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### EDUCATION

Ph.D., Cornell University, 1977. Major: General linguistics. Minors: East Asian linguistics, Indo-European linguistics. Thesis: 'Old Chinese origins of the Middle Chinese chóngniǔ distinctions: a study using multiple character readings'

M.A., Cornell University, 1974. Major: General linguistics.

B.A. (summa cum laude), Amherst College, 1970. Major: Anthropology.

### PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor of Chinese and Linguistics, Department of Asian Languages and Cultures and Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan, 1990 to the present.

Membre associé (external member), Centre de Recherches Linguistiques sur l'Asie Orientale (CRLAO), École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (Paris), 2003 to the present.

Assistant Professor of Chinese and Linguistics, Department of Asian Languages and Cultures (former name: Department of Far Eastern Languages and Literatures), University of Michigan, 1983-1990.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Far Eastern Languages and Literatures, University of Michigan, fall, 1982.

Assistant Professor (linguistics and English composition), Department of English, University of Alabama in Birmingham, 1978-1983.

Part-time instructor, Department of English, University of Alabama in Birmingham, 1976-1978.

Part-time instructor (mathematics and English), Indian Springs School, Helena, Alabama, 1976-1978.

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2006 Mandarin dialect phylogeny. *Cahiers de Linguistique Asie Orientale*, 35.71–114.
- 2006 Eulogy: Sergej Anatol'evič Starostin, March 24, 1953 – September 30, 2005. *Journal of Chinese Linguistics* 34.1:164–166.
- 2002 Where does the ‘Comparative Method’ come from? In *The linguist’s linguist: a collection of papers in honour of Alexis Manaster Ramer*, ed. Fabrice Cavoto, 33–52. Muenchen: LINCOM EUROPA.
- 2000 (with Alexis Manaster Ramer) Beyond lumping and splitting: probabilistic issues in historical linguistics. In *Time depth in historical linguistics*, ed. by Colin Renfrew, April McMahon & Larry Trask, 167–188. Cambridge: McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research.
- 2000 Did Proto-Mandarin exist? *Journal of Chinese Linguistics* 28.100–115.
- 1999 Reconstructing Proto-‘Mandarin’ retroflex initials. In *Issues in Chinese dialect description and classification* (Journal of Chinese Linguistics Monographs, 15), ed. by Richard VanNess Simmons, 1–35. Berkeley: Project on Linguistic Analysis.
- 1999 Eulogy: Nicholas C. Bodman (1913–1997). *Journal of Chinese Linguistics* 27.190–191.
- 1998 Response to Oswalt and Ringe. In *Nostratic: Sifting the Evidence*, ed. by Joseph C. Salmons and Brian D. Joseph, 217–236. Amsterdam: Benjamins.
- 1998 Situating the language of the *Lao-tzu*: the probable date of the *Tao-te-ching*. In *Lao-tzu and the Tao-te-ching*, ed. by Livia Kohn and Michael LaFargue, 231–253. Albany: State University Press of New York, 1998.
- 1997 (with Laurent Sagart) Word formation in Old Chinese. In *New approaches to Chinese word formation*, ed. by Jerome Packard, 35–76. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter.
- 1996 Review (with Alexis Manaster Ramer) of Donald A. Ringe, Jr., *On calculating the factor of chance in language comparison* (Philadelphia: American Philosophical Society, 1992), *Diachronica* 13.371–384.
- 1995 “A stronger affinity ... than could have been produced by accident”: a probabilistic comparison of Old Chinese and Tibeto-Burman. In *The Ancestry of the Chinese Language* (Journal of Chinese Linguistics Monographs, 8), ed. by William S.-Y. Wang, 1–39. Berkeley: Project on Linguistic Analysis. (A Chinese translation is to appear in a volume from Zhōnghuá shūjú 中华书局, Beijing.)
- 1995 Pre-*Qièyùn* distinctions in the Mǐn dialects. In *Papers from the First International Symposium on Languages in Taiwan* (Dì 1 jiè Tái wān yǔ yán guó jì yán tǎo huì lùn wén xuǎn jí 第一屆臺灣語言國際研討會論文選集) ed. by Ts’ao Feng-fu 曹逢甫 and Ts’ai Mei-hui 蔡美慧, 393–406. Taipei: Crane Publishing.

