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RESEARCH AREAS

Formal Semantics, Natural Language Ontology, Lexical Semantics
Nominalization, Event Structure, Generics

POSITIONS

Research assistant 2023 –
Department of Translation and Language Sciences, Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

Pre-doctoral researcher 2018 – 24
Department of Translation and Language Sciences, Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

EDUCATION

Degrees

Ph.D., Translation and Language Sciences, Universitat Pompeu Fabra. 2018 – 24
Thesis: *Verbal gerunds in English: a case study in natural language ontology and referentiality*
Advisor: Louise McNally

M.A., Theoretical and Applied Linguistics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra. 2016 – 17
Thesis: *Middle constructions in Chinese*
Advisor: Josep M. Fontana

M.A., Hispanic Philology, Shanghai International Studies University. 2015 – 18
Thesis: *Efecto de la lengua materna en la producción de oclusivas españolas por alumnos chinos: Estudio de caso sobre hablantes del dialecto wu*
Advisor: Yufei Cao

B.A., Spanish, Shanghai International Studies University. 2011 – 15
Project: La distinción auditiva de las oclusivas del español por estudiantes chinos
Advisor: Yufei Cao

Research Stays

Visiting PhD student 2021
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Sept. – Dec.
Advisor: Fabienne Martin

Non-Degree Studies

33rd European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESLLI) 2022
National University of Ireland, Galway Aug. 8 – 19

32nd European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESLLI) 2021
Free University of Bozen-Bolzano (Online) Jul. 26 – Aug. 13

Web Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information (WeSLLI) 2020
Brandeis University (Online) Jul. 11 – 17

31st European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESLLI) University of Latvia	2019 Aug. 5 – 16
29th European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information (ESLLI) University of Toulouse	2017 Jul. 17 – 28

PUBLICATIONS

2023. Huang, Zi. **POSS-ing as Kimian states.** In Lam, Suet-Ying and Satoru Ozaki (eds.), *NELS 53: Proceedings of the Fifty-Second Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (Vol. 2)*. GLSA Publications. 71–84.

2023. Huang, Zi. **Temporal modification of event kinds.** In Pavlova, Alexandra, Mina Young Pedersen and Raffaella Bernardi (eds.), *Selected Reflections in Language, Logic, and Information: ESLLI 2019, ESLLI 2020 and ESLLI 2021 Student Sessions, Selected Papers*. Springer. 136–151.

2021. Huang, Zi. **Distinguishing between POSS-ing and ACC-ing: Evidence from with(out).** In Holtz, Annie, Iva Kovač, Rasmus Puggaard-Rode and Joanna Wall (eds.), *ConSOLE XXIX: Proceedings of the 29th Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (26-28 January 2021, Leiden University)*. Leiden: Leiden University Centre for Linguistics. 192-204.

TALKS

Peer-Reviewed Conference Presentations

2024. Huang, Zi. **Gerunds as ad hoc kinds.** Oral presentation at *DGfS Annual Meeting 2024, AG9: The spectrum of kinds*, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, February 28 – March 1.

2023. Huang, Zi. **POSS-ing as Kimian states.** Oral presentation at *The 53rd Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 53)*, University of Göttingen. January 12 – 14.

2022. Huang, Zi. **The discourse status of verbal gerunds.** Oral presentation at the *Workshop on Word Formation and Discourse Structure*, University of Leipzig. May 4 – 5.

2021. Huang, Zi. **Locating facts in time.** Poster presentation at The 9th International Conference on Formal Linguistics (ICFL-9), Fudan University. November 5 – 7.

2021. Huang, Zi. **Temporal modification of event kinds.** Oral presentation at *the Student Session of the 32nd European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESLLI 2021)*, Association for Logic, Language and Information. July 26 – August 13.

2021. Huang, Zi. **Imperfect nominals selected by temporal prepositions.** Oral presentation at *The 9th Workshop on Nominalizations (JENom 9)*, The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin and University of Silesia in Katowice. June 17 – 18.

2021. Huang, Zi. **Distinguishing between POSS-ing and ACC-ing: Evidence from with(out).** Oral presentation at *The 29th Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE29)*, Leiden University Centre for Linguistics. January 26 – 28.

