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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Experimental Syntax/Semantics, Psycholinguistics, Second/Third Language Acquisition

EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)

Urbana, IL

Ph.D., Linguistics (expected)

Jun. 2022 - May. 2027

M.A., Linguistics (expected) Advisors: Dr. Tania Ionin, Dr. James Yoon Jun. 2022 - May. 2024

University of Chicago

Chicago, IL

B.A., Linguistics, East Asian Languages and Civilizations (minor)

Sept. 2016 - Jun. 2020

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Silvera, Isela. (2022). Heritage/Second Language Acquisition of Korean Anaphora: A Review. Poster presentation given at the Illinois Summer Research Symposium, July 21-22, 2022, UIUC.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Dept. of Linguistics

Urbana, IL

Ph.D student (Advisors: Dr. Tania Ionin, Dr. James Yoon)

Aug. 2022 - Present

Project: Research on Korean native speaker reflexive production

- Developing experiment for joint comprehension/production tasks, expanding knowledge of production-comprehension interface

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Summer Predoctoral Institute

Urbana, IL

Fellow (Advisor: Dr. James Yoon)

Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022

Project: Heritage/Second Language Acquisition of Korean Anaphora: A Review

- Developed syntactic knowledge of Korean anaphors, reviewed literature on L2/Heritage acquisition of Korean reflexives

Manuscript (in preparation)

Chicago, IL

Author (PI: Dr. Anastasia Giannakidou)

Mar. 2021 - Nov. 2021

Project: Code-switching in poetic discourse: A first approach to BTS' bilingual transformation

- Conducted independent research on bilingual language negotiation in written acts through a bilingual lyrical analysis of Korean music act BTS

University of Chicago, Quad Faculty Research Grant

Chicago, IL

Research Assistant (PI: Dr. Kyeong-Hee Choi)

Sept. 2018 - Sept. 2019

Project: Case study of Korean music act BTS

- Explored participatory culture and the effects of media on the dynamics of fandoms, analyzed lyrics to further understanding of the relationship between BTS and ARMY

HONORS AND AWARDS

FELLOWSHIPS

2022 - Present Graduate College Fellowship, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign **Summer 2022** Summer Predoctoral Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

AWARDS

2021 TEFL Certificate

2019 Dean's List, University of Chicago

2019 Foreign Language Acquisition Grant, University of Chicago

2018 Quad Faculty Research Grant, University of Chicago

2017 Jeff Metcalf Internship Award, University of Chicago

OTHER SERVICE

Organizing Committee Member

15th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society (ILLS15)

LANGUAGES

English Native Speaker
Spanish Heritage Speaker
Korean Low Advanced
Japanese Beginner

REFERENCES

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