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Current Position
William H. Colvin Professor, Department of Linguistics, University of Chicago
Faculty Directory, Undergraduate Major in Cognitive Science

Education
1997   Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of California, Santa Cruz
        DISSERTATION: "Projecting the Adjective: The Syntax and Semantics of Gradability and Comparison"
        SUPERVISORS: Profs. Donka Farkas and William Ladusaw
1992   M.A. in Linguistics, Yale University
1989   B.A cum laude with high honors in Russian Language and Literature, Dartmouth College
        SENIOR THESIS: "Self, Values, and the Concept of Home in the Autobiographical Films of Andrei Tarkovsky: Mirror, Stalker and Nostalghia"
1987   Diploma in Russian Language, History, and Culture, Leningrad State University, Leningrad, U.S.S.R.

Research Areas
Semantics, pragmatics, lexical semantics, syntax, philosophy of language

Professional Experience
2016-	William H. Colvin Professor, University of Chicago
2018-2019	Chair, Department of Linguistics, University of Chicago
2008-2016	Professor, University of Chicago
2008-2015	Chair, Department of Linguistics, University of Chicago
2005-2008	Associate Professor, University of Chicago
2003-2005	Associate Professor, Northwestern University
1997-2003	Assistant Professor, Northwestern University
2015	Instructor, Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Chicago
2011	Instructor, Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Colorado
2019	Visiting Professor, Institute for Logic, Language and Cognition, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
2010	Visiting Professor, Kyoto National University
2002	Visiting Professor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
2002	Visiting Professor, University of California, Los Angeles
2000	Visiting Professor, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan
2000	Instructor, Summer Institute of the Linguistic Society of Japan, Tokyo, Japan
1995-1997	Intern, Advanced Technologies Group, Apple Computer, Inc. (Principal researcher: Dr. Branimir Boguraev)

Grants and Fellowships
2015	Humanities Visiting Committee Faculty Research Grant, University of Chicago
2014	"Subjectivity in Language and Thought," Neubauer Collegium for Culture and Society (Malte Willer, co-PI)
2012	"Meaning in Context", National Science Foundation BCS-1227144 (PI; Ming Xiang, co-PI)
2007	"Parameters of Comparison", National Science Foundation BCS-0620247
2002	"The Grammar of Comparison", American Council for Learned Societies Charles A. Ryskamp Fellowship
2001	"CAREER: Scalar Representations in Natural Language Semantics", National Science Foundation BCS-0094263 and BCS-0618917
2000-1	AT&T Junior Faculty Fellow, Northwestern University

Honors and Awards
2019   Scholar of Consequence, University of Connecticut Logic Group
2015   Faculty Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching and Mentoring, University of Chicago

Patent
1997   "Summarizing text documents by resolving co-referentiality among actors or objects around which a story unfolds", Branimir Boguraev and Christopher Kennedy (inventors), U.S. Patent 6,185,592.

Publications
Journal articles
1.   Xiang, M., C. Kennedy, W. Xu and T. Leffel. In press. "Pragmatic Reasoning and Semantic Convention: A Case Study on Gradable Adjectives." *Semantics and Pragmatics.*
2.   Kennedy, C. and M. Willer. 2022. "Familiarity Inferences, Subjective Attitudes and Counterstance Contingency: Towards a Pragmatic Theory of Subjective Meaning." *Linguistics and Philosophy.*
3.   Willer, M. and C. Kennedy. 2020. "Assertion, Expression, Experience." *Inquiry.* (https://doi.org/0.1080/0020174X.2020.1850338)
4.   Kennedy, C. 2015. "A 'De-Fregean' Semantics (and Neo-Gricean Pragmatics) for Modified and Unmodified Numerals." *Semantics and Pragmatics* 8.10:1-44.
5.   Alrenga, P. and C. Kennedy. 2013. "*No More* Shall We Part: Quantifiers in English Comparatives." *Natural Language Semantics* 22.1:1-53.
6.   Kennedy, C. 2013. "Two Sources of Subjectivity: Qualitative Assessment and Dimensional Uncertainty." *Inquiry* 56.2-3:258-277.
7.   Grano, T. and C. Kennedy. 2012. "Mandarin Transitive Comparatives and the Grammar of Measurement", *Journal of East Asian Linguistics* 21.3:219-266.
8.   Kennedy, C. and L. McNally. 2010. "Color, Context and Compositionality", *Synthese* 174.1:79-98.
9.   Syrett, K., C. Kennedy and J. Lidz. 2010. "Meaning and Context in Children's Understanding of Gradable Adjectives", *Journal of Semantics* 27:1-35.
10.   Kennedy, C. and J. Stanley. 2009. "On 'Average'", *Mind* 118:583-646.
11.   Kennedy, C. 2007 "Vagueness and Grammar: The Semantics of Relative and Absolute Gradable Adjectives", *Linguistics and Philosophy* 30.1.
12.   Carlson, K., Dickey, M. and C. Kennedy. 2005. "Structural Economy in the Processing and Representation of Gapping Sentences", *Syntax* 8.3:208-225.
13.   Kennedy, C. and L. McNally. 2005. "Scale Structure and the Semantic Typology of Gradable Predicates". *Language* 81.2.
14.   Kennedy, C. 2002. "Comparative Deletion and Optimality in Syntax", *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 20.3.
15.   Kennedy, C. 2001. "Polar Opposition and the Ontology of 'Degrees'", *Linguistics & Philosophy* 24.1.
16.   Boguraev, B. and C. Kennedy. 2000. "Applications of Term Identification Technology: Domain Specification and Content Characterisation", *Journal of Natural Language Engineering* 5.1.
17.   Kennedy, C. and J. Merchant. 2000. "Attributive Comparative Deletion", *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 18.1.
18.   Kennedy, C. 1999. "Gradable Adjectives Denote Measure Functions, not Partial Functions", *Studies in the Linguistic Sciences* 29.1.
19.   Boguraev, B., C. Kennedy, and S. Brawer. 1998. "An Architecture for Content Analysis of Documents and Its Use in Information and Knowledge Management Tasks", *Special Interest Group on Computer-Human Interaction (SIGCHI) Bulletin* 30.2.
20.   Kennedy, C. 1997. "Antecedent-Contained Deletion and the Syntax of Quantification", *Linguistic Inquiry* 28.4.
21.   Kennedy, C. 1997. "VP-deletion and 'Nonparasitic' Gaps", *Linguistic Inquiry* 28.4.

Books
22.   McNally, L. and C. Kennedy (eds). 2008. *Adjectives and Adverbs: Syntax, Semantics and Discourse.* Oxford: Oxford University Press.
23.   Kennedy, C. 1999. *Projecting the Adjective: The Syntax and Semantics of Gradability and Comparison.* Outstanding Dissertations in Linguistics Series. New York: Garland Press.

