

Curriculum Vitae NATHANIEL SIMS

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EDUCATION

- 2021 Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara
The verbal morphology of Yonghe Qiang: an eastern Himalayan language
Committee: Carol Genetti (chair), Eric W. Campbell, Matthew Gordon,
Lin You-Jing (Peking University)
- 2018-19 Visiting Scholar, Southwestern University for Nationalities, Chengdu,
China
- 2017 MA in Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara
The suprasegmental phonology of Yonghe Qiang in typological perspective
Committee: Matthew Gordon (chair), Carol Genetti, Eric W. Campbell.
- 2014 BA, Indiana University, Bloomington
Major in Linguistics
Major in East Asian Languages and Cultures
Minor in Central Eurasian Studies
Graduated *summa cum laude*

APPOINTMENTS

- 2023- Assistant professor, **Department of Linguistics, University of Oregon**
- 2021-23 **Le Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS-INALCO-CRLAO)**
Post-Doctoral Researcher
Agence nationale de la recherche, Project n° 20-CE27-0015:
'Spatial Asymmetries across Languages', PI Benjamin Fagard

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Community-based language documentation and description; language revitalization; usage-based approaches to phonology, morphology, and syntax; Trans-Himalayan languages, especially Qiang/Rma; historical linguistics; quantitative methodologies; computational approaches to language description.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2023-26 **Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR)**
External Member
Project n° 20-CE27-0015:
'PhoTon' PI Katia Chirkova
- 2021-23 **Le Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS-INALCO-CRLAO)**
Post-Doctoral Researcher

	Agence nationale de la recherche, Project n° 20-CE27-0015: 'Spatial Asymmetries across Languages' PI Benjamin Fagard
2016-24	Smithsonian Institute, Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage Independent Contractor, Language Sustainability Specialist
2016-24	Nankai University, Tianjin China Instructor at the Sino-Tibetan Language Research Methodology Work- shops in conjunction with the Smithsonian Institute Language Vitality Initiative
	University of California, Santa Barbara
2018-19	Research Assistant to Carol Genetti
2014-18	Teaching Assistant, Department of Linguistics
2014-15	Research Assistant to Sandra Thompson
2013	Nanyang Technological University, Singapore Summer Research Internship supervised by Randy J. LaPolla
	Indiana University, Bloomington
2011	Research assistant to Charles Lin (Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures)
2010-14	Federal Work Study employee, Office of International Admissions

PUBLICATIONS

Co-authored work: * = student or post-graduate/doctoral trainee.

Refereed Journal Articles

Submitted

Nathaniel A. Sims & Ludwig Adisiswoyo*. Prosodic aspects of Tail-Head
linkage in Prinmi and Rma
Journal of Pragmatics

Forthcoming

<i>accepted a</i>	Tonoexodus in Rma <i>Diachronica</i> 41(4) 51 pages
<i>accepted b</i>	Labialized onsets in Rma <i>Language and Linguistics</i> 26(2), 31 pages
<i>accepted c</i>	Methodological issues in Rma etymology <i>Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies</i> 87(2), 25 pages
<i>accepted d</i>	A new look at the rimes of proto-Rma <i>Transactions of the Philological Society</i>

