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Employment

- 2005- Associate Professor, University of Maryland Department of Linguistics.
- 2000-2005 Assistant Professor, Northwestern University Department of Linguistics.
- 1997-2000. Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Pennsylvania Institute for Research in Cognitive Science & Department of Psychology.
- 1999. Poste Rouge (CR2), Laboratoire de Sciences Cognitives et Psycholinguistique, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, L'Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris.
- 1996-97. Computational Lexicographer, Natural Language Understanding Group, Unisys East Coast Development Center, Paoli, PA.
- 1996-97. Lecturer, Department of Linguistics, University of Delaware.

Visiting Positions

- 2007. Netherlands Graduate School in Linguistics (LOT) Summer School. June 11-22. University of Leuven. Belgium.
- 2004 Poste Rouge (DR2), Laboratoire de Sciences Cognitives et Psycholinguistique, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris.

Education

- 1996. Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of Delaware. Dissertation: Dimensions of Reflexivity. Advisor: Peter Cole.
- 1992. M.A. in Linguistics, University of Delaware.
- 1990. B.S. in Journalism, Northwestern University.

Research Interests

The relation between comparative syntax and first language acquisition.

Language acquisition: argument structure, quantification, word-learning, syntax.

Theoretical syntax: reflexivity, argument structure, quantification, locality.

Research Languages: English, French, Kannada, Korean, Malayalam

Grants and Fellowships

- 2008-2013. \$3,195,802. *IGERT: Biological and Computational Foundations of Natural Language Diversity*. Co-PI (w/Colin Phillips, Amy Weinberg, Amanda Woodward, Michael Long). National Science Foundation.
- 2006-2007. \$11,506. *Doctoral Dissertation Research: Language Specific Constraints on Scope Interpretation in First Language Acquisition*. Co-PI (w/Takuya Goro and Colin Phillips). National Science Foundation BCS-0617350.
- 2004-2008. \$240,000. *Quantification and the Syntactic Interfaces in Language Acquisition*. PI. National Science Foundation BCS-0418309.
- 2004-2007. \$209,955. *Syntactic and Lexical Factors in Infant Verb Learning*. PI. National Institute of Deafness and Communication Disorders R03-DC006829.
2003. \$7500. *The Development of Grammatical Categories*. Northwestern University Faculty Research Grant.
2002. \$9454. *Computational Infrastructure for Research Driven Linguistics Courses*. Hewlett Curricular Development Award. Northwestern University.
2001. \$2500. *Seed for International Collaboration*. Northwestern University French Interdisciplinary Group Research Grant (w/Janet Pierrehumbert).
2001. \$3000. *The Development of Syntactic and Conceptual Categories*. Northwestern University Language, Culture and Cognition Program Seed Grant (w/Sandra Waxman).
- 1997-2000. \$86,948. *Testing the Limits of Syntactic Bootstrapping*. National Institutes of Health, National Research Service Award Postdoctoral Fellowship.
- 1994-95. University Fellowship, University of Delaware.
1994. Summer Fellowship, First International Summer Institute - Cognitive Science. State University of New York at Buffalo.
1992. Linguistics Department Block Fellowship, University of Delaware.

Books

- Contracted Lidz, J. *Fundamentals of Child Language Acquisition*. Blackwell Textbooks in Linguistics. Blackwell: Cambridge.
- Contracted Lidz, J., W. Snyder & J. Pater (eds) *Oxford Handbook of Developmental Linguistics*. Oxford University Press: Oxford.

Journal Articles

- In Press. Syrett, K., C. Kennedy and J. Lidz. "Meaning and Context in Children's Understanding of Gradable Adjectives," *Journal of Semantics*.
- In Press. Pearl, L, and J. Lidz. "When Domain General Learning Succeeds and When it Fails," *Language Learning and Development*.

2009. Pietroski, P., J. Lidz, T. Hunter & J. Halberda. "The Meaning of Most: Semantics, Numerosity & Psychology," *Mind & Language*, 24:554-585.
2009. Waxman, S.R., J. Lidz, I. Braun and T. Lavin. "24-Month-Old Infants' Interpretations of Novel Verbs and Nouns in Dynamic Scenes." *Cognitive Psychology*, 59:67-95.
2009. Conroy, A., E. Takahashi, J. Lidz and C. Phillips. "Equal Treatment for All Antecedents: How Children Succeed with Principle B," *Linguistic Inquiry*, 40: 446-486.
2009. Syrett, K. and J. Lidz. Quantifier Raising in 4-year-olds. *Language Acquisition* 16:67-81.
2009. Conroy, A., J. Lidz and J. Musolino. "The Fleeting Isomorphism Effect." *Language Acquisition* 16:106-117.
2008. Pietroski, P., & J. Lidz. Natural number concepts: No derivation without formalization. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 31:666-667.
2008. Halberda, J., L. Taing & J. Lidz. "The age of *most* comprehension and its potential dependence on counting ability in preschoolers," *Language Learning and Development* 4:99-121.
2008. Christophe, A., S. Millotte, S. Bernal and J. Lidz. "Bootstrapping Lexical and Syntactic Acquisition," *Language and Speech* 51:61-75.
2007. Bernal, S., J. Lidz, S. Millotte and A. Christophe. "Syntax constrains the acquisition of verb meaning," *Language Learning and Development* 3:325-341.
2007. Han, C.H., J. Lidz, and J. Musolino. "Verb-movement and Grammar Competition in Korean: Evidence from Quantification and Negation," *Linguistic Inquiry* 38:1-47.
2006. Lidz, J. and J. Musolino. "On the Quantificational Status of Indefinites: The View from Child Language." *Language Acquisition*.
2006. Musolino, J and J. Lidz. "Why Children are not Universally Successful with Quantification." *Linguistics* 44:817-852.
2006. Lidz, J. "The Grammar of Accusative Case in Kannada," *Language* 82:1-23.
2004. Lidz, J. and L. Gleitman. "Yes, we still need Universal Grammar," *Cognition* 94:85-93.
2004. Lidz, J. and S. Waxman. "Reaffirming the Poverty of the Stimulus Argument: A reply to the replies," *Cognition* 93:157-165.
2004. Lidz, J. and L. Gleitman. "Argument Structure and the Child's Contribution to Language Learning," *Trends in Cognitive Science* 8(4):157-161.
2003. Musolino, J. and J. Lidz. "The Scope of Isomorphism: Turning Adults into Children." *Language Acquisition* 11:277-291.

