

LI-YANG TSENG (Leon)

E-mail: LIYANG003@e.ntu.edu.sg

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Syntax, Language Typology, Language Documentation, Austronesian Linguistics, Historical Linguistics

EDUCATION

- | | | |
|------------|--|-----------------------|
| PhD | Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
Linguistics and Multilingual Studies | Jan. 2025 – Present |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Research Topic (tentative): Morphosyntactic Typology of the East Formosan Languages: Implications for Their Diachronic Evolution | |
| MA | National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan
Linguistics | Sep. 2019 – Feb. 2023 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Thesis: “A Reconstruction of Northeast Formosan”● Advisor: Prof. Hsiu-chuan Liao | |
| BA | National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan
Chinese Literature | Sep. 2014 – Jan. 2019 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Specializations: Chinese Linguistics, Chinese Philosophy, Teaching Chinese as a Second Language | |

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

INVITED TALKS

- **Li-yang Tseng**. 2023. “The Past and Present of Basay and Kavalan: Diachronic Changes and Dialectal Variations (巴賽語和噶瑪蘭語言的前世今生：語音演變與方言差).” Guest lecture given at CIS B327: “Differences in Indigenous Dialects (族語方言差)” [Instructor: Amy Pei-jung Lee (李佩容)], National Dong Hwa University, Hualien, Taiwan, March 27, 2023.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **Li-yang Tseng**. 2022. “Subgrouping evidence for Northern East Formosan”. oral presentation at the Workshop on 2022 Annual Meeting of Tsing Hua Linguistics, National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan, December 9, 2022.
- **Li-yang Tseng**. 2022. “Dorsal harmony in Kavalan and Basay”. oral presentation at the 31st Annual Meeting of the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society (SEALS 31), University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, Hawai‘i, U.S.A, May 18-20, 2022.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Linguistics, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan Jul. 2019—Jan. 2020

Research Assistant, “A teaching/learning website for the evolution of Chinese symbolic words” by Prof. Hui-chuan Hsu.

- Collected data on Chinese symbolic words based on the order of phonetic onsets in traditional Chinese phonology.
- Categorized the collected data based on Chinese indexing components.

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

Chinese Literature, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan

Fall 2024

Chinese Instructor at the Yuehan Xuetao of NTHU

- Instructed advanced students at the USMA, with curriculum including Chinese essay writing, foundational classical Chinese, “The Art of War”.
- Taught advanced-level students written language proficiency, emphasizing coherence in sentences and article structure, enhancing students’ skills of advanced written language and oral expression regarding complex concepts.

Chinese Literature, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan

Fall 2021

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, “Design and Implications of Chinese Language Teaching Programs” by Prof. Martha Gallagher

- Instructed the articulations of Chinese phonemes.

Chinese Literature, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan

Spring 2019

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, “Chinese Phonology” by Prof. Shu-fen Chen

- Advised students during office hours.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

WORKSHOP

Linguistics, National Taiwan University, Taiwan

November, 2019

“The 1st NTU Linguistics Workshop”

Description: This workshop focused on a quantitative approach to lexicon and cognition in Mandarin.

“The 2nd Invitation Forum on Linguistics and AI-NLP Technology”

Description: This forum brought together research teams specializing in AI-NLP technology, with a focus on Mandarin lexicon segmentation and natural language understanding.

LANGUAGES

Mandarin Chinese (Native), English, Spanish (Intermediate), Kavalan (Intermediate), Basay (Basic), Russian (Basic)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Python/R

Experiment Tools Praat, PsychoPy

ACADEMIC SERVICES

2024 Volunteer, 33th Annual Meeting of Southeast Asian Linguistics Society (SEALS 33), National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan, January 15, 2024