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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Linguistics (with distinction) Northern Arizona University, 2013

Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages Winona State University, 2007

International Exchange Program Certificate Winona State University, 2005

Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature Hebei University of Technology, Tianjin, China, 2005

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

August 2022-Present, Associate Professor, Department of Literature and Languages, Texas A&M University-Commerce

January 2016-August 2022, Assistant Professor, Department of Literature and Languages, Texas A&M University-Commerce

August 2013-December 2015, Lecturer, Department of Linguistics and Center of ESL, Southern Illinois University

August 2008-May 2013, Instructor, English Department, Northern Arizona University September 2007-June 2008, Lecturer, International College at Beijing, China Agricultural University

March 2007-August 2007 Instructor, Public English Department, Hebei University of Technology

August 2005-December 2006, Instructor, English Department, Winona State University

COURSES TAUGHT

Graduate

Texas A&M University-Commerce:

ENG 501 Structure of the English Language

ENG 558 Sociolinguistics

ENG 559 Language & Culture in Classroom

ENG 557 TESOL Methods I

ENG 657 TESOL Methods II (Material Development and Language Assessment)

ENG 670 Pragmatics and Language Teaching

ENG 687 Qualitative Research Methods

ENG 697 Teaching Composition in a Second Language

ENG 697 Teaching English Online to Language Learners

Dissertation advisor:

I have served as a dissertation advisor for the following student: Reza Panahi (October 2021-Present)

Dissertation Committees:

I have served as a dissertation committee member for the following students:

- 1) Meichan Huang (October, 2016-May, 2019)
- 2) Tawnya Smith (November, 2018-June, 2019)
- 3) Nabiha El Khatib (June, 2019-December, 2020)
- 4) Sarvenaz Balali (November 2019-December 2023)
- 5) Heather Fitch (April, 2018-Present)
- 6) Miriam Akoto (November, 2019-December, 2021)
- 7) John Gibbons (October, 2021-December, 2023)

Thesis committee: Suganya Schmura (June, 2021-May 2022)

Southern Illinois University Carbondale:

LING 532 Computer-Assisted Language Learning (CALL) LING 570 TESL Methods & Materials LING 584 Teaching Composition in a Second Language LING 592 Advanced CALL

> Master Thesis Committees: 1) Sharifh Alquhtani (Chair; completed in spring 2015) Thesis topic: Cross-cultural Comparisons of Saudi and American Students in the Speech Act of Refusal.

 2) Ali Hussain A Almuhayaa (Member; completed in spring 2015) Thesis topic: The Functions of Educational Code-Switching to Arabic among Saudi English Teachers in the EFL Classroom.
3) Anood Albalawi (Chair; completed in summer 2013) Thesis topic: Saudi Student's Knowledge and Perceptions of American Slang Language.
4) Hajar Binasfour (Chair; completed in spring 2013) Thesis topic: The Realization of the Speech Act of Apologies in Saudi Learners

Thesis topic: The Realization of the Speech Act of Apologies in Saudi Learners of English.

Northern Arizona University: ENG 538 Cross-cultural Aspects of Language Learning

Undergraduate

Texas A&M University-Commerce: ENG 317 Word Building ENG 358 Language & Society ENG 457 Teaching ESL ENG 462 Language Acquisition & Processing

Southern Illinois University Carbondale: LING 201 Language Diversity in the U.S.

Northern Arizona University: ENG 321 English Grammars ENG 205 Advanced Writers' Workshop ENG 121 The Story of English ENG 110 Rhetoric and Media ENG 105 Freshman Composition

For Students of English as a Second or Foreign Language

Southern Illinois University Carbondale: Advanced English Writing for intermediate level of ESL learners English for Academic Purposes Writers' Workshop for advanced level of ESL learners Skill/Content-based Core for intermediate-advanced level ESL learners

Northern Arizona University: Listening & Speaking for intermediate level ESL learners Academic Writing for advanced ESL learners

International College at Beijing, China Agricultural University:

Intensive Reading and Writing for low-intermediate level EFL learners

Hebei University of Technology: Conversation Skills and Business English for advanced EFL learners

Winona State University: OR 100 Establishing Global Connections ENG 107 ESL Academic Reading and Writing ENG 225 ESL Interactive Vocabulary ENG 227 Exploring American Culture

PUBLICATION

Book

Sun, J. & Cheng, D. (2018). China's Generation Gap. Routledge.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Cheng, D. & Li, M (Under Review). Social annotation for enhanced engagement and learning experiences in online classes. *Journal of Computer-Assisted Learning.*

Cheng, D. (Forthcoming in 2024). Investigating self-perceptions of speech acts via retrospective verbal reports. *Applied Pragmatics*.