2003. Lidz, J., S. Waxman, and J. Freedman. "What Infants Know about Syntax but Couldn't have Learned: Experimental Evidence for Syntactic Structure at 18-months." *Cognition* 89:B65-B73.
2003. Lidz, J., H. Gleitman and L. Gleitman. "Understanding How Input Matters: The Footprint of Universal Grammar on Verb Learning," *Cognition* 87:151-178.
2002. Lidz, J. and J. Musolino. "Children's Command of Quantification," *Cognition* 84:113-154.
2001. Lidz, J. "Echo Reduplication in Kannada and the Theory of Word Formation," *The Linguistic Review* 18:375-394.
2001. Lidz, J. "The Argument Structure of Verbal Reflexives," *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 19.2:311-353.
2001. Lidz, J. "Condition R," *Linguistic Inquiry* 32.1:123-140.
2000. Lidz, J. "A Three-legged Chicken," *Snippets* 1.1:13-14.
1995. Lidz, J. "Morphological Reflexive-Marking: Evidence from Kannada," *Linguistic Inquiry* 26.4:705-710.

Book Chapters

2009. Han, C.H, J. Lidz & J. Musolino. "The acquisition of the placement of the verb in the clause structure of Korean," *Handbook of East Asian Psycholinguistics*. Cambridge University Press: Cambridge.
2007. Lidz, J. "The abstract nature of syntactic representations: Consequences for a theory of learning," in E. Hoff and M. Shatz (eds.) *Handbook of Language Development*, 277-303. Blackwell: Cambridge.
2006. Lidz, J and A. Williams. "On the lack of reflexive benefactives in Kannada," in T. Battacharya (ed.) *Yearbook of South Asian Languages and Linguistics*, 237-254. Mouton de Gruyter: Berlin.
2006. Lidz, J. "Verb learning as a probe into children's grammars," in K. Hirsh-Pasek and R. Golinkoff (eds.) *Action Meets Words*. Oxford University Press: Oxford.
2006. Waxman, S.R. and J. Lidz. "Early Word Learning," in D. Kuhn & R. Siegler (eds). *Handbook of Child Psychology: Cognition, Perception and Language* (6th Edition), 299-335. John Wiley & Sons: NY.
2004. Lidz, J., H. Gleitman and L. Gleitman. "Kidz in the 'Hood: Syntactic Bootstrapping and the Mental Lexicon," in Hall, D.G. and S.R. Waxman (eds.) *Weaving a Lexicon*, 603-636. MIT Press: Cambridge.
2003. Lidz, J. "Causation and Reflexivity in Kannada," in Dayal, V. and A. Mahajan (eds.) *Clause Structure in South Asian Languages*, 93-130. Kluwer: Dordrecht.

2001. Lidz, J. "Anti-antilocality," in Cole, P., G. Hermon, and C-T.J. Huang (eds.) *Syntax and Semantics 33: Long-distance Reflexives*, 227-254. Academic Press: NY.
2001. Lidz, J. "Reflexivity in Kannada: Implications for Universal Grammar," in Abbi, A, R.S. Gupta and A. Kidwai (eds.) *Linguistic Structure and Language Dynamics in South Asia*, 376-387. Motilal Banarsidass Publishers: Delhi.