Articles in edited volumes

24.	Willer, M. and C. Kennedy. 2022. "Perspectival Content and Semantic Composition." In Wyatt, J., J. Zakkou, and D. Zeman (eds), *Perspectives on Taste*, Routledge.
25.	Kennedy, C. and K. Syrett. 2022. "Numerals denote degree quantifiers: Evidence from child language." In Sauerland, U. and N. Gotzner, *Measurement, Number and Granularity*, Palgrave-Macmillan.
26.	Kennedy, C. 2019. "The Sorites Paradox in Linguistics." In Ohms, S. and E. Zardini (eds.) *The Sorites Paradox*. Cambridge University Press.
27.	Aparicio, H., C. Kennedy and M. Xiang. 2019. "Informativity and Grammar in Referential Effects of Contrast Involving Adjectivally Modified NPs." In Castroviejo-Miró, E., L. McNally and G. Sassoon (eds.) *The Semantics of Gradability, Vagueness and Scale Structure: Experimental Perspectives*. Springer.
28.	Baglini, R. and C. Kennedy. 2019. "Adjectives and Event Structure." In Truswell, R. (ed.) *Oxford Handbook on Events*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
29.	Kennedy, C. 2017. "Kyle has more suits than the one he's wearing, or an argument for a degree-theoretic analysis of gradability and comparison." In Moulton, K. and A. M. Tessier (eds.), *Festschrift for Kyle Johnson*. Linguistics Open Access Publications 1.
30.	Kennedy, C. 2016. "Two Kinds of Subjectivity." In Meier, C. and J. Huitnik (eds.), *Subjective Meaning*. De Gruyter Mouton.
31.	Kennedy, C. 2014. "Predicates and Formulas: Evidence from Ellipsis." In Crnic, L. and U. Sauerland (eds) *The Art and Craft of Semantics: A Festschrift for Irene Heim, Volume 1*. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics, Cambridge, MA.
32.	Kennedy, C. 2013. "A Scalar Semantics for Scalar Readings of Number Words." In Caponigro, I. and C. Cecchetto (eds.), *From Meaning to Grammar: The Spontaneous Logicality of Language*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
33.	Kennedy, C. 2012. "The Composition of Incremental Change", in Demonte, V. and L. McNally (eds), *Telicity, Change, State: A Cross-categorical View of Event Structure*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
34.	Kennedy, C. 2012. "Adjectives", in Russell, G. and D. Graff Fara (eds.), *Routledge Companion to Philosophy of Language*, Routledge.
35.	Kennedy, C. 2011. "Ambiguity and Vagueness", in Maienborn, C., P. Portner, and K. von Heusinger (eds.), *Handbook of Semantics*, The Hague: Mouton de Gruyter.
36.	McNally, L. and C. Kennedy. 2011. "Degree vs. Manner 'well': A Case Study in Selective Binding", in Boullion, P. (ed.), *Generative Approaches to the Lexicon*, Dordrecht: Kluwer.
37.	Kennedy, C. 2011. "Vagueness and Comparison", in Egré, P. and N. Klinedinst (eds.), *Vagueness and Language Use*, Palgrave-MacMillan.
38.	McNabb, Y. and C. Kennedy. 2011. "[Extraction and Deletion in Palestinian Arabic Comparatives]", in Broselow, Ellen & Hamid Ouali (eds.), *Perspectives on Arabic Linguistics XXII-XXIII, Selected papers from the Annual Symposia on Arabic Linguistics*. John Benjamins.
39.	Kennedy, C. and B. Levin. 2008. "Telicity Corresponds to Degree of Change", in McNally, L. and C. Kennedy (eds.), *Adjectives and Adverbs: Syntax, Semantics and Discourse*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
40.	Kennedy, C. 2008. "Argument Contained Ellipsis", in K. Johnson (ed.) *Topics in Ellipsis*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
41.	Svenonius, P. and C. Kennedy. 2006. "Northern Norwegian Degree Questions and the Syntax of Measurement", in Frascarelli, M. (ed.), *Phases of Interpretation*, The Hague: Mouton.
42.	Kennedy, C. 2005, "Semantics of Comparatives", in K. Brown (ed.) *Encyclopedia of Language and Linguistics, 2nd Edition*, Oxford: Elsevier Limited.
43.	Kennedy, C. 2003. "Ellipsis and Syntactic Representation (Logical and Phonological)", in K. Schwabe and S. Winkler (eds.), *The Interfaces: Deriving and Interpreting Omitted Structure*. Amsterdam: Benjamins.
44.	Kennedy, C. 2001. "On the Monotonicity of Polar Adjectives", in J. Hoeksema, H. Rullmann, V. Sànchez-Valencia, T. van der Wouden (eds.), *Perspectives on Negation and Polarity*. Amsterdam: Benjamins.
45.	Kennedy, C. 2001. "VP-deletion and 'Nonparasitic' Gaps", in P. Culicover and P. Postal (eds.), *Parasitic Gaps*. Cambridge: MIT Press. (Reprint of *Linguistic Inquiry* article solicited by editors)
46.	Boguraev, B. and C. Kennedy. 1999. "Salience-Based Content Characterisation", in I. Mani and M. Maybury (eds.) *Advances in Automatic Text Summarization*. Cambridge: MIT Press.
47.	Boguraev, B. and C. Kennedy. 1997. "Technical Terminology for Domain Specification and Content Characterisation", in M. T. Pazienza (ed.), *Information Extraction: A Multidisciplinary Approach to an Emerging Information Technology*. Berlin: Springer-Verlag.

Articles in conference proceedings

48.   Kennedy, C. and M. Willer. 2016. "Subjective Attitudes and Counterstance Contingency." *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory 26.*

49.   Leffel, T., M. Xiang and C. Kennedy. 2016. "Imprecision is pragmatic: Evidence from referential processing. *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory 26.*

50.   Aparicio, H., M. Xiang and C. Kennedy. 2015. "Processing Gradable Adjectives in Context: A Visual World Study." *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory 25.*

51.   Alrenga, P., C. Kennedy and J. Merchant. 2012. "A New Standard of Comparison." *Proceedings of the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics 30.* Cambridge, Ma: Cascadilla Press.

52.   McNabb, Y. and C. Kennedy. 2012. Extraction and Deletion in Palestinian Arabic Comparatives. In Broselow, Ellen & Hamid Ouali (eds.), *Perspectives on Arabic Linguistics XXII-XXIII, Selected papers from the Annual Symposia on Arabic Linguistics.* John Benjamins.

