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### EDUCATION: DEGREES

- 2003–2012            Stanford University, Stanford, CA. Ph.D. in Linguistics with Designation in Cognitive Science, completed Dec. 2011. Dissertation: "Acquisition of Sociolinguistic Knowledge in a Mandarin-English Dual Immersion School." Committee: Penelope Eckert, John R. Rickford, Eve Clark.
- 1999–2003            Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. A.B. in Linguistics and Related Field Art History, Certificate in Mandarin Chinese. Thesis: "Dialects of Irish on Irish-Language Television." Committee: Bert Vaux, Calvert Watkins, Jie Zhang.
- 1995–1999            Princeton High School, Princeton, NJ.

### EDUCATION: OTHER

- Summer 2004            Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China. Princeton in Beijing. (Princeton University Mandarin Chinese language program.)
- Summer 2001            Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland. Program in Irish Studies.
- 1997–1998            Princeton University, Princeton, NJ. Coursework in Linguistics and Philosophy of Language.

### EMPLOYMENT: TEACHING

- 2013–present            National University of Singapore. Assistant Professor, Department of English Language and Literature. Courses taught: Nature of Language, Bilingualism, and Language Variation and Change.
- 2012–2013            Carnegie Mellon University. A.W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in the Humanities. Courses taught: Introduction to Language Variation and Change and Chinese Linguistics.
- 2009–2010            Tulane University. Visiting Lecturer with joint appointment in Linguistics (within Anthropology Department) and Asian Studies. Courses taught:

- Sociolinguistics, Semantics, and Chinese language levels one and three. Proposed and developed undergraduate Chinese major.
- 2009–2010 New Orleans Chinese Language Academy. Instructor. Taught Mandarin Chinese language to children and adults.
- 2008–2009 Stanford University. Assistant Instructor for First Year Modern Chinese. Department of Asian Languages. Head Instructor: Hong Zeng.
- 2005–2007 Stanford University. Teaching Assistant for African American Vernacular English, Language in Society, Phonetics, Intensive English for Visiting Scholars.
- 2004 Write-Online. Writing Instructor and Course Developer. Program for 5th and 6th graders at Tak Sun Academy, Hong Kong.
- 2003–2004 I Have a Dream Program. 3rd grade Reading Tutor in East Palo Alto, CA.
- 2002–2003 Chinatown ESL. Program Director. Managed program providing free instruction to over 450 students in Boston's Chinatown community. Developed new ESL curriculum specialized for Mandarin and Cantonese speakers.

#### **OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 2006–2013 Better Chinese. Editor and consultant. Developed and edited content for Magical Tour of China, Discovering Chinese, and Modern Chinese, Mandarin Chinese textbooks for elementary through college students.
- 2000–2001 The Spark and Sparknotes. Production Manager. Designed and produced web pages for site with over 3 million members. Managed production teams in Boston and New York offices.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- forthcoming* Starr, Rebecca L. "Predicting NP Forms in Vernacular Written Cantonese." *Journal of Chinese Linguistics*.
- Starr, Rebecca L. "Sweet Voice: The role of voice quality in a Japanese feminine style." *Language in Society*.
- 2012 Hall-Lew, Lauren, Rebecca L. Starr, and Elizabeth Coppock. "Style-Shifting in the U.S. Congress: The foreign (a) vowel in 'Iraq(i)'." In Juan Manuel Hernandez Campoy and Juan Antonio Cutillas Espinosa, eds. *Style-Shifting in Public: New Perspectives on Stylistic Variation*. Amsterstam: John Benjamins.
- 2012 Podesva, Robert J, Jason Brenier, Lauren Hall-Lew, Stacy Lewis, and Rebecca L. Starr. "Condoleezza Rice and the Sociophonetic Construction of Identity."

In Juan Manuel Hernandez Campoy and Juan Antonio Cutillas Espinosa, eds. *Style-Shifting in Public: New Perspectives on Stylistic Variation*. Amsterstam: John Benjamins.

