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Education

- 2021– *Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of California, Los Angeles*
Thesis: “Experimental investigations of marginal phonemes”
Committee: Pat Keating, Bruce Hayes, Claire Moore-Cantwell, Kie Zuraw
- 2021 *C.Phil. in Linguistics, University of California, Los Angeles*
- 2019 *M.A. in Linguistics, University of California, Los Angeles*
Thesis: “Phonetic evidence for a feed-forward model: Rounding and center of gravity of English [ʃ]”
Committee: Pat Keating, Megha Sundara (co-chairs), Bruce Hayes
- 2016 *B.A. in Linguistics, Swarthmore College*
Thesis: “Historical phonology should be conducted with a basis in phonetics”
Advisor: Nathan Sanders

Publications

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- In Press Minkova, Donka & **Z.L. Zhou**. Nominal compounds in OE meter and prosody.
- Resub. Minkova, Donka & **Z.L. Zhou**. Pre-17th-century metrical and lexicographical evidence for functional stress-shifts.
- 2022 Sundara, Megha, **Z.L. Zhou**, Canaan Breiss, Hironori Katsuda, & Jeremy Steffman. [Infants’ developing sensitivity to native language phonotactics: A meta-analysis](#). *Cognition* 221. DOI: [10.1016/J.COGNITION.2021.104993](https://doi.org/10.1016/J.COGNITION.2021.104993)
- 2019 Gasser, Emily, Byron Ahn, Donna Jo Napoli, & **Z.L. Zhou**. [Production, perception, and communicative goals of American newscaster speech](#). *Language in Society* 48(2): 233-259. DOI: [10.1017/S0047404518001392](https://doi.org/10.1017/S0047404518001392)

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- 2019 **Zhou, Z.L.** & Byron Ahn. [Is this in the phonology? Examining the intonational phonetics-phonology interface with American English polar questions](#).

In Sasha Calhoun, Paola Escudero, Marija Tabain & Paul Warren (eds), *Proceedings of the International Congress of Phonetic Sciences* 19: 2450–2454.

EDITED VOLUMES

- 2019 Stockwell, Richard, Maura O’Leary, Zhongshi Xu, & **Z.L. Zhou** (eds). *Proceedings of the 36th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics*. Somerville, MA, USA: Cascadilla Proceedings Project.

MANUSCRIPTS AND REPORTS

- 2022 Byron Ahn, **Z.L. Zhou**, Emily Gasser, & Donna Jo Napoli. Prosodic Features of Newscaster Intonation. Ms.
- 2021 Bumford, Dylan, Claire Moore-Cantwell, Jessica Rett, & **Z.L. Zhou**. Linguistics Department Climate Report. Report.
- 2020 **Zhou, Z.L.**. No lexical effects found for the helping feature [round] on English postalveolar fricatives. Ms.
- 2020 Xu, Angela, Dylan Ross, & **Z.L. Zhou**. Are there no back vowels? Effects of vowel frontness on [ʃ] rounding. Ms.

Presentations

TALKS

- 2018 Prosodic features of newscaster intonation: Production, perception, and communicative use. With Byron Ahn, Emily Gasser, & Donna Jo Napoli. @ Experimental and Theoretical Advances in Prosody 4 (*ETAP4*), UMass Amherst.
- 2016 [Towards an articulatory understanding of historical phonology](#). @ Harvard Undergraduate Linguistics Colloquium 13, Harvard University.
@ Hunter Undergraduate Linguistics and Language Studies 6, Hunter College.

POSTERS

- 2021 [Towards substantively biased typology: Effects of environment on P-map biases](#). With Canaan Breiss. @ LSA 95, Cyberspace.
- 2019 [Flap articulation and lowered fourth formant](#). With Matthew Faytak, Jacob Aziz, Phillip Barnett, Jinyoung Jo, Jennifer Kuo, Gabriel Teixeira, Joy Wu, and Patricia Keating. @ ASA 178, San Diego, CA.
- 2018 [Spurious pitch movements in American English polar questions](#). With Byron Ahn. @ Experimental and Theoretical Advances in Prosody 4 (*ETAP4*), UMass Amherst.