53.   Kennedy, C. and J. Stanley. 2009. "What an *Average* Semantics Needs". *Proceedings of SALT 18.*

54.   Kennedy, C. 2009. "Modes of Comparison". *Proceedings of CLS 43.*

55.   Kennedy, C. and L. McNally. 2005. "The Syntax and Semantics of Multiple Degree Modification in English", *Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Head-Driven Phrase Structure Grammar*, Stefan Müller (ed.). CSLI Publications, Stanford, CA. Pp.178-191.

56.   Syrett, K., E. Bradley, C. Kennedy and J. Lidz. 2005. "Shifting Standards: Children's Understanding of Gradable Adjectives", Proceedings of *GALANA 2004.*

57.   Kennedy, C. and J. Lidz. 2001. "A (Covert) Long Distance Anaphor in English", *Proceedings of the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics*, Cambridge: Cascadilla Press.

58.   Kennedy, C. 2000. "Comparative (Sub)deletion: Evidence for Ranked, Violable Constraints in Syntax", *Proceedings of NELS 30.* Amherst: GSLA Publications.

59.   Bellamy, R., B. Boguraev and C. Kennedy. 1999. "Dynamic Presentation of Phrasally-based Document Abstractions", in *The Proceedings of the Thirty-Second Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences*, Honolulu, HI.

60.   Bellamy, R., B. Boguraev and C. Kennedy. 1999. "Dynamic Visual Metaphors for News Story Abstractions", in *The Proceedings of the Genre in Digital Documents Workshop*, Thirty-Second Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences, Honolulu, HI.

61.   Hay, J., C. Kennedy, and B. Levin. 1999. "Scalar Structure Underlies Telicity in 'Degree Achievements'", in *The Proceedings of SALT 9.* Ithaca: Cornell Linguistics Club Publications.

62.   Kennedy, C. and L. McNally. 1999. "From Event Structure to Scale Structure: Degree Modification in Deverbal Adjectives", in *The Proceedings of SALT 9.* Ithaca: Cornell Linguistics Club Publications.

63.   Kennedy, C. and L. McNally. 1999. "Degree Modification and the Scalar Structure of Gradable Adjectives", in *The Proceedings of the Workshop on the Description of Adjectives for NLP*, TALN-99.

64.   Kennedy, C. and J. Merchant. 1999. "Attributive Comparatives and the Syntax of Ellipsis", in F. Corblin, C. Dobrovie-Sorin, and J-M. Marandin (eds.), *Empirical Issues in Formal Syntax and Semantics: Selected Papers from the Colloque de Syntaxe et Sémantiqe à Paris 2.* The Hague: Thesus.

65.   Kennedy, C. 1998. "Local Dependencies in Comparative Deletion", in K. Shahin, S. Blake and E-S. Kim (eds.), *The Proceedings of WCCFL XVII.* Stanford: CSLI Publications.

66.   Boguraev, B. and C. Kennedy. 1997. "Salience-Based Content Characterisation of Text Documents", in *The Proceedings of the Workshop on Intelligent Scalable Text Summarization*, ACL/EACL '97, Madrid, Spain.

67.   Kennedy, C. 1998. "On the Quantificational Force of the Comparative Clause", in J. Austin and A. Lawson (eds.), *The Proceedings of the 1997 Eastern States Conference on Linguistics.* Ithaca: Cornell Linguistics Club Publications.

68.   Kennedy, C. 1997. "Comparison and Polar Opposition", in A. Lawson (ed.), *The Proceedings of SALT 7.* Ithaca: Cornell Linguistics Club Publications.

69.   Kennedy, C. and B. Boguraev. 1996. "Anaphora for Everyone: Pronominal Anaphora Resolution without a Parser", in *The Proceedings of the 16th International Conference on Computational Linguistics.* Copenhagen, Denmark.

70.   Kennedy, C. and B. Boguraev. 1996. "Anaphora in a Wider Context: Tracking Discourse Referents", in W. Wahlster (ed), *The Proceedings of the 12th European Conference on Artificial Intelligence.* London: John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

71.   Kennedy, C. 1995. "An Indexical Account of Certain Ambiguities", in M. Przezdziecki and L. Whalen (eds.) *The Proceedings of the 1995 Eastern States Conference on Linguistics*. Ithaca: Cornell Linguistics Club Publications.
72.   Kennedy, C. 1995. "Comparatives, Indices, and Scope", in L. Gabriele and R. Westmoreland (eds.), The *Proceedings of the Sixth Annual Meeting of the Formal Linguistics Society of Mid-America*. Bloomington: Indiana University Linguistics Club Publications.

Working papers
73.   Kennedy, C. and L. McNally. 1999. "Deriving the Scalar Structure of Deverbal Adjectives", Catalan Working Papers in Linguistics 7.
74.   Kennedy, C. 1999. "Local Dependencies in Comparative Deletion", in Y. Takubo (ed.), Comparative Syntax of Japanese, Korean, Chinese, and English. Report of the International Scientific Research Program, Joint Research Project 08044009, Ministry of Education, Science, and Culture, Japan. [See 19]
75.   Kennedy, C. and J. Merchant. 1997. "Attributive Comparatives and Bound Ellipsis", Linguistics Research Center Report LRC-97-03. University of California, Santa Cruz.
76.   Kennedy, C. 1995. "Morphological Alignment and Head Projection: Towards a nonderivational account of stress in Dakota", in J. Merchant, J. Padgett, and R. Walker (eds.), Phonology at Santa Cruz 3. Linguistics Research Center, University of California, Santa Cruz.
77.   Kennedy, C. 1994. "Argument Contained Ellipsis", Linguistics Research Center Report LRC-94-03. University of California, Santa Cruz.

Newsletter article
78.   Boguraev, B. and C. Kennedy. 1997. "Current Developments in Natural Language Processing at Apple", *ELSnews: The Newsletter of the European Language and Speech Network* 6.2.