Published

2024	Nathaniel A. Sims, Bai Jianqiong*, Ludwig Adisiswoyo* . Voice onset
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- time in Rma
Linguistics of the Tibeto-Burman Area 47(1), 17-31.
<https://doi.org/10.1075/ltba.23008.sim>
- 2023c Le mouvement associé en rma, une langue sino-tibétaine
Bulletin de la Société de Linguistique de Paris 118(1), 289-305
<https://doi.org/10.2143/BSL.118.1.3292786>
- 2023b Vowel harmony in Rma: a diachronic account
Folia Linguistica Historica 44(1), 245-280.
<https://doi.org/10.1515/flin-2023-2023>
- 2023a A linguistic analysis of Hodgson's 'Tho-chu'
Cahiers de Linguistique Asie Orientale, 52(1), 51-99
<https://doi.org/10.1163/19606028-bja10030>
- 2022c Tone and vowel uvularity in Rma. *Cahiers de Linguistique Asie Orientale*, 51(2), 209-222
<https://doi.org/10.1163/19606028-bja10026>
- 2022b 'You and me against the world': Direct-inverse morphology in North-western Rma. *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies*. 85(1): 99-110. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0041977X22000295>
- 2022a Carol Genetti, Kristine Hildebrandt, **Nathaniel A. Sims**, Alexia Z. Fawcett. Direction and associated motion in Tibeto-Burman. *Linguistic Typology*, 25(2), pp. 345-388. <https://doi.org/10.1515/lingty-2020-2064>
- 2021b Tonogenesis in Northeastern Trans-Himalayan. *Transactions of the Philological Society*, 119(3) 281-288. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-968X.12204>
- 2021a Johann-Mattis List, **Nathaniel A. Sims**, & Robert Forkel. Towards a sustainable handling of inter-linear-glossed text in language documentation. *Transactions on Asian and Low-Resource Language Information Processing*. 20(2), 1-15. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3389010>
- 2020 Reconsidering the diachrony of tone in Rma. *Journal of the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society*. 13(1): 53-80. <http://hdl.handle.net/10524/52460>
- 2017 **Nathaniel A. Sims** & Carol Genetti. The grammatical encoding of space in Yonghe Qiang. *Himalayan Linguistics* 16(1), 99-140.
<https://doi.org/10.5070/H916130636>
- 2016 Towards a More Comprehensive Understanding of Qiang Dialectology. *Language and Linguistics*, 17(3), 351-381.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1606822X15586685>
- 2014 A Phonology and Lexicon of the Yonghe Variety of Qiang. *Linguistics of the Tibeto-Burman Area* 37(1): 34-74.
<https://doi.org/10.1075/ltba.37.1.02sim>

Invited book chapters

- (to appear) The yod suffix in Rma. In XX ed. *A Festschrift in Honor of XX*
 .
- to appear Lai Yunfan & **Nathaniel A. Sims**. Eastern Tibeto-Burman (or Burmo-

Qiangic). In Hildebrandt & Suzuki eds. *The Oxford Guide to Tibeto-Burman Languages*. Oxford University Press.

Other Publications

- accepted* A corpus study of directional prefixes in Rma
Proceedings of the third conference on Neglected Aspects of Motion-Event Description, 25 pages
- 2022 Chan, Eiso; Jiuqiao, Wei, **Nathaniel A. Sims** . Preliminary proposal to encode the Rma script to UCS.
<https://www.unicode.org/L2/L2022/22130-rma-script.pdf>
- 2022 **Nathaniel A. Sims** & Wei Jiuqiao. Qugu Qiang texts and wordlists for Natural Language Processing. Dataset. 70,000 words.
<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.6305612>
- 2021 ‘In Their Own Words’: The Himalayan Languages of Sichuan Workshop. *Smithsonian Folklife Magazine* <https://folklife.si.edu/magazine/own-words-himalayan-languages-sichuan>
- 2021 CLDF dataset derived from Sims’ “Diachrony of Tone in Proto-Rma” from 2020 (v1.1) [Data set]. Zenodo.
<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.5166593>
- 2020 Le préfixe de l’aspect continu en Rma. *Panchronica*, (ISSN 2494-775X)
<https://panchr.hypotheses.org/3309>
- 2017 A review of ‘A Grammar of Prinmi’. *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies* 80(2): 411-412.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0041977X17000684>
- 2016 Report on the Workshop on Recent Advances in Chinese Historical Phonology. *Linguistics of the Tibeto-Burman Area* 39(1): 177-178.
<https://dx.doi.org/10.1075/ltba.39.1.08sim>
- 2011 Vowel harmony in Qiang: An Optimality Theoretic Account. ROA-1182 Rutgers Optimality Archive:
<http://roa.rutgers.edu/article/view/1269>

