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EDUCATION

- 1997 **University of Texas at Austin**, Ph.D., Linguistics, May 2007
Dissertation Title: *The meaning of mocking: Stylizations of Asians and preps at a U.S. high school*. Committee: Keith Walters (Supervisor), Qing Zhang (Supervisor), Megan Crowhurst, Lisa Green, Elizabeth Keating, Anthony Woodbury
- 1991-1995 **Stanford University**, A.B., Linguistics, Departmental Honors, June 1995
Honors Thesis Title: *Lotus blossom baby or dragon lady: The effects of stereotypes on the perception of Asian American women's speech*. Thesis Advisor: Penelope Eckert
- Jan-March 1993 **L'École Supérieure de Commerce à Paris (ESCP)**, Paris, France
Stanford in Paris Program

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

- 2005-2006 **University Continuing Fellowship**
Graduate student fellowship (tuition and stipend), Graduate School, University of Texas at Austin
- 2004-2005 **National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant**
Support for fieldwork expenses, with Keith Walters, Principal Investigator
- 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002 **Professional Development Award**
Travel award, Graduate School, University of Texas at Austin
- 2001-2002, 1999-2000, 1997-1998 **University Preemptive Fellowship**
Graduate student fellowship (tuition and stipend), Graduate School, University of Texas at Austin
- June 1995 **Graduation with Departmental Honors**
Linguistics, Stanford University
- Fall 1994 **Stanford Undergraduate Research Opportunities Small Grant**
Grant for undergraduate thesis research, Stanford University

PUBLICATIONS

- 2006. Taking the mike: Performances of everyday identities and ideologies at a U.S. high school. In *SALSA XIII: Proceedings of the Thirteenth Annual Symposium about Language and Society—Austin*,

Er-Xin Lee, Kris M. Markman, Vivian Newdick, and Tomoko Sakuma eds. Pp. 39-49. Austin: Department of Linguistics, University of Texas

- 2004. Ideologies of legitimate mockery: Margaret Cho's revoicings of mock Asian. *Pragmatics*, 14 (2/3): 263-289
- 2004. Co-edited with Wai Fong Chiang, Laura Mahalingappa and Siri Mehus. *SALSA XI: Proceedings of the Eleventh Annual Symposium about Language and Society—Austin*. Austin, TX: Department of Linguistics, University of Texas
- 2001. The construction of white, black, and Korean American identities through African American Vernacular English. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*, 11(1): 52-64
- 2000. Talking about whiteness: The construction of Korean American male identities. In *SALSA 7: Proceedings of the Seventh Annual Symposium about Language and Society—Austin*, Anastasia Coles, Amanda Doran, and Nisha Merchant Goss, eds. Pp. 15-27. Austin: University of Texas, Department of Linguistics

PRESENTATIONS

- *Linguistic performances of racial authenticity by a multiracial Filipino American*. April 4-8, 2007, 2007 Association for Asian American Studies (AAAS) Conference, New York City, New York
- *The emergence of style in Mock Asian stylization*. Linguistic Society of America (LSA), January 6, 2007, Anaheim, California
- *Speaking like Asian immigrants: The ideological intersections of accommodation and mocking*. American Anthropological Association (AAA) 105th Annual Meeting, November 19, 2006, San Jose, California
- *Talking preppy: Indeterminacies of style, structure and social meaning*. New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 35, November 12, 2006, Columbus, Ohio
- *The meanings of Mock Asian in a Texas high school*. Race, Ethnicity and Place Conference III, November 2, 2006, Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas
- *Asian American language practices*. Panel participant for the symposium "At Home in Academia?" Examining the role of religion, language, and citizenship in shaping American identities. January 29, 2006, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles, California
- *Going back to Asia: Ideologies of language, time, place, and race in the construction of Asian American immigrant identities*. American Anthropological Association 104th Annual Meeting, November 30, 2005, Washington, DC
- *Constructing Korean American femininity through an AAVE-influenced youth style*. New Ways of Analyzing Variation 34, October 21, 2005. New York City, New York
- *The meanings of mock language in Asian American youth interactions*. UT Linguistic Circle, Austin, Texas, September 23, 2005
- *Quoting white girls: Interactional and ideological meanings of a mock feminine style among US youth*. The 14th World Congress of Applied Linguistics (AILA), July 24-29, 2005, Madison, Wisconsin
- *Taking the mike: Performances of everyday identities and ideologies at a U.S. high school*. Thirteenth Annual Symposium about Language and Society—Austin (SALSA), Austin, Texas, April 15, 2005