Invited Talks
2022   Colloquium, The University of Göttingen (9 February)
2021   Invited speaker, Workshop on Scales, Degrees, and Implicature, University of Potsdam (28 May)
2020   Colloquium, The Ohio State University (May)
2019   Colloquium, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (10 December)
        Colloquium, Bar Ilan University (17 December)
        Colloquium, Tel Aviv University (19 December)
        Invited speaker, University of Connecticut Logic Group (1 November)
        Invited commentator, Workshop on Brain and Syntax, Northwestern University (11 October)
        Invited speaker, Degree Semantics in East Asian Languages, University of Nanjing (17 March)
2018   Invited speaker, Topics at the Sematnics-Pragmatics Interface, UCSC (27 October)
        Plenary speaker, Humanities Day, University of Chicago (20 October)
        Invited speaker, Logic Now and Then 4, Brussels (20-11 September)
        Invited speaker, The Emergence of Number Conference, Ohio State University (27-29 June)
        Invited speaker, New York Philosophy of Language Workshop (5 March)
        Colloquium, New York University (2 March)
2017   Invited speaker, Workshop on Theoretical Approaches to Subjectivity and Point of View, Japan Linguistics Society, Kyoto, Japan (26 November)
        Invited speaker, Workshop on Alternative Logics and Natural Language, Hebrew University Center for Logic, Language and Cognition, Jerusalem (21 June)
        Colloquium, Princeton University (8 February)
2016   Colloquium, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champagne (28 November)
        Colloquia, Nanjing University (30-31 March)
        Colloquium, Nagoya Gakuin University (26 March)
        Colloquium, Yale University (2 February)
2015   Colloquium, University of California, San Diego (16 November)
        Invited speaker, Conference on Evidence and Inference: The Foundations of Linguistics and Philosophy, University of Kyoto (31 October-1 November)
        Colloquium, Department of Philosophy, Northern Illinois University (11 September)
        Colloquium, University of Vienna (22 June)
        Invited speaker, Conference on Logical Pluralism, Dubrovnik (15-19 June)

Invited speaker, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft, University of Leipzig (4 March)
Colloquium, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (2 March)
2014   Colloquium, Rutgers Center for Cognitive Science (11 November)
Colloquium, Yale University (10 November)
Invited speaker, "Two days at least" workshop, University of Utrecht (10 September)
Colloquium, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (17 June)
Invited speaker, Constructing Color, University of Chicago (26 April)
Invited speaker, Workshop on Verb Classes and Aspect, Universitat of Alicante, Spain (27 March)
Colloquium, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona (24 March)
Invited speaker, Workshop on the Semantics and Philosophy of Cardinal Numbers, The Ohio State University (7 March)
Invited speaker, Festival of Science, Rome, Italy (25 January)
2013   Colloquium, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee (7 December)
Colloquium, University of Maryland (11 April)
Invited Speaker, Great Lakes Experimental and Formal Linguistics Conference (6 April)
Colloquium, Northwestern University (11 January)
2012   Colloquium, University of California, Los Angeles (4 December)
Colloquium, University of California, Santa Cruz (30 November)
Colloquium, McMaster University (24 October)
Invited speaker, IX Workshop on Formal Linguistics, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (31 August)
Invited speaker, Conference on Relativism and Contextualism, Dubrovnik (June)
Commentary, Conference on Moral Disagreement, University of Chicago Law School (April)
Commentary, Midwest meeting of the American Philosophical Society (February)
Invited speaker, Something on Vagueness Conference, The Ohio State University (February)
2011   Colloquium, Harvard University (December)
Invited speaker, Workshop on the Representation of Gradability, Leiden (6-7 June)
Invited speaker, 4th Experimental Pragmatics Conference, Barcelona (2-4 June)
Colloquium, LOGOS Philosophy Group, University of Barcelona (1 June)
Colloquium, Centro de Ciencias Humanas y Sociales, Madrid (30 May)
Invited speaker, Semantics and Linguistic Theory 21, Rutgers University (20-22 May)
Colloquium, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (13 April)
Colloquium, Johns Hopkins University (10 March)
Colloquium, University of Southern California (22 February)
2010   Colloquium, University of Illinois, Urbana Champagne (16 September)
Invited speaker, Dynamics in Semantics, Pragmatics and Logic, Literaturhaus Stuttgart (3-5 September)
Invited speaker, Workshop on Inference and its Linguistic Manifestations, University of Kyoto (11 July)
Invited speaker, 12th International Symposium on Chinese Language and Linguistics, Taipei (20 June)
Colloquium, Semantics Research Group, Keio University, Tokyo (21 May)
Invited speaker, 34th Penn Linguistics Colloquium (19-21 March)
Invited speaker, Workshop on Subjective Meaning: Alternatives to Relativism, 2010 Conference of the German Society for Linguistics, Humboldt University, Berlin (24-26 February)
2009   Invited speaker, Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Annual Research Forum (12 December)
Invited lectures, Chinese University of Hong Kong (7-11 December)
Colloquium, New York University (30 October)
Invited Speaker, Workshop on Inference and its Linguistic Manifestations, University of Kyoto (20-21 September)
Colloquium, University of Rochester (14 September)
Invited speaker, Conference on the Contextualist Challenge for Philosophy of Language, Queen's College, Kingston, ON. (11-13 September)
Invited speaker, Chronos 9, Paris (2-4 September)
Colloquium, Stanford University (10 April)
Colloquium, University of Texas, Austin (23 March)
2008   Invited speaker, La scalarité dans tous ses aspects, University of Ghent (15-16 December)
Colloquium, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (10 October)
Invited speaker, Workshop on Semantics, University of Kyoto (18 July)
Invited speaker, International Conference on Vagueness, École Normale Supérieure, Paris (7-9 April)

	Colloquium, University of Maryland, College Park (7 March)
	Colloquium, Michigan State University (17 January)
2007	Invited Speaker, Colloque de Syntaxe et Sémantique de Paris (4-6 October)
	Invited Speaker, Workshop on the Syntax and Semantics of Measurability, CASTL/University of Tromsø, Norway (17-18 September)
	Invited Speaker, International Conference on Adjectives, University of Lille 3, France (13-15 September)
	Invited Speaker, Arché Center, St. Andrews University, St. Andrews, Scotland (19-20 May)
	Invited Speaker, 43rd Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society, University of Chicago (3-5 May)
	Colloquium, Harvard University (20 April)
	Colloquium, University of Connecticut (30 March)
2006	Plenary Speaker, Summer Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America (22-25 June)
	Invited Commentator, Midwest Meeting of the American Philosophical Association (29 April)
	Invited Speaker, Conference on Semantics and Modelisation, University of Bordeaux 1 (30-31 March)
2005	Colloquium, Cornell University (17 November)
	Invited Commentator, Workshop on Identity in Ellipsis, Berkeley (8 October)
	Invited Speaker, Workshop on the Formal Analysis of Adjectives, Université de Paris 8, Paris, France (28 September)
	Colloquium, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin, Germany (20 June)22
	Colloquia, Universität Stuttgardt (16-17 June)
	Colloquia, Università di Venezia (6-7 June)
	Colloquia, Università di Milano-Bicocca (6 April and 24 April)
	Invited speaker, Workshop on the Semantics of Adjectives and Adverbs, Universität Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain (18 March)
2004	Colloquium, Università di Milano-Bicocca (22 November)
	Colloquium, Rutgers University Center for Cognitive Science (13 April)
	Colloquium, McGill University (12 March)
2003	Colloquium, University of British Columbia (22 October)
	Invited speaker, Workshop on Semantics, Princeton University (16-17 May)
	Colloquia, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (6 and 7 February)
	Invited speaker, Workshop on Ellipsis, University of California, Santa Cruz (18-19 January)
2002	Invited speaker, Workshop on Ellipsis in English and Japanese, Kyushu National University, Fukuoka, Japan (19-22 December)
	Colloquium, Yale University (18 November)
	Invited speaker, Workshop on Semantics and Philosophy of Language, University of Michigan (8-10 November)
	Colloquium, University of Delaware (18 October)
	Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania (17 October)
	Colloquium, University of Maryland, College Park (1 February)
	Colloquium, Georgetown University (4 February)
2001	Invited speaker, Workshop on Ellipsis in English and Japanese, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan (17-20 December)
	Guest lecturer, Seminar on Negation, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (4 December).
	Invited Speaker, Workshop on the Processing of Ellipsis, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (2 June)
	Colloquium, University of California, Santa Cruz (18 May)
	Colloquium, Stanford University (15 May)
	Colloquium, Université de Paris 7 (2 April)
2000	Invited speaker, Workshop on Ellipsis in English and Japanese, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan (18-21 December)
	Colloquium, Michigan State University (30 November)
	Colloquium, Seoul National University (5 September)
	Invited speaker, Workshop on the Syntax and Semantics of Relative Clause Constructions, Tel Aviv University (14 June)
	Invited speaker, Workshop on Optimality Theory in Syntax, Rutgers University (21 April)
	Colloquium, Iowa University (7 April)
1999	Colloquium, New York University (5 November)
	Colloquium, Indiana University (1 October)