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

External

- 2022 Language Legacy Grant. *A digital dictionary of Yonghe Qiang*, with Bai Jianqiong. Endangered Language Fund, \$1,850
- 2018-20 Individual Graduate Scholarship: *Documentation of Yonghe Qiang Language and Culture*, Grant n° 0333, Endangered Languages Documentation Programme, £29,358
- 2018 Lauren W. R. Appell Fellowship: *Multimedia Documentation of Oral Literature, Life-histories, and Traditional Ecological Knowledge among the Qiang people of the Yonghe Valley in Sichuan, China*, co-PI Peng Ruijie, Firebird Foundation for Anthropological Research, \$20,000

2013-18	Beinecke Fellowship for Graduate Study, The Sperry Fund, \$35,000
2017	Eastern Himalayan Fellowship: Documenting Ethnobotany in the Yonghe Valley of Western Sichuan, China, co-PI Peng Ruijie, Firebird Foundation for Anthropological Research, \$9,600
2016	Tibetan Nomad Material Culture Documentation, Smithsonian Institution Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage, with Rgyalthar. Contract n° T16CC10284, \$9,700
2016	Documenting Qiang Shamanic Culture in the Yonghe Valley, Grant n° 476224, National Geographic Society Committee for Research and Exploration, \$4,968
2015	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention
2013	Summer Research Internship Programme: <i>Research on the Qiang language of Sichuan Province, China</i> , Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, S\$3,000
2011	Princeton in Beijing Summer Program Scholarship, Princeton University, \$500

Internal

2021	Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) Minority Serving Institutions (MSI) Summer Grant, University of California Santa Barbara Graduate Division, \$7,000
2020	Graduate Division Dissertation Fellowship, University of California Santa Barbara, \$8,000
2018	Linguistics Department Grant for Linguistic Fieldwork, University of California Santa Barbara, \$1,300
2017	Graduate Student Association Conference Travel Grant, University of California Santa Barbara, \$200
2016	Linguistics Department Mini Grant for literacy development workshop in Heishui, Sichuan, China, University of California Santa Barbara, \$600
2015	Linguistics Department Grant for Fieldwork on Yonghe Qiang, University of California Santa Barbara, \$400
2014-15	University of California Santa Barbara Linguistics Department Fellowship
2014	Uehara Prize for excellence in East Asian Studies, Indiana University, \$500
2013-14	Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship for Tibetan, Indiana University Bloomington, \$15,000
2013	Hutton Honors College Thesis Award, Indiana University Bloomington, \$750
2013	Hutton Honors College Undergraduate Travel Award, Indiana University Bloomington, \$750

2013	Hutton Honors College Internship Scholarship, Indiana University Bloomington, \$3,000
2012	Indiana University Bloomington, Founders Scholar
2012	Chinese Language Flagship Program Capstone Year Funding, Indiana University Bloomington, \$9,500
2012	Hutton Honors College Research Grant, Indiana University Bloomington, \$3,000
2012	Hutton Honors College International Experiences Scholarship, Indiana University Bloomington, \$3,000
2011	Hutton Honors College Research Partnership Grant, Indiana University Bloomington, \$1,000
2011	Chinese Language Flagship Program Summer Study Scholarship, Indiana University Bloomington, \$7,000
2010-14	Indiana University Dean's List
2010-14	Indiana University Distinction Scholarship, \$36,000

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of record

Courses taught at the Sino-Tibetan Research Methodology Workshops organized by the Smithsonian Institute Language Vitality Initiative & Nankai University

<https://folklife.si.edu/sino-tibetan-languages>

2024	
2022	<i>Language & Culture Documentation</i> (with Mary Linn, Kesley Neely) <i>Documentation & Archiving</i> (with Mary Linn, Kelsey Neely) <i>Topics in Phonetics & Phonology</i> (with Zoe Tribur)
2020	<i>Documenting Language and Culture</i> (with Mary Linn) <i>Topics in Tibeto-Burman Historical Morphology</i> <i>Software for Linguistics: FLEx, and ELAN</i>
2017	<i>Ethnobotany</i> (with Katia Chirkova) <i>Approaches to Tonal Analyses of Tibeto-Burman Languages</i>
2016	<i>Field Methods</i> (with Lin You-Jing) <i>Documenting Language & Culture</i> (with Mary Linn) <i>Introduction to ELAN</i> <i>Introduction to Linguistics</i> (with Zoe Tribur)

Instructor of record

Masters Course cross-listed at the Paris Sorbonne-Nouvelle University (Paris-III), and National Institute for Oriental Languages and Civilizations (INALCO).

