The Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Newsletter

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**LSHK Student Field Work Subsidy (2015)**

We are inviting applications for the "Student Field Work Subsidy" scheme. The goal is to encourage students to carry out field investigations on linguistics. The deadline is **Sept 30, 2015**.

**Objective**

To encourage students to carry out field investigations on linguistics.

**Requirements**

There is no special requirement on the target language to be investigated, but investigation of languages and dialects in China (including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau) is particularly encouraged. The recipient of the Subsidy, within 12 months of completion of the investigation, must produce an article, in Chinese or in English, on the investigation, and submit it to the Annual Research Forum of LSHK for presentation.

**Qualification of the applicant**

a. The applicant must be a member of LSHK;
b. The applicant must be a current student of a local tertiary institution;
c. The applicant must work under the supervision of his / her supervisor;
d. Each application only allows one applicant;
e. Each applicant can submit one application only.

**Application procedure**

a. Application form to be downloaded from the LSHK website (www.lshk.org) under “Field Award application” or by following the link below:
   
   http://www.lshk.org/sites/default/files/doc/fieldwork_study_application_form_2.1.pdf

b. The proposal and the completed application form must be submitted and sent in both .doc and .pdf formats to the following address: lshk.linguists@gmail.com;
c. The application must be accompanied by a detailed budget and 2 letters of recommendation;
d. The letters of recommendation must be sent by the referees directly to lshk.linguists@gmail.com;
e. The budget must list all items of anticipated expenses relevant to the field investigation.

**Award amount**

The maximum amount of the Subsidy is HKD 10,000 per year. There may be from 1-3 recipients. Each recipient will receive not less than HKD 3,000. The amount of the Subsidy depends on the length and quality of the proposed field investigation, and will be paid in 2 installments: a field advance to cover legitimate expenses as described in (4e) and a final award payment upon receipt of the article as specified in (2).

**Application Deadline**

30 September 2015

**Review**

All applications are subject to be reviewed by the Executive Committee of the LSHK and a Review Committee, which is comprised of renowned linguists from related fields.

**Announcement of the Subsidy**

An announcement of the Subsidy will be made on the LSHK website. The recipient will also be informed by email.

Note: LSHK reserves the right to make the final decision and may also recommend that no applicants be selected as awardees.

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Academic Activities

Call for Papers

The 2015 Annual Research Forum of the Linguistic Society of Hong Kong (LSHK-ARF 2015) will be hosted by Department of Linguistics, The University of Hong Kong on December 5, 2015 (Saturday).

As is customary ARF practice, there will be parallel sessions, and papers related to any area of linguistics are welcome. Every paper will be allotted 15 or 20 minutes (to be confirmed) for oral presentation, followed by discussion.

Please note that *all* presenters have to be an LSHK member. If you are not yet a member, please apply for the LSHK membership by filling in the application form which can be downloaded from www.lshk.org.

Moreover, members who would like to propose a theme-based parallel session are welcome to send a proposal (maximum two pages) to the LSHK Executive Committee, specifying the theme and the format of the session and target participants.

Abstract submission deadline: October 12, 2015 (Monday)

Each member is maximally entitled to one single-author presentation and one joint presentation. Abstracts written in Chinese or English should be limited to one A4 page and be saved in the form of DOC or PDF format.

Two copies of the abstract should be submitted: one anonymous copy for review and one that includes (1) the name(s) of author(s), (2) affiliation(s), and (3) e-mail address(es). Submissions should be sent to: lshk.arf@gmail.com.

For inquiries, please contact us by email at lshk.arf@gmail.com.

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3rd Workshop on Innovations in Cantonese Linguistics (March 12-13, 2016)

The 3rd Workshop on Innovations in Cantonese Linguistics (WICL-3) will take place on March 12 and 13, 2016, at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, U.S.A. The conference focuses on new advances in Cantonese Linguistics, including innovations in methodologies, tools, and/or computing software. New approaches and research on language variation within the Cantonese (or “Yue”) subgroup of the Chinese language family, language contact phenomena, and new subfields and their interfaces are especially welcome. This is the third of the WICL series that is held biennially in North America.

