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Education

Stanford University

2022–

PhD in Linguistics

Department of Linguistics

National University of Singapore

2016–2020

BA with Honors (Highest Distinction) in English Language

Department of English, Linguistics, and Theater Studies

University Scholars Program

Thesis: *Rhythm in English, Mandarin, and English-Mandarin code-switching*

Advisor: Rebecca Starr

Areas of Interest

Variation, sociolinguistics, phonetics, speech perception, language contact, multilingualism

Papers and Manuscripts

Aji, Alham Fikri, Jessica Zosa Forde, Alyssa Marie Loo, Lintang Sutawika, Skyler Wang, Genta Indra Winata, Zheng-Xin Yong, Ruochen Zhang, A. Seza Doğruöz, **Yin Lin Tan**, and Jan Christian Blaise Cruz. 2023. Current status of NLP in South East Asia with insights from multilingualism and language diversity. *Proceedings of the 13th International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing and the 3rd Conference of the Asia-Pacific Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics*, 8–13.

Yong, Zheng-Xin, Ruochen Zhang, Jessica Zosa Forde, Skyler Wang, Samuel Cahyawijaya, Holy Lovenia, Lintang Sutawika, Jan Christian Blaise Cruz, Long Phan, **Yin Lin Tan**, and Alham Fikri Aji. 2023. Prompting large language models to generate code-mixed texts: The case of South East Asian languages. *arXiv*. ArXiv:2303.13592 [cs.CL].

In prep. Ng, Bee Chin, **Yin Lin Tan**, and Francesco Cavallaro. An alternative perspective on matched-guise study: The effect of topic formality on accent evaluation.

Conference Presentations

Tan, Yin Lin*, Ting Lin, and Meghan Sumner. 2024. Identifying the social correlates of Singlish: The relationship between Singlish-ness and locally relevant meanings. Talk to be presented at *Sociolinguistics Symposium 25 (SS 25)*. Perth, Australia, 24–27 Jun.

*Presenting author(s)

Tan, Yin Lin*, Ting Lin, Robert Podesva, and Meghan Sumner. 2024. Pitch variability cues perceptions of Singlish: A perceptually-guided approach to sociophonetic variation. Talk to be presented at *The 100th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA 2024)*. New York City, NY, USA, 4–7 Jan.

Zheng-Xin Yong, Ruochen Zhang, Jessica Zosa Forde, Skyler Wang, Samuel Cahyawijaya*, Holy Lovenia, Lintang Sutawika, Jan Christian Blaise Cruz, Long Phan, **Yin Lin Tan**, and Alham Fikri Aji. 2023. Prompting large language models to generate code-mixed texts: The case of South East Asian languages. Talk to be presented at *6th Workshop of Computational Approaches to Linguistic Code-Switching (CALCS 6)* collocated with *The 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2023)*. Singapore, 6–10 Dec.

Aji, Alham Fikri*, Jessica Zosa Forde, Alyssa Marie Loo, Lintang Sutawika*, Samson Tan, Skyler Wang, Genta Indra Winata, Zheng-Xin Yong, Ruochen Zhang, A. Seza Doğruöz, **Yin Lin Tan**, and Jan Christian Blaise Cruz. 2023. Current status of NLP in South East Asia with insights from multilingualism and language diversity. Tutorial at *13th International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing and the 3rd Conference of the Asia-Pacific Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (IJCNLP-AACL 2023)*. Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia, 1–4 Nov. [[Link](#)]

Tan, Yin Lin*, Ting Lin, and Meghan Sumner. 2023. Pitch variability cues perceptions of Singlish: A perceptually-guided approach to sociophonetic variation. Talk at *New Waves of Analyzing Variation 51 (NWAV 51)*. New York City, NY, USA, 13–15 Oct.

Ng, Bee Chin, **Yin Lin Tan***, and Francesco Cavallaro. 2023. Five decades of matched guise studies – what do we know about contextual constraints?. Talk at *International Symposium of Bilingualism 14 (ISB 14)*. Sydney, Australia, 26–30 Jun.

Tan, Yin Lin*. 2023. Variation in multilingual communities: Rhythm and English-Mandarin code-switching in Singapore. Poster at *International Symposium of Bilingualism 14 (ISB 14)*. Sydney, Australia, 26–30 Jun.

Tan, Yin Lin*. 2022. Rhythmic variation in code-switching between Mandarin, English, and Singlish in Singapore. Talk at *New Ways of Analyzing Variation Asia-Pacific 7 (NWAV-AP 7)*. Bangkok, Thailand, 14–16 Dec.