Colloquium, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin, Germany (5 July)
Colloquium, Universität Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany (28 June)
Cognitive Science Brown Bag Talk, Northwestern University (1 April)
Colloquium, University of Southern California (3 March)
Invited speaker, Adding and Omitting Workgroup, Annual Meeting of the German Linguistics Society, Konstanz, Germany (26 February)
1998   Invited speaker, Workshop on Comparative Syntax in Japanese, Korean, Chinese, and English, Kyudai National University, Fukuoka, Japan (22 December)
Invited speaker, Workshop on the Syntax and Semantics of Comparatives, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin, Germany (29 November)
Colloquium, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (9 October)
Colloquium, University of Southern California (18 March)
Colloquium, University of Chicago (11 February)
1997   Colloquium, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (31 October)
Colloquium, Northwestern University (21 February)
1996   Semantics reading group, Stanford University (17 June)

Conference Presentations

"Production and comprehension of referential expressions show divergent behavior," 31st Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, UC Davis, 15-18 March [with Ming Xiang, Allison Kramer, and Timothy Leffel]

"Processing imprecision: the interpretation of round numerals in context," 31st Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, UC Davis, 15-18 March [with Helena Aparicio and Ming Xiang]

"Interpretations of VP anaphora through reference to salient events," 92nd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, 4-7 January, Salt Lake City [Kanan Benjamin Luce, Jeffrey Geiger, and Ming Xiang]

"Semantic adaptation and its time course: an investigation of gradable adjectives," 30th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, MIT, 30 March-1 April [with Ming Xiang and Allison Kramer]

"Subjective attitudes and counterstance contingency," Semantics and Linguistic Theory 26, University of Texas, Austin. [With Malte Willer]

"Imprecision Is Pragmatic: Evidence from referential processing," Semantics and Linguistic Theory 26, University of Texas, Austin. [With Timothy Leffel and Ming Xiang]

"Differential effects of background knowledge on absolute vs. relative adjective interpretation," 90th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America [With Tim Leffel and Ming Xiang]

"Online processing of relative vs. absolute adjectives: A visual world study," poster presentation at Semantics and Linguistic Theory 25, Stanford University, May 16, 2015. [With Helena Aparicio and Ming Xiang]

"Processing relative vs. absolute adjectives: A visual world study," poster presentation at the CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Southern California, March 19-21, 2015. [With Helena Aparicio and Ming Xiang]

"Predicates and formulas: Evidence from ellipsis," Semantics and Linguistic Theory 24, New York University, June 1, 2014.

"There need be no split scope," 88th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America. January 8, 2014. [With Peter Alrenga]

"A New Standard of Comparison," West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics 30, University of California, Santa Cruz, April 2012 [With Peter Alrenga and Jason Merchant]

"Standard of Comparison," 86th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, January 2012. [With Peter Alrenga and Jason Merchant]

"What an *Average* Semantics Needs", Semantics and Linguistic Theory 18, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, 21-23 March, 2008. [With Jason Stanley]

"Scale Structure and the Semantic Representation of Gradable Adjectives in Child Language", 42nd Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society, University of Chicago, 6-8 April 2006. [With Kristen Syrett and Jeffrey Lidz]

"The Semantic Typology of Gradable Adjectives: Experimental Evidence from Adult and Child Language" (POSTER), CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, City University of New York, 23-25 March, 2006. [With Kristen Syrett and Jeffrey Lidz]

"The Syntax and Semantics of Multiple Degree Modification in English", 12th International Conference on Head-Driven Phrase Structure Grammar, Lisbon, Portugal, August 23-24, 2005. [With Louise McNally]

"Northern Norwegian Degree Questions and the Grammar of Measurement", Incontro di Grammatica Generativa XXXI, Rome, Italy, 24-26 February, 2005. [With Peter Svenonius]

"Shifting Standards: Children's Understanding of Gradable Adjectives", 79th Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, Oakland, CA, January 6-9, 2005. [With Kristen Syrett, Evan Bradley and Jeffrey Lidz]

"Shifting Standards: Children's Understanding of Gradable Adjectives", Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition: North America, Honolulu, HI, December 17-20, 2004 [With Kristen Syrett, Evan Bradley and Jeffrey Lidz]

"Accents, structures, and the interpretation of gapping sentences", 78th Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, Boston, MA, January 8-11, 2004. [With Katy Carlson and Mike Dickey]

"Accents, structure, and the interpretation of gapping sentences", Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing 2003, University of Glasgow, August 25-27 [With Katy Carlson and Mike Dickey]

"Minimal Structure in Gapping", 76th Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, San Francisco, CA, January 5-9, 2002. [With Mike Dickey]

"Degree vs. Manner Well: A Case Study in Selective Binding", 1st International Workshop on Generative Approaches to the Lexicon (GL2001), April 26-28, 2001. [With Louise McNally]

"A (Covert) Long Distance Anaphor in English", West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, University of Southern California, February 23-25, 2001. [With Jeffrey Lidz]

"Telicity Corresponds to Degree of Change", 75th Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Socieity of America, Washington, D.C., January 4-7, 2001. [With Beth Levin]

"The Semantics of Case in Russian Secondary Predicates", Workshop on Predicative Constructions, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin, Germany, October, 2000. [With Hana Filip]

"Comparative (Sub)deletion: Evidence for Ranked, Violable Constraints in Syntax", North Eastern Linguistics Society 30, Rutgers University, October, 1999.