Conference Proceedings

2009. Hunter, T., J. Lidz, A. Welwod, & A. Conroy. "Restrictions on the Meaning of Determiners: Typological Generalizations and Learnability." *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory*.
2008. Hunter, T., J. Halberda, J. Lidz & P. Pietroski. "Beyond Truth Conditions: The Semantics of Most," *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory*.
2008. Takahashi, E. and J. Lidz. "Beyond Statistical Learning in Syntax," *Proceedings of Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition*.
2007. Baier, R., W. Idsardi, and J. Lidz. "Two-month-olds are sensitive to lip-rounding in dynamic and static speech events," *Proceedings of International Conference of Audio-Visual Speech Processing*.
2007. Conroy, A. and J. Lidz. "A Production/Comprehension Asymmetry in Children's Why-questions," *Proceedings of Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition in North America 2*. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
2006. Bungler, A. and J. Lidz. "Constrained flexibility in the extension of novel causative verbs," *Proceedings of the 32nd Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society. BLS: Berkeley*.
2006. Bungler, A. and J. Lidz. "Constrained flexibility in the acquisition of causative verbs," *Proceedings of the 30th Boston University Conference on Language Development*. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
2006. Leddon, E. and J. Lidz "Reconstruction Effects in Child Language," *Proceedings of the 30th Boston University Conference on Language Development*. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
2005. Syrett, K., C. Kennedy, E. Bradley, and J. Lidz. "Shifting Standards: Children's Understanding of Gradable Adjectives," In K. Ud Deen, J. Nomura, B. Schulz and B. D. Schwartz (eds.) *Proceedings of the Inaugural GALANA*. MITWPL: Cambridge.
2005. Syrett, K. and J. Lidz. "Children Want to Access Every Interpretation Adults do," *Proceedings of North East Linguistics Society 35*. GLSA: Amherst, MA.
2004. Lidz, J. and A. Williams. "C-locality and the Interaction of Reflexives and Ditransitives," *Proceedings of North East Linguistics Society 34*. GLSA: Amherst, MA.

2004. Bunger, A. and J. Lidz. "Syntactic Bootstrapping and the Internal Structure of Causative Events," *Proceedings of 28th Boston University Conference on Language Development*, 74-85. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
2004. Lidz, J., E. McMahon, K. Syrett, J. Viau, F. Anggoro, J. Peterson-Hicks, E. Sneed, A. Bunger, T. Flevaris, A. Graham, K. Grohne, Y. Lee, and J. Strid. "Quantifier Raising in 4-year-olds," *Proceedings of 28th Boston University Conference on Language Development*, 340-349. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
2002. Lidz, J. and A. Williams. "Reflexivity and Resultatives," *Proceedings of West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics* 21:101-114. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
2002. Musolino, J. and J. Lidz. "Preschool Logic: Truth and Felicity in the Acquisition of Quantification," *Proceedings of 26th Boston University Conference on Language Development*, 406-416. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
2001. Kennedy, C. and J. Lidz. "A (Covert) Long-distance Anaphor in English," *Proceedings of West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics* 20:318-331. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
2000. Bleam, T., C. Han and J. Lidz. "Grammatical Downsizing and the Redistribution of Semantic Wealth," *Proceedings of 24th Penn Linguistics Colloquium, Penn Working Papers in Linguistics* 7.1:37-52.
1999. Lidz, J. "The Morphosemantics of Object Case in Kannada," *Proceedings of West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics* 18:325-336. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
1999. Lidz, J. "Causativity, Late Insertion and the Structure of vP," *Papers from the UPenn/MIT Roundtable on the Lexicon. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics* 35:117-137.
1998. Lidz, J. "Constraints on the Syntactic Bootstrapping Procedure for Verb Learning," *Proceedings of 22nd Boston University Conference on Language Development*, 488-498. Cascadilla Press: Cambridge.
1998. Lidz, J. and W. Idsardi. "Chains and Phono-Logical Form," *Proceedings of 22nd Penn Linguistics Colloquium. Penn Working Papers in Linguistics* 5.1:109-126.
1997. Lidz, J. "When is a Reflexive not a Reflexive? Near Reflexivity and Condition R," *Proceedings of North East Linguistics Society* 27, 251-261. GLSA: Amherst.
1996. Lidz, J. "On the Independence of Syntactic and Thematic Binding," *Geometric and Thematic Structure in Binding: 1st Linguist List On-line Conference*.

1995. Lidz, J. "On the Non-Existence of Reflexive Clitics," *Papers from the 31st Regional Meeting of the Chicago Linguistics Society: The Parasession on Clitics*, 181-198.
1993. Lidz, J. "The Role of Spec-Head Agreement in Anaphor Identification", *Proceedings of Student Conference in Linguistics, MIT Working Papers in Linguistics*, 20:161-175.

Book Reviews

2009. Lidz, J. and A. Williams. "Constructions on Holiday," Commentary on A. Goldberg, 2006, *Constructions at Work, Cognitive Linguistics* 20:177-190.
2007. Lidz, J. and L. Pearl. "Language Learning Through Selection." Review of C. Yang, 2006, *The Infinite Gift, Science* 315:332.
2002. Lidz, J. "Review of Principle B, VP-ellipsis and Interpretation in Child Language by R. Thornton and K. Wexler," *Journal of Linguistics* 38:459-462.

Working Papers

2001. Lidz, J., H. Gleitman and L. Gleitman. "Kidz in the 'Hood: Syntactic Bootstrapping and the Mental Lexicon," *IRCS Technical Reports* 01-01.
2000. Lidz, J. "Echo-reduplication in Kannada: Implications for a Theory of Word-formation," *Penn Working Papers in Linguistics* 6.2:145-166.
1998. Lidz, J. "Valency in Kannada: Evidence for Interpretive Morphology," *Penn Working Papers in Linguistics* 5.2:37-64.
1997. Lidz, J. "Chain-fusion and Shortest Move: When Derivations Fail," *GenGenP* 5.1:36-42.

