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EDUCATION

- 2024 Ph.D., English as an International Language, Chulalongkorn University
2019 CELTA, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages, University of Cambridge
2011 M.A., Sociology, Stanford University
2010 B.A., International Relations; *Minor in Modern Languages*, Stanford University

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand, Language Institute

Full-time lecturer (2022-2023; 2025-present)

King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang, Bangkok, Thailand, International Academy of Aviation Industry (IAAI)

Part-time lecturer (2021)

SCHOLARSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Publications

Refereed Journal Articles

Sowaprx, T., Wudthayagorn, J. & Jirasevijinda, T. (2025). Analyzing EMI medical classroom discourse to identify language strategies for teachers: an application of the 'English-for-teaching' framework. *LEARN Journal: Language Education and Acquisition Research Network*. 18(1), 914-938.
<https://doi.org/10.70730/ZYPR1370>.

Sowaprx, T., & Piamsai, C. (2023). Re-examining Productive-Skills Anxiety Constructs in Online Instructional Contexts Involving Thai Undergraduates Following the COVID-19 Pandemic. *PASAA*, 65(1), 1-31.
<https://doi.org/10.58837/CHULA.PASAA.65.1.1>.

Sowaprx, T. (2023). Review of Professionalizing Your English Language Teaching. *RELC Journal*, 54(3), 907-909.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/00336882211044862>.

Theses

Sowaprx, T. (2024). *Investigating the language challenges and pedagogical reasoning of Thai medical lecturers in English-Medium Instruction classrooms*. [Chulalongkorn University Theses and Dissertations].
<https://digital.car.chula.ac.th/chulaetd/11066>

Sowaprx, T. (2021). *An investigation of English language speaking and writing anxieties and anxiety-reducing strategies in an online language classroom of Thai undergraduates* [Chulalongkorn University Theses and Dissertations]. <https://digital.car.chula.ac.th/chulaetd/7666/>.

Conference Presentations

Sowaprx, T., Wudthayagorn, J., & Jirasevijinda, T. (2023, November). Investigating test constructs for assessing EMI-readiness of content lecturers in Thai international medical programs. Abstract presented at the

Association for Language Testing and Assessment of Australia and New Zealand (ALTAANZ) Conference 2023, Online.

Sowapruks, T. (2023, June). Challenges to EMI language proficiency among Thai medical content lectures in bilingual university classrooms. Abstract presented at the 1st Research Conference on English for Specific Purposes (ESP) Course and Assessment Development in ASEAN region, Bangkok, Thailand.

Sowapruks, T. (2022, November). Redefining constructs for measuring speaking and writing classroom anxieties in the Thai undergraduate context post-COVID-19. Paper presented at the Academic Forum on English Language Testing in Asia (AFELTA) & Chulalongkorn University Language Institute (CULI) International Conference 2022, Bangkok, Thailand.

Talks and Seminars

“Language and Style in the Age of AI and Global Connectedness.” Talk given at Thammasat University, Bangkok, Thailand. March 6th, 2025.

Grants, Honors, Awards, and Recognition

The Second Century Fund (C2F) Scholarship Award (2022, Batch 7): For high-efficiency Ph.D. candidates at Chulalongkorn University under the Second Century Fund to contribute publications in international academic journals in the top 25 percent (Q1) for the fields of social science and humanities. (฿1,122,500 THB/ \$31,400 USD)

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate

Chulalongkorn University

2202111 English I (Faculty of Arts)

5508112 Research Paper Writing (Faculty of Communication Arts)

5500315 Advanced Business Oral Communication (Language Institute)

5500112 Experiential English II (Language Institute)

King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang

14036961 English for Academic Purposes

Pre-sessional English for Aeronautical Engineering and Commercial Pilot students

Graduate

Chulalongkorn University

2202622 Research Methods in English Language (Faculty of Arts)

English as a Second Language

Wat Bowonniwet Vihara

English for Dharma Purposes

Private dermatology clinics

English for Medical Purposes

Research Experience

ASEAN Cities Think Tank, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand

Research Assistant, Faculty of Political Science (2019-2020)