Other Conferences and Talks

2021. Huang, Zi. **The discourse status of verbal gerunds.** Oral presentation at the *Experimental Syntax and Heritage Languages (RUESHeL) lab meeting*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. December 6.

2021. Huang, Zi. **Imperfect nominals selected by temporal prepositions.** Oral presentation at *Kolloquium für Syntax und Semantik*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. October 26.

2021. Huang, Zi. **POSS-ing and ACC-ing as complements of with(out).** Oral presentation at the *Formal Linguistics Research Group (GLiF) seminars*, Universitat Pompeu Fabra. January 14.

2019. Huang, Zi. **Hybrid infinitives in Spanish and the aspectual restriction.** Oral presentation at *The URLING Research Unit in Linguistics Workshop*, Universitat Pompeu Fabra. June 12.

2019. Huang Zi. **The aspectual restriction and unpredicted nominal infinitives.** Oral presentation at *The Meaning and Grammar Network Meeting (SiGGRAM)*, Universidad de Alcalá. June 6 – 7.

2018. Huang, Zi. **Identifying middle constructions in Chinese.** Oral presentation at *The Retreat for Students in Semantics and Pragmatics (ReSSP)*, La Garrotxa. October 4 – 7.

EXPERIENCE

Participation in Funded Projects

Member 2023 –
Consolidated Research Group “Grup de Lingüística Formal” (2021 SGR 00947, funded by the Catalan government), 60,000.00€
PI: Louise McNally

Member 2018 – 22
Consolidated Research Group “Grup de Lingüística Formal” (2017 SGR 01478, funded by the Catalan government), 58,424.65€
PI: Josep Quer

Member 2018 – 20
Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation grant FFI2016-76045-P, “Connecting conceptual and referential models of meaning 2”, 55,000€
PI: Louise McNally

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Fellowships

PhD Fellowship 2019 – 22
Ajuts per a la contractació de personal investigador predoctoral en formació (2019FI_B_00397). May – Sept.
Awarded by: Agència de Gestió d’Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca, Generalitat de Catalunya.

Awards

Best short paper 2021
Student Session of the 32nd European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESSLLI)

SERVICE IN THE FIELD

Journal Reviews

Journal of Cognitive Science (1) 2024
Canadian Journal of Linguistics/Revue canadienne de linguistique (1) 2023

Conference Organization

Language & Logic track co-chair of the Student Session 2022
33rd European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESSLLI) Aug. 8 – 19
National University of Ireland, Galway.

Member of the organizing and program committee 2020
The 28th Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE 28) Jan. 29 – 31
Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

Science Outreach

Helper, co-organizer (since 2023) 2019 – 24
ESCOLAB Activity “Discover an unknown language” for local high school

Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Co-founder, writer, editor 2017 – 19

Wechat official account “Coloquio de Linguística del Español”

Other Service

Co-organizer 2019 – 20

Formal Linguistics Research Group Seminars (GLiF)

Universitat Pompeu Fabra

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Universitat Pompeu Fabra: Teaching Assistant

Meaning in Languages (25464) 2021 – 22

for undergraduate in Applied Languages, taught in Catalan Spring

ICT Resources (25284) 2020 – 21

for undergraduate in Translation and Interpreting, taught in Spanish Fall

Linguistics (20219) 2019 – 20

for undergraduate in Translation and Interpreting, taught in English Spring

ICT Resources (25284) 2019 – 20

for undergraduate in Translation and Interpreting, taught in Spanish Fall

Shanghai International Studies University: Teacher

Spanish Listening and Conversation 2017 – 18

at College for International Cooperative Programs Spring

Introductory Spanish 2015 – 16

for undergraduate in English Philology Fall, Spring

LANGUAGES

Mandarin Chinese (native)

Wu Chinese (native)

English (Cambridge CPE C2, 2023)

Spanish (DELE C1, 2016)

Catalan (CIFALC C1 & DGPL C1, 2021)

German (Goethe-Zertifikat B1, 2024)

SKILLS

Programming languages

Competent in Python, basic knowledge in MySQL, R, html, css, JavaScript

Experimental design and crowdsourcing platforms

Familiar with Qualtrics and Gorilla (designing experiments) and Prolific (recruiting participants). Also an experienced participant on Prolific.