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Education

2016 Fall - Present	**Simon Fraser University (SFU), Canada** Ph.D. in Linguistics (Expected Graduation: Summer 2025) (Note: One year leave from program due to personal circumstances)
2012 - 2014	**Seoul National University (SNU), South Korea** M.A. in Linguistics Thesis: *Correspondences between loanwords, L2 perception, and L2 production* Committee: Dr. Ho-Young Lee (senior supervisor), Dr. Hyesun Cho, Dr. Jongho Jun (committee chair)
2008 - 2011	**Simon Fraser University (SFU), Canada** B.A. in Linguistics Minor in Curriculum and Instruction

Selected Teaching Experience

2022 - 2025	**Sessional Lecturer**, UBC, Department of Linguistics LING 100 Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 101 Languages of the World
2020 - Present	**Sessional Instructor**, SFU, Department of Linguistics LING 100 The Science of Speech LING 160 Language, Culture and Society LING 190 Science of Speech LING 220 Introduction to Linguistics LING 330 Phonetics
2016 - Present	**Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics
2019 - 2025	**Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Beedie School of Business
2012 - 2014	**Teaching Assistant**, SNU, Department of Linguistics

Selected Publications

2024	Diep, B., **Cho, S.**, Shamei, A., Liu, Y., & Gick, B. Comparing speech to fine and gross motor skills in Parkinson's patients. *Proceedings of Acoustics Week in Canada 2024, 52*(1).
2020	**Cho, S.**, Jongman, A., Wang, Y., & Sereno, J. A. Multi-modal cross-linguistic perception of fricatives in clear speech. *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*, *147*(4), 2609-2624.
2017	**Cho, S**. & Munro, M.J. F0, long-term formants and LTAS in Korean-English bilinguals. *Proceedings of the 31st General Meeting of the Phonetic Society of Japan*.

Selected Conference Presentations

2025	*How language influences voice perception in Korean-English bilinguals.* Oral talk presented at the **32nd Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference**, June 13, 2025, Cornell University, Ithaca, USA.

2025	*Exploring the Perception-Production Link in Bilingual Voices*. Poster presented at the **188th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America**, May 22, 2025, New Orleans, USA.

2024	*Perception of speaker identity for bilingual voices.* Poster presented at the **186th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America**, May 13-17, 2024, Ottawa, Canada.

2024	*Comparing speech to fine and gross motor skills in Parkinson's patients.* Poster presented at the **186th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America**, May 13-17, 2024, Ottawa, Canada.

2023	*What does it mean to sound Korean-Canadian, eh? A comparative study on Canadian English vowel space.* Poster presented at **the 185th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America,** December 6, 2023, Sydney, Australia.

2021	*Linguistic variation in the production of /aeN/ raising: The case of heritage speakers in Vancouver.* Poster presented at **2021 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Linguistic Association**, June 5, 2021, Virtual Meeting.

2019	*Long-term formants in bilingual speaker identity.* Poster presented at **New Sounds 2019**, September 1, 2019, Tokyo, Japan.

2018	*Linking production and perception of clear speech.* Poster presented at the **176th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America**, November 6, 2018, Victoria, Canada.

2017	*Effects of clear speech and language background on multimodal perception of English fricatives*. Poster presented at the **174th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America**, December 8, 2017, New Orleans, USA.

Selected Research Experience

2014 - Present	*Research Assistant* for **Language and Brain Lab** under the supervision of Dr. Yue Wang, SFU, Department of Linguistics
Project: *Wavslang, AVC Fricative Intelligibility*

2012 - 2014	*Lab Manager* for **SNU Phonetics Lab**, under the supervision of Dr. Ho-Young Lee, SNU, Department of Linguistics
Project: *Hierarchy of learnability in Korean leaners of English*

2012	Research for **SNU Spoken Language Processing Lab**, under the supervision of Dr. Minhwa Chung, SNU, Department of Linguistics
Project: *S-Voice Project*

Selected Service Experience

2025 - Present	**Technical Committee** for the *Acoustical Society of America* (TC: Speech Communication)

2025 - Present	**Member** of *Linguistics Graduate Student Colloquium Committee* at SFU

2023 - Present	**Chief Organizer** for *Linguistics Now/New* (Colloquia Series held between UBC and SFU)
2020 - 2025	**President** of SFU's *Linguistics Graduate Student Association* (LGSA)
2025	**Poster Presentation Judge** for *the 8th Annual Language Sciences Undergraduate Research Conference (LSURC)* at UBC
2024	**Reviewer** for Journal *Language and Speech* manuscript (Manuscript ID LAS-22-0171.R1).
2023	**Session Chair** for Talk Session: Phonology/Phonetics, *30th Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference*, March 11-13, 2023, Vancouver, Canada.
2023	**Editor** of *Japanese/Korean Linguistics Volume 30*. ISSN: 2823-661X (Online).
2022-2023	**Reception Committee and Organizing Team**, *30th Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference*, March 11-13, 2023, Vancouver, Canada.
2020	**Reception Committee and Organizing Team**, *LabPhon17 - 17th Conference on Laboratory Phonology*, July 6–8, 2020, Online.
2018-2020	**Treasurer** of SFU's *Linguistics Graduate Student Association* (LGSA)
2019	**Reviewer** for Journal *Speech Communication* manuscript.
2018	**Reception Committee and Organizing Team** for special session *Coupling Phonetics and Psycholinguistics I*, *176th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America*, November 5-9, 2018, Victoria, Canada.

Awards & Scholarships

2016-2020	**$66,000**	C.D. Nelson Memorial Graduate Entrance Scholarship, *SFU*
2018-2021	**$46,667**	SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship
2016-2020	**$20,000**	Provost Prize of Distinction, *SFU*
2016-2025	**$10,750**	Graduate Fellowship, *SFU*
2016-2020	**$5555**	Travel & Minor Research Award (TMRA), *SFU*
2013	**$5500**	Work-Study Scholarship, *SNU*
2013	**$5500**	Lecture & Research Scholarship, *SNU*
2012	**$2000**	Superior Academic Performance Scholarship, *SNU*
2010-2011		Dean's Honour Roll, *SFU*

Membership

2023-Present	**Member** of *Canadian Linguistics Association*
2023-Present	**Member** of *UBC's Language Science Institute*
2018-Present	**Member** of *Acoustical Society of America*

Languages

English	Native
Korean	Heritage (TOPIK Level 6)
French, Japanese	Beginner

Technical Skills

Analysis Tools	R, SPSS, JMP, JASP
Editing Tools	Audacity, Adobe Audition, Adobe Premiere
Experiment Builder	E-Prime, Gorilla Experiment Builder, JsPsych / JATOS, Paradigm, Praat MFC, PsychoPy, Qualtrics
Linguistic Tools	EEG¸Kaldi, Montreal Forced Aligner, Praat, VoiceSauce, WaveSurfer
Languages	Python, R, Matlab, HTML/CSS/Javascript, Praat (Scripting)
Platforms	Windows, Mac OS, Linux