

LSHK Newsletter

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LSHK website updates complete

Thanks to the efforts of Andy Chin, Communications Officer of the LSHK Executive Committee, the LSHK website (<http://lshk.org>) has been greatly improved.

Among other things, it is now possible to submit membership applications and process renewals online through an online form and pay online using paypal. We hope that it will be much easier for members to keep their memberships

current, and will significantly expedite registration at the Annual Research Forum, as it will allow members to preregister for the event.

Please take time to browse our new website, and renew your membership. Remember, the membership year follows the academic year, September–August, so if you haven't already renewed for the year, please do so soon!

<http://lshk.org/membership>

In this edition of the bi-annual newsletter, we will share news (and a lot of deadlines!) from LSHK, report on linguistics events and research related activities from around Hong Kong, including members' contributions and notices.

The next newsletter will be sent out in the spring. You are welcome to send contributions, comments and suggestions to the Editor, Cathryn Donohue, at any time (donohue@hku.hk).

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LSHK Annual Research Forum Call for Papers



The Annual Research Forum (ARF), will be held on Saturday 3 December 2016 at The Education University of Hong Kong. **Abstracts are due soon: 16 October.**

Each member is allowed to submit one single-authored and one jointly authored abstracts. The abstract may be written in Chinese or English and are limited to one A4 page, and saved as a .doc/.docx (or .pdf) format. Two copies of the abstract should be submitted: (1) an anonymous copy for review and (2) an abstract that includes (i) the author(s) name(s), (ii) their affiliation(s) and (iii) their email address(es). Submissions should be sent to lshk.arf@gmail.com.

Call for LSHK Student Fieldwork Subsidy Applications

We are currently soliciting applications for the LSHK Student Fieldwork subsidy. This is open to all students of local tertiary institutions, who are LSHK members working under the supervision of their advisor.

Students may work on any language, but study of languages/dialects in China and the region are particularly encouraged. The maximum amount of the subsidy is \$10,000 per year. There may be from 1-3 recipients each year, with any given recipient receiving no less than \$3,000. The amount awarded depends on the length and quality of the proposed field investigation.



Applications are due 15 October. For further details of the award and for information on how to apply, please visit our website online: <http://www.lshk.org/lshk-student-fieldwork-subsidy>

Please note that you are required to be a member to participate in the ARF, and to submit an application for the Fieldwork Subsidy. Please also note that if membership dues are not paid, you will be removed from our mailing list and miss out on important announcements.

LSHK publications available free upon request

We have the following publications available for free for anyone who would like a copy:

Studies in Cantonese Linguistics 2, edited by Joanna Ut-Seong Sio & Sze-Wing Tang (2007)

Studies in Chinese Linguistics, Edited by Gu Yang (1998)

Studies in Chinese Linguistics 2, Edited by Haihua Pan (2001)

Interested members should contact John Wakefield, at clinton.wakefield@gmail.com, to arrange for collection. Email soon so you don't miss out on this opportunity for you and your students!

Kudos Hong Kong Linguistics

Four departments in top 50: Four of HK's linguistics programmes are in the top 50 in the world! (according to the 2016 QS subject rankings)

Publication news

Studies in East Asian Linguistics (SEAL) book series by Springer, jointly sponsored by LSHK, to be launched soon (see information below).

Frontiers in Chinese Linguistics (Peking University Press and Springer Joint Publication) book series agreement has been signed and will be launched soon.

Lingua Sinica has been included in ERIH Plus

Relocations and new acquisitions

Mei-chun Liu has joined CityU (from Taiwan) as Head of Department

David CS Li has moved from EdUHK to PolyU to become Head of Department

William SY Wang has moved from CUHK to PolyU

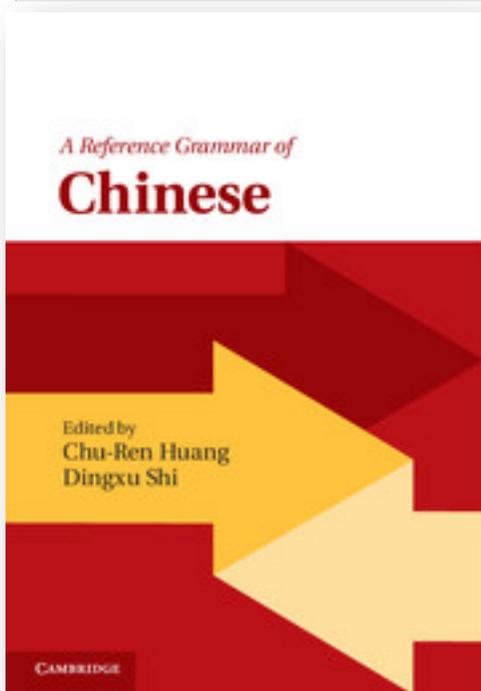
Peng Gang has moved from CUHK to PolyU

Youngah Do, Joe Perry, and Yoonsang Song have joined the faculty at HKU

Studies in East Asian Linguistics (SEAL) to be Launched by Springer with LSHK Support

