



**“The limits of my language mean
the limits of my world.”
(Ludwig Wittgenstein)**

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■ 自己紹介

My research area is psycholinguistics, mainly focusing on language acquisition. I am interested in how children and adults learn languages. Why is it so easy for babies and children to master their first language? Why is it often difficult for people to learn a second language? How do people become bilingual? I am curious about the process of language acquisition, from a crosslinguistic and crosscultural perspective. Some of the topics I have been researching recently include narrative, language socialization, gender, politeness, and codeswitching.

One of my main personal interests is learning languages. To date, I have studied eight languages, and I hope to study many more. There is nothing more rewarding than learning a new language- by doing so, you can open new doors and communicate with new friends. Although learning languages can be challenging, it offers unlimited opportunities! I hope that I can help students navigate their way toward proficiency in English.