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## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### EDUCATION

**Ph.D.** in Linguistics, **University of California, Berkeley**, Aug. 2015

Dissertation: *The Diachronic Development and Synchronic Distribution of Minimizers in Mandarin Chinese*  
[**Dissertation Fellowship, Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange**]

Committee: Eve Sweetser (Chair), Gary Holland, Peter Jenks, and Darya Kavitskaya

**M.A.** in Linguistics, **University of California, Berkeley**, May 2011

**M.A.** in Linguistics, National Tsing Hua University (NTHU), June 2009

Thesis: *Causative Variants and Related Passives in Southern Min: A Case Study of Grammaticalization*  
[**Linguistic Society of Taiwan Best M.A. Thesis Award**]

**B.A.** in Foreign Languages and Literatures, National Taiwan University (NTU), June 2006

### ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

**POST-DOCTORAL FELLOW**, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong

Department of Chinese and Bilingual Studies  
Fall 2016-present

**LECTURER**, University of California, Berkeley, California, USA

Department of Linguistics and Department of Cognitive Science  
*Mind and Language*: Spring 2016

Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures  
*Elementary Chinese*: Fall 2015

**ACTING INSTRUCTOR**, University of California, Berkeley, California, USA

Department of Linguistics and Department of Cognitive Science  
*Mind and Language*: Summer 2014

**GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR**, University of California, Berkeley, California, USA

Department of Linguistics and Department of Cognitive Science  
*Mind and Language*: Spring 2014

Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures

*Elementary Chinese*: Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2013

*Advanced Chinese* [non-heritage track]: Spring 2013, Fall 2013

*Advanced Chinese for Heritage Learners*: Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2012

**RESEARCH ASSISTANT**, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan

NTHU Boost Project—Linguistic Corpora in Taiwan Area and Explorations of Theoretical Issues: Studies on Constructions in Taiwanese Southern Min [PI: Chinfa Lien], 2007

NTHU Top-Notch Project—Linguistic Corpora in Taiwan Area and Explorations of Theoretical Issues:

## PUBLICATIONS

- To appear Tseng, Chin-chin & I-Hsuan Chen. Chinese Language and Cross-Cultural Communication. *The Routledge Handbook of Applied Chinese Linguistics*, ed. by Chu-Ren Huang, Zhuo Jing-Schmidt, and Barbara Meisterernst.
- 2013 Chen, I-Hsuan. The semantic constraints on the VERB+*zhe*<sup>3</sup> nouns in Mandarin Chinese. *Increased Empiricism: Recent Advances in Chinese*, ed. by Zhuo Jing-Schmidt, 189-204. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
- 2013 Chen, I-Hsuan. The encoding of subjectivity by functional marker + third person singular anaphor in Taiwanese Southern Min. *Historical linguistics 2011: Selected papers from the 20th International Conference on Historical Linguistics*, ed. by Ritsuko Kikusawa and Lawrence A. Reid, 83-98. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
- 2011 Chen, I-Hsuan & Chinfu Lien. A diachronic perspective on causative variants and related passives in Southern Min — Interface between lexical properties and construction. *Journal of Chinese Linguistics* 39 (2):311-344.
- 2010 Chen, I-Hsuan. The semantic development of Taiwanese Southern Min sentence-final particle *khi*<sup>3</sup>. *Journal of Taiwanese Languages and Literature* 5 (1):129-144.
- 2008 Chen, I-Hsuan & Chinfu Lien. The interaction between the construction *kong* + topic and its thematic markers in Taiwanese Southern Min. *Chinese Linguistics in Leipzig: Chinese Linguistics in Europe (CLE) n02*, ed. by Redouane Djamouri, Barbara Meisterernst, and Rint Sybesma, 175-190. Paris: Centre de Recherches Linguistiques sur l'Asie Orientale, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2016 *Focal Prominence Underlying Distribution of Mandarin Minimizers*, paper presented at the 30th Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation, Seoul, Korea, October 28-30, 2016.
- 2016 *Scalar Inferences of Mandarin Numeral-classifier Phrases Shaped by Diachronic Changes in Word Order*, poster presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Washington DC, USA, January 7-10, 2016.
- 2015 *NPI Distribution Constrained by Information Structures in Mandarin Chinese*, paper presented at the 48<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics (ICSTLL-48), Santa Barbara, USA, August 21-23, 2015.
- 2015 *The Development of the OV Order as a Grammatical Category in Chinese*, paper presented at the 22<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Historical Linguistics (ICHL-22), Naples, Italy, July 27-31, 2015.
- 2015 *Scalarity Encoded in Mandarin Chinese Minimizers through Constructional Association*, paper presented at the 13<sup>th</sup> International Cognitive Linguistics Conference (ICLC-13), Newcastle, England UK, July 20-25, 2015.
- 2015 *Word order constrains the diachronic development of Mandarin 'one'-phrases as NPIs*, poster presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Portland, USA, January 8-11, 2015.
- 2014 *The development of polysemous 'one'-phrase in Mandarin Chinese*, paper presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Minneapolis, USA, January 2-5, 2014.
- 2013 *The choices of different forms of indefinites in Mandarin Chinese reflect speakers' mental space*, paper presented at the 12<sup>th</sup> European Association for Chinese Linguistics (EACL-8), Paris, France, September 26-28, 2013.

