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ANNOTATED SUMMARIES OF SECOND LANGUAGE STUDIES GRADUATE WORK AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT MĀNOA, 2022-2023

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The 2022-2023 academic year marked a return to normal after the disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic to our department's research activities. This year a sizable group of hard-working graduate students completed their studies, and their scholarly papers and dissertations represent a significant contribution to a broad range of topics in second language acquisition, pedagogy, and use. To learn more about each project, all available scholarly papers and dissertations have been summarized below. PhD dissertations can be found on ScholarSpace at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (https://scholarspace.manoa.hawaii.edu).

Graduation	Student Name	Degree	Title of Scholarly Paper (AGC, MA) or Dissertation (PhD)
Term			
Fall 2022	Zhong, 'Crystal'	PhD	What Gets Transferred in L3 Acquisition? Ditransitives and Passivization of the Double
	Jing		Object Construction in L3 Mandarin
			This experimental study focuses on the nature of transfer in third language (L3)
		acquisition with the contribution of new data collected from less commonly-studied	
			populations of L3 learners, including L1Cantonese–L2English–L3Mandarin (CEM)
			learners and L1Korean-L2English-L3Mandarin (KEM) learners of Mandarin Chinese.
			The work provides an up-to-date overview of contemporary models of L3 acquisition,

			including the L1 Status Factor, L2 Status Factor, Typological Primacy, Scalpel, and
			Principal Language of Communication models, and explores the influence of L2
			proficiency on the source of transfer to the L3. Study participants completed
			acceptability judgement tasks in both their L2 and L3 Mandarin, and five linguistic
			phenomena were tested, including the Double Object Construction, the Prepositional
			Dative Construction, the Reverse Prepositional Dative Construction, the Passivization
			of Recipient, and the Passivization of the Theme. Results indicate that, for these
			learners, the L1 is the source of transfer, providing support to the L1 Status Factor and
			Typological Primacy models. Furthermore, no significant correlations were found
			between L2 proficiency and the source of L3 transfer.
Spring 2023	Diez Ortega, Maria	PhD	Collaborative Gaming in L2 Spanish: The Impact of Playing a Task-Based Digital
			Game on Beginner Learners' Language Development
Spring 2023	Ho, Kendi	PhD	Health Communication in Home Care for Elders in Hawaiʻi
			This dissertation focuses on the intercultural communicative practices of multilingual
			caregivers of elders and their families in instutional settings in Hawai'i. Mixed method
			research was used to explore the perceptions of stakeholders of the communication of
			multilingual care workers through sequential exploration of qualitative and quantitative
			data. Qualitative data triangulation of 40 semi-structured interviews, four home
			observations, and four stimulated recalls was carried out through thematic content and
			discourse analysis. Results showed that successful multilingual care workers employed

sociopragmatic strategies to manage rapport and and the local cultural order through the use of Pidgin, the local insider language and build solidarity for more effective outcomes. Based on the qualitative data analysis, items for an initial survey were designed to investigate six constructs: care, appropriate assessment, professional competency, rapport management, cross-cultural communication, and language choice/prosody, to identify salient communicative activities for a second survey. The study contributes to limited available research on therapeutic home care communication of multilingual care workers, and results indicate that care workers and elders orient to multiple levels of context in daily activities. Furthermore, the integration of qualitative and quantitative data analysis, as well as consultation with stakeholders during each phase of instrument development, increased the validity and relevance of survey items. Finally, implications of this study indicate the need for language curriculum designers and instructors to consult with domain experts when developing English for Medical Purposes language programs.