- 2010 Starr, Rebecca L. "Teaching the Standard Without Speaking the Standard: Variation Among Mandarin-Speaking Teachers in a Dual-Immersion School." *Working Papers in Linguistics: Selected Papers from NWAV 37*. University of Pennsylvania.
- 2010 Hall-Lew, Lauren and Rebecca L. Starr. "Beyond the 2nd Generation: English Use among Chinese Americans in the San Francisco Bay Area." *English Today* 26(3). 12-19.
- 2010 Hall-Lew, Lauren, Elizabeth Coppock, and Rebecca L. Starr. "Indexing Political Persuasion: Variation in the Iraq Vowels." *American Speech* 85(1). 91-102.
- 2005 Zheng, Yanli, Richard Sproat, Liang Gu, Izhak Shafran, Haolang Zhou, Yi Su, Daniel Jurafsky, Rebecca Starr and Su-Youn Yoon. "Accent Detection and Speech Recognition for Shanghai-Accented Mandarin." In *Proceedings of EUROSPEECH-05*, Lisbon, Portugal.

#### **MANUSCRIPTS**

- In submission Starr, Rebecca L. and Stephanie Shih. "The syllable as a prosodic unit in Japanese lexical strata: evidence from text-setting." Manuscript in submission to *Phonology*.
- Under revision Starr, Rebecca L. "Phonological Variation in Shanghai Mandarin." Manuscript under revision for *Language Variation and Change*.

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- 2013 Moon, Kyuwon, Rebecca L. Starr and Jinsok Lee. Paper: The role of African American English and Anglicized Korean in the construction of authenticity in Korean popular hip hop. Linguistic Society of America (LSA) conference in Boston, MA.
- 2012a Moon, Kyuwon, Rebecca L. Starr and Jinsok Lee. Poster: "I roll my tongue when I rap": Anglicized Korean and the construction of authenticity in Korean popular hip hop. New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) conference in Bloomington, IN.
- 2012b Starr, Rebecca L. Paper: "Student Language Acquisition in Dialectally Diverse Dual-Language Immersion Classrooms." Center for Advanced Research on Language Acquisition 2012 conference in St. Paul, MN.
- 2012c Starr, Rebecca L. and Stephanie Shih. Paper: "Moraicity in Translated versus Native Japanese Text-Setting." Metrics, Music and Mind conference in Rome, Italy.

- 2012d Starr, Rebecca L. and Stephanie Shih. Paper: "Variation in Moraicity in Japanese Text-Setting." Linguistic Society of America (LSA) conference in Portland, OR.
- 2012e Starr, Rebecca L. Poster: "Student Language Acquisition in Dialectally Diverse Dual-Language Immersion Classrooms." Linguistic Society of America (LSA) conference in Portland, OR.
- 2012f Starr, Rebecca L. Paper: "Disambiguating Romanized Chinese Personal Names: A corpus-based approach to back-transliteration and gender identification." Meeting of the American Name Society in Portland, OR.
- 2011a Starr, Rebecca L. Poster: "The Influence of Teacher and Classmate Variation on Language Acquisition in Dual-Language Immersion Classrooms" New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) conference in Washington D.C.
- 2011b Starr, Rebecca L. Paper: "Variation in Affective Sentence-Final Particle Use and Transcription on Taiwanese Mandarin Television Dramas." SALSA XIX conference in Austin, TX.
- 2011c Starr, Rebecca L. and Huihsin Tseng. Paper: "'It's very manly ei!': Variation in affective sentence-final particles in Taiwanese Mandarin Television Dramas." New Ways of Analyzing Variation Asia/Pacific (NWAV-A/P) conference in Delhi, India.
- 2011d Starr, Rebecca L. and Huihsin Tseng. Poster: "Variation in affective sentence-final particles in Taiwanese Mandarin Television Dramas." Linguistic Society of America (LSA) conference in Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2010a Starr, Rebecca L. Paper: "Variation in the Classroom: teachers, students, and standard language." American Anthropological Association (AAA) conference in New Orleans, LA.
- 2010b Starr, Rebecca L. Paper: "'Abbrevs is Totes the Lang of the Fuche': Variation and performance of abbreviation slang." American Dialect Society (ADS) conference in Baltimore, MD.
- 2009 Starr, Rebecca L. Poster: "Phonological Variation Among Mandarin-Speaking Teachers in a Dual-Immersion School." Linguistic Society of America (LSA) conference in San Francisco, California.
- 2008a Starr, Rebecca L. Paper: "Teaching the Standard Without Speaking the Standard: Variation Among Mandarin-Speaking Teachers in a Dual-Immersion School." New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) conference in Houston, Texas.
- 2008b Starr, Rebecca L. Poster: "Corrective Behavior and Sociolinguistic Knowledge in a Mandarin-English Dual Immersion School." Linguistic Society of America (LSA) conference in Chicago, Illinois.
- 2007a Starr, Rebecca L. Paper: "Sweet voice: the role of voice quality in a Japanese feminine style." American Anthropological Association (AAA) conference in Washington, DC.

