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EDUCATION

Master of Arts by Research in Linguistics **2012 – 2015**

Nanyang Technological University

Dissertation title: *“Tonal Assignment of Malay Loanwords in Penang Hokkien”*

Advisor: Dr. Tan Ying Ying

Courses: Language Documentation, Malay Linguistics, Statistics for Psycholinguistics Research

Bachelor of Arts (Honours), 2nd upper class division **2008 – 2012**

Major in Linguistics, Minor in Chinese

Nanyang Technological University

Thesis title: *“Is Singapore English becoming American?”*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Officer **2015**

School of Humanities, Universiti Sains Malaysia

Project: Malaysian English, under supervision of Dr. Hajar Abdul Rahim

- Examined publication history of all published research regarding Malaysian English.
- Produced detailed summaries for various aspects of Malaysian English.
- Collected preliminary data of Malaysian English’s linguistic landscape.
- Planned and assisted in the setting up of an archive website for Malaysian English.

Research Assistant **2012**

School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University

Project: Languages in Singapore, under supervision of Dr. Tan Ying Ying

- Setting up of survey website for the data collection of new loanwords in Singapore English.
- Assisted in the management of the Languages in Singapore course material and assignments.

Research Assistant **2009 - 2010**

School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University

Project: Bilingual Emotion, under supervision of Dr. Ng Bee Chin

- Eliciting language-specific words for four emotion domains in Mandarin.
- Translating research material and survey questions from English to Mandarin.
- Setting up of data collection website for the Emotion Language on International Negotiation project.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Literature Instructor

2016

Department of Languages, KDU University College Penang

- Instructor of record for Cambridge International Examination's A Levels Literature in English course for two semesters.
- Integrated interactive and multimedia elements in the teaching of literature.
- Obtained an average student feedback score of 4.8/5

English Lecturer

2016

Department of Languages, KDU University College Penang

- Lecturer of record for English general elective classes for Diploma and Degree students.
- Taught the following courses for multiple semesters: Oral Communication, IELTS Preparatory Course, Academic English.
- Obtained an average student feedback score of 4.5/5

Teaching Assistant

2013

School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University

- Planned and taught tutorials for Bilingualism and Multilingualism Course.
- Led student discussions on social and academic issues pertaining course syllabus.
- Graded assignment essays and exams.
- Obtained an average student feedback score of 4/5

AWARDS

NTU Research Scholarship

2012 - 2014

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Tones and Loanwords: Tonal Assignment of Malay Loanwords in Penang Hokkien" - Paper submitted at *Language Contact in Asia and the Pacific*, 14-15 September 2016, Macau.

"Implications of Language Contact: Tones on Loanwords in Penang Hokkien" - Poster presented at *International Symposium on Bilingualism*, 10-13 June 2013, Singapore.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Lecturer

2015 - 2016

KDU University College Penang

- Plan and write curriculum and course outlines for ongoing and upcoming courses.
- Teach and manage academic classes and student activities.

Piano Teacher

2015 - 2016

Digital Music Academy

- Plan and teach music and piano lessons on a weekly basis.

- Prepare students for the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music examinations.

Writer

2015 – 2016

The Smart Local

- Produce travel and lifestyle articles for online travel and lifestyle portal.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Project Manager

2016

KDU University College Penang

- Planned and facilitated Academic Reading and Writing Programme for graduate students from Thailand.
- Planned and facilitated pilot Youth Ambassador Program for undergraduate students from Japan.

Student Assistant

2008 – 2009

Nanyang Technological University

- Prepared recommended readings and notes for various courses under the Division of Linguistics and Multilingual Studies.
- Managed online notice board and forum for various courses.

LANGUAGES

Written: English, Mandarin, Malay

Spoken: English, Mandarin, Malay, Hokkien, Cantonese.

REFERENCES

Dr. Tan Ying Ying, Associate Professor and Head of Division

Division of Linguistics and Multilingual Studies

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