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Academic Qualifications

Ph.D. in Linguistics, Department of Linguistics, University of Sydney

M.Phil. in Linguistics, Department of Linguistics, University of Hong Kong

B.A.(Hons) (1st class) in Linguistics and English Studies (double-major), University of Hong Kong

Academic & Professional Experience

2017-Present Assistant Professor, Department of English Language and Literature,
Hong Kong Baptist University

2015-2016 Assistant Professor, School of Arts and Social Sciences, Open University of Hong
Kong

2011-2015 Lecturer, School of Arts and Social Sciences, Open University of Hong Kong

2010-2011 Post-doctoral Fellow, Department of English, Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Research Interests

Cognitive Linguistics

Discourse Analysis

Language Change (from a grammaticalization perspective)

Functional Approaches to Comparative Grammar

Semantics and Discourse-Pragmatics

Awards and Scholarships

2006-2009 Endeavor International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (EIPRS)

International Postgraduate Award (IPA)

2004 Best Thesis Awards (MPhil Category), presented by the Linguistic Society of Hong
Kong.

Publications

(i) Scholarly books, monographs and chapters (all refereed)

1. (forthcoming) **Chor, Winnie**. *Directional Particles in Cantonese: Form, Function and Grammaticalization*. John Benjamins.
2. (forthcoming) **Chor, Winnie**. Learning Cantonese in the Work Context of Hong Kong: Needs, Practices, and Benefits. In John Wakefield (ed.) *Cantonese as a Second Language: Issues, Experiences and Suggestions for Teaching and Learning*. Routledge.
3. **Chor, Winnie** (2015). Epistemic modulations and speakers stance in Cantonese conversations. In M. Harvey and A. Antonia (eds.) *The 45th Australian Linguistic Society Conference*

Proceedings – 2014, 104-130. Published by the University of Newcastle. Distributed by the Australian Linguistic Society (ALS).

4. Wong, Percy, **Chor, Winnie**, and Li, Eden (2015). 香港粵語親屬稱謂的變調規律(Changed tones in Cantonese kinship terms). In *Proceedings of the 18th International Conference on Yue Dialects*, 142-155. Jinan University Press.
5. Yap, Foongha and **Chor, Winnie** (2014). Epistemic, Evidential and Attitudinal Markers in Clause-medial Position in Cantonese. In E. Leiss and W. Abraham (eds.) *Modes of Modality: Modality, Typology and Universal Grammar*, 219-60. John Benjamins Publishing Company.
6. Yap, Foongha, **Chor, Winnie**, and Wang, Jiao (2012). On the development of epistemic ‘fear’ markers: An analysis of Mandarin *kongpa* and Cantonese *taipaa*. In W. Abraham and E. Leiss (eds.) *Covert Patterns of Modality*, 312-42. Taiwan: CRANE Publishing.
7. **Chor, Winnie** (2012). From Nonsubjective to Subjective to Intersubjective – a Pathway of Semantic Change in Grammaticalization: a Case of *faan* in Cantonese. In T. Ishiguro and K.K. Luke. (eds.) *Grammar in cross-linguistic perspectives: the syntax, semantics and pragmatics of Japanese, Chinese and English*, 125-147. Peter Lang.
8. **Chor, Winnie** (2010). From verbs to particles: pathways of semantic change for the Cantonese verbal particles *gwo*, *hei* and *faan*. In R. Hendery and J. Hendriks (eds.) *Grammatical change: theory and description*, 83-104. Canberra: Pacific Linguistics, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, ANU.
9. **Chor, Winnie** (2007). HEI – as a completive particle in Cantonese. In H.N. Cheung, S.H. Cheung and H.K. Chan (eds.) *Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Yue Dialects*, 335-346. Beijing: China Social Sciences Press.
10. **Chor, Winnie** (2003). Verbal particles in Cantonese. In Y.H. Lin (ed.) *Proceedings of the Fifteenth North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics*, 71-85. Distributed by GSIL, University of Southern California.

(ii) **Journal Publications (all refereed)**

1. (under review) **Chor, Winnie**. Sentence final particles as epistemic modulators in Cantonese conversations: a discourse-pragmatic perspective. *Journal of Pragmatics*.
2. **Chor, Winnie**, Yap, Foongha, and Wong, Tak-sum (2016). Chinese Interrogative Particles as Talk Coordinators at the Right-Periphery – A Discourse-Pragmatic Perspective. *Journal of Historical Pragmatics*, 17(2).178-207.
3. **Chor, Winnie** (2013). From ‘direction’ to ‘positive evaluation’: On the grammaticalization, subjectification and intersubjectification of *faan1* ‘return’ in Cantonese. *Language and Linguistics*, 14(1).91-134.
4. **Chor, Winnie** (2010). Inclusion of the outsider – grammaticalization of the verbal particle *maai* in Cantonese. *Taiwan Journal of Linguistics*, 8(2).33-62.