SEAL is a new series that has support from regional linguistics societies. Among its goals are to showcase excellence in linguistic research in East Asia, raising awareness of the rich linguistic work we are carrying out, as well as to help advance academic careers of young linguists and language scientists in our region. SEAL partners include *PACLIC Steering Committee* (who spearheaded the series), and **LSHK**, as well as *Japan society of formal linguistics*, *Korean Society of Formal and Logical Linguistics*, *Linguistic Society of Macau*, *Linguistic Society of Taiwan*, and *Linguistic Society of the Philippines*. The first SEAL Editors-in-Chief are Jong-bok Kim (Kyung-hee University) and Chu-Ren Huang (The Hong Kong Polytechnic University), with each affiliated society sending one representative as an associate editor. SEAL is initially committed to publishing 4 books per year and is expected to be SCOPUS indexed. SEAL aims to publish books in the following categories: 1) Selected best papers from annual regional conferences, 2) Best thesis of the year recommended by each society and after review, 3) book proposal from the regional, including both monographs and collection of thematic papers. The first SEAL board meeting will be held in conjunction with PACLIC30 (<http://pacific30.khu.ac.kr/>) in Seoul, 28-30 October.

LSHK Members Major Contributors to the New Chinese Reference Grammar by Cambridge



A Reference Grammar of Chinese by Cambridge

University Press was officially published May 2016 after 8 years of collaborative work in drafting by 22 leading Chinese linguists from China, Europe, the USA, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. The 598 page grammar contains 18 chapters (including one appendix). LSHK members contributed prominently to this volume. 13 of the chapters are authored or co-authored by at least one LSHK member.

Co-edited by Chu-Ren Huang and Dingxu Shi and supported by the PolyU-PKU Joint Research Centre on Chinese linguistics, this volume aims to be a comprehensive and accessible reference grammar of Chinese, focusing on covering all important linguistic facts of the language, and the facts are presented in a way that does not presuppose knowledge of a particular linguistic theory or grammar of Chinese. One of the key features of the volume is that it is data-driven and the examples used to illustrate the linguistic facts are derived mostly from corpus data. To underline this important feature, a corpus of example sentences are accessible and searchable by readers according to example sentence numbers in the grammar, allowing more examples beyond the page limit to be used and as well as a wider range of relevant linguistic data to be examined.

More information can be found at <http://www.cambridge.org/ARefGrammarofChinese>

In appreciation of LSHK's contribution, CUP is offering a **20% discount for orders before end of 2016**. Please use the attached ordering form or the discount code **ARGOC** when ordering in Asia, and **CHINESEGRAMMAR** when ordering elsewhere.

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With many thanks to Chu-Ren Huang for sharing with us the discount on this great new publication!

Members contributions

Kudos to Kara!

Dr. Kara Fleming, a recent PhD from HKU (supervisor, Umberto Ansaldo), was awarded the Li Ka Shing prize 2015-16 by the HKU Graduate School for outstanding research for her thesis entitled: *Ideology, identity and linguistic repertoires among South Asian students in Hong Kong*

HKU PhD student Xiao Yang attended the **10th International Conference on Multilingualism and Third Language Acquisition** which took place at the University of Vienna from Sep 1 to 3, 2016. The paper presented is titled “Anti-Transfer in L3A of Portuguese” and is authored by Xiao Yang, Peter Crosthwaite and Stephen Matthews. The conference was highly valued by the local authority, with the mayor giving a speech at the reception and there were also wonderful keynotes given by eminent linguists. For example, Prof. Ulrike Jessner-Schmid in her talk presented the crucial factor “multilingual awareness” in a dynamic multilingual system and explored its various components including the enhanced level of metalinguistic awareness. Metalinguistic awareness was also discussed in several later presentations in areas like cross-linguistic influences by Xiao Yang and Nina Woll and multilingual education by Karen McCormick. Also in another keynote, Prof. Suzanne Flynn, in one of the few attempts, addressed the syntactic knowledge and the theoretical issues at the initial stage of third language acquisition. Xiao Yang’s presentation received much constructive feedback from the audiences and also the paper received invitations from professional journals for publication.



HKU PhD Student, Suki Yiu, has received a **Universitas 21 Graduate Research Project award**, to foster international collaboration. It was an international competition, among RPGs at all member Universitas 21 institutions (<http://www.universitas21.com>).

Her grant supports travel for extended stays in Columbus Ohio to work with colleagues at Ohio State University, and to Vancouver, British Columbia, to work with colleagues at University of British Columbia (including Doug Pulleyblank).

Her proposal draws together both professors and other RPG students at the destination institutions. The team will be examining similarities and differences between Chinese-type tonal systems and African-type tonal systems. *Congratulations, Suki!*

We hope you have enjoyed the latest edition of the LSHK Newsletter and would like to thank you for your continued support of the society!