Department of Chinese Language and Literature, Hong Kong Shue Yan University

Position: Full-time Research Assistant

Project Title: The interactions of L1 and L2 tonal systems in Mandarin-Cantonese late

bilinguals

Principal Investigator: Dr Yike Yang

The appointment will be made on the basis of a six-month contract starting from July 2024, with a possibility of renewal (subject to funding availability and mutual agreement). The

remuneration will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Requirements

The applicant should have: 1) a bachelor degree or above in linguistics, speech science, Chinese,

psychology or a related discipline, preferably with a concentration in phonetics, language

acquisition, psycholinguistics, or corpus linguistics; 2) enthusiasm for linguistics research,

preferably with some relevant publication record; 3) an excellent command of spoken and

written Chinese (including Cantonese and Mandarin) and English; 4) strong communication

and interpersonal skills, preferably with experience in administering behavioural experiments;

5) preferably experience with tools such as Praat, PsychoPy, Gorilla, Audacity, R and Python;

6) diligence, responsibility and thoroughness towards work.

Responsibilities

The applicant will be responsible for the following tasks: 1) designing and testing the stimuli

of the experiments; 2) recruiting and identifying eligible participants for this project and

conducting the experiments; 3) processing and annotating the collected data and performing

preliminary analyses; 4) writing up research reports; and 5) other research and administrative

duties as assigned by the Principal Investigator.

Application

Application documents include: 1) a completed application form; 2) a cover letter, a curriculum

vitae and a writing sample (either in English or Chinese); and 3) copies of qualification

certificates, award certificates and other relevant documents.

Applicants should submit their complete application documents to Dr Yike Yang at

yyang@hksyu.edu (Subject: RA application + full name). All applications will be treated in

strict confidence.

The selection process will begin immediately upon receipt of applications. Applicants will be

invited for an interview within six weeks after submitting all required documents. Only those

shortlisted for an interview will be contacted.

Closing date: 20 June 2024