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CURRENT POSITION

Instructor/Graduate Student, Department of Linguistics, University of North Carolina

EDUCATION

- Current Seeking Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of North Carolina
- 2006 M.A. in Linguistics, University of North Carolina
- 2002 B.A. with honors in Linguistics (minors in German and Philosophy), University of Cincinnati

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2005-current University of North Carolina, Linguistics 101 (formerly 30): Introduction to Language
- 2004 (fall) University of North Carolina, Linguistics 30 recitation section (with Elliott Moreton as head professor)

PUBLICATIONS

- 2007 “Accent in Athematic Nouns in Vedic Sanskrit and Its Development from PIE.” In *Proceedings of the 18th Annual UCLA Indo-European Conference*, Karlene Jones-Bley, Martin E. Huld, Angela Della Volpe, Miriam Robbins Dexter, eds; 29-46. Institute for the Study of Man, Washington, DC.
- 2006 “Output-Output Faithfulness to Moraic Structure: Evidence from American English.” In *Proceedings of NELS (North Eastern Linguistic Society)* 36, v. 1, Christopher Davis, Amy Rose Deal and Yuri Zabbal, eds; 1-14.

THESES

- 2006 “Accent in Proto-Indo-European Athematic Nouns: Antifaithfulness in Inflectional Paradigms.” MA thesis, UNC-CH.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2008 “Acoustic Analysis of Pitch in Yucatec Maya and Implications for Dialect Differentiation” SSILA Annual Meeting in Chicago, January.
- 2007 with Eduardo Hugo Gil, “Language Game Evidence for Prosodic Principles and Output-Output Faithfulness.” UNC-CH Spring Linguistics Colloquium, March.
- 2007 “Dominance in Inflectional Paradigms.” LSA Annual Meeting in Anaheim, January.
- 2006 “Accent in Proto-Indo-European Athematic Nouns and Its Development in Vedic Sanskrit.” UCLA Indo-European conference, November.
- 2006 “Proto-Mayan **ee, **oo > Proto-Ch’olan *e/i, *o/u: Regular or Sporadic Sound Change?” poster at the UNC-CH Spring Linguistics Colloquium, April.
- 2005 “Output-Output Faithfulness to Moraic Structure: New Evidence from an American English Phenomenon.” NELS 36 at UMass, Amherst, October.
- 2005 “Morpheme Boundaries within Codas: Effects on Vowel Length in English”. poster at the UNC-CH Spring Linguistics Colloquium, April.

ACADEMIC/TEACHING AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2007 US Government Summer Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship (for language study)
- 2007 Jacobs Research Fund, Whatcom Museum, Bellingham, WA (for research on indigenous languages of the Americas)
- 2007 Graduate and Professional Student Federation Travel Award (for travel to present work at a conference)
- 2006 Marc Adam Eisendorf Award for the Outstanding Graduate Teaching Fellow in Linguistics, UNC-CH
- 2006 US Government Summer Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship (for language study)
- 2001 University of Cincinnati, Taft Undergraduate Enrichment Award (for study abroad)
- 2001 University of Cincinnati, Institute for Global Studies and Affairs, Globalization Grant (for study abroad)
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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2007 Research Assistant for David Mora-Marín: scanning, digitizing, and editing texts in Ch'olan and Tzeltalan languages
- 2006 Research Assistant for Elliott Moreton and Eric Thomas: using PRAAT to mark words that contain target sounds
- 2005 Research Assistant for Gary Feng, Elliott Moreton, and Jennifer L. Smith: transcription of recordings, using PRAAT to check spectrogram when unsure about transcription

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

fall 2007- President of the Linguistics Graduate Student Association
spring 2008

2006-2007 UNC-CH Spring Linguistics Colloquium Coordinator

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2006-current Linguistic Society of America

2007-current Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas

LANGUAGE

English: native

Spanish: proficient

German: proficient

Yucatec Maya: intermediate

REFERENCES

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