Keynote speakers:
Professor Stephen Matthews, Department of Linguistics, University of Hong Kong (Hong Kong SAR)
Professor Valter Ciocca, School of Audiology and Speech Sciences, University of British Columbia (Vancouver, Canada)

Please see our call-for-papers page (http://u.osu.edu/wicl/wicl-3/cfp/) for information on abstract submission. Abstract deadline: By November 1, 2015, 11:59 PM Eastern Standard Time, USA.

The conference organizing committee is considering a teleconferencing presentation session. Hence, scholars with difficulties in travelling to the conference are encouraged to submit an abstract.

More information and details of the conference can be found at http://u.osu.edu/wicl/wicl-3/.

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Syntax of Sentence-Final Particles

Interested readers are invited to write up a squib commenting on the analysis of utterance particles and other sentence-final expressions in a recent manuscript entitled "The Silence of Heads" by Prof. Richard S. Kayne and to contribute to a special issue on the syntax of sentence-final particles in Chinese in Studies in Chinese Linguistics (SCL).

Please contact the editorial office of SCL by email at scl.editor@cuhk.edu.hk if you are interested.

SCL is edited by T.T. Ng Chinese Language Research Centre, published and distributed by De Gruyter Open, which has been indexed and abstracted in a number of international databases.

For details of SCL, please visit: http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/scl

Upcoming events

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Post Conference and Activity Reports

ToneFest at HKU!

January 12-17 saw a week of tone for HKU Linguistics! Professor Phil Rose, Australian National University, came and hosted a week-long workshop on tonetics, which brought together linguists from Linguistics, Speech & Hearing Sciences, and English, and from CUHK, PolyU as well as HKU.

The workshop was immediately followed by the HKU Tone Conference on 17 January. Despite the relatively short lead time we were thrilled that it was so well attended.

There were many excellent papers, especially from our invited speakers: Diana Archangeli, Peggy Mok, Phil Rose, and Xiaonong Zhu. We hope that it will help pave the way for future collaborative efforts on tone here in HK!

HKU Linguistics is also looking forward to hosting both the LSHK ARF and UltraFest VII in late 2015. UltraFest is an international meeting of researchers working with Ultrasound imaging technology for linguistic analysis. Details forthcoming (contact: Diana Archangeli darchang@hku.hk).

Professor Douglas Pulleyblank, University of British Columbia, started as Visiting Scholar at HKU Linguistics for a month in Spring 2015, working with Professor Diana
Archangeli developing the model of Emergent Phonology and Morphology. Professor Pulleyblank’s primary research focuses on phonological theory drawing on its overlap with phonetics, morphology, syntax and learnability. His specialties include tone and vowel harmony, especially in African languages.

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Members’ Update

Publication

鄧思穎。2015。《粵語語法講義》。香港: 商務印書館

有關粵語的研究和出版，過去大多側重於語音和語言學習方面，語法理論研究比較少。本書運用現代語言學方法，把粵語作為一個完整的語言系統，從詞法、句法等方面，全面論述粵語語法的種種表現，兼論粵語音系和拼音系統。本書以讀者熟悉的具體語言事實來說明比較抽象的理論，做到既能介紹粵語特色，又能普及語言學基本概念。

全書分為四篇：「導論篇」介紹基本定義和研究方法。「詞法篇」討論粵語詞類和構詞法。「句法篇」重點分析四十多個助詞，還論述具粵語特色的框式結構。「理論篇」從核心部分和邊緣層次探討粵語語法問題，顯示粵語獨特之處。本書有幾個特點：一、詳盡全面描述香港粵語詞法和句法現象，語料最為齊全。二、以動詞後綴、助詞為綱，突顯粵語特點。三、按以當代語法理論分析粵語問題。四、通過粵語實例認識語法研究的方法。

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Other News

LSHK-sponsored Student Activity
Linguistics Festival, an annual event organized by Linguistics Society of HKU Student Union, was sponsored by LSHK this year and held from 2nd to 6th March and 16th to 20th March 2015. The event aims to promote Linguistics to students of the University of Hong Kong. This year’s theme was “Investigating Canto-pop lyrics from a linguistic point of view” (識歌說詞).

Publication by local linguists

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The 20th International Conference on Yue Dialects

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

2015.12.11-12

Organizer

Department of Chinese Language and Literature
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Co-organizer

T.T. Tsui Chinese Language Research Centre
Institute of Chinese Studies, CUHK

Sponsors

Faculty of Arts, CUHK
Department of Chinese Studies, CUHK

Website's QR Code

http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/ch/chinese20