2023	<i>Outils d'annotation de l'oral</i> [Class on ELAN taught in French]. Course n° Science du Language B410A. March 2-3 rd . 13 hours of instruction
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Teaching assistantships: University of California, Santa Barbara

2020	<i>Language Socialization</i> LING 138: Fall (2 sections)
2019	<i>Introduction to Linguistics</i> , LING 20: Winter (2 sections)
2018	<i>Language & Life</i> , LING 15. Spring (2 sections)
2018	<i>Introduction to Phonology</i> , LING 107: Winter (2 sections)
2017	<i>Historical Linguistics</i> , LING 115, Spring (2 sections)
2017	<i>Language in Society</i> , LING 70, Winter (1 section)
2017	<i>Languages of the World</i> , LING 181: Fall (2 sections)
2016	<i>Introduction to Linguistics</i> , LING 20: Fall (2 sections)
2014	<i>Language in Social Interaction</i> , LING 170. Winter (2 sections)

FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

2019	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 3 months
2018	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 8 months
2017	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 3 months
2016	Heishui County, Sichuan, China: 3 months
2015	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 2 months
2014	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 1 month
2013	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 2 months
2013	Heishui County, Sichuan, China: 1 month
2012	Heishui County, Sichuan, China: 1 month
2011	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 2 months
2010	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 2 months
2009	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 2 months
2008	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 1.5 months
2007	Mao County, Sichuan, China: 1 month

DIGITAL ARCHIVAL COLLECTIONS

The Endangered Languages Archive. Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities

Documentation of Yonghe Qiang Language and Culture. Language documentation archival deposit. 56 video recordings (45 hours), 3,449 audio recordings, 213 transcription files, 364 photographs. <https://www.elararchive.org/dk0551/>

Tibetan Nomad Material Culture Documentation Collection, Ralph Rinzler Folklife Archives and Collections, Smithsonian Institution

Material Culture in Heishui, Sichuan. Documentation of foodways, metalworking, medicinal plants, woodworking, handspinning yak-hair yarn, backstrap looms and weaving, hand tools, shamanic practices, storytelling, a horse racing festival, altars and offerings, religious life, gender roles, community life, riddles and jokes, basket making, house building, and cultural and language revitalization: 573 audio-video recordings (86 hours), 86 photographs. <https://sova.si.edu/record/CFCH.TNP>

The Pangloss Collection - French National Center for Scientific Research **'Southern' Qiang/Rma Language Materials**

Goukou dialect: 7 audio recordings (06:12:35).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Goukou_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Goukou_dialect))

Muka dialect: 3 audio recordings (00:14:31).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Muka_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Muka_dialect))

Taoping dialect: 3 audio recordings (00:08:01).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Taoping_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Taoping_dialect))

Puxi dialect: 3 audio recordings (00:06:31).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Puxi_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Puxi_dialect))

Longxi dialect: 2 audio recordings (00:04:07).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Longxi_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Longxi_dialect))

Sanlong dialect: 1 audio recordings (00:01:06).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Sanlong_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Sanlong_dialect))

'Northern' Qiang/Rma Language Materials

Shuangliusuo dialect: 7 audio, 6 audio-video recordings (04:39:47).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Shuangliusuo_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Shuangliusuo_dialect))

Luoduo dialect: 18 audio recordings (03:49:02).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Luoduo_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Luoduo_dialect))

Taiping dialect: 2 audio recordings (00:09:41).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Taiping_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Taiping_dialect))

Songpinggou dialect: 2 audio recordings (00:08:47).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Songpinggou_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Songpinggou_dialect))

Se'ergu dialect: 3 audio recordings (00:07:06).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Seergu_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Seergu_dialect))

Mawo dialect: 3 audio recordings (00:06:11).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Mawo_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Mawo_dialect))

Shabangou dialect: 3 audio recordings (00:05:14).

