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## Academic Appointments

- 2015-present Assistant Professor, Program in Linguistics and Cognitive Science, Department of Anthropology, University at Albany, State University of New York  
2014-2015 Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Department of Linguistics, McGill University

## Education

- 2009-2014 PhD in Linguistics, Harvard University  
DISSERTATION: *Prosodic noun incorporation and verb-initial syntax*  
COMMITTEE: Maria Polinsky (Chair), Kevin Ryan, Ryan Bennett (Yale), Norvin Richards (MIT)  
2007-2009 MA in Linguistics, University of Iowa  
2000-2004 BA in English Literature and French, Franklin and Marshall College

## OTHER ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- 2003 Certificat Pratique de Langue Française, Université Marc Bloch, Strasbourg, France  
2003 Zentrale Oberstufenprüfung, Goethe Institut, Schwäbisch Hall, Germany

## Fellowships & awards

- Spring 2019 Drescher Award, University at Albany, SUNY (teaching leave)  
2015-2017 Declined: Mellon Fellowship of Scholars in the Humanities, Stanford University  
2013-2014 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University  
2013-2014 Harvard Graduate Fellowship, Harvard University  
2013 Bok Center Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University  
2012 Bok Center Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University  
2003 Peter and Irene Seadle Award, Franklin and Marshall College  
2000-2004 Presidential Scholarship, Franklin and Marshall College

## Grants

### EXTERNAL GRANTS

- 2019 Principle Investigator, Documenting Endangered Languages, NSF, *Symposium to advance multidisciplinary perspectives on minority languages in diaspora* #BCS-1913122—\$14,206 (USD)
- 2017 Collaborator, National Geographic Society, *Documenting word order variation in Mayan languages: A collection of Ch'ol narratives*, PI: Jessica Coon, McGill University, #HJ-138R-17
- 2017 Collaborator, SSHRC Insight Grant, *Agreement and anti-agreement across Languages*, PI: Jessica Coon, McGill University, #435-2017-0545
- 2015 Collaborator SSHRC Insight Grant, *Heavy predicates and split arguments in Niuean*, PI: Diane Massam, University of Toronto

### INTERNAL GRANTS

- 2017 Individual Development Awards Program Grant, United University Professions, University at Albany: \$1000
- 2016 Tenure Trek, Institute for Teaching and Learning, University at Albany: \$500
- 2016 Individual Development Awards Program Grant, United University Professions, University at Albany: \$500
- 2013 Mind, Brain, Behavior Graduate Student Award, Harvard University: \$2500
- 2013 Graduate Student Council Summer Research Award, Harvard University: \$1000

## Publications

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

- TO APPEAR Clemens, Lauren, Prosodic noun incorporation: The relationship between prosody and argument structure in Niuean. To Appear in *Syntax*.
- 2018 Clemens, Lauren & Jessica Coon. Deriving verb-initial word order in Mayan, *Language* 94(2): 237–280.
- 2017 Becker, Michael, Lauren Clemens, & Andrew Nevins, A richer model is not always more accurate: The case of French and Portuguese Plurals, *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 35: 299-345.
- 2015 Clemens, Lauren, Jessica Coon, Pedro Mateo Pedro, Adam Morgan, Maria Polinsky, Gabrielle Tandet, & Matt Wagers, Ergativity and the complexity of extraction: A view from Mayan, *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 33: 417-467.

