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Biography

Dr Emily Chiang's research focuses on linguistic expressions of identity in online criminal contexts combining corpus tools with qualitative pragmatic methods like rhetorical move analysis and speech act theory. She has explored linguistic identity in online child sexual abuse interactions and how linguistic analysis and understanding can inform undercover police practice in this area. Her current research interests include the language of self-styled 'paedophile-hunters' and dark web fraud communities.

Areas of Expertise

Forensic Linguistics, Linguistic Identity, Online Child Abuse, Dark Web, Fraud, Move Analysis, Discourse Analysis, Corpus Linguistics

Education

Aston University

PhD Rhetorical moves and identity performance in online child sexual abuse interactions

Aston University

MA Forensic Linguistics

Oxford Brookes University

BA English Language and Linguistics & Education and Human Development

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