Invited Conference Presentations

2009. "Selective Statistical Learning." Input and Syntactic Acquisition. UC Irvine. September 11-12.
2009. "Statistical Inference in The Acquisition of Syntax and Semantics." Probabilistic Models in Cognitive Development. Banff International Research Station for Mathematical Innovation and Discovery. May 24-29.
2009. "The Role of Statistics in a Selective Theory of Language Learning," Georgetown University Roundtable in Linguistics Symposium on Statistical Learning in L1 and L2. March 14.
2008. "The Abstract Nature of Syntactic Inference in Language Acquisition," Foundations of Language Comparison: Human Universals as Constraints on Language Diversity, DGfS Annual Meeting. Bamberg. February 28.
2007. "Beyond Truth Conditions: Towards a Psychosemantics of *Most*," Hopkins Workshop on Language. Johns Hopkins University. October 13.

- 2007. "Abstraction and Inference in Syntax Learning," NSF Workshop on Opportunities and Challenges for Language Learning and Education. Sept 6.
- 2007. "Prolegomena to a Theory of LF Parsing," Mental Architectures for the Processing and Learning of Language. Hiroshima University, Japan. July 15.
- 2007. "Language and Number: Towards a Psychosemantics for Natural Language Quantifiers," Cognitive Science Graduate Student Conference. University of Delaware. April 13.
- 2003. "The Syntax of Transfer Verbs," Conference on Language and Space in Cognition. Johns Hopkins University. September 18.
- 2002. "Late Lexical Insertion: Evidence from Ellipsis and Anaphora," International Conference on the Architecture of Grammar. Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages. Hyderabad, India. January 15.
- 1998. "Encyclopedic Agents and Monadic Causativity," 2nd Penn/MIT Lexicon Roundtable. Massachusetts Institute of Technology. November 10.

Invited Colloquium Presentations

- 2009. "Statistical Inference in the Acquisition of Syntax," University of Massachusetts Department of Linguistics. May 1.
- 2009. "The verificational thickness of meaning: Quantification in language and cognition." Harvard University Dept of Psychology. March 16.
- 2007. "Syntactic Inference in Infancy," RIKEN Brain Science Institute. Tokyo, Japan. July 18.
- 2007. "Parsing and Learning at the Syntax-semantics Interface," 3 lecture series, Hiroshima University, Center for Brain and Language. July 16.
- 2007. "Syntactic and Lexical Factors in Infant Verb Learning," University of Maryland, Center for Children, Culture and Relationships, Department of Human Development. May 9.
- 2007. "Towards a Theory of LF Parsing: Evidence from Priming and Learning," University of Connecticut, Department of Linguistics. April 27.
- 2007. "Language and Number: Towards a Psychosemantics for Natural Language Quantifiers," University of Pennsylvania, Institute for Research in Cognitive Science. April 6.
- 2007. "Towards a Theory of LF Parsing: Evidence from Priming and Learning," Ohio State University, Department of Linguistics, February 16.
- 2007. "On the Acquisition of Quantification," Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore, India. January 12.
- 2006. "Competence and Performance in the Acquisition of Quantification," Georgetown University Department of Linguistics, Sept 26.

2006. "Economy, Parsing, and Learning," University of Pennsylvania, Department of Linguistics, Sept 14.
2006. "Economy, Parsing and Learning," CUNY Graduate Center, Department of Linguistics, April 27.
2006. "Economy and the Residue of Overgeneration in Children's Grammars," MIT, Department of Linguistics & Philosophy, April 14.
2006. "Towards a theory of LF Parsing," University of Chicago, Department of Linguistics. January 10.
2005. "The Quantificational Status of Indefinites: Evidence from Child Language," University of Delaware, Department of Linguistics. February 25.
2005. "Competence and Performance in the Acquisition of Quantification," University of Southern California, Department of Linguistics. February 11.
2005. "Competence and Performance in the Acquisition of Quantification," University of Maryland, Department of Linguistics. February 3.
2005. "How to find Universal Grammar," Rutgers University, Center for Cognitive Science. January 18.
2004. "Complex Predicates and the Semantic Basis of Syntactic Locality," Johns Hopkins University, Department of Cognitive Science. October 14.
2004. "Competence and Performance in the Acquisition of Quantification," Rutgers University, Center for Cognitive Science. October 12.
2004. "Competence and Performance in the Acquisition of Quantification," University College London, Center for Developmental Language Disorders and Cognitive Neuroscience. June 15.
2004. "Competence and Performance in the Acquisition of Quantification," Università Milano-Bicocca, Department of Psychology. May 21.
2004. "Complex Predicates and the Role of Function Composition in Licensing Objects," Université Paris 8, Department of Linguistics. March 29.
2002. "The Contribution of the Learner in Syntactic Development," University of Chicago Department of Psychology. October 21.
2002. "The Contribution of the Learner in Syntactic Development," Indiana University Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences. October 14.
2002. "Language Acquisition in Children: Universals and Syntactic Development," Northwestern University Council on Language Instruction. September 20.
2002. "C-locality and the Structure of Resultatives," University of Maryland Department of Linguistics. March 1.
2002. "Where to find UG," University of Maryland Cognitive Neuroscience of Language Laboratory. February 28.