- 1994 Guānyú Shànggǔyīn de sìge jiǎshè 關於上古音的四個假設 (Four hypotheses on Old Chinese phonology). In *Zhōngguó jìngnèi yǔyán jì yǔyánxué* 中國境內語言暨語言學 (Chinese languages and linguistics), vol. 2: *Lìshǐ yǔyánxué* 歷史語言學 (Historical linguistics), ed. by Li Jen-kuei 李壬癸, Huang Chu-ren 黃居仁, and T'ang Chih-chen 湯志真, 41–60. Taipei: Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica.
- 1994 Reply to Pulleyblank. *Journal of Chinese Linguistics* 22.139–160
- 1994 Some phonological correspondences between Chinese and Tibeto-Burman. In *Current issues in Sino-Tibetan Linguistics*, ed. by Hajime Kitamura, Tatsuo Nishida, and Yasuhiko Nagano, 25–35. Osaka: The Organizing Committee, The 26th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics.
- 1993 Review of Johanna Nichols, *Linguistic diversity in space and time* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1992), *Science* 259:1927–8 (26 March 1993).
- 1993 Pre-Qieyun distinctions in the Min dialects. First International Symposium on Languages in Taiwan, Taipei.
- 1992 *A handbook of Old Chinese phonology*. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter, 1992.
- 1991 Zhōu and Hàn phonology in the *Shījīng*. In *Studies in the historical phonology of Asian languages* (Current issues in linguistic theory, 77), ed. by William G. Boltz and Michael C. Shapiro, 1–34. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
- 1991 On the hypothesis of a genetic connection between the Sino-Tibetan languages and the Yeniseian and North-Caucasian languages' (annotated translation of Sergei Starostin's 'Gipoteza o genetičeskix svjazjax sinotibetskix jazykov s enisejskimi i severno-kavkazskimi jazykami'). In *Dene-Sino-Caucasian languages: materials from the First International Interdisciplinary Symposium on Language and Prehistory, Ann Arbor, 8–12 November 1988*, edited by Vitaly Shevoroshkin. Bochum: Brockmeyer.
- 1989 Review of Marie-Claude Paris, *Problèmes de syntaxe et de sémantique en linguistique chinoise*, Mémoires de l'Institut des Hautes Études Chinoises, vol. 20 (Paris: Collège de France, Institut des Hautes Études Chinoises, 1981). *Journal of the Chinese Language Teachers Association* 24.111–118
- 1987 Review of E. G. Pulleyblank, *Middle Chinese: a study in historical phonology* (Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press, 1984). *Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies* 47.635–656.
- 1986 Old Chinese \*-u and \*-iw in the *Shi-jing*. In *Contributions to Sino-Tibetan studies* (Cornell linguistic contributions, 5), ed. by John McCoy and Timothy Light, 258–282. Leiden: E. J. Brill.
- 1986 Chinese and Japanese CAI at the University of Michigan. *Journal of the Chinese Language Teachers Association* 21.19–26.

- 1985 Tibeto-Burman cognates of Old Chinese \*-ij and \*-ij. In *Linguistics of the Sino-Tibetan area: the state of the art—papers presented to Paul K. Benedict for his 71st birthday* (Pacific linguistics, series C, no. 87), ed. by Graham Thurgood, James A. Matisoff, and David Bradley, 242–263. Canberra: The Australian National University.
- 1985 Language and language policy in Singapore. *Social Education* 49:116–117 (1985).
- 1985 Review of W. South Coblin, *A handbook of Eastern Han sound glosses* (Hong Kong: The Chinese University Press, 1983). *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies* 48.170–171.
- 1984 Formal semantics of a fragment of Chinese. *Journal of the Chinese Language Teachers Association* 19.37–52.
- 1983 A look at the history of Chinese color terminology. *Journal of the Chinese Language Teachers Association* 18.2.1–25.
- 1983 Shàngǔ Hànyǔ \*sr- de fāzhǎn 上古汉语 \*sr- 的发展’ (The development of Old Chinese \*sr-). *Yǔyán Yánjiū* 语言研究 (Wǔhàn) 4.22–26.
- 1982 Review of Paul Fu-Mien Yang, *Chinese dialectology: a selected and classified bibliography* (Hong Kong: The Chinese University Press, 1981). *Journal of Asian Studies* 41.158–159.
- 1982 Some proposals on Old Chinese phonology. In *Contributions in historical linguistics: issues and materials* (Cornell linguistic contributions, 3), ed. by Frans van Coetsem and Linda R. Waugh, 1–33. Leiden: E. J. Brill.