Cheng, D. & Li, M. (2020). Screencast video feedback in online classes. *Computers and Composition.* 58, 1-17.

Cheng, D. (2017). Students' self-perceptions of apologies to instructors, *Language Awareness*, 26 (4), 261-281.

Cheng, D. (2017). Communication is a two-way street: Instructors' perceptions of student apologies. *Pragmatics: Quarterly Publication of the International Pragmatics Association*, 27 (1), 1-32.

Cheng, D. & Liang, J. (2015). The effect of instruction on Chinese EFL learners' compliment responses. *TESOL International Journal, 10* (2), 1-23.

Cheng, D. (2011). New insights on compliment responses: A comparison between native English speakers and Chinese L2 speakers. *Journal of Pragmatics, 43* (8), 2204-2214.

Book/Media Reviews

Cheng, D. (2022). Review of books: *Corpus Linguistics for* Pragmatics by Christoph Rühlemann (2019). *Contrastive Pragmatics*. doi:10.1163/26660393-bja10064.

Cheng, D. (2021). Book Review: Creating digital literacy spaces for multilingual writers by Joel Bloch. Journal of English for Academic Purposes, 53, 101041.

Cheng, D. (January 2020). Book Review: *The Language Situation in China*. LINGUIST List.31.384. Retrieved from <u>https://linguistlist.org/issues/31/31-384.html</u>

Cheng, D. (October 2018). Book Review: *Autonomous Language Learning with Technology* by Chun Lai. *CALICO Journal, 35 (3).* Retrieved from https://journals.equinoxpub.com/index.php/CALICO/issue/current

Cheng, D. (August 2018). WordSift: Having fun with learning words. *TESL-EJ*, 22 (2). Retrieved from <u>http://www.tesl-ej.org/wordpress/issues/volume22/ej86/ej86m1/</u>

Cheng, D. (July 10, 2018). Book Review: *Current Issues in Intercultural Pragmatics*: Istvan Kecskes and Stavros Assimakopoulos (Eds.) LINGUIST List. 29.2857. Retrieved from <u>https://linguistlist.org/issues/29/29-2857.html</u>

Cheng, D. (May 25, 2017). Book review: *Pragmatic Issues in Specialized Communicative Contexts*: Francesca Bianchi and Sara Gesuato (Eds.) LINGUIST List 28.2322. Retrieved from <u>https://linguistlist.org/issues/28/28-2322.html</u>.

Cheng, D. (2010). Book review: *Investigating Pragmatics in Foreign Language Learning, Teaching, and Testing:* Eva Alcón Soler and Alicia Martínez-Flor (Eds.) *Journal of Pragmatics 42 (7),* 2066-2068.

PRESENTATIONS

Peer-reviewed international/national conferences

Cheng, D. (2024, March). Empowering International Graduate Students with ChatGPT for Research Paper Revisions. Paper to be presented at the TESOL International Convention, Tampa, FL.

Cheng, D. (2020, July). Using VoiceThread in Online Language Classrooms. Paper presented at the TESOL Virtual Convention.

Cheng, D. (2020, April). Investigating self-perceptions of speech acts via retrospective verbal reports. Paper accepted at the 20th International Conference on Pragmatics and Language Learning, Bloomington, IN. (Conference canceled due to COVID-19.)

Cheng, D. & Li, M. (2020, March). Screencast video feedback in online classes. Paper accepted at the TESOL International Convention, Denver, CO. (Conference canceled due to COVID-19.)

Cheng, D. (2018, March). Students' perceptions of apology productions to instructors. Paper presented at the TESOL International Convention, Chicago, IL.

Miras-Fernandez, A. & **Cheng, D.** (2017, March). Reading, interpreting, and creating comics in the ESL/EFL classroom. Paper presented at the TESOL International Convention, Seattle, WA.

Cheng, D. (2016, October). Using e-portfolios in a L2 writing teacher training course. Paper presented at the Symposium on Second Language Writing Annual Conference, Tempe, AZ.

Cheng, D. (2014, November). An exploration of teaching EAP writing in a content-based curriculum. Paper presented at the Symposium on Second Language Writing Annual Conference, Tempe, AZ.

Cheng, D. (2013, March). Student-instructor apologies: How are they produced and perceived? Paper presented at the American Association for Applied Linguistics Annual Conference, Dallas, TX.