2001. "Various Issues in the Acquisition of Syntax and Phonology," (w/Janet Pierrehumbert) Laboratoire de Sciences Cognitives et Psycholinguistique. Paris. December 4.
2001. "Children's Command of Quantification," University of California Los Angeles Department of Linguistics. May 11.
2001. "Binding, Reflexivity and the Pieces of Syntax," University of Southern California Department of Linguistics. May 10.
2001. "What Children Bring to Verb Learning," Language and Cognition Lecture Series, Northwestern University. February 12.
2000. "Binding, Reflexivity and the Pieces of Syntax," University of Paris 8, Department of Linguistics. May 25.
2000. "Binding, Reflexivity and the Pieces of Syntax," Northwestern University Department of Linguistics. March 7.
2000. "The Scope of Command: Children's Command of Scope Relations," Northwestern University Department of Linguistics. March 6.
2000. "Binding, Reflexivity and the Pieces of Syntax," Yale University Department of Linguistics. February 21.
2000. "The Scope of Command: Children's Command of Scope Relations," Yale University Department of Linguistics. February 21.
2000. "Binding, Reflexivity and the Pieces of Syntax," University of Pennsylvania Department of Linguistics. February 17.
2000. "How to Pronounce a Chain," Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad. February 9.
2000. "Children's Command of Quantification," Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore. February 4.
1999. "The Morphosemantics of Case in Kannada," University of Delaware Department of Linguistics. March 5.
1999. "How to Pronounce a Trace," University of Wisconsin at Madison Department of English. March 3.
1999. "Compositionality and the Morphosemantics of Case," Swarthmore College Department of Linguistics. February 11.
1999. "On Case in Kannada," NEC Research Institute, Princeton. January 21.
1998. "Morphological Reflection," University of Pennsylvania Department of Linguistics. October 8.
1998. "Verb-learning and the Lexicon-Syntax Interface," Northeastern Verb Meeting. University of Pennsylvania. February 10.
1997. "The Morphosyntax of Reflexivity: Does Syntactic Structure Mean?" City University of New York Department of Linguistics. October 28.

1997. "Unchain My Theta-Role," University of Iowa Department of Linguistics. April 1.
1997. "The Many Faces of Reflexivity," State University of New York at Stonybrook Department of Linguistics. March 14.
1997. "Beyond Reflexivity in Kannada," Delhi University Department of Linguistics. January 24.
1997. "On the So-called Verbal Reflexive in Kannada," Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore. January 22.
1997. "Reflections on Reflexivity and the Organization of Grammar," Two-part Lecture Series, Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad. January 18-19.
1993. "Anaphora, Locality, Agreement and Other Stories," University of Maryland Department of Linguistics. December 10.

Unpublished Conference Presentations

2009. "Development of *most* comprehension In 42-60 month olds." (w/Justin Halberda, Paul Pietroski, Tim Hunter, Katya Eckman). Society for Research in Child Development. Denver. April 2.
2009. "Two-Year-Olds Think That Results Lie at the Core of Causative Events." (w/Rebecca Baier, Ann Bungler). Society for Research in Child Development. Denver. April 2.
2009. "Approximate number representations in the acquisition of *most*." (w/Justin Halberda, Paul Pietroski, Tim Hunter). Society for Research in Child Development. Denver. April 2.
2009. "Active Gap Search in the Visual World with lexical competitors." (w/Akira Omaki, Matt Wagers, Anastasia Trock, Colin Phillips). CUNY Sentence Processing Conference. UC Davis. March 20.
2009. "Bound-Variable Dependencies Reveal Structure-Sensitivity of Search." (w/Dave Kush, Akira Omaki, Brian Dillon, Pedro Alcocer, Colin Phillips) CUNY Sentence Processing Conference. UC Davis. March 20.
2009. "Filler-gap dependencies in 15- and 20-month olds." (w/Annie Gagliardi & Tara Shenk). CUNY Sentence Processing Conference. UC Davis. March 20.
2009. "Meaning and Verification: Towards a Psychosemantics for Natural Language Quantifiers" Organized Symposium. (w/Dave Barner, Martin Hackl, Justin Halberda, Paul Pietroski, Barry Schein). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting.
2008. "Filler-gap dependencies in 15- and 20-month olds." (w/Annie Gagliardi). Boston University Conference on Language Development 33. November 2.

