages	English <i>Mother tongue</i> · Mandarin <i>Proficient</i>
Technical	Basic: ELAN · Praat Intermediate: R · Python · Java · L ^A T _E X

TEACHING

2024-2025	Upper School Computer Science Teacher	COLLEGIATE SCHOOL
2023-2024	Content Teacher	WINSTON PREPARATORY SCHOOL NEW YORK
2022-2023	Teacher of English as a Foreign Language	FULBRIGHT TAIWAN