"Degree Modification and the Scalar Structure of Gradable Adjectives", Workshop on the Description of Adjectives for NLP, TALN-99, Cargèse, Corsica, July, 1999. [With Louise McNally]

"Deriving the Scalar Structure of Deverbal Adjectives", IX Colloquium on Generative Grammar, Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona, April, 1999. [With Louise McNally]

"Scalar Structure Underlies Telicity in 'Degree Achievements'", Semantics and Linguistic Theory 9, University of California, Santa Cruz, February, 1999. [With Jen Hay and Beth Levin]

"From Event Scales to Adjectival Scales: The Semantics of Degree Modification", Semantics and Linguistic Theory 9 (alternate talk), University of California, Santa Cruz, February, 1999. [With Louise McNally]

"Case and Identity in Comparative Deletion", 73rd Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, Los Angeles, CA, January, 1999. [With Jason Merchant]

"Dynamic Presentation of Phrasally-based Document Abstractions", Thirty-Second Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences. Honolulu, HI, January, 1999. [With Rachel Bellamy and Branimir Boguraev]

"Dynamic Visual Metaphors for News Story Abstractions", Genre in Digital Documents Workshop, Thirty-Second Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences, Honolulu, HI, January, 1999. [With Rachel Bellamy and Branimir Boguraev]

"Degree Modification of English Past Participles: The Case of very", Asociación Español de Estudios Anglo-Americanos, Barcelona, Spain, December, 1998. [With Louise McNally]

"Dynamic Presentation of Document Content for Rapid On-line Skimming", American Association for Artificial Intelligence Spring Symposium on Intelligent Text Summarization, Stanford University, March, 1998. [With Branimir Boguraev, Rachel Bellamy, Sascha Brawer, Yin-Yin Wong and Jason Swartz]

"Local Dependencies in Comparative Deletion", West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics XVII, University of British Columbia, February, 1998.

"On the Quantificational Force of the Comparative Clause", 1997 meeting of the Eastern States Conference on Linguistics, Yale University, November, 1997.

"Comparatives and Bound Ellipsis", Colloque de Syntaxe et Sémantique 2, Université Paris 7, October, 1997. [With Jason Merchant]

"Salience-based Content Characterisation of Text Documents", Workshop on Intelligent Scalable Text Summarisation, Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics, Madrid, Spain, July, 1997. [With Branimir Boguraev]

"Comparison and Polar Opposition", Semantics and Linguistic Theory 7, Stanford University, March, 1997.

"Comparison of Deviation", 71st Annual meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, Chicago, IL, January, 1997.

"On the Monotonicity of Polar Adjectives", Perspectives on Negation Workshop, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Groningen, the Netherlands, August, 1996.

"Anaphora in a Wider Context: Tracking Discourse Referents", 12th European Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Budapest, Hungary, August, 1996. [With Branimir Boguraev]

"Anaphora for Everyone: Pronominal Anaphora Resolution without a Parser", 16th International Conference on Computational Linguistics, Copenhagen, Denmark, August, 1996. [With Branimir Boguraev]

"Verb Phrase Deletion and 'Nonparasitic Gaps': Evidence for Vehicle Change", 70th Annual meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, San Diego, CA, January, 1996.

"An Indexical Account of Certain Ambiguities", 1995 Annual Meeting of the Eastern States Conference on Linguistics, Dartmouth College, October, 1995.

"Antecedent Contained Deletion and the Syntax of Quantification", 26th Annual Meeting of the North Eastern Linguistics Society, Harvard and MIT, October, 1995.

"Comparatives, Indices, and Scope", Sixth Annual Meeting of the Formal Linguistics Society of Mid-America, Indiana University, May, 1995.

"Head Projection in Dakota", Trilateral Phonology Weekend (TREND) III, University of California, Berkeley, CA, October, 1994.

Professional Activities

Executive Committee, Linguistics Society of America (2020-2023)

Associate Editor, Journal of Semantics (2013-)

Associate Editor, Language (2015-2019)

Conference Co-organizer, Philosophical Linguistics and Linguistical Philosophy (2017-)

Conference Co-organizer, Subjectivity in Language and Thought, University of Chicago (May 2017)

Conference Organizer, Experimental Pragmatics (2015)

External Review Committee for Department of Cognitive, Linguistic and Psychological Sciences, Brown University (May 2022)

External Review Committee for Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Cruz (December 2018)

External Review Committee for Department of Linguistics, University of Maryland (October 2015)

External Review Committee for Department of Linguistics, University of Texas, Austin (April 2014)

Conference Organizer, Semantics and Linguistic Theory 22 (2012)

Program Committee, Linguistics Society of America (2006-2009; co-chair 2007-2009)

Grant Review Panel, National Science Foundation (2006-2010)

General Editor, Studies in Semantics and Pragmatics, Oxford University Press (co-editor with Chris Barker)

General Editor, Surveys in Semantics and Pragmatics, Oxford University Press (co-editor with Chris Barker)

Special Editor, Gengo Kenkyu (Journal of the Linguistics Society of Japan)

Editorial Board, Linguistics and Philosophy, Journal of Semantics, Natural Language Semantics, Studies in Theoretical Psycholinguistics

Associate Editorial Board, Linguistic Inquiry

Editorial Board, Computational Linguistics special issue on anaphora resolution (2000)

Advisory Board, Semantics and Philosophy in Europe (annual colloquium)

Conference Organizer, Semantics and Linguistic Theory 14, Northwestern University, May 14-16, 2004

Symposium Organizer, Symposium on Ellipsis, Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, January 2006

Workshop Organizer, Semantics and Philosophy of Language, University of Chicago, 2006-9 (With Josef Stern, Dept of Philosophy)

Workshop Organizer, Workshop on Scalar Meaning, University of Chicago, May 19-20, 2006

Program Committee Consultant, Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America (2000-2001)

Program Committee, Operational Factors in Practical, Robust Anaphora Resolution for Unrestricted Texts Workshop, 1997 Annual Meeting of the ACL, Madrid; West Coast Conference on Linguistics, University of California, Santa Cruz, 1996

Manuscript Reviewer, Mind, Synthese, Cognition, Cognitive Science, Jouranl of East Asian Languages and Linguistics, Language; Linguistic Inquiry; Linguistics & Philosophy; Synthese; Natural Language Semantics; Natural Language and Linguistic Theory; Journal of Linguistics; Linguistic Review; Syntax; Proceedings of the Seventh CSLI Workshop on Logic, Language, and Computation (CSLI Publications); Intelligent Text Summarization (MIT Press); On the Formal Way to Chinese Languages (CSLI Publications), …

