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So my interest in teaching languages started when I was a grad student in Taiwan. That was this time that Taiwan started to establish its first grad school of teaching Chinese as a second language, which was about 1994. So I was a grad student there and that was the time I started to develop my interest in teaching foreigners Chinese.

So I was there for three years and they got me an opportunity to do an internship at Williams College. So I was at Williams for one year and at Williams, that was the eye-opening experience for me and that was really the moment I decided to devote myself into this profession.