(iii) **Conference papers (all refereed)**

1. **Chor, Winnie** and Yap, Foongha (2017). Cantonese interrogative particles as (inter)subjective stance markers: a discourse-pragmatic perspective. Paper presented at the 15th International Pragmatics Conference (IPrA), 16-21 July, Belfast.
2. Deng, Yi, Yap, Foongha and **Chor, Winnie** (2017). Negative evaluative uses of demonstrative-classifier *di* in Wugang Xiang. Paper presented at the 15th International Pragmatics Conference (IPrA), 16-21 July, Belfast.
3. **Chor, Winnie** (2017). From referential to non-referential to subjective uses of personal pronouns: the Cantonese 3rd persona plural pronoun *jan4dei6* as an illustrative example. Paper presented at the 3rd International Conference on Linguistics and Language Studies, 29-30 June, The Open University of Hong Kong.
4. Lai, Nikko, and **Chor, Winnie** (2016). 我想講嗰啲咩呀盛嗰啲 — 談談粵語佔位詞. Paper presented at the LSHK Annual Research Forum, 3 Dec, The Education University of Hong Kong.
5. **Chor, Winnie** (2016). Sentence final particles as epistemic modulators in Cantonese conversations – a discourse-pragmatic perspective. Paper presented at the annual conference of the Hong Kong Association for Applied Linguistics (HAAL), 11 June, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong.
6. Yap, Foongha, and **Chor, Winnie** (2016). Implicit deicticity and negative attitudinal marking: The case of *nei di* and *go di* [Demonstrative + Classifier] constructions in Cantonese discourse. Paper presented at the 26th Annual Meeting of the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society (SEALS-26), 26-28 May, Manila, the Philippines.
7. **Chor, Winnie** (2016). Knowing is seeing – on the grammaticalization and subjectification of *tai2* “see” in Cantonese. Paper presented the 28th North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-28), 5-8 May, Brigham Young University, Utah.
8. **Chor, Winnie** and Lam, Marvin (2015). A pragmatic analysis of *mat* ‘what’ constructions in Cantonese. Paper presented at the International Conference on Functional Language Typology, 12-16 December, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai.
9. **Chor, Winnie** and Yap, Foongha (2015). *Ho²* as a talk coordinator in Cantonese conversations - a discourse-pragmatic perspective. Paper presented at the 20th International Conference on Yue Dialects, 11-12 Dec, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
10. **Chor, Winnie** and Lai, Nikko (2015). You “fear” or are just “worried”? The licensing conditions for the fear verbs *geng¹* and *paa³* in Cantonese. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Australian Linguistic Society (ALS), 9-11 Dec, Western Sydney University, Australia.
11. **Chor, Winnie** (2015). Expressing epistemic and evidential meanings in Cantonese: Subjectification of the perception verb *tai2* ‘see’ and related constructions. Paper presented at the 48th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, 21-23 August, University of California, Santa Barbara.

12. **Chor, Winnie** (2014). Epistemic modulations and speaker stance in Cantonese conversations. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Australian Linguistic Society (ALS), 10-12 Dec, University of Newcastle.
13. **Chor, Winnie**, Yap, Foongha, and Wong, Tak-sum (2014). Clause-medial particles and stance marking in Cantonese. Paper presented at 14th Workshop on Cantonese (WOC-14) on grammaticalization, 29 March, City University of Hong Kong.
14. Wong, Percy, **Chor, Winnie**, and Li, Eden (2013). Changed Tone in Cantonese Kinship Terms. Paper presented at the 18th International Conference on Yue Dialects, 6-8 Dec, the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST).
15. Yap, Foongha, Wai, Brian, Chan, Ariel, and **Chor, Winnie** (2013). How political leaders construct common ground in electoral discourses in Hong Kong. Paper presented at 13th International Pragmatics conference (IPra), Sept 8-13, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.
16. Yap, Foongha, Ahn, Mikyung, Tamaji, Mizuho, and **Chor, Winnie** (2013). On the development of ‘say’ particles as pragmatic clausal grounders at the right periphery (RP) in Korean, Japanese and Cantonese. Paper presented at 13th International Pragmatics conference (IPra), Sept 8-13, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.
17. **Chor, Winnie**, Li, Eden and Wong, Percy (2012). Subjectivity and Evidentiality: a study of metaphorical extension in a mental process in Cantonese. Paper presented at the 17th International Conference on Yue Dialects, 7-10 Dec, Jinan University.
18. Li, Eden, **Chor, Winnie**, and Wong, Percy (2012). Selecting Theme in Cantonese Discourse. Paper presented at the 17th International Conference on Yue Dialects, 7-10 Dec, Jinan University.
19. **Chor, Winnie** and Yap, Foongha (2012). Epistemic Downgrading in Cantonese. Paper presented at the 20th International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL-20), Aug 29 – Sept 2, Hong Kong Polytechnic University.
20. **Chor, Winnie** (2012). Expressing stance in Cantonese: The interaction between the evidential perception verb *tai2* ‘see’ and directional particles. Paper presented at the Workshop on Stance in Discourse: Functional, Typological, and Diachronic Perspectives, May 7-9, Hong Kong Polytechnic University.
21. **Chor, Winnie** and Yap, Foongha (2011). On the development of evidential ‘say’ in Chinese. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Australian Linguistic Society (ALS), Dec, Australian National University.
22. **Chor, Winnie** and Lam, Marvin (2011). Particles in Asian languages and implications for cross-cultural communication. Paper presented at the Sixth International Conference on Discourse, Communication and the Enterprise (DICOEN VI), September 8-10, Hong Kong Polytechnic University.
23. **Chor, Winnie** (2011). Asymmetry in grammaticalization – the case of *lai* ‘come’ and *heoi* ‘go’ in Cantonese. Paper presented at the Workshop on “Come and Go off the Beaten Grammaticalization Path”, 44th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica, September 8-11, Universidad de la Rioja, Logroño, Spain .

