

Stanford



Matthew Palmer

COLLEGE Lecturer

Stanford Introductory Studies - Civic, Liberal, and Global Education

Bio

BIO

Matthew Palmer (he/him/his) is a Lecturer in Civic, Liberal, and Global Education (COLLEGE).

Fluent in Modern Standard Chinese ("Mandarin") and Japanese, Matthew focuses his research at the intersection of corpus linguistics and computer-assisted language learning. His recent doctoral dissertation reveals previously-unattested language learner comprehension gaps pertaining to the perfective # "le": a ubiquitous yet frequently misunderstood Chinese grammatical marker. During his time as a Ph.D. candidate in Stanford's Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, Matthew taught Chinese linguistics and advanced Chinese language courses.

Matthew holds professional experience in East Asia product localization, automated language assessment, and pedagogical inclusivity training. He is a recipient of the U.S. Department of State Critical Language Scholarship (CLS), the U.S. Department of Education Fulbright-Hays Scholarship, the U.S. Department of Education Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Graduate Fellowship, and the Stanford University Pigott Scholars Award.

In his spare time, Matthew is passionate about mindfulness, video games, and group fitness.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Lecturer, Stanford Introductory Studies - Civic, Liberal, and Global Education

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Stanford University , East Asian Languages and Cultures (2023)
- M.A., Stanford University , East Asian Languages and Cultures (2018)
- B.A., Hamilton College , East Asian Languages and Literature; Computer Science; Art History (2016)

Teaching

COURSES

2025-26

- Citizenship in the 21st Century: COLLEGE 102 (Win)
- Utopia, Dystopia, and Technology in Science Fiction: COLLEGE 113 (Spr)
- Why College? Your Education and the Good Life: COLLEGE 101 (Aut)

2024-25

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