Grant Reviewer, National Science Foundation; Israel Science Foundation; Dutch Council for the Humanities

Abstract Reviewer, Semantics and Linguistic Theory, Annual Meeting of the North-Eastern Linguistics Society, West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, Colloque de Syntax et Sémantique à Paris, Penn Linguistics Colloquium, Chicago Linguistic Society, …
Member, Linguistics Society of America

Courses Taught
Seminar on Binding
Seminar on Subjective Meaning
Seminar on Implicature
Seminar on Aspectual Composition
Seminar on Nouns and Verbs
Seminar on Experimental Methods in Semantics and Pragmatics
Seminar on the Grammar of Comparison
Seminar on Events
Seminar on Vagueness
Seminar on the Grammar of Measurement
Seminar on the Semantics of Degree (MIT)
Intensive Seminar on the Syntax and Semantics of Comparison (UCLA, Kyushu National University)
Seminar on Quantifier Scope: Linguistic and Psychological Perspectives
Structure of Words and Sentences
Introduction to Syntax
Advanced Syntactic Analysis
Introductory and Advanced Formal Semantics
Lexical Semantics
Introduction to Semantics and Pragmatics
Pragmatics
Introduction to Computational Linguistics
Research Methods in Linguistics
Languages of the World
Code Making/Code Breaking (Freshman seminar)
Language and the Human (Chicago Core)
Truth (Humanities Signature Course)
Code Making/Code Breaking (Humanities Signature Course)
Philosophical Perspectives (Chicago Core)
Cognition
Mind, Brain and Meaning

Graduate Student Advising
Ph.D. thesis supervision
Yenan Sun (2022), "Incompleteness Under Discussion"
Patrick Muñoz (2019), "On Tongues: The grammar of experiential normativity"
Julian Grove (2019), "Scope-taking and presupposition satisfaction"
Anqi Zhang (2018), "On non-culminating accomplishments"
Tamara Vardomskaya (2018), "Subjectivity and shared evidence"
Helena Aparicio Terrasa (2017), "Processing imprecision") (co-supervisor with Ming Xiang)
Timothy Grinsell (2017), "Semantic Indecision"
Andrea Beltrama (2016), "Bridging the gap. Intensification between social and semantic meaning"
Matt Teichman (Philosophy, 2015), "Characterizing Kinds: A Semantics for a Generic Sentences"
Rebekah Baglini (2015), "Stative Predication and Semantic Ontology: a Cross-linguistic Study"
Peter Klecha (2014), "Bridging the Divide: Scalarity & Modality"
M. Ryan Bochnak (2013), "Cross-linguistic variation in the semantics of comparatives"
Thomas Grano (2012), "The grammar of Control"
Yaron McNabb (2012), "The syntax and semantics of degree modification"
Osamu Sawada (2010), "Pragmatic Aspects of Scalar Modifiers"
Catherine Anderson (Northwestern, 2004), "An Investigation of the Parsing and Interpretation of Sentences with Quantifier Scope Ambiguities"

Saundra Wright (Northwestern, 2001), "Change of State Verbs" (co-supervisor with Beth Levin)

Ph.D. thesis committees
Orest Xherjia (in progress), "Towards improved NLI: combining linguistic theory, representation learning and neural models"
Eszter Ronai (2022), "Alternatives in context"
Michael Tabatowski (2022), "Negation, question, and suggestion"
Jackie Lai (2021), "Word order, VP structure, and the complement-adjunct distinction in Mandarin Chinese"
Daniel Edmiston (2021), "Identifying Linguistic Structure in High-Dimensional Space"
Carlos Cisneros (2020), "Deconstructing indiscriminacy"
Jeffrey Geiger (2020), "Resolution in context: Nonidentity in anaphora interpretation"
Aidan Gray (Philosophy, 2012), "Names and Descriptions"
Jacqueline Bunting (2011), "From English to Sranan: An Assessment of Structural Similarities and Differences"
Daniel Lassiter (NYU, 2011), "Measurement and Modality: The Scalar Basis of Modal Semantics"
Suwon Yoon (2010), "The Syntax and Semantics of Negation: A Comparative Study on Scope, Intervention, Non-negativity and Expressivity"
Luisandro Mendes DeSouza (Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Brazil, 2010), "Verbal Comparatives in Brazilian Portuguese"
Kjersti Stensrud (2009), "The Syntax of Event Composition in Norwegian and English"
Eun Hae Park (2009), "Indeterminate-based Quantification and Expressive Content in Korean"
Xiao Li (Rutgers University, 2008), "Differential Comparisons in Chinese"
Peter Alrenga (University of California, Santa Cruz, 2007), "Comparisons of Similarity and Difference"
Elisa Sneed (Northwestern, 2007), "The Acquisition of Genericity"
Kristen Syrett (Northwestern, 2007), "Conceptual Foundations in the Semantics of Gradability and the Acquisition of Scalar Structure"
Keiko Yoshimura (2007), "Focus and Polarity: Japanese EVEN and ONLY"
Ann Clinton Bunger (Northwestern, 2006), "Cognitive and Linguistic Approaches to E vent Representation"
Erin Leddon (Northwestern, 2006), "Reconstruction Effects in Language Acquisition"
Jung-Hyuck Lee (2006), "Ability and Modality in Korean and English"
Steve Fix (Northwestern, 2005), "The Representation and Processing of Functional Categories in Agrammatism"
Ralph Rose (Northwestern, 2005), "The Contribution of Semantic Factors to Discourse Prominence"
Deborah Miriam Berkley (Northwestern, 2000), "Gradient Data and the Obligatory Contour Principle"
Jen Hay (Northwestern, 2000), "On Wellformedness: Modelling Frequency Effects in Phonology and Morphology"
Larin Adams (Northwestern, 1999), "Complex Events and the Semantics of -ING Sentential Complements"

MA thesis supervision
Anthony Nguyen (2021), "What to believe about 'believe' and 'consider': Subjectivity as idealized disagreement"
Spencer Moore (2019), "-*er* asymmetry"
Patrick Rich (2009), "What is *n't* doing there? Expletive Negation in French Comparatives"
Michael Erlewine (2007), "A New Syntax-Semantics for the Mandarin *bi* Comparative"