24. **Chor, Winnie** (2011). Clause-medial particles as subjective and intersubjective markers in Cantonese. Paper presented at Workshop on “Stance Marking Across Languages: Typological, Diachronic and Discourse Perspectives”, July 18-20, Hong Kong Polytechnic University.
25. Yap, Foongha, **Chor, Winnie**, and Lam, Marvin (2011). *Whatchamacallit* expressions in Cantonese: Analyzing non-referential uses of *mat*, *matje*, *meje*, and *me*. Paper presented at Workshop on “Stance Marking Across Languages: Typological, Diachronic and Discourse Perspectives”, July 18-20, Hong Kong Polytechnic University.
26. **Chor, Winnie** (2011). ‘Going back without physically returning’: On the grammaticalization, subjectification and intersubjectification of *faan1* ‘return’ in Cantonese. Paper presented at the 19th International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL-19), June 11-13, Nankai University, Tianjin, China.
27. Yap, Foongha, **Chor, Winnie**, and Wang, Jiao (2011). On the grammaticalization of ‘fear’ verbs in Chinese. Paper presented at the 19th International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL-19), June 11-13, Nankai University, Tianjin, China.
28. **Chor, Winnie** (2011). Asymmetry in grammaticalization – the case of directional particles in Cantonese. Paper presented at the 5th Conference on Language, Discourse and Cognition (CLDC-5), April 30-May 2, National Taiwan University.
29. Yap, Foongha, **Chor, Winnie**, and Wang, Jiao (2010). From lexical verb ‘fear’ to epistemic adverbial ‘perhaps, maybe, possibly’: On the grammaticalization of Malay *kut* (< *takut* ‘fear’), Mandarin *kong3pa4* and Cantonese *tai2paa3*. Paper presented at the LSHK Annual Research Forum, Dec, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.
30. **Chor, Winnie** (2008). Grammaticalization of directional particles in Cantonese – motivations, mechanisms, and pathways. Paper presented at the 13th International Conference on Cantonese & Yue Dialects, Dec, City University of Hong Kong.
31. **Chor, Winnie** (2007). Subjectification in semantic change: the case of directional particles in Cantonese. Paper presented at the LSHK Annual Research Forum, Dec, Baptist University of Hong Kong.
32. **Chor, Winnie** (2006). Directional verbs as kickoffs in grammaticalization processes: Cantonese verbal particles as an illustrative example. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Australian Linguistic Society (ALS), July, University of Queensland.
33. **Chor, Winnie** (2005). Two verbal particles of completion in Cantonese: *ZO* & *HEI*. Paper presented at the 10th International Conference on Yue Dialects, Dec, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
34. Luke, K.K. and **Chor, Winnie** (2004). The Grammaticalization of *FAAN*: from verb to discourse particle. Paper presented at the LSHK Annual Research Forum, Dec, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
35. **Chor, Winnie** (2002). Verbal particles in Cantonese. Paper presented at the LSHK Annual Research Forum, Dec, University of Science and Technology.

Grants (as PI)

1. Research Grant Council (FDS) (UGC/FDS16/H07/14), *Epistemic modulation and speaker attitude in Cantonese: A discourse-pragmatic perspective*. (2014-2016: HK\$666,421)

Professional Services

Journal reviewer of various international refereed journals, including: *Language and Linguistics*, *Journal of Pragmatics*, *Chinese Language and Discourse*, *Journal of Historical Pragmatics*, *Current Research in Chinese Linguistics*, etc.

Community Services

MingPao columnist: 〈周街學英文〉“Learn English Everywhere”
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