PEER-REVIEWED EDITED VOLUMES

- In Prep Clemens, Lauren & Diane Massam, Contributions of Polynesian to theoretical linguistics, In preparation for Lauren Clemens and Diane Massam (eds.) *Polynesian syntax and its interfaces* Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press
- In Prep Clemens, Lauren & Rebecca Tollan, Syntactic ergativity as absolutive movement in Polynesian, In preparation for Lauren Clemens and Diane Massam (eds.) *Polynesian syntax and its interfaces* Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press
- SUBMITTED Clemens, Lauren, The use of prosody as a diagnostic for syntactic structure: The case of verb-initial order, Vera Lee-Schoenfeld and Dennis Ott (eds.) *VP-fronting, Oxford University Press, Studies in Comparative Syntax*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.
- TO APPEAR Clemens, Lauren, Major Families of North America: Mayan, In Daniel Siddiqi (ed.) *Routledge Handbook of North American Languages*, Abingdon, UK: Routledge.
- 2017 Clemens, Lauren & Maria Polinsky, VSO and VOS Word Order, Primarily in Austronesian and Mayan Languages, In Martin Everaert and Henk van Riemsdijk (eds.) *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Syntax, 2nd edition*, Hoboken, NJ: Wiley-Blackwell, 4747-4796.
- 2013 Polinsky, Maria, Lauren Clemens, Adam Morgan, Ming Xiang & Dustin Heestand, Resumption in English, In Jon Sprouse and Norbert Hornstein (eds.) *Experimental Syntax and Island Effects*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 341-359 .
- 2013 Clemens, Lauren, V<sub>2</sub> in a V<sub>1</sub> language: Kaqchikel SVO, In M. Kenstowicz (ed.) *MIT Working Papers in Linguistics Volume on Kaqchikel*, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

OTHER EDITED VOLUMES

- 2018 Clemens, Lauren, Niuean *nākai* as a negative verb: Implications for the derivation of V<sub>1</sub> order, In Laura Kalin, Ileana Paul, Jozina Vander Klok (eds.) *Festschrift in Honor of Lisa Travis*, Montreal: McGill Working Papers in Linguistics, 78-90.
- 2018 Clemens, Lauren & Jessica Coon, Prosodic constituency of verb-initial clauses in Ch'ol, In Megan Keough, Natalie Weber, Andrei Angheliescu, Sihwei Chen, Erin Guntly, Khia Johnson, Daniel Reisinger, and Oksana Tkachman (eds.) *Proceedings of the Workshop on Structure and Constituency in the Languages of the Americas [WSCLA] 20 (UBCWPL 43)*, 88-100.

2016 Clemens, Lauren, ARGUMENT- $\varphi$ : A Prosodic Account of Pseudo Noun Incorporation. In Brandon Prickett & Christopher Hammerly (eds.) *Proceedings of the 46th Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society*: 217-226.

2015 Lesure, Cora & Lauren Clemens, Prosodic Boundary marking in Ch'ol, *Proceedings of the Conference on Indigenous Languages of Latin America VII*. Available at <https://www.ailla.utexas.org/node/99>.

2014 Clemens, Lauren. The prosody of Niuean pseudo noun incorporation: A recursion-based analysis. In Jyoti Iyer & Leland Kusmer (eds.) *Proceedings of the 44th Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society*: 69-82.

#### VOLUMES EDITED

In Prep Clemens, Lauren & Diane Massam (eds.) In Prep *Polynesian syntax and its interfaces* Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press

2017 Clemens, Lauren & Emily Elfner (eds.) *Glossa: Special Collection on Prosody and Constituent Structure*

2012 Henderson, Robert, Pedro Mateo Pedro, & Lauren Clemens (eds.) *Proceedings of the 2nd Meeting of Form and Analysis in Mayan Linguistics (FAMLi II)*, MIT Working Papers in Linguistics, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press

2011 Clemens, Lauren, Gregory Scontras, & Maria Polinsky (eds.) *Proceedings of the 18th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Society (AFLA 18)*, AFLA Proceedings Project, University of Western Ontario

2010 Clemens, Lauren & C.M. Louis Liu (eds.) *Proceedings of the 22nd North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics and the 18th Annual Meeting of the International Association of Chinese Linguistics*, <https://naccl.osu.edu/>

## Presentations

#### KEYNOTE AND PLENARY TALKS

[2019] Invited speaker, International Christian University, Mitaka, Japan (5/16-17)

[2019] Invited speaker, Princeton Symposium on Syntactic Theory, Princeton University (4/5-6)

[2019] Declined: Invited speaker, Florida Linguistics Yearly Meeting (FLYM), University of Florida (4/5-6)