[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Shabangou_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Shabangou_dialect))

Zhimulin dialect: 2 audio recordings (00:05:11).
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Zhimulin_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Zhimulin_dialect))

Qugu dialect: 1 audio recording (00:02:03).
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Qugu_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Qugu_dialect))

Weicheng dialect: 2 audio recordings (00:01:37).
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Weicheng_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Weicheng_dialect))

Waboliangzi dialect: 1 audio recordings (00:01:18).
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Waboliangzi_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Waboliangzi_dialect))

Zhawo dialect: 2 audio recordings (00:01:01).
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Zhawo_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Zhawo_dialect))

Shidiaolou dialect: 1 audio recordings (00:00:32).
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_\(Shidiaolou_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Northern_Qiang_(Shidiaolou_dialect))

WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

2020-24	Designed and directed the 'Himalayan Languages of Sichuan Online Workshop', co-sponsored by the Smithsonian Institute Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage, Language Vitality Initiative. A total of 195 students trained, \$77,010 funding awarded
2018	Yonghe Qiang language documentation workshop. Funded by the Firebird Foundation for Anthropological Research & the Endangered Languages Documentation Programme. July 5-12 th , Dujiangyan, China
2017	Yonghe Qiang orthography development workshop. Funded by the Firebird Foundation. July 8-13 th , Chengdu, China

DOCUMENTATION PROJECTS SUPERVISED

University of Oregon

2024	<i>Language Documentation and Grammatical Description of Afghan Wakhi</i> - Erin SanGregory - Firebird Foundation for Anthropological Research
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Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage Himalayan Language of Sichuan Pilot Projects and archival outcomes. All projects by native or heritage speakers.

2023	<i>A record of Qiang marriage processes in Luobozhai Village</i> - Ma Chengfang & Yu Ting 12 audio-video recordings (01:42:46) https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Luobozhai_Dialect)
2023	<i>Recording the lexicon of the Choyul language of Lha.bzhes County</i> - Brka.shis Dar.Rgyas 64 audio-video recordings (00:08:45)

- <https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Queyu>
- 2023 *A collection of long-form texts in the Minyag language* - Danzhen Lhamo
65 audio-video recordings (00:00:00)
<https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Muya/>
- 2023 *A collection of matchmaking speeches in Qiaoqi Township Rgyalrong* - Guo Xianggang & Sun Enman
? audio-video recordings (04:10:41)
<https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Rgyalrong>
- 2021 *Traditional folk songs and ceremonial speeches of the Rgyalrong Tibetans of Baoxing County* - Guo Xianggang, Sun Enman & Guo Liting
11 audio-video recordings (01:52:30)
<https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Rgyalrong>
- 2021 *Traditional agricultural tools in Jiasikong Stau* - Mkha'.bya Lcags.thar & Mkha'.bya Bsod.nam Mkha'.'gro 14 audio recordings (01:22:27)
<https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Stau>
- 2021 *Names of flora and fauna in Queyu* - 'Chimed Lhamo
2 audio-video recordings (01:01:00)
<https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Queyu>
- 2020 *Documentation of Qiang in Parts of Mao and Wenchuan counties* - Bai Jian-qiong, Yu Ting, Bai Longjiang, Ma Chenglao, Cheng Mingzhu, Jing Xia, & Sun Renhao.

