



DR SIM ZI LIN
Psychologist & Autism Therapist



DR SIM ZI LIN is a Psychologist and Autism Therapist at Autism Resource Centre (Singapore), or ARC.

She graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of California (UC), Berkeley with a BA in Psychology (Highest Honors), and was awarded a Berkeley Graduate Fellowship to further pursue a PhD in Psychology. During her graduate program, Dr. Sim researched self-directed learning in typical and atypical development, and has published and presented her work in numerous academic outlets.

Her work has been featured in the Wall Street Journal as well. She received training in the neuropsychological and educational assessment for children and adolescents during her time at UC Berkeley.

Passionate about serving the autism community in Singapore, Dr. Sim returned to work at Pathlight School and ARC(S) after graduating with her PhD. She is currently responsible for training and coaching new and existing staff in designing autism-friendly learning environments, incorporating students' learning profile into one's pedagogy, etc. She also writes and conducts therapy programmes for individuals with autism in areas including self-regulation, assertiveness and self-advocacy. She is also involved in conducting cognitive, academic, and mental capacity assessments for students with autism to support Access Arrangements and Deputyship applications.

Holding the quote "If a child can't learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn" (Ignacio Estrada) close to her heart, Dr. Sim continues to pursue her research interests in examining learning mechanisms in children with ASD.