2008. “Learning thematic structure: developmental changes in sensitivity to lexical and syntactic cues.” (w/Rebecca Baier). Boston University Conference on Language Development 33. November 1.
2008. “When revision is difficult and when it isn’t: The role of the parser in ambiguity resolution,” (w/Anastasia Conroy, Julien Musolino, Kristen Syrett). Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition 3. University of Connecticut. September 6.
2008. “An experimental investigation of referential/nonreferential asymmetries in syntactic reconstruction,” (w/Akira Omaki & Anastasia Conroy). Quantitative Investigations in Theoretical Linguistics 3. Helsinki, Finland. June 3.
2008. “An interface between language and vision: Quantifier words and set-based processing,” (w/Justin Halberda, Tim Hunter & Paul Pietroski). Vision Sciences Society 8th Annual Meeting. Naples, Florida. May 10.
2008. “Surface Scope as a Default: The Effect of Time in Resolving Quantifier Scope Ambiguity,” (w/Scott Fults, Anastasia Conroy, Julien Musolino). 21st CUNY Sentence Processing Conference. University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. March 13.
2007. “Mechanisms of LF Priming: Evidence from English and Kannada,” (w/Anastasia Conroy). Boston University Conference on Language Development. November 2.
2007. “Below the Surface: Hierarchy and Abstraction in Children’s Dative Verb Phrases,” (w/Joshua Viau). Boston University Conference on Language Development. November 2.
2007. “Beyond Statistical Learning of Syntax,” (w/Eri Takahashi). Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition, Barcelona. September 6.
2007. “The Role of Working Memory in Explaining Isomorphism,” (w/Anastasia Conroy). Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition, Barcelona. September 6.
2007. “Mechanisms of Syntactic Bootstrapping,” (w/Cynthia Fisher & Letitia Naigles). Symposium at Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Boston. April 1.
2007. “How Young Children Learn and Process Adjectives,” (w/Kristen Syrett, Sandra Waxman, Anne Fernald, and Aparna Nadig). Symposium at Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Boston. April 1.
2007. “A return to Isomorphism,” (w/Anastasia Conroy). 20th CUNY Sentence Processing Conference. UC San Diego. April 1.
2007. “2-year-olds distinguish unaccusatives from unergatives: Thematic relations as a cue to verb class,” (w/Ann Bunger). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Anaheim, CA. January 5.

2007. "The role of function words in infants' syntactic categorization of novel words," (w/Jessica Peterson-Hicks and Jessica Maye). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Anaheim, CA. January 5.
2006. "Priming of Abstract Logical Representations in 4-year-olds," (w/Joshua Viau and Julien Musolino). Boston University Conference on Language Development. November 3.
2006. "Early Mastery of Constraints on Binding and Coreference," (w/Eri Takahashi, Anastasia Conroy, and Colin Phillips). Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition 2. McGill University. August 17.
2006. "A Production-comprehension Asymmetry in Children's Why-questions," (w/Anastasia Conroy). Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition 2. McGill University. August 17.
2006. "The role of function words in early language development," (w/Anne Christophe, Severine Millotte and Savita Bernal). New Findings Symposium. International Conference on Infant Studies. Kyoto, Japan. June 13.
2006. "The Semantic Typology of Gradable Adjectives: Evidence from Adult and Child Language," (w/Kristen Syrett and Christopher Kennedy). 19th CUNY Sentence Processing Conference. March 23.
2006. "When One Cue is Better than Two: Syntactic vs. Lexical Information in Infant Verb Learning," (w/Ann Burger, Erin Leddon and Sandra Waxman). Workshop on On-line Methods in Children's Sentence Processing. City University of New York. March 21.
2006. "Constraints on two-year-olds' extensions of novel verbs," (w/Ann Burger). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Albuquerque, NM. January 5.
2006. "On the role of function words in lexical access and syntactic processing," (w/Jessica Hicks). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Albuquerque, NM. January 6.
2005. "How to learn a new verb: Investigating cues to verb acquisition in French 23 month-old infants." (w/Savita Bernal, Anne Christophe, Sandra Waxman). Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting. April 11.
2005. "Syntactic and Semantic Cues to Verb Acquisition in 23-month-old infants: Evidence from French and English," (w/Savita Bernal, Anne Christophe, Irena Braun, Sandra Waxman). Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting. Atlanta. April 9.
2005. "Syntactic Priming of LF Representations in 4-year-olds," (w/Joshua Viau and Julien Musolino). CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, University of Arizona. March 31-April 2.
2005. "Pragmatics and the Role of Experience in Overcoming Isomorphism," (w/Joshua Viau and Julien Musolino). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. San Francisco. January 6.
2005. "Shifting Standards: Children's Understanding of Gradable Adjectives,"