Heihu dialect: 27 audio, 8 audio-video recordings (04:04:44)
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Heihu_Dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Heihu_Dialect))

Yonghe dialect: 2 audio, 7 audio-video recordings (01:58:15)
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Yonghe_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Yonghe_dialect))

Baixi dialect: 6 audio-video recordings (00:43:24)
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Baixi_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Baixi_dialect))

Luobozhai dialect: 5 audio-video recordings (00:26:55)
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Luobozhai_Dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Luobozhai_Dialect))

Baishui dialect: 4 audio-video recordings (00:26:06)
[https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_\(Baishui_dialect\)](https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Southern_Qiang_(Baishui_dialect))
- 2020 *Names and interpretations of medicinal and edible wild plants in Nigutu Village, Daofu County* - Mkha'.bya Lcags.thar: 3 audio-video recordings (01:38:42)
<https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Stau>
- 2020 *Documenting Folk Stories of Rgyalrong Tibetans in Qiaoqi Township, Baoxing County* - Guo Xianggang, Sun Enman & Guo Liting: 11 audio-video recordings (02:11:10).

<https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Rgyalrong>

- 2020 *A corpus of naturally occurring speech in Queyu* - 'Chimed Lhamo. 2 audio-video recordings (00:26:00)
<https://pangloss.cnrs.fr/corpus/Queyu>

INVITED TALKS

- 2023 Keynote Speaker at 4th International Virtual Seminar on Endangered Language and Linguistics, Universitas Sumatera Utara Medan, Indonesia, June 12th
- 2023 "A roadmap to reconstructing proto-Rma." Trinity College Dublin March 5th
- 2022 "Writing an unwritten language in 21st-century China." New York University Abu Dhabi, October 5th
- 2022 Historical perspectives on Rma suprasegmental phonology (in Chinese). Nankai University, Sino-Tibetan Linguistics Research and Methodology Workshop, August 26th
- 2022 Tonoexodus in Rma. Talk for the EVOTONE project funded by European Research Council Starting Grant n° 758605 (James Kirby, Principal Investigator), August 16th
- 2022 Associated Motion in Rma/Qiang. Guest presentation for the course Linguistic Typology taught by Guillaume Jacques at École pratique des hautes études, May 16th
- 2021 'Introduction to the Rma language'. 'Languages of China' series at Trinity College Dublin, April 14th <https://youtu.be/mBRHI8zz86k>
- 2019 Discussant, *Lag zo: Making on the Tibetan Plateau*. The Smithsonian Institute Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage, Freer | Sackman Galleries of Art, Washington, D.C., November 12th <https://folklife.si.edu/Lag-zo>
- 2019 Morphosyntactic and prosodic elements of tail-head constructions in Yonghe Qiang (in Chinese). Peking University, Beijing, March 15th