- 2018 Invited speaker, Nominals at the Interfaces, Sogang University, Prosodic Noun Incorporation and the Use of Prosody as a Diagnostic for Syntactic Structure Seoul, Korea (11/4)
- 2018 Keynote speaker, Cornell Undergraduate Linguistics Colloquium, Cornell University, Prosodic parallels in Rutooro's nominal and clausal domains (4/28)
- 2018 Plenary talk, Berkeley Linguistics Society, University of California, Berkeley, Verb-initial word order in Mayan languages: Causes and consequences (2/9)
- 2017 Plenary talk with Jessica Coon (invitee), Conference on Indigenous Languages of Latin America VIII, University of Texas, Austin, Verb initial word order in Mayan: Causes and consequences (9/27)
- 2016 Plenary talk, Head Movement Workshop, Stanford University, On the prosodic diagnostics of head movement (9/17)
- 2014 Plenary talk, Exploring the interfaces workshop: Prosodic evidence for the structure and constituency of verb-initial languages, McGill University, Prosodic Noun Incorporation (5/8)

#### OTHER INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- [2019] Departmental colloquium, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (4/22)
- 2019 Departmental colloquium, University of California, San Diego, Linearization at the syntax-prosody interface: Accounting for verb-initial order in Mayan languages (1/28)
- 2018 Joint meeting of Syntactic Theory at Rutgers and Rutgers Phonology and Phonetics Research Group, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Resisting prosodic ambiguity: the case of reduced relative clauses in Rutooro, with Lee Bickmore (11/16)
- 2017 Departmental colloquium, University of Maryland, The Prosody of Rutooro Adnominals (12/8)
- 2016 University of Toronto Syntax Project, Prosodic parallelism in the nominal and clausal domains: evidence from Rutooro, with Lee Bickmore (6/23)
- 2015 University of Toronto Syntax Project, The possibilities and limitations of using prosodic phrasing as a diagnostic for syntactic structure: A look at Niuean and Ch'ol (4/10)
- 2015 Departmental colloquium, Queens College, City University of New York, The possibilities and limitations of using prosodic phrasing as a diagnostic for syntactic structure: A look at Niuean and Ch'ol (3/19)

- 2015 Stony Brook University, State University of New York, The possibilities and limitations of using prosodic phrasing as a diagnostic for syntactic structure (2/20)
- 2014 Wednesday talk series “Mercredi moins niaisieux,” Université du Québec à Montréal, Têtes et compléments à l’interface prosodie/syntaxe, (10/15)
- 2012 Indiana University, English does not have resumptive pronouns: A cross-sentential account of resumption in English, with Maria Polinsky and Gregory Scontras, (11/28)
- 2012 Celebrating 30 years to ‘On the Syntax and Semantics of Resumptive Pronouns’ by Edit Doron, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel, Listening to resumption in English, with Samuel Pokross, Maria Polinsky, & Gregory Scontras (7/3)

#### REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 Román Vidal López, Monica de Jesús Ramírez, Lauren Clemens, Jamilläh Rodríguez, Michael Stoop & George Aaron Broadwell. Dictionary as entry to literacy and language documentation: A Copala Triqui case study. 6th International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation (ICLDC) (2/28-3/3)
- 2019 Clemens, Lauren & Rebecca Tollan. Syntactic ergativity as absolutive movement in Polynesian. The 93rd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (1/6)
- 2017 Broadwell, George Aaron, Lauren Clemens, & Michael Stoop. Cambios en el sistema de flexión del triqui de Copala. Coloquio sobre Lenguas Otomangues y Vecinas VIII (COLOV), Biblioteca de Investigación Juan de Córdova (4/22)
- 2017 Broadwell, George Aaron, Lauren Clemens, & Michael Stoop. Inflectional change in Copala Triqui. International Conference on Historical Linguistics, The University of Texas at San Antonio (8/4)
- 2017 Broadwell, George Aaron & Lauren Clemens, Inflectional change in Copala Triqui, Symposium on American Indian Languages, Rochester, NY, RIT (4/7)
- 2017 de Jesus Ramírez, Mónica, Samantha Lefavour, Zena Zimmerglass, & Lauren Clemens. Focus in Copala Triqui: A study of semi-spontaneous speech. Symposium on American Indian Languages, Rochester Institute of Technology (4/7)
- 2017 Clemens, Lauren, Jessica Coon, Carole-Rose Little, & Morelia Vázquez Martínez, Encoding focus in Ch’ol semi-spontaneous speech, Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA), Austin, Texas (1/7)
- 2017 Clemens, Lauren, Prosody, pseudo noun incorporation, and V<sub>1</sub> syntax: VP-fronting or V<sup>0</sup>-raising? 91st meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Austin, Texas (1/7)