Spring 2023

Liu, Yang

PhD

Let's Go! Learning Chinese with a Place-based Mobile Game

This study describes the creation and implementation of a place-based augmented reality (AR) mobile game for Chinese as a Second Language (CSL) learners at Peking University. Students' gameplay sessions were video-recorded during a seven-week course and Multimodal Conversation Analysis was used to analyze mobility, temporality, and engagement with objects in interaction. The analysis focused on three recurring activities, including collaborative reading of instructions and dialogue in the

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Schwartz, Bethany

Faye

game, approaching passers-by to participate in the game, and experiencing places through social interactions. Findings demonstrate that study participants managed multiple devices together as a group to complete the tasks in the game, especially when moving from one place to another, and also engaged with linguistic resources in the game text as learning objects. Students also demonstrated increasingly developed linguistic and semiotic resources over the seven-week course when formatting actions, including self-introduction and activity explanation. The work contributes a model for designing, developing, and implementing a mobile AR game, and new insight on game-based L2 learning and interaction. Language Use and Code-Shifting Among Pidgin (Hawai'i Creole) Speaking Children This work examines the use of Pidgin (Hawai'i Creole) by bidialectal/bilingual children
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in Hawai'i and consists of two related studies exploring the morphosyntactic features of
Pidgin, as well as how children's use of Pidgin varies across different interlocutors and
tasks. In the first study, adult Pidgin speakers rated audio story retell recordings of K-3
children in Hawai'i from a corpus of previously collected data to determine the best
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samples for morphosyntactic analysis. Analysis of those samples indicated that Pidgin-

children's typical Pidgin usage, rather than developmental English usage. In the second

small-scale study, language samples from 14 Hawaiian children were collected across

two tasks, story retell and play-based conversation, in two contexts, an English context

			with White English speakers and a Pidgin context with Local Pidgin speakers. Analysis
			of the mean Pidgin feature use, or Pidgin Density Measure (PDM) demonstrated a
			positive trend between higher PDMs during story retell tasks in the Pidgin context, as
			well as a positive correlation between mean PDM and current Pidgin exposure as
			estimated by parents. Overall, the study contributes tentative evidence that child
			speakers of Pidgin adapt their language use to the situational context and provides a
			more detailed description of child Pidgin than was previously available.
Spring 2023	Bertulfo, Maribel	MA	Critical Pedagogy for Filipino Heritage Learners in Hawaii
Spring 2023	Chen, Pinzhen	MA	Translanguaging Practices in a Chinese Language Classroom in Hawaii
Spring 2023	Coney, Nicholas	MA	Examining English Proficiency Tests and Cut Scores across R1 University Admission Policies
Spring 2023	Guevarra, Krissa	MA	Roles of Two Assistant Language Teachers in their Teaching Journey: A Narrative
	Mae		Analysis
Spring 2023	Nguyen, Hoan	MA	Facilitative Use of Classifiers in Heritage Vietnamese
Spring 2023	Park, Seulji	MA	Challenges for Teacher Professional Development: Reality of Collaborative
			Professional Learning Community in South Korea
Spring 2023	Skaggs, Keilyn	MA	Needs Analysis: Potential English Language Program for Caregivers of K-8 Students

Spring 2023	Eastman, Lydia	AGC	Identity and Social Media Interactions between L1 and L2 Spanish Speakers: The case of Reddit Postings
			This study investigates how Spanish-speaking social media users present their identities
			in the anonymous digital setting of Reddit. The investtigation focused on users of the
			subreddit r/Spanish, dedicated to discussions on Spanish language learning, pragmatics,
			and metalinguistic explanations of Spanish among both L1 and L2 speakers. The study
			was informed by digital discourse and pragmatics and anlayzed two Reddit postings and
			discussions between posters. Results demonsrated how users utilize personal user flair,
			discourse, cyber pragmatics, and digital resources to present their online identities, and
			contribute to academic works on the pragmatics and spontaneous digital discourse of
			language learners.
Summer 2023	Bacchus, Laura	MA	Affordances of Twitch for Language Learning
Summer 2023	Downes, Lori	MA	How Have Language Learning Journals Responded to the Replication Crisis?
Summer 2023	Doyama, Akiko	MA	Implementing Global Englishes Activities into an EAP Classroom
Summer 2023	Hannah, Nicole	MA	A Singer's Privilege?: A Study on Learning Pronunciation through the Lenses of a Singer
Summer 2023	Iida, Chisae	MA	The Effectiveness of One-on-One Teaching English Pronunciation for an Adult Japanese English Learner

