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M.A. Candidate in Linguistics

Research Interests

- General Human language processing, Bilingualism, Neurolinguistics, Corpus linguistics, Language models, Experimental methods, Mathematical/Computational methods, Cultural semantics, Language contact, Code-mixing/switching
- Specific Singapore English, Mandarin Chinese, Metaphor, Mental models, Paradigmatic relations, Priming, Surprisal, Neural computation, Electroencephalography (EEG)

Education

- starting 2024 **Ph.D. in Cognitive Science**, *Johns Hopkins University*, Baltimore, MD, U.S.A. *Degree expected 2029* Advisor: John T. Hale, Ph.D.
- 2021-present **M.A. in Linguistics**, *National Taiwan Normal University*, Taipei, Taiwan Degree expected 2024 Specialisation: Experimental Neurolinguistics (EEG) Advisor: Shiaohui Chan 詹晓蕙, Ph.D.
- 2015–2021* **B.A. in English Communication**, *Payap University*, Chiang Mai, Thailand CGPA: 3.94/4.00 Advisor: Michael James Day, Ph.D. FRSA SFHEA *(2016-2018 spent on full-time military service in Singapore)
- 2020–2021 **Study Abroad Programme**, *Providence University*, Taichung, Taiwan *Focus area: Linguistics* Advisor: Yuda Lai 賴昱達, Ph.D.

Publications

Journal Articles

- Low, D. S., Mcneill, I., and Day, M. J. (2022). Endangered languages: A sociocognitive approach to language death, identity loss, and preservation in the age of artificial intelligence. *Sustainable Multilingualism*, 21(1), pp. 1–25. DOI: 10.2478/sm-2022-0011.
- [2] Day, M. J., Skulsuthavong, M., Du Preez, S., and Low, D. S. (2022). Thailand's ajarn: Tracing material-semiotic relationships in Thai higher education. *Journal of Mass Communication*, 10(1), pp. 157–203. Available: Link.

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- [4] Low, D. S., Aung, M. T., and Day, M. J. (2020). Cognitive sociology: Developing the 'diversity pathways' model in cultural neuroscience. *Human Behavior, Development and Society*, 21(4), pp. 66–77. Available: Link.

Conference Presentations

- [6] Low, D. S. (3–4 May, 2024). Some proposed innovations to Lambian neurocognitive linguistics: Towards a mathematical neuropsychology [poster presentation]. Taipei, Taiwan: 11th Conference on Language, Discourse, and Cognition. DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.2.12833.62560.
- [7] Fu, S. P.-Y., and Low, D. S. (10–12 Oct, 2023) Exploring syntactic optimality in code-mixing: An empirical study of Mandarin-English bilinguals in Taiwan [conference session]. Bangkok, Thailand: 56th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.2.24814.79687.
- [8] Low, D. S. and Wong, K. F. (28–29 Oct, 2022). Cognitive phonology, relational networks, and optimality theory: Analysing consonant phonotactics in Malaysian and Singaporean Colloquial English [poster presentation]. Taipei, Taiwan: 23rd National Conference on Linguistics. DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.2.21837.72169/1.

Book Chapters

[9] M. J. Day, Low, D. S., and Skulsuthavong, M. (in press). Technology enhanced learning & teaching tensions in Thailand's higher education: Digital divergence vs. binary thinking during online education in the COVID-19 pandemic. In C. Yamahata (Ed.), Social transformations in India, Myanmar, and Thailand (vol. 3). Singapore: Palgrave Macmillan.

Experience

Research

- 2023-present **Research Assistant**, Dept. of English, National Taiwan Normal University Supervisor: Chun-Yin Doris Chen 陳純音, Ph.D. Duties: Data cleaning, statistical analysis, and data visualisation.
- 2021-present **Research Assistant**, Neurolinguistics Lab, National Taiwan Normal University Supervisor: Shiaohui Chan 詹晓蕙, Ph.D. Duties: EEG data collection and experimental materials design.
 - 2020–2022 **Research Assistant**, Dept. of English, Providence University

Supervisor: Yuda Lai 賴昱達, Ph.D.

Duties: Literature review.

2019–2020 **Research Assistant**, Dept. of English Communication, Payap University Supervisor: Michael James Day, Ph.D. FRSA SFHEA Duties: Journal paper writing, literature review, and conceptualisation.

