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RESEARCH INTERESTS

*Language Acquisition* Acquisition of Syntax-Semantic Interface  
Acquisition of clause types  
Root Infinitives  
Bilingual Acquisition  
Language education policy and community language projects

*Syntax* Comparative syntax  
Languages of South Asia  
Adjunct clauses  
Free Relatives and Wh movement  
The syntax of the nominal domain

ACADEMIC HISTORY

2017 PhD Program in Linguistics, University of Massachusetts Amherst  
Dissertation title: *The Form and Acquisition of Free Relatives*.  
Supervisors: Thomas Roeper and Jeremy Hartman

2011 MA in Linguistics, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

2007 BA in Sociology, Western Washington University

2005 AA, Shoreline Community College

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

09/14/2010 Lomnak Majol: "Thinking Marshallese" (with Laura Berbusse).  
Foundation for Endangered Languages 14: Reversing Language Shift  
University of Wales Trinity Saint David, Carmarthen, UK

05/18/2013 Optional V2 and the Left Periphery in Tuvaluan  
Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association 20  
University of Texas Arlington

11/29/2013 Tough Partial Movement  
Workshop on the Acquisition of Adjectives across Languages  
Utrecht University, Utrecht, Netherlands

11/8/2014 The Syntax and Semantics of Free Relative Clauses in Child English  
Poster at the BU Conference on Language Development 39  
Boston University

1/10/2015 The Syntax and Semantics of Free Relative Clauses in Child English  
Poster at the Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America  
Portland, OR

- 4/11/2015 Subject Orientation as Event Orientation: Causatives and *kar* Adverbials  
Poster at Formal Approaches to South Asian Languages 5  
Yale University
- 9/11/2015 Free Relatives in Acquisition: A case of over-generalization  
Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition 12  
University of Nantes
- 11/13/2015 Syntactic cues alone in Adjective learning (with Jeremy Hartman)  
BU Conference on Language Development 40  
Boston University

#### TEACHING

##### *University of Massachusetts*

- Spring 2017 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 101 (People and Their Language)
- Fall 2016 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 190  
(Language Acquisition and Human Nature)
- Fall 2015 Instructor, Linguistics 201 (Intro. to Linguistic Theory)
- Spring 2015 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 411 (Intro. to Language Acquisition)
- Spring 2014 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 411
- Fall 2013 Instructor, Linguistics 201
- Spring 2013 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 201
- Fall 2012 Teaching Assistant, Linguistics 101

##### *University of Hawai'i*

- Fall 2010 - Instructor, Linguistics 102 (Intro. to the Study of Language)
- Spring 2011

##### *Western Washington University*

- Winter 2007 Teaching Assistant, Sociology 215 (Social Statistics)

#### RESEARCH AND SERVICE

- Spring 2016 Undergraduate RA coordinator, UMass Language Acquisition Lab
- Fall 2016 - Assistant lab manager, UMass Language Acquisition Lab
- Spring 2017
- Fall 2016 Organizer of Language Acquisition Workshop of New England, UMass,  
November 2016
- Fall 2013 - Senator for Linguistics, UMass Graduate Student Senate
- Spring 2014
- Fall 2012 - Colloquium Co-Organizer, UMass Graduate Linguistic Student Association
- Spring 2014

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