Qualifying paper advising
Lucas Fagan (2022), "Exclusives and Polarity"
Anna-Marie Sprenger (2022), "*Oh yeah, that was super sincere!* Social meanings of congratulatory speech acts"
Sanghee Kim (2020), "Questioning, asserting and making an order without a verb in Korean"
Omer Eren (2019), "Explicit realiziation of weak implicit arguments: Evidence from Laz"
Eszter Ronai (2018), "Processing implicatures: The role of Question Under Discussion"
Jackie Lai (2018), "The neglected side of V-V compounds in Mandarin Chinese: Towards a compositional semantics for the mirative meaning"
Yenan Sun (2018), "Two strategies of 'sameness': Chinese *tong* and *xiangtong*"
Mike Tabatowski (2018), "Two types of superlative modifiers: The case of *at N's ADJest*"
Dan Edmiston (2017), "Variations on a theme of negation: A focus-interaction tale"
Jeffrey Geiger (2016) "'Context can!': Contextual effects on the interpretation of endophoric verb phrase ellipses"
Patrick Munoz (2015), "Naming relations in the semantics and pragmatics of proper names"
Josh Falk (2015), "A Compositional Analysis of Imprecise Numerals"
Helena Aparicio (2015), "Processing of Relative vs Absolute Adjectives: A Visual World Study"

Anqi Zhang (2014), "Semantics of Cantonese imperfectives *gan* and *zyu* and a comparison with Mandarin imperfectives"
Carlos Cisneros (2014), "Floating numerals in Guaymi"
Helena Aparicio (2013), "Additive readings in Spanish amount comparatives"
Tamara Vardomskaya (2013), "Sources of subjectivity"
Andrea Beltrama (2012), "How *good* is a *decent* student? An experimental investigation on gradable adjectives and scalar implicatures"
Timothy Grinsell (2010), "Vagueness in the Russian Perfective"
Jasmin Urban (2009), "Towards a Unified Theory of Questions: What Open Questions Can Tell Us about What Questions Mean"
Thomas Grano (2009), "English Emotive Factive Verbs and the Semantics of Nonfinite Complementation"
Peter Klecha (2009), "Modality and Context-Dependence in English Futures"
Ryan Bochnak (2009), "*Half* as a Promiscuous Modifier"
Thomas Grano (2008), "Being assertive in Mandarin Chinese"
James Kirby (2008), "Comparative-induced measure relations in Vietnamese"
Osamu Sawada (2008), "The historical syntax of Japanese comparatives"
Adam Baker (2007), "Verb phrase ellipsis resolution as a side effect of discourse coherence"
Jacqueline Bunting (2007), "Pick an Antecedent, any Antecedent: A Look at Antecedent Preferences of Slowak Pronouns"
Osamu Sawada (2007), "The Pragmatics of Implicit Comparison"

Undergraduate Student Advising
Honors thesis
Leah Wilson (2021), "Agree to Disagree: An Alternative Response to Disagreement"
Noah Yavitz (2008), "The Syntax and Semantics of Equative Constructions"
Elizabeth Coppock (2002), "Filling in the Gap: The Licensing Condition for Gapping"

Summer research assistantships
Prerna Nadathur (2010), "Experimental investigations of vagueness and imprecision"
Noah Yavitz (2007), "Tools for linguistic database construction"
Michael Erlewine (2006), "Comparative Constructions in Chinese and English"
Jessica Clapp (2006), "A Scalar Semantics of Events and Amounts"
Evan Bradley (2004), "Acquisition of Gradable Adjectives"
Jeremy Weissman (2003), "Degree Modification in Hungarian"
Marc Gelfo (2003), "Degree Modification in Mandarin Chinse"
Joel Nierman (2002), "Acquisition of Scalar Meaning"
Olga Feigina (2001), "Long and Short Form Adjectives in Russian"
Justin Adams-Tucker (2001), "Identifying Comparison Classes"

Summer research fellowship in Cognitive Science
Elizabeth Coppock (1999), "A Computational Model for Musical Analysis"

Languages
Italian: reading, conversation
French, Russian: reading

Service at the University of Chicago
Linguistics Department

2022-23	Department Chair
2020-21	Chair, Karlos Arregi promotion committee
2018-19	Department Chair
2018-19	Psycholinguistics Search Committee
2017-18	Chair, Yaroslav Gorbachov tenure review committee
2017-18	Computational Linguistics Search Committee
2016-17	Graduate admissions committee
2016-17	Chair, Itamar Francez tenure review committee

2008-15	Department Chair
2005-8	Director of Graduate Studies
2007-8	Syntax Search Committee

Philosophy Department

2016	Member, Malte Willer tenure review committee

Humanities Division

2017-18	Franke Institute for the Humanities Director Search Committee
2017	Signature Course Selection Committee
2014-17	Policy Committee (advises the dean on reappointment, tenure and promotions)
2009-11	Ad-hoc Committee on the Future of the Digital Media Archives
	Committee of the Council of the Senate
2008-9	Committee of the Council of the Senate
2007-8	Graduate Affairs Committee
	Ad-hoc Committee on Graduate Teaching (Spring-Fall 2007)
	Dean's Representative, PhD thesis defense in Philosophy (Ben McMyler)
2006-7	Graduate Affairs Committee
	Diversity Committee
	Dean's Representative, PhD thesis defense in Music (Sin-Yan Hedy Law, "Gestural Rhetoric: In Search of Pantomime in the French Enlightenment, ca. 1750-1785.")
2005-6	Dean's Representative, PhD thesis defense in Art History (Rachel Remmel, "The Origins of the American School Building: Boston Public School Architecture, 1800-1860")

University

2022-	Director, Undergraduate Major in Cognitive Science
2022-25	Council of the University Senate
2020-21	Dana Feitler Director of the Smart Museum Search Committee
2020-21	Committee of the Council of the University Senate
2018-19	Provost's advisory group for the Laboratory Schools
2018-21	Center for Data and Computing Steering Committee
2018-21	Council of the University Senate
2017-18	Data Science Committee
2017-20	Neubauer Collegium for Culture and Society Faculty Advisory Board
2016-19	Ryerson Lecture Committee (chair, 2019)
2016-19	Committee on Academic Fraud

Service at Northwestern
Linguistics Department

1999-2004	Director of Graduate Studies
2000	Chair, Semantics Search Committee
	Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship Search Committee
1999	Chair, Syntax Search Committee
	Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship Search Committee
1998	Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship Search Committee
	Colloquium Series Coordinator
	Department Computer Services Coordinator
	Graduate Admissions Committee
1997	Sound Structure Search Committee
	Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship Search Committee
	Department Computer Services Coordinator

Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences (Northwestern)

2003-2004	Curricular Policies Committee
2003	Ad hoc tenure committee
2000-2002	Graduate Advisor, Program in Cognitive Science

1999-2002   Cognitive Science Program Committee
1998, 1999   Freshman Advisor