Honors & awards

2020	Metalab Contribution Challenge (\$1000)	Stanford University
2019	Graduate Research Mentorship (\$20000)	UCLA
"	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention	
2018	Graduate Summer Research Mentorship (\$6000)	UCLA
2016	The Linguistics Prize in Linguistic Theory	Swarthmore College
"	Sigma Xi associate member	
"	Sigma Xi Research Travel Grant (\$374)	Swarthmore College
"	Dean's Office Travel Grant (\$400)	" "

Teaching & research

INSTRUCTOR

2021 SP	College Teaching of Linguistics	Ling 495, UCLA
2020 SU	Phonology II	Ling 165A "

TASHIPS

2022 SP	Intonation	Ling 111, UCLA
2022 W	Introduction to Applied Phonetics	Ling 102 "
2021 F	" " General Phonetics	Ling 103 "
2021 W	Phonology I	Ling 120A "
2020 F	Introduction to General Phonetics	Ling 103 "
2019 SU	" " Study of Language	Ling 1 "
2019 SP	" " Applied Phonetics	Ling 102 "
2019 W	" " General Phonetics	Ling 103 "
2018 F	" " Study of Language	Ling 1 "

RASHIPS

2019–22	<i>Research Assistant for Prof. Donka Minkova</i>	UCLA
	Data collection and analysis for projects revolving around the phonological and prosodic properties of Old and Middle English prose and poetry.	
2021	<i>Climate Survey Research Assistant for Prof. Jessica Rett</i>	UCLA
	Assisted in all aspects (design, creation, administration, analysis, presentation) of a departmental climate survey seeking to identify strengths and weaknesses of the department's performance, policies, and context.	

- 2016–17 *Post-Baccalaureate Research Assistant* Princeton University
 Constructed and conducted experiments investigating intonation and prosody.
 Advisor: Byron Ahn
- 2016 *Research Assistant for Prof. Byron Ahn* Swarthmore College
 Created stimuli for a project examining anaphor-related prosodic patterns.
- 2014 *Research Assistant for Prof. Donna Jo Napoli*
 Helped prepare Tom Humphries et al., 2014. [What medical education can do to ensure robust language development in deaf children](#). *Medical Science Educator* 24(4): 409–419. DOI: [10.1007/s40670-014-0073-7](#)
- 2013 *Research Assistant for Profs. Donna Jo Napoli and Nathan Sanders*
 Annotated data for Nathan Sanders & Donna Jo Napoli, 2016. [Reactive effort as a factor that shapes sign language lexicons](#). *Language* 92(2): 275–297. DOI: [10.1353/LAN.2016.0032](#)

GRADER

- 2014–16 Historical & Comparative Linguistics Ling 52, Swarthmore College
 Phonetics & Phonology Ling 45, Swarthmore College
 Syntax Ling 50, Swarthmore College

Service

DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES

- 2021 Climate Committee (Subcommittee: Department Relations)
 Job Search Committee

GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES

- 2021 Member: Open House, Colloquium
- 2020 Chair: Open House
 Member: Colloquium
- 2019 President of Graduate Linguistics Circle
 Chair: Faculty feedback, Remodeling
 Member: Colloquium
- 2018 Chair: Open House, Certificates
 Member: Colloquium, Teaching evaluation, T-shirts
- 2017 Chair: Certificates
 Member: Open House, Colloquium, Food, T-shirts

UNDERGRADUATE ADVISING

- 2020 Dylan Ross, Angela Xu
2019 Dylan Ross, Angela Xu, Amir Gold
2018 Suyuan Liu, Ingrid Mattinger

REVIEWING

- 2019– Southern California Undergraduate Linguistics Conference

MISCELLANEOUS

- 2021– *Department Union Steward*
2019– *GUM Mentor*
Mentor in UCLA’s Graduate-Undergraduate Mentorship program
2016– *Swarthmore Alumni Admissions Volunteer*
Interviewer for students applying to Swarthmore College

Skills

TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Programs: Praat, ELAN, Excel; Adobe InDesign, Photoshop, Premiere Pro
Languages: Praatscript, L^AT_EX, Python, R; C++, JavaScript, HTML

LANGUAGES

English (*native*), Mandarin Chinese (*native*), Hangzhouese (*receptively native*),
French (*working proficiency*)

Other work

CONSULTING

- 2020 *Linguistics consultant* Forte Muzika
Created IPA transcription for an arrangement of Czech folk music
2018 *Linguistics consultant* Voyager Studios
Created reversed lyrics for Mahalia’s music video [I Wish I Missed My Ex](#). Also
served as on location performance coach

POEMS

- 2021 "to your country, this phrase". In Betsy Bolton & Donna Carpenter McKeever (eds), *Opening Vistas: A Festschrift in Honor of Nathalie F. Anderson*: 97. Swarthmore College Department of English Literature.
- 2019, Sep. "hexagram 1", "hexagram 7", "hexagram 40", "hexagram 29". *Posit* 22.
- 2017, Dec. "Icarus, returning". *Under a Warm Green Linden* 4.
- 2017, Apr. "In the North Room". *plain china* 5(2).