Teaching

- Nov 2020 Teaching Assistant, Dept. of English, Providence University
- Jun 2022 Duties: Mentorship for Taiwanese senior high school students' self-directed English learning and undergraduate assignment grading.
- Mar 2020 Teaching Fellow, Taiwan Experience Education Programme, Providence University
- Jun 2020 Duties: Mentorship for Taiwanese senior high school students' self-directed intercultural English communication projects.
- Nov 2018 **English Teacher (volunteer)**, Shalom Arts and Leadership College, Mae La Dec 2018 Refugee Camp, Tak Province, Thailand

Duties: Leading a beginner-level English as a Foreign Language course for underprivileged students from Burma, including lesson planning and materials design, as well as an introductory session on basic Mandarin Chinese.

Professional Awards, Scholarships, Memberships, and Honours

2024 Honorary Membership,

Phi Tau Phi Scholastic Honour Society of the Republic of China (中華民國婓陶婓榮譽學會)

Nominated in recognition of outstanding academic performance as one among the top 3% of master's degree graduands from National Taiwan Normal University in AY2024.

2024 Doctoral Financial Support Package,

Department of Cognitive Science, Johns Hopkins University Value (initial offer): \approx USD 104,500 annually over a 5-year period (100% tuition waivers + health insurance + monthly stipend)

2023 Subsidy for Domestic Graduate Students to Attend International Academic Conferences 補助國內研究生出席國際學術會議,

National Science and Technology Council, Taiwan R.O.C. Value: NTD 20.000 (≈USD 620)

Travel grant awarded to attend and present research output at the 56th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics in Bangkok, Thailand. (NSTC-112-2922-I-003-088)

2023 Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Academic Achievement Category,

Taiwan Scholarship Programme, Ministry of Education, Taiwan R.O.C. Selected as one out of over 400 holders of the 2021-23 Taiwan Scholarship in recognition of outstanding academic achievement culminating in multiple journal publications and conference presentations.

2021 MOE Taiwan Scholarship (Postgraduate),

Ministry of Education, Taiwan R.O.C. Value: NTD 480,000 (\approx USD 15,700) over a 2-year period + NTD 160,000 (\approx USD 5,235) in tuition remission

2021 NTNU International Student Scholarship*,

National Taiwan Normal University Value: Full tuition remission for 2 years *(Superseded by MOE Taiwan Scholarship)

2020 Payap University Outstanding Awards: Academic Research Category,

Payap University

Received in recognition of outstanding performance in academic research culminating in a journal publication as an undergraduate.

2020 ACUCA Student Mobility Subsidy,

Association of Christian Universities and Colleges in Asia (ACUCA) Value: USD 2,100

Scholarship support for student exchange to Providence University, Taiwan, during 2020.

2019 Payap University Community Service Scholarship,

Payap University

Value: THB 10,000 (≈USD 360)

Received in recognition of volunteer service rendered to the students of Shalom Arts and Leadership College in Mae La Refugee Camp, Tak Province, Thailand.

Training and Certifications

May 2023 - BrainHack School 2023,

- Jun 2023 Université de Montréal and National Taiwan University Project title: "Predicting feedback perception in an online language learning task using EEG and machine learning" (with Stephanie Fu; Link) Intensive 4-week Hackathon style course focused on advanced data preprocessing and analytical techniques for human brain neurophysiological data such as EEG/ERP, MEG, and MRI.
- Jun 2022 Academic Research Ethics Education (AREE) Certification, Ministry of Education (MOE), Taiwan R.O.C.

University, Community, and other Service

- 2023 Web Manager, 13th Workshop on Theoretical East Asian Linguistics (TEAL-13) Designed and maintained conference website and media content. (Link)
- 2022-present **Web Manager**, *Neurolinguistics Lab, National Taiwan Normal University* Designed and maintained lab website and media content. (Link)
 - 2019-2020 **Charter President (volunteer)**, *Rotaract Club of Payap University (RCPYU)* First student president of the RCPYU, leading its establishment to promote student-led service projects to benefit local communities in Chiang Mai and wider Thailand.
 - 2018-2019 **Chief Editor and Graphic Designer**, *'EC Express' Newsletter, Payap University* Edited and designed the online student newsletter of the Dept. of English Communication.
 - 2016-2018 Full-time National Service (military), Singapore Armed Forces Served in roles related to military security, personnel database management, and access control. Rank: Corporal. Last appointment: Pass Office In-Charge.

Human Languages

English	Native language	Including Singapore Colloquial English (Singlish)
Mandarin	Intermediate	Traditional script (繁體中文)
Thai	Beginner	Able to read and write
Malay	Beginner	Elementary conversational competence

Computational Skills

Computer Languages

R	Proficient	Python	Beginner
ι∆T _E X	Intermediate	HTML	Beginner
Bash	Beginner	Java	Beginner
	Tools		
Git/GitHub	Intermediate	SPSS	Intermediate
E-Prime 3	Proficient	PCIBex	Beginner
	References		

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 California State University, Chico, USA
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