Cheng, D. (2013, March). A Multi-pronged investigation of student-instructor apologies. Paper presented at the TESOL International Convention, Dallas, TX.

Cheng, D. (2011, August). Compliment responses in naturalistic settings: Native English speakers vs. Chinese L2 speakers. Paper presented at the 16th World Congress of Applied Linguistics, Beijing, China.

Cheng, D. (2011, March). Email apologies by American and ESL students: What do they do? Why do they do it? Paper presented at the American Association for Applied Linguistics Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Cheng, D. (2010, March). Effect of instruction on Chinese EFL learners' compliment responses. Paper presented at the American Association for Applied Linguistics Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Cheng, D. (2009, November). The effectiveness of corrective feedback on Chinese EFL writers' grammatical accuracy improvement. Paper presented at the Symposium on Second Language Writing, Tempe, AZ.

Zhang, C., & **Cheng, D.** (2009, March). Linguistic features associated with Chinese EFL learners' argumentative writing. Paper presented at the American Association for Applied Linguistics Annual Conference, Denver, CO.

Other conferences

Cheng, D. (2023, November). Unveiling the Power of Social Annotation in Online TESOL Education: Elevating Engagement and Transforming the Learning Experience. Paper presented at the DFW Metroplex Linguistics Conference, Dallas, TX.

Cheng, D. (2023, February). Developing Community in Online TESOL Education Through Social Annotation. Paper presented at the TexTESOL V Virtual Regional Conference.

Cheng. D. (2022, February). Enhancing the quality of online learning through social annotations. Paper presented at the TexTESOL V Virtual Regional Conference.

Pickering, L., Attardo, S., **Cheng, D**., Li, M., Hempelmann, C., & Montes, S. (2022, February). Online Education as a Tool for Diversity and Inclusion, Locally and Globally. Virtual panel presentation at the Symposium on World Language Education.

Cheng. D. (2021, November). A transformation of effective online course development in TESOL. Paper presented at TexTESOL State Virtual Conference.

Cheng, D. (2020, February). Multimodal learning via VoiceThread. Paper presented at the TexTESOL V Annual Conference, Arlington, TX.

Cheng, D. (2018, November). Screencast Video Feedback vs. Text Feedback: What Do Students Think? Plenary presented in the 10th DFW Metroplex Linguistics Conference, Commerce, TX.

Cheng, D. (2018, November). Screencast Video Feedback vs. Text Feedback: What Do Students Think? Paper presented in TexTESOL State Conference, Dallas, TX.

Huang, M. & **Cheng, D.** (2018, September). Politeness in students-professor interactions: A comparative study on the prosodic features of NS and NNS students. Paper presented at the Pronunciation in Second Language Learning and Teaching Conference, Ames, IA.

Cheng, D. & Smith, T. (2017, October). Computer assisted learning with WordSift. Workshop presentation at TexTESOL Region V Fall Conference, Plano, TX.

Cheng, D. (2012, October). Institutional apologies: Why and how should they be taught? Paper presented at the 2012 annual AZ-TESOL Convention, Phoenix, AZ.

Cheng, D. (2010, February). Effect of instruction on Chinese EFL learners' compliment responses. Paper presented at Peaks 2010 Conference, Flagstaff, AZ.

Cheng, D. (2009, March). Compliment responses between Chinese ESL and native speakers of American English. Poster presented at TESOL 2009 Doctoral Forum, Denver, CO.

Cheng, D. (2009, February). Compliment responses between Chinese ESL and native speakers of American English. Paper presented at Peaks 2009 Conference, Flagstaff, AZ.

Cheng, D., Zhang, C., & Hua, Y. (2006, November). ESL curriculum for undergraduate exchange students. Poster presented at Minnesota TESOL Conference, Minneapolis, MN.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to the University

June 2023-Present, AI initiative faculty member

- Attended and contributed to AI initiative meetings
- Participated in AI and education webinar trainings
- Presented in AI applied pedagogy workshops

November 2023, Graduate council representative for dissertation proposal defense by Kristina Feldner, titled "Mapping success: Using map to project the reading trajectory of grade 8 and 9 English learners on STAAR and TELPAS, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

November 2022, Graduate council representative for dissertation proposal defense by Dana Curry, titled "An Investigation of factors that influence fraudulent academic excuse making", Texas A&M University-Commerce.