PAPERS PRESENTED

- 2024 A corpus of spoken Yonghe Rma. Poster with Ludwidge Adisiswoyo at the American Association for Corpus Linguistics, September 13
- 2024 The Yod Suffix in Rma Journee Crlao, July 4
- 2024 New reasons for old Rimes: using typology to inform reconstructing proto-Rma. Language Documentation and Revitalization, University of Oregon. October 6th
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- 2023 Vowel harmony in Rma: a diachronic approach. Language Documentation and Revitalization, University of Oregon. October 6th
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- 2023 *A cross-linguistic study of reversion motion constructions*. With Christine Lamarre, Sun Kemin. Conference: Neglected Aspects of Motion-Event Description. INALCO, June 9th
- 2022 *A corpus study of orientational prefixes in Rma (Qiang)*. Conference: Neglected Aspects of Motion-Event Description. Kyoto University, November 2-3rd
- 2022 *A cross-linguistic study of reversion motion constructions*. With Christine Lamarre, Benjamin Fagard, Anetta Kopecka, Bian Wei. Conference: Neglected Aspects of Motion-Event Description. Kyoto University, November 2-3rd
- 2022 *A corpus study of orientational prefixes in Rma (Qiang)*. Conference: Neglected Aspects of Motion-Event Description. Kyoto University, November 2-3rd
- 2021 *Lexical tone and prosody in Yonghe Qiang*. 54th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. Southwest Jiaotong University in Chengdu, China, October 30th
- 2021 *A report on the first Himalayan languages of Sichuan online workshop*. Presented at the 6th Workshop on Sino-Tibetan Languages of Southwest China. Kobe City University of Foreign Studies, September 7th
- 2017 *Argument Structure Functions of Spatial Encoding Sub-Systems in Tibeto-Burman Languages*. (co-presenters Kristine Hildebrandt, Carol Genetti, Alexia Fawcett, Patrick Hall). Presented at the Association for Linguistic Typology Biennial Meeting. Canberra, Australia, December 14th
- 2017 *The suprasegmental phonology of proto-Rma (Qiang) in comparative perspective*. Presented at the 50th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics (ICSTLL), Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, November 26th
- 2017 *Many Firsts: The First Sino-Tibetan Linguistics Summer Institute* with Xiang Xun, (Nankai University), Yeshe Vodsai Atsok (Nankai University), Mary S. Linn (Smithsonian Institution), You-Jin Lin (Peking University), Zoe Tribur (University of Oregon), Xuan Guan, (University of Oregon). Presented at the 4th International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation, Honolulu, March 3rd
- 2017 *New interfaces: A sociocultural linguistic study of WeChat as a tool for language maintenance in a Qiang-speaking community*, with Peng Ruijie, presented at the 23rd Annual Language, Interaction, and Social Organization (LISO) Conference at UCSB in May at the University of California Santa Barbara, May 20th
- 2016 *Negotiations of Ethnicity among 'Qiang-speaking-Tibetans': language as a tool for ethnogenesis*. Interdisciplinary Humanities Center Symposium "Interaction and Culture Across Languages: Perspectives from Field Linguistics", at the University of California Santa Barbara, April 8th
- 2016 *High(land) fashion: Headdresses of the Sichuan 'Ethnic Corridor' and their social significance*. Presented at the 4th Himalayan Studies Conference at the University of Texas at Austin, February 25-28th

2015	Invited to attend the workshop on Recent Advances in Old Chinese Historical Phonology at the University of London, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) as part of Beyond Boundaries: Religion, Region, Language and the State (European Research Council Synergy Project n° 609823 ASIA), November 5-6 th
2015	<i>Doing fieldwork in the Yonghe Valley of Sichuan, China</i> . Presented at the 48 th New Adventures in Indigenous Languages (NAIL) meeting at the University of California Santa Barbara, October 6 th
2015	<i>The languages of Heishui County in Sichuan, China</i> . Presented at the Workshop on Linguistic Documentation and Sustainability in Tibetan Minority Communities. Organized by the 48 th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics as well as the Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage. Held at the University of California Santa Barbara, August 20 th
2015	<i>An exploration of Qiang Ritual Language</i> . Presented at the 48 th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics held at the University of California Santa Barbara, August 21 st
2013	<i>Towards a more comprehensive understanding of Qiang dialectology: New evidence from Yonghe Qiang</i> . The 3 rd workshop on Sino-Tibetan Languages of Sichuan, Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS), Paris, September 2-4 th
2013	<i>Towards a more comprehensive understanding of Qiang dialectology</i> . Presented at the 46 th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics (ICSTLL) at Dartmouth College, August 8 th
2013	<i>Using Levenshtein Distance for comparative dialectology: Evidence against a North-South division in Qiang</i> . Poster session at the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) Summer Research Internship closing ceremony, Singapore, July 23 rd

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Department and College

University of Oregon, Department of Linguistics

S24	QP committee for Wesley Jones
W23	QP committee for Erin SanGregory
F23	Merit review committee (with Spike Gildea)
2023-2024	Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee Member

UO Linguistics PhD Dissertation Committee Member

2024	Guan Xuan. <i>Phonology and Morphosyntax of Pubarong Queyu</i>
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University of California Santa Barbara, Department of Linguistics

2019	Job search committee member
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2015-18	Laboratory equipment manager
2016-17	Graduate Student Representative, Department of Linguistics Faculty Meetings