- 2017 Broadwell, George Aaron & Lauren Clemens, Inflectional change in Copala Triqui, Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA), Austin, Texas (1/5)
- 2016 Little, Carole-Rose, Morelia Vázquez Martínez, Lauren Clemens & Jessica Coon, Codificación del enfoque en el habla semi-natural en ch'ol, 4th Meeting of Form and Analysis in Mayan Linguistics (FAMLi 4), Universidad de Oriente, Saki' (Valladolid) Yucatán, México (11/18)
- 2016 Clemens, Lauren & Jessica Coon, VOS two ways, The 47th Annual Meeting of North East Linguistic Society (NELS 47), University of Massachusetts, Amherst (10/15)
- 2016 Tollan, Rebecca & Lauren Clemens, Syntactic ergativity and word order in Polynesian, 2016 Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain, University of York (9/7)
- 2016 Bickmore, Lee & Lauren Clemens, The Prosody of Rutooro Adnominals (poster). Workshop on the Effects of Constituency on Sentence Phonology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (7/30)
- 2016 Clemens, Lauren & Jessica Coon, Deriving Mayan V1: A Fresh Look at Ch'ol, 21st Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas (WSCLA), Université du Québec à Montréal (4/3)
- 2016 Bickmore, Lee & Lauren Clemens, Phonological phrasing in Rutooro. 47th Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL), University of California, Berkeley (3/24)
- 2016 Lesure, Cora & Lauren Clemens, Prosodic Boundary marking in Ch'ol: acoustic indicators and their applications, Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA), Washington D.C. (1/8)
- 2015 Lesure, Cora & Lauren Clemens, Una investigación de los correlatos acústicos de la estructura prosódica del ch'ol, Conference on Indigenous Languages of Latin America VII (CILLA), University of Texas at Austin (10/29)
- 2015 Clemens, Lauren, A Prosodic Account of Pseudo Noun Incorporation (poster), The 46th Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS), Concordia University, Montreal (10/17)
- 2015 Clemens, Lauren & Jessica Coon, Deriving Mayan V1: A Fresh Look at Ch'ol, Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA), Portland, Oregon (1/10)
- 2014 Clemens, Lauren & Jessica Coon, Un primer acercamiento a la relación entre sintaxis y prosodia en ch'ol, 3rd Meeting of Form and Analysis in Mayan Linguistics (FAMLi), El Colegio de México, Mexico City, Mexico (12/4)