### **COURSES TAUGHT (at the University of Michigan)**

Second-year Chinese, Third-year Chinese, Literary Chinese, Sinological Tools and Methods, Languages of Asia, Introduction to Chinese Linguistics, History of the Chinese Language, Structure of the Chinese Language, Introduction to Graduate Study (Program in Linguistics), Semantics and Pragmatics, Aspects of Meaning, Language and History, Deciphering Ancient Languages, Seminar in Historical Linguistics. Special-topics courses: Chinese paleography, formal semantics, Introduction to HPSG Syntax.

### **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

Sabbatical leave, 2005–2006 academic year.

Senior fellowship, International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, spring 1998.

Sabbatical leave, 1997–1998 academic year.

ITD-LSA Apple Macintosh Microcomputer Award, fall, 1991. Title of project: ‘A HyperCard dictionary of Chinese characters’.

Teaching replacement grant, Office of the Vice President for Research, University of Michigan, fall, 1991.

Sabbatical leave, winter, 1990.

Rackham Faculty Fellowship, University of Michigan, summer, 1988.

ACLS postdoctoral research grant, 1985–1986. Title of project: ‘A handbook of Old Chinese phonology’.

ACLS intensive summer language training grant, 1985.

ACLS China conference travel grant, summer, 1982.

Faculty Research Grants, University of Alabama in Birmingham, 1979 and 1982.

NDEA Title IV Graduate Fellowship, 1970–73.

Woodrow Wilson Independent Study Award, summer, 1970.

Woodrow Wilson Fellow, 1970.

Phi Beta Kappa, 1969.

Presidential Scholar, 1966.

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (selected)**

‘Hàn-Zàng yǔyánxué 汉藏语言学’ (Sino-Tibetan linguistics), course taught (in Chinese) at Fudan University, Spring 2006.

‘Shànggǔyīn 脂 Zhī, 微 Wēi liǎng bù zhījiān de jièxiàn 上古音脂、微两部之间的界限 (The boundary between the 脂 Zhī and 微 Wēi rhyme groups in Old Chinese)’, presentation at the International Symposium on Old Chinese Linguistic Reconstruction (Hànyǔ shànggǔyīn guójì yántǎohuì 汉语上古音国际研讨会), Shanghai, 15 December 2005.

Co-organizer, with Laurent Sagart, CNRS (Paris), Pān Wùyún 潘悟云 (Shanghai Normal University), and Jīn Lì 金力 (Fudan University): International Symposium on Old Chinese Linguistic Reconstruction (Hànyǔ shànggǔyīn guójì yántǎohuì 汉语上古音国际研讨会), Shanghai, 13–18 December 2005.

Conducted two-week ‘Intensive Seminar on Old Chinese Phonology’, Leiden University (sponsored by the European League for Non-Western Studies and the Leiden University Faculty of Arts), 5–16 September 2005 and 7–18 August 2006.

‘Early Chinese dialects’, presentation at XIXèmes Journées de Linguistique d’Asie Orientale (CRLAO, Paris), 30 June 2005.

‘Le chinois archaïque et les textes récemment exhumés’, seminar at the Centre de Recherches Linguistiques sur l’Asie Orientale, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 22 June 2005.

‘Chūtǔ wénxiàn hé Shàngǔ Hànyǔ de gòunǐ 出土文獻和上古漢語的構擬’ (Chinese version of ‘Old Chinese reconstruction and recently excavated texts’), presentation at the Creel Symposium on Chinese paleography, University of Chicago, 28 May 2005; also at Shanghai Normal University, December 2005.

‘Probabilistic methods in historical linguistics’, invited presentation at the Linguistics Department, Cornell University, Ithaca NY, 10 Dec 2004.

‘Old Chinese reconstruction and recently excavated texts’, invited presentation at Columbia University (13 Nov 2004), Cornell University (9 Dec 2004); also presented to Historical linguistics interest group, University of Michigan (25 Feb 2004).

‘Chinese language and Chinese thought—or, How different is Chinese? Invited lecture at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, 22 Oct 2004; also Wayne State University, 1 November 2005.

Invited participant, workshop on Old Chinese phonology, Charles University, Prague, 18–30 May 2003.

Invited participant, Creel symposium on Chinese phonology, Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Chicago, 10 May 2003.

Invited seminars on Chinese historical phonology, Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Chicago, 5 and 12 April 2003.

Invited speaker, Linguistic Databases and Linguistic Taxonomy Workshop, Santa Fe Institute, 6–10 January 2003. Presentation: ‘New techniques in reconstructing the history of Chinese’.

