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Semantics and its interface with Syntax, Pragmatics; Computational approaches to languages

EDUCATION

2022 -	**Ph. D., Linguistics** (Minor in Cognitive Science), *Cornell University*
2021	**M.A., English linguistics**, *Seoul National University*
	Thesis: The syntax and semantics of fragments in English echo questions
	(Advisor: Jungmee Lee)
2019	**B.A., English Language and Literature** (*summa cum laude*, Minor in Linguistics), *Seoul National University*

PUBLICATIONS

2025	**Cho, Y.** Existential locatives and possessives in Japanese and Korean. In *Proceedings of Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference 31*.
2025	**Cho, Y.** Applicative substructure in Korean *Iss-* 'exist/be' constructions. In *Proceedings of Chicago Linguistics Society 60*.
2020	**Cho, Y.** Linking Adverbials in Academic Writing on English Linguistics by Korean MA Students. *English Studies, 40*, 193-219.
2020	**Cho, Y.** Ellipsis of Echo Question: In-situ Analysis. *SNU Working Papers in English Language and Linguistics, 17*, 1-14.

PRESENTATIONS

2025	**Cho, Y.** Encoding negative bias in *wh*-polar questions. 30th *Sinn und Bedeutung* (*SuB 30*). Goethe University Frankfurt, September $23^{rd} - 27^{th}$.
2025	**Cho, Y.** Resultative constructions with intransitives in Korean. 32nd *Japanese/Korean Linguistic Conference (JK 32)*. Cornell University, June $13^{th} - 15^{th}$.
2025	**Cho, Y.** Negative *wh*-constructions as rhetorical questions. *The 49th Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC 49)*. University of Pennsylvania, April $5^{th} - 6^{th}$.
2025	**Cho, Y.** Since when is it a question?: The contextual conditions of negative *wh*-constructions in Korean. *The Workshop on Theoretical East Asian Linguistics 14 (TEAL 14)*. University of Southern California, March $18^{th} - 20^{th}$.
2024	**Cho, Y.** Existential Locatives and Possessives in Korean *Iss-* 'exist/be' Constructions. 31st *Japanese/Korean Linguistic Conference (JK 31)*. Monash University, October $31^{st} -$ November 2nd.
2024	**Cho, Y.** Applicative substructure in Korean *Iss-* 'exist/be' constructions. 60th *Chicago*

Linguistic Society (CLS 60). The University of Chicago, April 26th-28th.

2021   **Cho, Y.** You elided WHAT?: The syntax of fragments in English echo questions. *The Linguistic Society of Korea 2021 Fall Young Scholar Symposium*, Seoul, South Korea, October 21st.

2021   **Cho, Y.** Ellipsis occurs in WHAT?: Ellipsis in English echo (*wh-*)questions. *The Korean Association for the Study of English Language and Linguistics 2021 Spring Conference*, Seoul, South Korea, June 5th.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Fellowships

2026 Spring   C. V. Starr Fellowship by Einaudi Center for International Studies, *Cornell University*

2022 – 2023   Sage Fellowship (tuition & stipend), *Cornell University*

2019 – 2021   Graduate Student Instructor Scholarship (tuition & stipend), *Seoul National University*

2016 – 2018   CORE Scholarship for Undergraduate Students, SNU-CORE*, *Seoul National University* (*Korean governmental initiative for COllege of humanities' Research and Education)

Travel Grants & Awards

2024   Conference Travel Grant, *Monash University*

Cognitive Science Program Travel Grant, *Cornell University*

Linguistics Department Conference Travel Grant, *Cornell University*

Graduate School Conference Travel Grant, *Cornell University*

2020   Best Student Paper Award, Department of English Language and Literature, *Seoul National University*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2019 – 2022   **Research Assistant**, *Korea National Open University, South Korea.*
– Project: Language Universality and Diversity: Focusing on Information Structure of Languages in the New Southern Region, Korean and English (Director: Dongwoo Park)
– Conducted literature review and interviewed native speakers for data acceptability judgment

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

At Cornell University

2025 Spring   **Teaching Assistant,** KOREA 1102 Elementary Korean II

2024 Fall   **Teaching Assistant**, LING 3303 Introduction to Syntax and Semantics

2024 Spring   **Teaching Assistant**, LING 6424/4424 Computational Linguistics 1

2023 Fall   **Teaching Assistant**, LING 1101 Introduction to Linguistics

At Seoul National University

2020 Fall	**Tutor**, Tutoring Program at Center for Teaching and Learning, *Seoul National University*
2020 Spring	**Teaching Assistant**, Graduate English Syntax (Head-driven Phrase Structure Grammar)
2019 - 2021	**Teaching Assistant**, College English Program

SERVICE AND OTHER EXPERIENCE

ACADEMIC SERVICES

2025	**Organizing Committee & Editor**, Japanese and Korean Linguistics Conference 32 (JK 32)
2025 - 2026	**Senior Editor,** Semantics and Linguistic Theory 35 (SALT 35)
2024 - 2025	**President,** Cornell Linguistics Circle
2023 - 2024	**Treasurer,** Cornell Linguistics Circle
2023 - 2024	**Junior Editor,** Semantics and Linguistic Theory 34 (SALT 34)
2022 - 2023	**Field Representative,** Graduate and Professional Student Assembly
2021	**Volunteer**, The 29th Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference
2021	**Volunteer**, The 23rd Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar
2020	**Editorial Member**, SNU Working Papers in English Language and Linguistics, *Seoul National University*

REVIEWING

Chicago Linguistic Society, Penn Linguistics Conference, Oxford Handbook of Non-Canonical Questions

MEMBERSHIP

Linguistic Society of America

NON-ACADEMIC SERVICES

2014 - 2016	**Military Service**, Republic of Korea Air Force (ROKAF)

SKILLS

Languages	Korean (native), English (fluent), Spanish (advanced), Mandarin (intermediate)
Tools	R, Python, PCIbex, LaTeX, Praat

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