April 2019, Faculty reviewer for global learning recognition awards, Department of Institutional Effectiveness and Research, Texas A&M University-Commerce

January 2018-October 2018, Co-founder (with Jiaming Sun) of the initiative of establishing a China Studies Academy at Texas A&M University-Commerce

 Advocated the initiative among faculty members who are interested in China Studies and obtained support • Wrote and revised the proposal to be presented to the President and the Provost

April 3rd, 2018, volunteer judge for the 2018 A&M-Commerce Annual Research Symposium

Service to the College

May 2023-Present CHSSA College Mentor, Texas A&M University-Commerce (First term ends in May 2025).

- Mentoring three tenure-track faculty members within the college
- Meeting with each mentee individually twice per semester
- Observing mentees' teaching and provide feedback
- Inviting mentees to observe my own teaching
- Participating in social events organized by the college with the mentees

Fall 2021-Spring 2022 Outside member of History Department's search for Assistant Professor of Race and Civil Rights, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

2017-Present, CHSSA Curriculum Committee Member

Service to the Department

2016-Present, Department of Literature & Languages, Texas A&M University-Commerce

Ph.D. student advisor (Applied Linguistics track): November 2023-Present

Curriculum committee chair (Fall 2021; Fall 2017)

Linguistics section committee member (Spring 2016-Present)

- Participate in the weekly applied linguistics lab meetings
- Participate in the monthly online Ph.D. program meetings
- Participate in program orientations and social events
- Provide feedback for graduate students' professional development
- Administer and evaluate foreign language proficiency test for doctoral candidates
- Observe & mentor graduate teaching assistants in teaching the undergraduate linguistic courses
- Design comprehensive exam questions for the online TESOL program

Curriculum committee member (Spring 2016-Present)

PR committee member (2016-2017)

Faculty coordinator for the linguistics research guide via Gee Library: <u>http://tamuc.libguides.com/linguistics</u>

Faculty mentor for the following tenure-track faculty member:

• Gavin Johnson

Facilitator of graduate recruiting in the MA & Ph.D. programs

Faculty content specialist for ENG 595 students:

Spring 2018: Carla Clardy; Felicia Wallace; Marie Richards Fall 2017: Allison Foster; Brittany McLendon Spring 2017: Alberto Miras-Fernandez; Joyce Sample

Faculty advisor for the following Ph.D. students:

- Ruosi Wang (2016-2019)
- Paige Van Speybroeck (October 2021-May 2022)
- Reza Panahi (October 2021-Present)

Founder and faculty discussion leader of the TAMUC Linguistics Journal Club (Fall 2022-Present)

Search committee member for Assistant Professor in Applied Linguistics (Fall 2017)

Search committee member for British Renaissance/Early Modern Literature faculty (Fall 2020-Spring 2021)

2013-2015, Department of Linguistics & CESL, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Technology coordinator: 2013-2015 Graduate admission committee member: 2013-2015 Curriculum committee member: 2013-2015 Lead teacher of EAP2 & AE2 Writing: 2013-2015 ESL lecturer search committee member: May-June, 2014 International Teaching Assistant (ITA) screening tester: Fall 2014 Linguistic department chair search committee member: Fall 2013

2008-2013, Department of English, Northern Arizona University

Undergraduate student research mentor: 2012-2013

Co-president of Graduate Student Association of Applied Linguistics: 2010-2011 SLA search committee liaison-Ph.D. student representative: 2010-2011 Composition program workshop leader for 1st-year graduate teaching assistants: 2009-2010

Treasurer of the Graduate Student Association of Applied Linguistics: 2009

Service to the Profession (Applied Linguistics & TESOL)

Proposal reviewer for the following book:

Title: Positive Language Education: Teaching Global Life Skills in the Language Classroom

Authors: Antonia Clare, Tammy Gregersen, and Sarah Mercer Publisher: Routledge (ELT & Global Life Skills series)

Reviewer for the following textbook:

A Practical Guide to Second Language Teaching and Learning by Loewen & Sato (Cambridge University Press)

Article editor for the following journal:

• SAGE Open

Reviewer for the following journals and conference:

- Australian Review of Applied Linguistics
- EuroAmerican Journal of Applied Linguistics and Languages (E-JournAll)
- International Journal of Applied Linguistics
- Journal of Politeness Research
- Journal of Pragmatics
- Language, Culture, and Curriculum
- Language Learning & Technology
- Lingua
- National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE) Journal of Research and Practice
- SAGE Open
- TESOL 2017 International Convention (Applied Linguistics Strand)
- TESOL 2018 International Convention (Applied Linguistics Strand)
- TESOL 2019 International Convention (Digital Learning & Technologies Strand)
- TESOL 2022 International Convention (Digital Learning & Technologies Strand)
- TESOL 2023 International Convention (Digital Learning & Technologies Strand)

- TESOL 2024 International Convention (Digital Learning & Technologies Strand)
- The Electronic Journal for English as a Second Language (TESL-EJ)

Volunteer at the American Association for Applied Linguistics 2011 conference, Chicago, IL.