- *Constructing Korean masculinities through an American slang style*, Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA) Mini-Conference, November 19, 2004, Berkeley, California
- *Negotiating the use of kinship terms among Korean American youths*, NWAV 33, October 1, 2004, Ann Arbor, Michigan
- *Bimbos, gay guys, and dumb jocks: Humor and ideology in Margaret Cho's gendered crossing practices*, AAA 102nd Annual Meeting, November 19, 2003, Chicago, Illinois
- *Styling the self: Margaret Cho's (de)construction of identities through Mock Asian*, AAA 101st Annual Meeting, November 20, 2002, New Orleans, Louisiana
- *When Asians mock Asians: Authenticity, legitimacy, and community membership*, NWAV 31, October 11, 2002, Stanford, California
- *Naming and being named: Identity construction through talk about Korean American naming practices*, 2002 Association for Asian American Studies (AAAS) Conference, April 25, 2002, Salt Lake City, Utah
- *Defining Asian American femininity through reported speech*, Eighth Annual Student Conference: Emerging Scholarship in Women's and Gender Studies, Austin, Texas, February 15, 2001
- *Talking about whiteness: The construction of Korean American male identities*, Seventh Annual SALSA, Austin, Texas, April 9, 1999

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- *Sounding like a prep: Mock stylization as social practice at a Texas High School*, Linguistics Department Colloquium, University of Texas at Austin, February 5, 2007, Austin, Texas
- *The emergence of structure and meaning in mock stylization*. Linguistics Department Colloquium, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, January 25, 2007, Urbana, Illinois
- *Translating ching-chong: The meanings of Mock Asian stylization as public and local practice*. Asian American Studies Public Lecture, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, January 26, 2007, Urbana, Illinois

INVITED CLASS LECTURES

- *An introduction to mocking*. "Introduction to the Study of Language" instructed by Douglas Bigham, University of Texas at Austin, April 24, 2006
- *An introduction to mocking*. "Introduction to the Study of Language" instructed by Christina Willis, University of Texas at Austin, April 20, 2006

AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

- discourse analysis
- code-switching
- style-shifting and stylization
- language ideologies
- language and dialect contact
- language, gender, sexuality, race and class
- Asian American language and identity
- youth language and identity
- speech play and verbal art

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2006 **Assistant Instructor (Instructor of Record)**, “Language and Asian American Youth Cultures,” Center for Asian American Studies, University of Texas at Austin
- Fall 2003- Fall 2004 **Tutor**, Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), Killeen High School, Killeen, Texas. Tutored groups of mid-level high school students in various subjects.
- Spring 2003 **Assistant Instructor (Instructor of Record)**, “Introduction to the Study of Language,” Department of Linguistics, University of Texas at Austin
- Fall 2002 **Assistant Instructor (Instructor of Record)**, “Language, Gender, Ethnicity, and Asian American Identities,” Department of Linguistics, University of Texas at Austin
- Spring 2001 **Assistant Instructor (Instructor of Record)**, “Language, Gender, Ethnicity, and Asian American Identities,” Department of Linguistics, University of Texas at Austin
- Fall 2000 **Assistant Instructor (Instructor of Record)**, “Introduction to the Study of Language,” Department of Linguistics, University of Texas at Austin
- Spring 1999 **Teaching Assistant**, “Arguing about Language,” Professor Keith Walters, Department of Linguistics, University of Texas at Austin
- Fall 1998 **Teaching Assistant**, “Introduction to Syntax,” Professor Lisa Green, Department of Linguistics, University of Texas at Austin
- Sept 1995-
Oct 1996 **Language Instructor**, YBM/ELS Language Institute, Seoul, Korea.
Taught conversational English full-time to Korean adults
- Fall 1994-
Spring 1995 **Tutor**, Beechwood School Reading Buddies Program, East Palo Alto, California. Assisted two third-graders in reading and comprehension
- Jan 1992-
Jan 1994 **Tutor**, Korean Tutorial Program, San Jose, California. Served as a tutor and mentor for 8-15 year-old first to second-generation Korean American children needing assistance in English and other subject areas
- Fall 1992-
Spring 1993 **Tutor**, Ravenswood Stanford Tutorial Project, McNary Middle School, Redwood School District, California. Tutored a fifth-grade girl in reading and writing

SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE

- Jun-Aug 2006 **Research Assistant**, Science, Technology, and Society Program, University of Texas at Austin. Researched and wrote articles on the societal impacts of nanotechnology
- Jan-Sept 2005 **Research Assistant**, Science, Technology, and Society Program, University of Texas at Austin. Researched and compiled educational PowerPoint slides on the societal impacts of nanotechnology
- Aug 1998-May 1999 **Student Assistant**, Professor Chin-Oh Chu, Visiting Professor at the University of Texas from Sangmyung University, Seoul, Korea. Assisted in the preparation of lectures
- Jan-Sept 1996 **Proofreader**, YBM Overseas Center, Seoul, Korea. Proofread English letters and essays
- Sept 1994-Mar 1995 **Research Assistant**, Dr. Barbara White, Veteran's Administration Hospital, Palo Alto, California

SELECTED ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- *Co-Researcher*, Current research collaboration with Adrienne Lo (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) and Janet Oh (California State University Northridge). A sociolinguistic study of Korean American girltalk in California
- *Invited Participant*, Stanford Style Group Retreat organized by Penelope Eckert, June 12-14, 2006, Half Moon Bay, California
- *Contributing Researcher/Author*, The Nano Future: Introduction to Nanotechnology's Impacts on Society, an online textbook created by the Science, Technology and Society Program, University of Texas at Austin. Primary contributions to "Economies, Commerce & Technological Transformation."
- *Researcher/Author*, Nano, the Next Big Thing, PowerPoint teaching modules on the societal implication of nanotechnology. Created for the Science, Technology and Society Program, University of Texas at Austin under the direction of Professor Elizabeth Keating. Distributed at the Civic Forum on the Societal Implications of Nanotechnology, October 1, 2005
- *Panel Co-Organizer*, Using the past to explain the present: How the past lives on through linguistic practice, American Anthropological Association (AAA) 104th Annual Meeting, November 30, 2005, Washington, D.C. Organized with Er-Xin Lee and Chiho Sunakawa
- *Panel Co-Organizer*, The social meanings of styling in quoting practices, American Association for Applied Linguistics (AAAL), The 14th World Congress of Applied Linguistics (AILA), July 24-29, 2005, Madison, Wisconsin. Organized with Angela Reyes
- *Panel Organizer*, The leaky boundaries of language ideologies: Code-switching among speakers of East Asian languages, Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA) Mini-Conference, November 19, 2004, Berkeley, California
- *Referee*, *Journal of Pragmatics*, 2003, 2004, 2007
- *Conference Co-Chair*, Eleventh Annual Symposium About Language and Society—Austin (SALSA), 2002-2003

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Curriculum Vitae

- *Subcommittee Chair*, Publicity Committee, Ninth Annual Symposium About Language and Society—Austin (SALSA), 2000-2001
- *Subcommittee Chair*, Publicity Committee, Eighth Annual Symposium About Language and Society—Austin (SALSA), 1999-2000
- *Co-Organizer*, Sociolinguistics and Linguistic Anthropology Group (SLAG), University of Texas at Austin, Fall 1998-Fall 1999
- *Subcommittee Chair*, Catering Committee, Seventh Annual Symposium About Language and Society—Austin (SALSA), 1998-1999
- *Co-Organizer*, Sounds Group (graduate student phonetics and phonology group), University of Texas at Austin, Spring 1998-Fall 1998

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Linguistic Society of America
- American Anthropological Association
- International Pragmatics Association
- Association for Asian American Studies

LANGUAGES

- English (native)
- Korean (intermediate spoken, basic written)
- French (intermediate spoken and written)