- 2007b Hall-Lew, Lauren, Elizabeth Coppock, and Rebecca L. Starr. Paper: "Variation in the 'Iraq' Vowel." New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2007c Podesva, Robert, Jason Brenier, Stacy Lewis, Patrick Callier, and Rebecca L. Starr. Paper: "Multiple Features, Multiple Identities: A Sociophonetic Profile of Condoleezza Rice." American Dialect Society (ADS) conference in Anaheim, California.
- 2007d Starr, Rebecca L. Poster: "The Role of Previous Form in Predicting NP Form in Vernacular Written Cantonese." Linguistic Society of America (LSA) conference in Anaheim, California.
- 2006a Starr, Rebecca L. and Rebecca Greene. Paper: "Beyond Cuteness: The Role of Voice Quality in Performing Stylized Femininities in Japanese." New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) conference in Columbus, Ohio.
- 2006b Podesva, Robert, Jason Brenier, Stacy Lewis, Patrick Callier, and Rebecca L. Starr. Poster: "Multiple Features, Multiple Identities: A Sociophonetic Profile of Condoleezza Rice." New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) conference in Columbus, Ohio.
- 2004 Starr, Rebecca L. and Daniel Jurafsky. Paper: "Phonological Variation in Shanghai Mandarin." New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) conference in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

### **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, HONORS**

- 2013 "Children's Acquisition of Sociolinguistic Knowledge in Bilingual School Settings," Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, National University of Singapore, start-up research grant (\$\$30,000).
- 2012–2013 A.W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon University.
- Fall 2011 Finalist for Best Student Poster, NWAV conference in Washington, D.C. Summer
- Summer 2004 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Summer Fellowship for language study in Beijing.
- Summer 2002 Harvard College Research Fellowship
- Spring 2002 John Harvard Scholarship

### **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

- 2009–2010 Program Accreditation Committee. Tulane University Linguistics Program.

- 2009–2010 Chinese Major Development. Tulane University Asian Studies Program.
- 2009–2010 Head of Website Redevelopment. Tulane University Asian Studies Program.
- 2008–2009 Experimental Lab Coordinator. Stanford University Linguistics Department.
- 2007–2009 Subject Pool Coordinator. Stanford University Linguistics Department.
- 2006–2007 Undergraduate Adviser. Stanford University Linguistics Department.
- 2005–2009 Fieldwork Committee. Stanford University Linguistics Department.
- 2005–2008 Phonetics Lab Development Committee. Stanford University Linguistics Department.
- 2003–2007 Undergraduate Studies Committee. Stanford University Linguistics Department.
- 2003 Child Language Research Forum (CLRF) Planning Committee.

**COMPUTER SKILLS**

Programming Languages: Python, Perl, Java  
 Web Design: HTML, CSS, Javascript, PHP  
 Software: Eclipse, Gimp, SPSS, LaTeX, R, rbrul, Praat, Norm

**LANGUAGES**

Native/Advanced: English, Mandarin  
 Intermediate: Cantonese, Japanese  
 Beginner: Irish Gaelic, French, Latin, Hebrew