Service to Communities

(October, 2023) Faculty presenter on the Ph.D. journal for doctoral students in ENG 615 Professing English, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(August, 2023) Workshop presenter for the university's AI initiative, titled "Re-thinking Writing Assessment in Light of ChatGPT", Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(September 2021) Panel discussion leader on from coursework to manuscript for the linguistics group, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(October 2020) Faculty workshop presenter on effective online teaching for the linguistics group, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(2016-Present) Collector of useful free online language learning resources for the world ESL/EFL communities. (See <u>http://faculty.tamuc.edu/dcheng/Resources.aspx</u>)

(November 2018) Faculty presenter for the TESOL professional development workshop day in Commerce, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(February 2018) Faculty presenter on computer-assisted language instruction for the TESOL group on the Professional Development Day in Commerce, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(February 2017) Faculty presenter on responding to ESL students' writing for the TESOL group on the Professional Development Day at Universities Center in Dallas, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(February 2017) Invited speaker on the importance of learning pragmatics to students in the English Language Institute, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(November 2016) Faculty presenter on computer-assisted language instruction for the TESOL group on the Professional Development Day at Universities Center in Dallas, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(October 2016) Invited speaker on using VoiceThread in online classes for the online teaching circle group, Faculty Center of Excellence & Innovation, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(September 2016) Invited speaker in the kickoff event for the Organization of Spanish and English Graduates for Academic Development (SEGAD), Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(March 2016) Invited speaker on publishing and article submission for the Organization of Spanish and English Graduates for Academic Development (SEGAD), Texas A&M University-Commerce.

(February 2015) Invited workshop leader on computer-assisted language learning for the Student Association of Linguistics, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

(January 2015) Invited speaker on computer-assisted language learning for a special group from the Panamanian Government English Teacher program, CESL, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

(November 2014) Invited speaker for a conference proposal and presentation workshop for the Student Association of Linguistics, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

(October 2014) Panel speaker and C.V. workshop leader for the Student Association of Linguistics, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

(June 2014) Guest speaker for LING 588 Intercultural Communication, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

(April 2014) Guest lecturer for the Graduate Student English CORE class, Center of English as a Second Language, Sothern Illinois University Carbondale.

(September 2013) Guest lecturer for the Student Association of Linguistics, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

(October 2011) Guest speaker in ENG 548, Foundations of Second Language Teaching, Northern Arizona University.

(November 2010) Guest lecturer in ENG 538, Cross-cultural Aspects of Language Learning, Northern Arizona University.

(September 2009) Journal club presenter, Graduate Association of Applied Linguistics, Northern Arizona University.

(April 2006) Guest speaker on "Women in Contemporary China" for the Sequuia Society, Winona. MN.

(March 2006) Guest speaker in the Open Forum on Chinese Cultural Revolution, Winona State University.

GRANTS & AWARDS

May 8th, 2021, Certificate in Effective College Instruction, issued by The Association of College and University Educators and the American Council on Education (ACUE & ACE).

Fall 2020-Spring 2021, Faculty support grant to participate the initiative of the Association of college and University Educators (ACUE) on scaling instructional excellence for student success (\$1,000), National Association of System Heads (NASH).

Fall 2019, Humanities, Social Sciences and Arts Research Support Grant (\$3,000), Texas A&M University-Commerce.

Fall 2018, Global Fellow Award, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

Spring 2018, International Faculty Development Grant, Texas A&M University-Commerce, \$1,500

2012, the Arizona Board of Regents' Grant for Doctoral Research, Northern Arizona University, \$5,000

2010-2012, English Department Dissertation Research Award, Northern Arizona University, \$2,000

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

2007-2008, Part-time translator, Beijing Shibowen Education and Technology Center, Beijing, China

Translated work:

China's Famous Local Delicious Food and Special Products. (2008). Zeng, H.-J. & Chen, P. (Ed.) Beijing, P. R. China: Foreign Language Press. [428pp.].

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mandarin Chinese: Native speaker in all language skills and superior skills in translations and interpretations.

Japanese: Three years of classroom learning experiences; basic skills in reading, listening and speaking.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Association of Applied Linguistics (AAAL) International Association for Teaching Pragmatics (ITAP) Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) TexTESOL Region V