Summer 2023	Kanehira, Homare	MA	Needs Analysis of Business English Users in Japan and Korea
			written communication through multimodal analysis.
			contributes to the body of work investigating digital interactions with both oral and
			English translation are employed by participants in the live streaming event. This paper
			language brokers. Multimodal and multilingual practices such as codeswitching and
			soliciting repair or directing his gaze to the chat where audience members act as
			chat messages enable the streamer to manage oral interactions with other players, by
			the streamer participate in ongoing interactions. The analysis demonstrates how live
			language brokering between a focal live streamer and audience participants who help
			Through Multimodal Conversation Analysis, this paper explores the concept of
Summer 2023	Itakura, Naoki	MA	Audience Members as Language Brokers in Live-Streamed Gaming Session
			lead to gains in comprehensibility and accentedness.
			pronunciation tutoring, and indicate that explicit instruction and consistent practice ca
			The study contributes insignts on the effectiveness of targeted one-on-one
			comprehensibility, but phonemic production did not improve across all target sounds.
			English pronunciation instruction. Results showed improvement in accentedness and
			addressing segmental and suprasegental features and totaled 16 hours of intensive
			enhance comprehensibility and speech accentedness through explicit instruction
			accentedness of an adult Japanese English learner. The intervention was designed to
			training on the productive accuracy of English phonemes, comprehensibility, and

Summer 2023	Livingston, Cassidy	MA	L2 Learners' Perception of Long Vowels and Germinates in Japanese Dialects
			This experimental study investigates the relationship between learners' perceptual
			accuracy of Japanese phonological features, including germinates and long vowels, and
			the influence of different Japanese dialects, including Standard, Okinawa, and Kansai
			dialects. Participated completed two transcription tasks of nonwords in Hiragana;
			nonwords included a long vowel, germinate, or minimal pairs with vowels and
			singletons. Results were analyzed with R through mixed-effects logistic regressions,
			and indicated that learners' perceptual accuracy dropped when transcribing nonwords
			containing long vowels. Learners' perceptual performances were not affected by
			differences in dialect.
Summer 2023	Napoleon, Noelani	MA	Reclaiming the "True" Hawai'i in a Podcast: A Discourse Analysis of Decolonial
			Practices
			This study investigates the discursive practices of two diasporic Hawai'i locals through
			the analysis of a podcast, and seeks to answer the question, "How do Hawai'i locals
			discursively reclaim and decolonize Hawai'i history and practices from the continental
			United States?" Through the lens of discursive tools focusing on the tactics of
			intersubjectivity, results showed that the two podcasts hosts utilized their social
			identities to assert their authority and reject colonial narratives, through epistemic,
			dialogic, and affective stance-taking. The findings contribute to studies on the discourse
			of decolonial efforts in Hawai'i.

Summer 2023	Roos, Sachiko	MA	Language Use of Japanese-English Bilingual Families and Association with Children's
			Oral Proficiency in Heritage Japanese
			This experimental study focuses on the relationship between proximal and distal input
			factors influencing the development and maintainence of the oral and lexical
			proficiency of Japanese heritage language learners. Study participants included 21
			children belonging to Japanese-English speaking bicultural families in Hawai'i and
			Washington. Participants completed an oral picture naming task and a semi-structured
			interview about their family language use. Mothers and fathers of the children
			completed online surveys about family language use and other factors influencing their
			children's language acquisition. Results demonstrated consistency in reciprocal
			language use between children and parents, such that the quantity of parental language
			output was positively correlated with children's oral lexical proficiency.
Summer 2023	Wu, Jieying	MA	Expertise in Action: Explaining Technical Terms in Expert Witness Testimony under
			Direct Examination in a Courtroom