Invited speaker, Li Fang-kuei Centennial Symposium, University of Washington, Seattle, 15–17 August 2002. Paper: ‘Dialect relationships in the Chángjiāng valley’

Invited speaker, 4th International Conference on Classical Chinese Grammar, Vancouver, 17–19 August 2001. Paper: ‘Aspects of Old Chinese morphology: reading between the characters in early Chinese texts’

Invited participant, International Conference on Recently Excavated Bamboo and Silk Texts (Xīn chū jiǎnbó guójì yántǎohuì 新出简帛国际学术研讨会), Peking University, 19–22 August 2000.

Invited speaker, 9th International Conference on Chinese Linguistics (ICCL–9), Singapore, 26–28 June 2000. Paper: ‘Dialect relationships in the Huánghé valley from a phylogenetic point of view’.

Warring States Working Group meeting, 5–7 May 2000, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Paper: ‘The nature of the Chinese-Austronesian interface’

Invited participant in Old Chinese Forum, 29th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Rijksuniversiteit te Leiden, the Netherlands, 10–13 October 1996. Paper: ‘Old Chinese origins of Middle Chinese palatal *sy-*: evidence from Mǐn 閩 dialects’

Organizing Committee, 28th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Charlottesville, Virginia, October 6–9, 1995.

Seminars on Old Chinese and Sino-Tibetan, Rijksuniversiteit te Leiden, the Netherlands, July 14–17 July 1995.

Visiting consultant, Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary and Thesaurus Project, University of California, Berkeley, May, 1995.

Discussant, ‘Against multilateral comparison’ (panel at the annual meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, New Orleans, 5 January 1995).

Keynote speaker, 27th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Paris, 14 October 1994.

Invited panelist, Roundtable on the Ancestry of the Chinese Language, City Polytechnic University of Hong Kong, 17 July 1994.

Invited speaker, Yuen Ren Chao Symposium, University of California at Berkeley, 18 February 1994.

Discussant, 2nd Workshop on Comparative Linguistics, Eastern Michigan University, 21 October 1993.

Discussant for panel on proficiency testing in Chinese and Japanese, Indiana University, 9–10 July 1993.

Organizing committee, Workshop on Methods of Language Classification and Reconstruction, University of Michigan, 6–7 November 1992.

Elected member of the Executive Board, International Association of Chinese Linguistics, 1992–1994.

Organizing committee, 4th North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL4), University of Michigan, 8–10 May 1992.

Elected member of the Executive Board, Chinese Language Teachers Association, 1982–1985 (Chair of the Nominations Committee, 1982–1984) and 1988–1991.

Invited presentation at conference ‘A symposium on evolution: molecules to culture’, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, 24–27 September 1990.

Participant in ACTFL ‘Teaching for proficiency’ workshop, University of Pennsylvania, 4 December 1985.

Participant in ACTFL Oral Proficiency Testing Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, 1–4 November 1984.

Editorial board, *Journal of the Chinese Language Teachers Association*, 1991–1993.

Reviewer of manuscripts and proposals for the Australian Research Council (Research Grants Committee), the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Canadian Federation for the Humanities (Aid to Scholarly Publications Programme), the *Journal of the Chinese Language Teachers Association*, the *Journal of East Asian Linguistics*, the Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, the New York Academy of Sciences, Research Grants Programme (Hong Kong).

External tenure reviewer for the University of Arizona, Temple University, College of the Holy Cross, National Tsing-hua University (Taiwan), Ohio State University, and Baruch College of the City University of New York.

#### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE** (selected, at the University of Michigan)

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, 2006–2007 academic year.

Curriculum Committee College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, 2000–2001 and 2006–2007 academic years.

Graduate Program Committee, Department of Linguistics, 2006–2007 academic year.

Executive Committee, Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, 2003–2004 and 2006–2007..

Executive Committee, Center for Chinese Studies, 1986–1989, 1992–1994, 2002–2004.

Curriculum Committee (formerly Undergraduate Program Committee), Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, 2000–present.

Undergraduate Committee, Department of Linguistics, 2003–2004 academic year.

Graduate Committee, Department of Linguistics, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 academic years.

University of Michigan representative, Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Instruction (consortium which operates the IUP intensive language center at Qinghua University, Beijing).

Elected member of Executive Committee, Program in Linguistics, 1996–98.

Language Resource Center Faculty Advisory Committee, 1995-1996.

Chinese language coordinator, 1983–2000.

Advisor to first-year graduate students, Program in Linguistics, 1994–1995.

Prelim Committee, Program in Linguistics, 1986–87, 1992–1994.

Summer language coordinator, Chinese and Japanese, 1992 and 1993.

Steering Committee, Program in Linguistics, 1992-1993.

Member of Task Force on Language Proficiency, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, 1987–88.

Member of Language Laboratory Review Committee, 1984.

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