

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

Position: Full-time Research Assistant

Project Title: Effects of Diverse Training Paradigms on Enhancing Comprehensibility of Cantonese Speech in Immigrants

Principal Investigator: Dr Yike Yang

The appointment will be made on the basis of a 12-month contract starting from July 2025, 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 master's degree or above in linguistics, speech science, Chinese or a related discipline, preferably with a concentration in phonetics, language acquisition, corpus linguistics, or psycholinguistics; 2) enthusiasm for linguistics research and 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 in English; 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: 25 FT RA + full name). All applications will be treated with strict confidence.

The selection process will begin immediately upon receipt of applications. Applicants will be invited for an interview within four weeks after submitting all required documents. Only those shortlisted for an interview will be contacted.

Closing date: 16 June 2025