- (w/Kristen Syrett, Evan Bradley, & Christopher Kennedy). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. San Francisco. January 6.
2004. "Children want to access every interpretation adults do," (w/Kristen Syrett) Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition - North America. University of Hawaii, Manoa. December 18.
2004. "Children want to access every interpretation adults do," (w/Kristen Syrett) 29th Boston University Conference on Language Development. November 5.
2004. "Suprasegmental cues to meaning in child-directed speech," (w/Erin McMahon Leddou and Janet Pierrehumbert). 17th CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, University of Maryland College Park. March 27.
2004. "The role of function words in lexical access and syntactic processing," (w/Jessica Peterson Hicks, & Janet Pierrehumbert). 17th CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, University of Maryland College Park. March 25.
2004. "2-year-olds have complex representations for causatives," (w/Ann Bungler). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Boston. January 10.
2003. "Reflexives and Ditransitives in Kannada," (w/Alexander Williams) 23rd South Asian Languages Analysis Roundtable. University of Texas. October 10.
2003. "*One*-substitution Revisited: Experimental and Corpus Evidence," (w/Sandra Waxman) Workshop on Input and Language Acquisition. Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute. Michigan State University. August 2.
2003. "Verb-movement and Grammar Competition in Korean: Evidence from Negation and Quantifier Scope," (w/Chung-hye Han, Julien Musolino and Meesook Kim). Workshop on Input and Language Acquisition. Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute. Michigan State University. August 2.
2003. "Korean Speaking Children's Knowledge of the Scope Interaction of the Universal Quantifier and Negation," (w/Meesook Kim, Chung-hye Han, and Julien Musolino). 13th Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference. Michigan State University. August 3.
2003. "How Event Cognition is Linked to Event Language," Panel Discussant. Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting. Tampa. April 27.
2003. "A Cross-linguistic Exploration of the Mappings Between Grammatical Form and Meaning," (w/Florencia Anggoro, Sandra Waxman, Irena Braun and Peter Vishton). Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting. Tampa. April 26.
2002. "C-command Really Matters," (w/Julien Musolino). 27th Boston University Conference on Language Development. November 1.
2002. "Language Acquisition at the Syntax-Semantics Interface," (w/Julien Musolino). IXth International Congress for the Study of Child Language. Madison, WI. July 16.

2002. "Two Structures for Kannada Ditransitives," 22nd South Asian Languages Analysis Roundtable. University of Iowa. June 21.
2002. "Negation and Quantifier Scope: Implications for V-raising and Infl-lowering in Korean," (w/Chung-hye Han and Julien Musolino). 38th Regional Meeting of the Chicago Linguistics Society, Parasession on Negation and Polarity. University of Chicago. April 25.
2002. "The Causative Structure of Resultatives," (w/Alexander Williams). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. San Francisco. January 4.
2001. "When Children are More Logical than Adults," (w/ Julien Musolino). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Washington D.C. January 7.
2000. "C-command Matters," (w/Julien Musolino) 25th Boston University Conference on Language Development. November 4.
2000. "Morphological Causativity and the Robustness of Syntactic Bootstrapping," (w/Henry Gleitman and Lila Gleitman) 25th Boston University Conference on Language Development. November 4.
1999. "How do Children Learn to Talk about Events?" (w/Angeliek vanHout, Jesse Snedeker, Laura Wagner, Edward Kako, Peggy Li) VIIIth International Congress for the Study of Child Language. San Sebastian, Spain. July 15.
1999. "Echo-reduplication in Kannada: An Argument Against Lexicalism," Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Los Angeles. January 8.
1998. "The Neighborhood Effect," (w/Lila Gleitman and Henry Gleitman) Utrecht Congress on Storage and Computation in Linguistics. Utrecht Institute of Linguistics OTS. October 20.
1998. "Two Notes on Accusative Case in Kannada," 19th South Asian Languages Analysis Roundtable. University of York. July 21.
1998. "Causation and Reflexivity in Kannada: Evidence for Post-syntactic Morphology," Generative Linguistics in the Old World Colloquium, Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages. Hyderabad, India. January 21.
1998. "Projection vs. Construction in Verb Syntax: Experimental Evidence," Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, New York. January 9.
1996. "Condition R: The Concept Formerly Known as Reflexivity," Eastern States Conference on Linguistics, University of New Brunswick, St. Johns. August 31.
1996. "Unifying Antipassive and Reflexive: An Argument Structure Approach," Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, San Diego. January 6.
1995. "On the Non-Reflexive Nature of the Kannada Verbal Reflexive," 17th South Asian Languages Analysis Roundtable, University of Texas. June 4.
1995. "On the Non-existence of Reflexive Clitics," 31st Regional Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society, Parasession on Clitics. April 22.

1994. "Modularity and Reflexivization," First International Summer Institute - Cognitive Science, Special Session on Form and Function in Linguistic Theory, State University of New York at Buffalo. July 17.
1993. "A Discussion of Spec-Head Agreement and Anaphora," 17th Penn Linguistics Colloquium. February 21.

Graduate Advising: Primary

University of Maryland

- Primary Advisor. Annie Gagliardi (Ph.D expected 2012)
- Primary Advisor. Dave Kush (Ph.D. expected 2013)
- Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Eri Takahashi. University of Maryland. (Ph.D. expected 2009)
2008. Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Anastasia Conroy. "The Role of Verification Strategies in Semantic Ambiguity Resolution in Children and Adults."
2008. Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Chunyuan Jing. "Pragmatic computation in language acquisition: evidence from disjunction and conjunction in negative context."
2006. Co-Director of Ph.D dissertation committee (w/Paul Pietroski). Utako Minai. "Everyone Knows, Therefore Every Child Knows." University of Maryland.

Northwestern University

2007. Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Joshua Viau. "Possession and Spatial Motion in the Acquisition of Ditransitives."
2007. Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Kristen Syrett. "Learning about the Structure of Scales: Adverbial Modification and the Acquisition of the Semantics of Gradable Adjectives."
2007. Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Elisa Sneed. "The Acquisition of Genericity."
2006. Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee, Jessica Peterson-Hicks. "The Impact of Function Words on the Processing and Acquisition of Syntax."
2006. Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Ann Bungler. "Linguistic and Conceptual Constraints on Verb Learning."
2006. Director of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Erin McMahan-Leddon. "Reconstruction Effects in Child Language."