- 2013 Clemens, Lauren *Presented in absentia by Sam Alxatib*, Evidence for prosodic recursion from Niuean pseudo noun incorporation, The 44th Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS), The University of Connecticut, (10/20)
- 2013 Clemens, Lauren, Jessica Coon, Pedro Mateo Pedro, Adam Morgan, Maria Polinsky, Gabrielle Tandet, & Matt Wagers, Ergativity and the complexity of extraction: A view from Mayan, 31st Annual West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL), Arizona State University (2/8)
- 2013 Radkevich, Nina & Lauren Clemens, Person hierarchy and structure dependence in Lak agreement, 31st Annual West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL), Arizona State University (2/8)
- 2013 Clemens, Lauren, Maria Polinsky & Gregory Scontras, Resumptive pronouns in English: Speaker oriented coreference tracking, 86th meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Boston, MA (1/3)
- 2012 Clemens, Lauren, Asimetrías Prosódicas en Sujetos Kaqchikeles. 2nd Meeting of Form and Analysis in Mayan Linguistics (FAMLi), Patzún, Guatemala (8/3)
- 2012 Clemens, Lauren, Adam Morgan, Maria Polinsky, & Ming Xiang, Listening to resumptives: An auditory experiment (poster), 25th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing (CUNY), City University of New York (3/15)
- 2012 Nicoás Arcos López, Lauren Clemens, Jessica Coon, Peter Graff, Pedro Mateo Pedro, Adam Morgan, & Maria Polinsky, Processing ergative languages: Methodology and preliminary results, 86th Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Portland, OR (1/7)
- 2012 Clemens, Lauren, V<sub>2</sub> in a V<sub>1</sub> language. 86th Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Portland, OR (1/7)
- 2012 Becker, Michael, Lauren Clemens, & Andrew Nevins, Discrete grammar beats phonetics and usage-based predictors in alternations, 86th Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Portland, OR (1/6)
- 2011 Becker, Michael, Lauren Clemens, & Andrew Nevins, A richer model is not always more accurate: The case of French and Portuguese plurals, 42nd Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS), University of Toronto (11/11)
- 2011 Clemens, Lauren & Eri Kurniawan, Sundanese active voice: Transitivity and agentivity, 18th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA), Harvard University (3/4)
- 2010 Clemens, Lauren, Sundanese number agreement, 17th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA), Stony Brook University (5/7)

2010 Clemens, Lauren, Initial syllable faithfulness in the realization of Norwegian tone (poster), 16th Annual Mid-Continental Workshop on Phonology (McWOP), Northwestern University (10/30)

#### WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

2017 Bickmore, Lee & Lauren Clemens, The Prosody of Rutooro Adnominals (poster), David Pesetsky '60, MIT, Cambridge MA (2/11)

2013 Clemens, Lauren, The role of prosody in deciphering verb-initial word orders: A look at Māori, Ling Lunch, McGill University (4/17)

2013 Clemens, Lauren, Jessica Coon, Pedro Mateo Pedro, Adam Morgan, Maria Polinsky, Gabrielle Tandet, & Matt Wagers, Ergativity and the complexity of extraction: A view from Mayan, Ergativity Lab, McGill University (4/16)

2013 Clemens, Lauren, What can prosody tell us about the derivation of verb-initial word order? A look at Māori, Information Structure and Word order: Focusing on Asian Languages, Harvard-Yenching Institute, Harvard University (4/7)

2012 Clemens, Lauren, Kaqchikel V2 and the typology of CP, East Coast 5 Syntax Workshop (ECO5), University of Massachusetts, Amherst (4/6)

2012 Clemens, Lauren, Sam Pokross, & Maria Polinsky, The role of resumptive pronouns in English, Language and Cognition Workshop, Harvard University (4/3)

2012 Becker, Michael, Lauren Clemens & Andrew Nevins, The protection of initial syllables in novel words, Language and Cognition Workshop, Harvard University (2/7)

#### GUEST LECTURES

2016 Clemens, Lauren & Laura Grestenberger, Alumni Perspectives, Guest Lecture at Harvard University, Practicum in Linguistics (Ling 241R), Instructor: Jay Jasanoff (4/1)

2015 Clemens, Lauren, Using prosodic phrasing as a diagnostic for syntactic structure in Ch'ol, Guest Lecture at McGill University, Introduction to Linguistics (Ling 201), Instructor: Jessica Coon (3/10)

2014 Clemens, Lauren, Sociolinguistics with a focus on the structural properties of African American English and Québécois French, Guest Lecture at Concordia University Montreal, Introduction to Linguistics (Ling 200), Instructor: Laura Grestenberger (11/12)

2012 Clemens, Lauren, Language variation and social prestige: The case of African American English. Guest Lecture at MIT, Introduction to Linguistics (24.900), Instructor: Omer Preminger (5/9)

#### OTHER ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 Clemens, Lauren, Mónica DeJesús Ramírez, Zena Zimmerglass, Bernardo Ramírez Ríos, & Walter E. Little, Transnational Oaxaca Collaborations: Language, Culture and Community, Northeast Anthropological Association 2016, Skidmore College (4/23)
- 2016 Clemens, Lauren, Prosody and constituent structure in Ch'ol, The Department of Anthropology and New York State Museum Open House, The Anthropology Graduate Student Organization, University at Albany, State University of New York (1/22)
- 2011 Clemens, Lauren, Pedro Mateo Pedro, Adam Morgan, Maria Polinsky, & Gabrielle Tandet, New approaches to linguistic work in Mesoamerican communities, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies: Mexico and Central America Program Speaker Series, Harvard University (11/9)

#### COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 Clemens, Lauren, Triqui Language Resources. Day of Triqui Culture in the Capital District (4/10)
- 2012 Clemens, Lauren, A perspective on the interaction between 'natural' and grammatical gender from linguistics, Gendered Language: An International Women's Rights Collective Discussion Event, Harvard University (4/13)

## Research experience

#### FIELD WORK

- Winter 2016 Niuean, Auckland, New Zealand
- Summer 2015 Ch'ol, Chiapas, Mexico
- Summer 2013 Tahitian, Mo'orea, French Polynesia
- Summer 2012 Kaqchikel, Chimaltenango, Guatemala
- Summer 2011 Q'anjob'al & Kaqchikel, Huehuetenango & Chimaltenango, Guatemala

#### CONSULTANT WORK

- 2016-present Rutooro, Albany, New York
- 2015-present Triqui, Albany, New York
- 2014-2015 Chuj, Montreal, Quebec
- 2014-2015 Indonesian, Montreal, Quebec
- 2010-2012 Kaqchikel, Cambridge, Massachusetts

## Teaching

### UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

- ANT 197 Special Topics in Anthropology: Structure of African American English  
*Fall 2018, Summer 2018, Summer 2017*
- LIN 220 Introduction to Linguistics  
*Spring 2019*
- LIN 321/521 Introduction to Syntax  
*Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2015*
- LIN 421/541 Advanced Syntax  
*Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016*
- LIN 423/523 Linguistic Structures  
*Spring 2018, Spring 2017*
- LIN 429/529 Field Methods  
*Fall 2016*

### MCGILL UNIVERSITY

- Ling 200 Introduction to the Study of Language  
*Fall 2014*

### HARVARD UNIVERSITY

- Ling 97r Acoustic Analysis, Instructor  
*Spring 2012*
- Ling 98a Language Rights, Instructor  
*Fall 2011*
- Ling 99a Senior Thesis Writing Tutorial, Teaching Fellow  
*Fall 2012*
- Ling 102 Sentence Structure, Teaching Fellow  
*Spring 2012*
- Ling 105 Sounds of Language, Teaching Fellow  
*Fall 2011*
- Ling 241r Practicum in Linguistics, Teaching Fellow  
*Spring 2013*
- Ling 117r Languages of the Caucasus, Teaching Fellow  
*Fall 2012*

### UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

- 103:011 Language and Society, Teaching Assistant  
*Fall 2008, Spring 2007*
- 103:110 Articulatory and Acoustic Phonetics, Teaching Assistant  
*Spring 2009*

103:150 Language and Gender, Teaching Assistant  
*Spring 2008*

## Advising

### GRADUATE STUDENTS

Current Jamilläh Rodriguez, PhD student, University at Albany, Advisor  
Current Rebecca Tollan, *The processing of wh questions in Polynesian as a window to ergativity, transitivity, and subjecthood*, Doctoral Thesis, University of Toronto, Committee member  
Current Lena Borise, Doctoral Thesis, Harvard University, Committee member

### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

2018 Zihan Gao, *Tonosyntax in Nominal Compounds*, Undergraduate Honors Thesis, University at Albany, State University of New York, Supervisor  
2017 Samantha Lefavour, *Marking Aspect in Copala Triqui*, Undergraduate Honors Thesis, University at Albany, State University of New York, Supervisor  
2016 Zena Zimmerglass, *Focus Structures in Copala Triqui*, Undergraduate Honors Thesis, University at Albany, State University of New York, Supervisor  
2015 Cora Lesure, *Prosodic Boundary Marking in Ch'ol: Acoustic Indicators and Their Application*, Undergraduate Honors Thesis, McGill University, Co-supervised with Jessica Coon  
2014 Victoria Rahardjo & Cora Lesure, McGill Student Research Assistants for SSHRC Grant *The mental representation of language variation: macro- and micro-parameters*, Co-supervised with Lisa Travis & Jessica Coon  
2013 Sam Pokross, *Testing the theory of comprehension and coreference: An auditory study of English resumption*, AB honors thesis, Harvard University, Co-supervised with Maria Polinsky