California State Assembly, Mountain View, California, United States

Intern & Project Leader, Office of Assemblymember Paul Fong (2010)

Japan Center for International Exchange (JCIE), Tokyo, Japan
Research Assistant, Office of Japanese Deputy Foreign Minister, Hitoshi Tanaka (2009)
Stanford Center for Technology and Innovation, Kyoto, Japan
Japanese Translation Student (2009)
Stanford Institute for the Quantitative Study of Society, Stanford, California, United States
Research Assistant, Office of Professor of Sociology Karen Cook (2007-2008)
School of Chinese as a Second Language, Peking University, Beijing, China
Chinese Translation Student (2007)

Work Experience

PRUX Rare Teas & Ceramics, *Founder*, Bangkok, Thailand (2017 — 2018)

- International tea company based in Bangkok specializing in rare teas.
- Designer and source lead for rare teas.
- Director and Lead Merchandizer for North America and Thailand markets.

Old Navy Franchise, Gap Inc, *Merchandizing Buyer*, San Francisco, USA (2015 — 2017)

- Formulated assortments, developed marketing strategies and wrote proposals for merchandizing campaigns.
- Financial sales and inventory planner for nine international markets: Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Qatar, Kuwait, U.A.E, Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia, and Vietnam.

Gap Inc, *Inventory and Financial Planning Analyst*, San Francisco, USA (2012 — 2015)

- Performed pre-season sales planning of USD\$200 M revenue portfolio for Knits (26% of divisional retail sales).
- Decided on day-in-day-out promotions and markdown strategy at the weekly level for 120 product programs.
- Managed distribution strategies for product classes within Knits, covering 540 stores in North America.

Movoto Real Estate LLC *Business Development Project Manager*, San Mateo, USA (2011— 2012)

- Designed monthly agent management plans that increased engagement and retention of agent/client groups.
- Conducted experiments to develop new consumer operations procedures for client/agent relations.
- Developed new appraisal metrics that would help rank agents in more quantitative and systematic protocols.

Buddhist Studies

บรรพชาอุปสมบท (หลักสูตรพระปริยัติธรรมนอกพรรษา) วัดบวรนิเวศวิหาร รุ่นที่ ๙ / ๒๕๖๐-๒๕๖๑

พระอุปัชฌาย์ พระพรหมวชิรรังษี (จิรพล อธิจิตโต ป.ธ.๙) รองสมเด็จพระราชาคณะ เจ้าอาวาสวัดบวรนิเวศวิหาร

Professional Activities

Memberships

Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
International Language Testing Association (ILTA)
Asian Association for Language Assessment (AALA)
Association for Language Testing and Assessment of Australia and New Zealand (ALTAANZ)

Offices/Committees

Committee Member, Student Committee, Asian Association for Language Assessment (AALA), (2023-2024)

Certificates

Certificate in “Qualitative Research in ELT and Applied Linguistics: Methods and Applications” รุ่นที่ 1 (Batch 1) by Thammasat University (March 2025)

Certificates in “IELTS Teaching” by [Cambridge Assessment](#)-approved teacher trainer organization [International House \(IH\)](#)

“*Teaching IELTS Reading*” (see [Digital Certificate](#)) (October 2024)

“*Teaching IELTS Listening*” (see [Digital Certificate](#)) (September 2024)

“*Teaching IELTS Writing*” (see [Digital Certificate](#)) (June 2024)

“*Teaching IELTS Speaking*” (see [Digital Certificate](#)) (April 2024)

LANGUAGES

English	(C2) Native speaker
Thai	(C1) Bilingual speaker
Mandarin	(B2) Good working knowledge
Japanese	(B1) Good working knowledge
French	(A2) Limited proficiency