Graduate Advising: Other

2008. Member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Matthew Wagers. "Memory for Structure and the Structure of Memory in Linguistic Cognition," University of Maryland.

2008. External Examiner for Ph.D. dissertation. Vijaya. "The Noun Advantage in English as a Second Language: A Test of the Natural Partitions Hypothesis," Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages. Hyderabad, India.
2008. Dean's Representative for Ph.D. dissertation. Vera Tobin. "Literary Joint Attention: Social Cognition and the Puzzles of Modernism," Department of English, University of Maryland.
2007. Member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Jon Sprouse. "A Program in Experimental Syntax." University of Maryland.
2007. Member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Lisa Pearl. "Necessary Bias in Language Acquisition." University of Maryland.
2007. Member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Takuya Goro. University of Maryland.
2006. Member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Tomohiro Fuji. "Some Theoretical Issues in Japanese Control." University of Maryland.
2006. Member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Masaya Yoshida. "Constraints and Mechanisms in Long-distance Dependency Formation." University of Maryland.
2006. Member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Lydia Grebenyova. "Multiple *Wh*-Questions: Syntax, Semantics and Learnability." University of Maryland.
2005. Member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Steven Fix. "Agrammatic Aphasia as a Late Insertion Disorder." Northwestern University.
2005. External member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Alexander Williams, "Complex Causatives and Verbal Valence." University of Pennsylvania.
2003. External examiner for Ph.D. dissertation. Bibhuti Bhusan Mahapatra, "Stage Level vs. Individual Level Predicates and the Four Copulas of Odia." Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad, India.
2002. External examiner for Ph.D. dissertation. Anuradha Rao, "Null Objects in Telugu: Merge, Binding Theory and Pro-drop." Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad, India.
1998. External member of Ph.D. dissertation committee. Mee-sook Kim, A Cross-linguistic Perspective on the Acquisition of Locative Verbs. University of Delaware.

Undergraduate Advising

2009. Honors thesis advisor. Tara Shenk, "Filler Gap Dependencies in 13- and 30-month olds." University of Maryland.
2009. Honors thesis advisor. Ryan Corbett, "Patient Realization in Children's Resultatives." University of Maryland.
2008. Honors thesis advisor. Cynthia Lukyanenko, "Principles B and C in 30-month-olds." University of Maryland.

Teaching

University of Maryland

- 2008-09 Child Language
 Events in Language and Mind (w/A. Woodward)
 Language Diversity in Syntax and Psycholinguistics (w/N. Hornstein)
- 2007-08 Child Language
 Psycholinguistics 2 (w/C. Phillips)
- 2006-07 Child Language
 Psycholinguistics 2 (w/A. Weinberg)
 Graduate Seminar in Semantics and Language Acquisition (w/P. Pietroski)
- 2005-06 Graduate Seminar in Language Acquisition
 Graduate Seminar in Psycholinguistics (w/ C. Phillips)
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Northwestern University

- 2004-05. Child Language
 Freshman Seminar: Animal Communication & Human Language
 Syntactic Analysis 2.
 Agreement: Theoretical and Psycholinguistic Issues
- 2003-04. Linguistic Field Methods
- 2002-03. Methods in Developmental Linguistics
 Language and the Brain
 Syntactic Analysis 1
- 2001-02. The Acquisition of Grammatical and Conceptual Categories
 Language and the Brain
 Linguistic Typology
 Syntactic Analysis 1
- 2000-01. Perspectives on Binding and Movement
 Syntactic Analysis 2
 Syntactic Analysis 1
 Formal Analysis of Words and Sentences

University of Delaware

- 1996-97. Syntax I
 Introduction to Cognitive Science
- 1992-96. Introduction to Linguistics
1993. Syntax I (co-taught w/Peter Cole)

Service

- 2007-2010 Program Committee, Linguistics Society of America.

- 2006-07 Member, Search Committee for Assistant Professor in Semantics. Department of Linguistics. University of Maryland.
- 2005- Faculty Advisory Committee, Department of Linguistics, University of Maryland.
- 2000-05 Director of Undergraduate Studies. Department of Linguistics. Northwestern University
- 2002-03. Chair, Search Committee for Assistant Professor in Psycholinguistics or Computational Linguistics. Department of Linguistics. Northwestern University.
- 2002-03. Member, Cognitive Science Coordinating Committee. Northwestern University.
- 2000-02. Webmaster. Department of Linguistics. Northwestern University.

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Proposal Reviewer

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Conference Abstract Reviewer

Cognitive Science Society, North East Linguistics Society, Boston University Conference on Language Development, Semantics and Linguistic Theory, West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, Penn Linguistics Colloquium, South Asian Languages Analysis Roundtable.

Media Appearance

2001. Panel Discussant. "The Acquisition of Language," Odyssey: A Daily Talk Show of Ideas. National Public Radio. December 19.

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