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EDUCATION

2016-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

TEACHING EXPERIENCE¹

2020-Present Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 100 Communication and Language LING 160 Language, Culture, and Society

LING 190 Science of Speech

LING 220 Introduction to Linguistics

LING 330 Phonetics

2022–2024 Sessional Lecturer, University of British Columbia (UBC), Department of Linguistics

LING 100 Introduction to Language and Linguistics

LING 101 Languages of the World

2016-Present Teaching Assistant, SFU, Department of Linguistics

2012–2014 **Teaching Assistant**, SNU, Department of Linguistics

PUBLICATIONS

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), 1-2.

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.

Cho, S. & Munro, M.J. Fo, long-term formants and LTAS in Korean-English bilinguals. *Proceedings of the 31st General Meeting of the Phonetic Society of Japan*, 188-193.

¹ Complete teaching experience included at the end

PRESENTATIONS

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

- 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.
- Speaking in two tongues: The impact of multilingualism on voice and perception. Finalist presentation, **SFU 3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition**, April 10, 2025, SFU, Canada.
- 2024-5 Linguistics in the world! The science behind language: A uniquely human ability. **FASS in the Classroom**, (i.e., ongoing talk series aimed at communicating the value of linguistic research to non-specialist audiences), Greater Vancouver, Canada.
- *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.
- 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.
- Fo, long-term formants and LTAS in Korean-English bilinguals. Poster presented at the 31st General Meeting of the Phonetic Society of Japan, September 30, 2017, Tokyo, Japan.

RESEARCH

| 2014-Present | Research assistant for Language and Brain Lab under the supervision of Dr. Yue Wang, SFU, Department of Linguistics Project: AVC Fricative Intelligibility, Wavslang |
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| 2020-2021 | Research assistant for EAL Initiatives Team under the supervision of Fiona Shaw, SFU, Centre of Education Excellence (CEE) Role: Developed online materials to support teaching assistants during the pandemic |
| 2012-2014 | Research assistant 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 assistant for SNU Spoken Language Processing Lab , under the supervision of Dr. Minhwa Chung, SNU, Department of Linguistics Project: Chatbot Development Project |

AWARDS

| 2025 | First Place Winner, 3 Minute Thesis Competition Wild Card Heat, SFU. |
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| 2024 | OER Champion Award, UBC. (http://champions.open.ubc.ca/sylvia-cho/) |
| 2016-2022 | Graduate Fellowship , SFU. Amount: 11,000 CAD. |
| 2018-2021 | Doctoral Fellowship , <i>The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada</i> . Amount: 46,667 CAD. |
| 2016-2020 | C.D. Nelson Memorial Graduate Entrance Scholarship , <i>SFU</i> . Amount: 66,000 CAD. |
| 2016-2020 | Provost Prize of Distinction , SFU. Amount: 20,000 CAD. |
| 2016-2020 | Travel & Minor Research Award, SFU. Amount: 4,915 CAD. |
| 2013 | Work-Study Scholarship, SNU. Amount: 4,800,000 KRW. |
| 2013 | Lecture & Research Scholarship, SNU. Amount: 4,800,000 KRW. |
| 2012 | $\textbf{Superior Academic Performance Scholarship}, \textit{SNU}. \ \texttt{Amount: 2,100,000 KRW}.$ |
| 2010-2011 | Dean's Honour Roll, SFU. |
| 2008 | SFU Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship, SFU. Amount: 10,000 CAD. |

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| SERVICE | |
| 2025-Present | Technical Committee for the <i>Acoustical Society of America / Speech Communication</i> . |
| 2025-Present | Member of Linguistics Graduate Student Colloquium Committee at SFU. |
| 2023-Present | Organizer of <i>Linguistics Now/New</i> (i.e., colloquia series held between UBC and SFU). |
| 2022-Present | Department Steward for SFU's <i>Teaching Support Staff Union</i> . |
| 2020-2025 | President of SFU's <i>Linguistics Graduate Student Association</i> (LGSA). |
| 2025 | Poster Presentation Judge for the 8th Annual Language Sciences Undergraduate Research Conference (LSURC) at UBC, Vancouver, Canada. |
| 2024 | Reviewer for Journal Language and Speech manuscript. |
| 2023 | Session Chair for Talk Session: Phonology/Phonetics, 30th Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference, March 11-13, 2023, SFU, Vancouver, Canada. |
| 2023 | Editor of Japanese/Korean Linguistics Volume 30. ISSN: 2823-661X (Online). |
| 2023 | Reception Committee and Organizing Team , 30th Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference, March 11-13, 2023, SFU, Vancouver, Canada. |
| 2021 | Reviewer for Journal Speech Communication manuscript. |
| 2020 | Administration, Question Manager, Transcript Support, LabPhon17, 17th Conference on Laboratory Phonology, July 6-8, 2020, Virtual Meeting. |
| 2018-2020 | Treasurer of SFU's <i>Linguistics Graduate Student Association</i> (LGSA). |
| 2018 | Reception Committee and Organizing Team for special session <i>Coupling Phonetics</i> and <i>Psycholinguistics I</i> , 176th <i>Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America</i> , November 5-9, 2018, Victoria, Canada. |