- 2013 *Construction-determined interpretations of Mandarin numeral phrases as minimizers*, paper presented at the 12<sup>th</sup> International Cognitive Linguistics Conference (ICLC-12), Alberta, Canada, June 23-28, 2013.
- 2012 *How the interpretations of Mandarin Chinese minimizers are defined by constructions*, paper presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Construction Grammar (ICCG-7), Seoul, Korea, August 10-12, 2012.
- 2012 *Licensing conditions of negative polarity items vary in different stages: A case study of Mandarin Chinese minimizers*, paper presented at New Reflections on Grammaticalisation V (NRG-5), Edinburgh, Scotland UK, July 16-19, 2012.
- 2012 *What determines the licensing of negative polarity items: The interaction between Mandarin Chinese minimizers, negation, and foci*, paper presented at the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistics Society, Chicago, IL, USA, April 19-21, 2012.
- 2012 Lin, Ying-yu & I-Hsuan Chen. *How semantics embodied through visual representation: Image schemas in the art of Chinese calligraphy*, paper presented at the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society, Berkeley, CA, USA, February 11-12, 2012.
- 2011 *The subjectivity encoded in the grammaticalization of FUNCTIONAL MARKER+THIRD PERSON SINGULAR ANAPHOR constructions in Taiwanese Southern Min*, paper presented at the 20<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Historical Linguistics (ICHLXX), Osaka, Japan, July 25-30, 2011.
- 2011 *The semantic constraints on the VERB+zhe<sup>3</sup> Nouns in Mandarin Chinese*, paper presented at the 23<sup>rd</sup> North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-23), The University of Oregon, Eugene, USA, June 17-19, 2011.
- 2010 *Resultative compounds with an unselected object in Mandarin Chinese: An analysis of verb-diao 'fall'/dao 'topple'/kua 'collapse'-object constructions*, paper presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Construction Grammar (ICCG-6), Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, September 3-5, 2010.
- 2008 *漢語中微量詞與巨量詞所構成之否定極詞：典型否定極詞與非典型否定極詞的比較* (Maximal and minimal negative polarity items in Mandarin Chinese – A comparison between typical and non-typical NPIs), paper presented at the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Chinese Linguistic Society of Japan, Kyoto University of Foreign Studies, Kyoto, October 25-26, 2008.
- 2008 *台灣閩南語句尾助詞「去」的歷史演變途徑* (The historical development of the sentence-final particle *khi<sup>3</sup>* in Taiwanese Southern Min), paper presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Taiwanese Languages and Teaching, National Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan, September 6-7, 2008.
- 2008 *Grammaticalization of causative verbs in earlier Southern Min texts: A comparison between Southern Min and Mandarin*, paper presented at the Fourth New Reflections on Grammaticalization Conference (NGR-4), Leuven University, Belgium, July 16-19, 2008.
- 2008 *Relation between permissive causative verbs and passive markers: A case study of the development of verbs of giving in early Southern Min texts*, paper presented at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL-16), Peking University, China, May 29-June 2, 2008.
- 2008 *A diachronic perspective on variety of causative constructions in Southern Min — Interface between lexical properties and construction*, paper presented at the 11<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Chinese Languages and Linguistics (ISCLL-11), National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan, May 23-25, 2008.
- 2007 *漢語中必要性補語與動賓結構的互動：致使構式的分析* (The interaction between obligatory adjuncts and verb-object constructions: An analysis of causative structure), paper presented at the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Chinese Linguistic Society of Japan, Okinawa University, Japan, October 27-28, 2007.

- 2007 *A case study of the interaction between the construction kóng + topic and its thematic markers in Taiwanese Southern Min*, paper presented at the 5th Conference of the European Association of Chinese Linguistics (EACL-5), Max Planck Institute, Leipzig, Germany, September 5-7, 2007.
- 2007 *Taiwanese Southern Min kóng + TOPIC construction: An approach based on frame semantics*, paper presented at the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL 15) & the 19<sup>th</sup> North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-19), Columbia University, USA, May 25-27, 2007.

## RESEARCH AREAS

Chinese linguistics, syntax, semantics, diachronic changes, grammaticalization, Construction Grammar, cognitive linguistics, corpus analysis

## SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

- Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange (USA) (2014-2015)
- Dr. and Mrs. James C.Y. Soong Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley (2014-2015)
- Summer Research Grant, Graduate Division, University of California, Berkeley (2010, 2012, 2013)
- Study Abroad Scholarship, Ministry of Education, Taiwan [one of four grantees in the area of Humanities and Social Sciences] (2009-2010)
- Best M.A. Thesis Award, Linguistic Society of Taiwan (2009)
- Language Training & Testing Center (L TTC) Scholarship for Linguistic Graduate Students (2008)
- Travel Grant for International Conference, National Science Council, the Executive Yuan, Taiwan [Grant No. NSC-97-2922-I-007-157; for attending New Reflections on Grammaticalization (NRG-4), July 16-19, 2008]
- Center of Teacher Education Scholarship, National Tsing Hua University (2007)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

**ORGANIZER**, Library Committee, Department of Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley (2014)

**CO-EDITOR**, Proceedings of the 39th Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society (2013)

**ABSTRACT REVIEWER**, Annual Meetings of the Berkeley Linguistics Society (2012-2013)

**CO-ORGANIZER**, the 37th Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society (2011)

## CERTIFICATION

- Certificate for Proficiency in Teaching Chinese as a Second/Foreign Language [issued by the Ministry of Education, Taiwan] (教育部對外華語教學能力證)
- Educational Program for Secondary School Teachers [specialty field: TESOL] (2005-2008)

## LANGUAGES

Mandarin Chinese: Native

Taiwanese Southern Min: Native

English: Near-native

Japanese: Basic

French: Basic

German: Basic

Saisyat: Fieldwork [at NTHU, 2007-2008]

Garifuna: Fieldwork [at UC Berkeley, 2011-2012]

## SKILLS

FLEX, R, Praat, LaTeX

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