Grants, Fellowships, Scholarships, and Awards

2024	First Generation Access and Equity Travel Award <i>Linguistic Society of America</i>	(US\$500)
2023	Cantonese Summer Fellowship “A comparative analysis of Cantonese spoken in diaspora communities” (with Irene Yi) <i>Stanford University</i>	(US\$10,000)
2023	East Asia Graduate Summer Grant “Style, space, and the body among freestyle dancers” <i>Stanford University</i>	(US\$6,893)
2022–2027	Overseas Graduate Scholarship <i>National University of Singapore</i>	
2014	English Language Elective Scholarship <i>Ministry of Education (Singapore)</i>	

Teaching Experience

Guest Talks

- Oct 2023 “Phonetics and Sociophonetics”, Undergraduate Research Workshop
Stanford University
- Nov 2022 “Phonetics and Sociophonetics”, Undergraduate Research Workshop
Stanford University

Research Positions

- Project Officer Sep 2021–Sep 2022
Nanyang Technological University
Full-time project officer position at the School of Humanities with the Linguistics and Multilingual Studies program. Member of the [Neurolinguistics and Cognitive Science Lab](#). Supervised by Bee Chin Ng and Alice Chan.
- Research Assistant Mar 2021–Aug 2021
Nanyang Technological University
Full-time traineeship position at the School of Humanities with the Linguistics and Multilingual Studies program. Worked with the sociolinguistics research group comprising Francesco Cavallaro, Ivan Panović, and Luke Lu.
- Research Assistant Jun 2020
National University of Singapore
Part-time position at the Department of Computer Science with the Objective Assessment of Sung Lyrics for Applications to Language Learning project. Supervised by Wang Ye.
- Research Assistant May 2018–May 2020
National University of Singapore
Part-time positions at the Department of English, Linguistics, and Theater Studies with the Singapore Multilingual Corpus (SMC) and the Voices of Children Singapore (VOCS) projects. Supervised by Rebecca Starr.
- Research Assistant Feb 2018–Nov 2018
National University of Singapore
Part-time position at the Department of Psychology with the [Auditory English Lexicon Project \(AELP\)](#). Supervised by Winston Goh and Melvin Yap.

Service

Stanford University

- 2023–2024 Organizing Committee, *California Annual Meeting of Psycholinguistics 6 (CAMP 6)*
- 2023–2024 Colloquium Committee, *Department of Linguistics*
- 2023–2024 Peer Mentor, *Department of Linguistics*
- 2023 Graduate Student Mentor, *Stanford Arts Institute*
- 2022–2023 Social Committee, *Department of Linguistics*
- 2022 Volunteer, *New Ways of Analyzing Variation 50 (NWAV 50)*

National University of Singapore

- 2022 Alumni Interviewer, *NUS College*
- 2018–2019 Vice President, *Linguistics Interest Group*

As reviewer:

- 2023 California Annual Meeting of Psycholinguistics 6 (CAMP 6)

Working Experience

Freelance Writer and Editor Nov 2016 – Aug 2021

Multiple Publications

Wrote and edited features, press releases, and whitepapers across a range of beats, such as culture, tech, and current affairs. Clients included Atlas Obscura, Meantime Magazine, RADII China, PR Newswire Asia, and others.

Journalism Trainee Oct 2020 – Feb 2021

TODAY

Reported on local news across a variety of beats, including transport, culture, and health. Bylines at <http://www.todayonline.com/authors/tan-yin-lin>.

Journalism Intern Aug 2020 – Oct 2020

KrASIA

Reported on tech and startup ecosystems in Southeast Asia and China. Bylines at <http://www.kr-asia.com/author/yinlin>.

Editorial Intern May 2020 – Sep 2020

RICE Media

Reported and wrote features, op-eds, and commentaries with a focus on culture, current affairs, politics, and breaking news. Bylines at <http://www.ricemedia.co/author/tan-yin-lin>.

Other Honors

2020	President's Honor Roll, University Scholars Program, <i>National University of Singapore</i>
2020	Best Story (Winner), <i>Stories of a Pandemic Awards</i>
2020	Best Story (Merit), <i>Stories of a Pandemic Awards</i>
2020	Best Story (Merit), <i>Stories of a Pandemic Awards</i>
2019	Fourth Place, <i>XDS Data Storytelling Competition</i>
2018	Senior Honor Roll, University Scholars Program, <i>National University of Singapore</i>
2017	Special Book Prize, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, <i>National University of Singapore</i>
2017	Honor Roll, University Scholars Program, <i>National University of Singapore</i>

Memberships

2023–	Psychonomic Society
2022–	Linguistic Society of America

Miscellaneous

<i>Languages</i>	Native: English, Mandarin, Singlish Basic: Cantonese, Hokkien
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<i>Software</i>	Praat, Audacity, Elan, Audition, Photoshop, Premiere Pro
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<i>Programming</i>	R, \LaTeX , HTML, CSS, Javascript
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