WORK EXPERIENCE

| 2018–2019 | Lab Manager for Language and Brain Lab Supervised by Dr. Yue Wang, SFU, Department of Linguistics |
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| 2012-2014 | Lab Manager for SNU Phonetics Lab Supervised by Dr. Ho-Young Lee, SNU, Department of Linguistics |
| 2012-2013 | International Student Support , SNU College of Humanities International Office Supervised by Dr. Hyopil shin, Department of Linguistics, Seoul National University |
| 2012-2013 | Translator , SNU College of Humanities International Office Supervised by Dr. Hyopil shin, Department of Linguistics, Seoul National University |
| 2012 | Research Assistant , Samsung S-Voice Team, Seoul, South Korea Supervised by Dr. Minhwa Chung |
| 2008-2011 | ESL Teaching Assistant , New Generation Learning Company, Abbotsford, Canada |

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

| 2023-Present | Member of Canadian Linguistics Association |
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| 2023-Present | ${\bf Member} \ {\bf of} \ \textit{UBC's Language Science Institute}$ |
| 2018-Present | Member of Acoustical Society of America |

LANGUAGES

English Native

Korean Heritage (TOPIK Level 6)

French Beginner
Japanese Beginner

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Analysis Tools JASP, JMP, SPSS, R

Editing Tools Adobe Audition, Adobe Premiere, Audacity

Experiment Tools E-Prime, Gorilla Experiment Builder, JsPsych/JATOS, Paradigm, Praat MFC,

PsychoPy, Qualtrics

Linguistic Tools EEG, Kaldi, Montreal Forced Aligner, Praat, VoiceSauce, WaveSurfer

Languages HTML/CSS, Matlab, Praat (Scripting), Python, R

Operating Systems Windows, Mac OS, Linux

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES

2019 Spring Instructional Skills Workshop (ISW), SFU, CEE.

2019 Fall Certificate Program in University Teaching and Learning (CPUTL), SFU, CEE.

COMPLETE TEACHING RECORD

Instructor

Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics 2025 Summer

LING 330 D100 Phonetics

Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics 2025 Spring

LING 330 D100 Phonetics

Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics 2024 Fall

LING 100 D100 Communication and Language

LING 190 D100 Science of Speech

Short Term Lecturer, UBC, Department of Linguistics 2024 Summer

LING 101 921 Languages of the World

2024 Spring Short Term Lecturer, UBC, Department of Linguistics

LING 100 002 Introduction to Language and Linguistics

Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 190 Science of Speech

Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics 2023 Fall

LING 190 D100 Science of Speech

2022 Winter Term 1 Short Term Lecturer, UBC, Department of Linguistics

LING 100 001 Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 100 001 Introduction to Language and Linguistics

Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics 2022 Summer

LING 160 D100 Language, Culture and Society

Short Term Lecturer, UBC, Department of Linguistics LING 100 922 Introduction to Language and Linguistics

2021 Winter Term 2 Short Term Lecturer, UBC, Department of Linguistics

LING 100 002 Introduction to Language and Linguistics LING 100 004 Introduction to Language and Linguistics

Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics 2021 Summer

LING 220 D100 Introduction to Linguistics

2020 Summer Sessional Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 160 J100 Language, Culture and Society

Teaching Assistant

Teaching Assistant, SFU, Beedie School of Business 2020-2025

BUS217W Critical Thinking in Business (14 times)

2024 Fall **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 100 Language and Communication

LING 362 Introduction to Teaching English as a Second Language to Adults

2024 Summer Teaching Assistant, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 301W Linguistic Argumentation

2023 Fall **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 100 Language and Communication

2023 Summer Teaching Assistant, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 282W Writing for Linguistics

2023 Spring **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 220 Introduction to Linguistics (D900)

LING 363 Practicum in Teaching English as a Second Language to Adults

Tutorial Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 220 Introduction to Linguistics D100

2022 Fall **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 100 Language and Communication LING 301W Linguistic Argumentation

LING 362 Introduction to Teaching English as a Second Language to Adults

2022 Spring Teaching Assistant, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 322 Syntax

LING 309W Sociolinguistics

LING 330 Phonetics

2021 Fall **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 111 The Wonder of Words

LING 322 Syntax

LING 362 Introduction to Teaching English as a Second Language to Adults

2021 Summer Teaching Assistant, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 282W Writing for Linguistics LING 350 First Language Acquisition

LING 415 Neurolinguistics

2021 Spring **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 301W Linguistic Argumentation

LING 480 Topics in Linguistics (Computer Assisted Language Learning)

2020 Fall **Teaching Assistant.** SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 360 Introduction to Applied Linguistics LING 480 Topics in Linguistics (Phonology)

2020 Summer **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 282W Writing for Linguistics

2020 Spring **Tutorial Instructor**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 220 Introduction to Linguistics

2019 Summer Teaching Assistant, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 415 Neurolinguistics

2019 Spring Teaching Assistant, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 290 The Science of Speech LING 350 First Language Acquisition

2018 Fall **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 350 First Language Acquisition

LING 415 Neurolinguistics

2018 Summer **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 415 Neurolinguistics

Tutorial Instructor, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 220 Introduction to Linguistics

2017 Fall **Teaching Assistant**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 321 Phonology

LING 350 First Language Acquisition

2017 Summer Teaching Assistant, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 330 Phonetics

2016 Fall **Tutor Marker**, SFU, Department of Linguistics

LING 100 Language and Communication

LING 321 Phonology

2013 Spring **Teaching Assistant**, SNU, Department of Linguistics

LING 100.131 Introduction to Phonetics (Undergraduate Seminar)

LING 108.518 Studies in Phonetics 1 (Graduate Seminar)