## Service

### SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

2012-2014 Committee Member, Committee on Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL), Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Standing Committee

### CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

[2019] Co-organizer, Linguistic Research in Diaspora Communities, 2019 Linguistic Institute Weekend Symposium with George Aaron Broadwell  
2014 Co-organizer, 22th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Society (AFLA 22) with Mitcho Erleweine, Henrison Hsieh, Jiajia Su, & Lisa Travis  
2011 Co-organizer, 18th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Society (AFLA 18) with Gregory Scontras & Maria Polinsky

2011 Co-organizer, East Coast Graduate Student Workshop in Syntax (ECO5) with Peter Jenks & Patrick Rich

REVIEWING

JOURNALS

*Frontiers in Psychology, Language Sciences, Glossa, Journal of Linguistics, Lingua* (before 1/1/16), *Linguistic Inquiry, Linguistics Vanguard, Morphology, Natural Language and Linguistic Theory, Syntax*

EDITED VOLUMES

*Harvard Working Papers in Linguistics, MIT Working Papers in Linguistics, Routledge Handbook of North American Languages*

BOOK PROPOSALS

Routledge, English Language and Linguistics

CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP REVIEWING

Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Exploring the interfaces workshop (ETI), Form and Analysis in Mayan Linguistics (FAMLi), Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW), North East Linguistics Society (NELS), Parameters Workshop in honour of Lisa Travis, Speech Prosody, Experimental and Theoretical Advances in Prosody (ETAP), Student Organisation of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE), Workshop on the Sound Systems of Mexico and Central America (SSMCA)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Current Committee Member, Middle States Self-Study Workgroup IV – Support of the Student Experience

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

2011 Selection Committee Member, Harvard Graduate Student Council Everett Mendelsohn Excellence in Mentoring

2010-2011 Grant Committee Member, Harvard Graduate Student Council Conference Grants and Summer Research Awards with Dean Allan Brandt, Dean McCavana, Jim Hogle & Cherie Ramirez

2009-2011 Secretary, Harvard Graduate Student Council

## DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

### UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

- 2018-present Graduate Affairs Committee, Department of Anthropology
- 2018-present Program Review Committee, Graduate Affairs Committee and Program in Linguistics and Cognitive Science, Department of Anthropology
- 2016-present Faculty Advisor, Triquis Sin Fronteras-UA, University at Albany Student Organization
- 2015-present Triqui Language Working Group
- 2015-present Board Member, Institute for Mesoamerican Studies
- 2017-2018 Chair of the Awards Committee, Department of Anthropology
- 2017-2018 Co-organizer with Julia Jennings & Adam Gordon, Graduate Student Professionalization Colloquium, Department of Anthropology
- 2016-2017 Member of the Awards Committee, Department of Anthropology

### HARVARD UNIVERSITY

- 2012-2013 Assistant Head Tutor, Harvard Department of Linguistics (undergraduate advising)
- 2011-2012 Student Representative to the faculty
- 2010-2012 Student Organizer, GSAS Workshop Language Universals and Linguistic Fieldwork
- Spring 2011 Student Representative, Phonology Search Committee
- 2009 Departmental Representative, Harvard Graduate Student Council

### UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

- 2008-2009 Student Representative to the faculty

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2017-present Dual Language Committee, Delaware Community School
- 2016-present Board of Directors, Triquis Sin Fronteras

## Languages

Native	English
Fluent	Dutch, French, German
Conversant	Spanish, Serbo-Croatian
Structural	Austronesian: Indonesian, Niuean, Sundanese, Tahitian Mayan: Ch'ol, Ch'orti', Chuj, Kaqchikel, Q'anjob'al Otomanguean: Copala Triqui

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