Editorial board membership

2022-	<i>Languages and Peoples of the Eastern Himalayan Region</i>
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Peer review

Grant proposals

2024	<i>Endangered Language Documentation Programme</i>
2024	<i>Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation)</i>
2023	<i>Endangered Language Documentation Programme</i>
2022	<i>Endangered Language Documentation Programme</i>
2021	<i>Endangered Language Documentation Programme</i>

Journal Articles

2024	<i>Folia Linguistica Historica</i>
2024	<i>Archiv orientální</i>
2024	<i>Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies</i>
2024	<i>Himalayan Linguistics</i>
2024	<i>Cahiers de Linguistique Asie Orientale • East Asian Languages and Linguistics</i>
2024	<i>Cahiers de Linguistique Asie Orientale • East Asian Languages and Linguistics</i>
2023	语言及语言学 • <i>Language & Linguistics</i>
2023	<i>International Journal of Bilingualism</i>
2023	民族语文 • <i>Minority Languages of China</i>
2023	<i>Archiv orientální</i>
2022	语言及语言学 • <i>Language & Linguistics</i>
2022	<i>Heliyon</i>
2022	<i>Journal of the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society</i>
2022	<i>Living Languages • Lengvas Vivas • Línguas Vivas</i>
2021	语言及语言学 • <i>Language & Linguistics</i>
2020	<i>Journal of Historical Linguistics</i>
2019	<i>Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies</i>

Monographs

2019	<i>Himalayan Linguistics</i>
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Book Chapters

2023 *Brill Academic Publishers*

Conference Abstracts

2024 *Association for Linguistic Typology*

2022 *Linguistic Society of America*

2022 *Association for Linguistic Typology*

Professional Memberships

2023- Societas Linguistica Europaea

2017- Association for Computational Linguistics

2017- Association for Linguistic Typology

2015- Linguistic Society of America

2015- Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies

OTHER SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Technological support for endangered languages

2022 Eiso Chan, Wei Jiuqiao & **Nathaniel A. Sims**. Application for inclusion of the Rma abugida script, created by Wei Jiuqiao in 2017, into Unicode UCS.

2022 Co-ordinated with Wei Jiuqiao and Microsoft to create a predictive keyboard for the Latin orthography of Rma/Qiang: Rrmea Lehhrr. Available in Microsoft SwiftKey v.2.9.2 (Android OS).

Pedagogical Materials

2021 Mandarin and Tibetan translation for the *Video Production Handbook* originally created by Kristin Dowell. Washington, D.C.: Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage
<https://folklife.si.edu/video-production-handbook/smithsonian>

2021 Mandarin and Tibetan translation for the Sino-Tibetan Language Research Methodology Workshop Website, Smithsonian Institute Language Vitality Initiative. <https://folklife.si.edu/sino-tibetan-languages>

Training

2018 Endangered Languages Documentation Programme, SOAS

Technical skills

Systems Linux, Windows, Mac OS

Software Praat, ELAN, FLEx, Toolbox, Shoebox, Arbil, Audacity, Libre Office, Zotero, Rstudio, R Markdown

Programming R:

Data manipulation and visualization: *dplyr, tidyr, ggplot2, ggmap*
 Linear and generalized linear mixed-effects models: *lm, glm, lme4*
 Decision trees & Random forests: *party, randomForest*

L^AT_EX, XML, Regex & Python

Recording Audio-video recording, knowledge of cameras, microphones, mixers, lighting, and relevant software

Language skills

English Fluent

Romanian Fluent until age 8, now conversational / passively competent

Chinese Mandarin: Fluent, speaking, reading, writing, HSK level 6 of 6.
 Sichuanese: Fluent

Qiang/Rma Yonghe: Advanced speaking, research knowledge
 Luoduo: Intermediate speaking, research knowledge

Tibetan Lhasa & Amdo: Advanced speaking, intermediate reading, and writing

French Intermediate speaking, reading, writing

Tangut Research knowledge

Prinmi Research knowledge