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## Education

- 2020 – **Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of British Columbia**  
Interests: semantics, fieldwork, modification, numerals, expressive meaning  
Dissertation: The Grammar of Non-intersective Modification  
Committee: Marcin Morzycki (supervisor), Ryan Bochnak, Hotze Rullman
- 2022 **4th Crete Summer School of Linguistics, Rethymno, Greece**  
Courses: Intermediate Semantics, Tense and Aspect, Semantics and Pragmatics of Questions, Varieties of X-marking
- 2015 – 2019 **B.A. in Linguistics with honors, New York University**

## Publications

- in progress *Modification and Modality*. with Marcin Morzycki. Cambridge Handbook of Natural Language Modality, in prep.
- 2024 *Responsible drivers and good passengers: the influence of subsective modification on nouns*. Proceedings of the 28th Sinn und Bedeutung, in prep.
- 2024 *Propositional ‘How’ and Justification*. with Marcin Morzycki. Proceedings of the 41st West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, in prep.
- 2024 *Monotonicity enables degree modification in Ktunaxa: an investigation of the intensifier wilit*, Proceedings of the 12th Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas, in prep.
- 2023 *Instrument Names, Bare Singulars, and Event Kinds*. With Daniel Greeson and Marcin Morzycki. *Proceedings of the 58th Chicago Linguistics Society*, in prep.

## Presentations

- 2024 *Ontological puzzles of non-intersective adjectives and ‘as’ phrases*. Events. New Work on Their Ontology and Semantics, Nice, France. June 16-17.

- 2024 *Non-speaker-oriented Expressives in Ktunaxa and English*. Invited Talk for Slurring Terms Across Languages Monthly Seminar, Virtual. June 4.
- 2024 *'As' phrases as a window onto multidimensionality*. Semantics and Linguistic Theory, Rochester, New York. May 28-30.
- 2024 *Expressive Language in Ktunaxa*. Grad Student and Postdoc Research Day at UBC, Vancouver, Canada. May 15.
- 2024 *Polar degree questions in Ktunaxa*. Workshop on Polar question meaning[s] across languages. Talk with Marcin Morzycki and Anne Bertrand. Amsterdam, Netherlands. April 11-13.
- 2023 *Responsible drivers and good passengers: the influence of subsective modification on nouns*. Talk. 28th Sinn und Bedeutung, Bochum, Germany. Sep 6-8.
- 2023 *Propositional 'How' and Justification*. Poster with Marcin Morzycki. 41st West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, Santa Cruz, California. May 5-7.
- 2022 *Monotonicity enables degree modification in Ktunaxa: an investigation of the intensifier witił*. Talk. 12th Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas, Ottawa, Ontario. Oct. 13-15.
- 2022 *Instrument Names, Bare Singulars, and Event Kinds*. Poster with Daniel Greeson and Marcin Morzycki. 58th Chicago Linguistics Society, Chicago, Illinois. April 15-17.
- 2019 *The child acquisition of presuppositions: a corpus study*. Presentation. Harvard Lab for Developmental Studies Internship Program, Cambridge, Massachusetts. August 16.

## Awards and Fellowships

- 2022 – 2026 **4 Year Graduate Fellowship**  
 UBC Internal Award (Stipend) | Nominated/Received | 18,200 CAD/year + Tuition
- 2023 – 2024 **Public Scholars Initiative** | *Expressive Meaning in Ktunaxa*  
 UBC Internal Award | Competitive/Received | 7,000 CAD
- 2022 **Jacobs Research Fund** | *Aspects of Ktunaxa grammar: Meaning, discourse, and texts*  
 Competitive/Received | Co-Investigator, PI: Ryan Bochnak | 6,000 USD.
- 2021 **MA Affiliated Award**  
 UBC Internal Award | Competitive/Received | 6,000 CAD

## Research Positions

- Spring 2024     **Child acquisition of *why* questions**, Graduate Research Assistant  
Principal Investigator: Carla Hudson-Kam, University of British Columbia.  
Supervise undergraduates coding of CHILDES data
- Fall 2021     **Semantics of nominalized degree expressions**, Graduate Research Assistant  
Principal Investigator: Ryan Bochnak, University of British Columbia.  
Helped prepare grant application materials, conducted literature reviews
- Fall 2020     **Child acquisition of French liaison**, Graduate Research Assistant  
Principal Investigator: Anne-Michelle Tessier, University of British Columbia.  
Collected, coded, and analyzed corpus data using CHILDES, CLAN and R
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Principal Investigator: Carla Hudson-Kam, University of British Columbia.  
Collected, coded, and analyzed corpus data using CHILDES, CLAN and Python
- Sept. 2019 –  
April 2020     **Language Development Lab**, Lab Manager (full time position)  
Principal Investigator: Felix Wang, University of Nevada Las Vegas  
Developed and ran EEG and eye-tracking studies, coded/analyzed results, prepared grant applications and manuscripts, supervised undergraduate research assistants.
- June – August  
2019     **Harvard Lab for Developmental Studies**, Summer Intern  
Principal Investigator: Jessie Snedeker, Harvard University.  
Researched L1 acquisition of presuppositions, coded data, scheduled participants
- November 2018  
– May 2019     **NYU LEARN Lab**, Undergraduate Research Assistant  
Principal Investigator: Sudha Arunachalam, New York University  
Designed stimuli, scheduled and ran eye-tracking studies, coded results
- Jan. – May 2019     **Child Language Lab**, Undergraduate Research Assistant  
Principal Investigator: Ailís Cournane, New York University  
Collected and analyzed data using CHILDES and CLAN

## Teaching Positions

### Teaching assistant positions at the University of British Columbia

- Spring 2024     **LING 345: Pragmatics**, Eva Csipak

- Spring 2024    **LING 201: Morphology, Syntax and Semantics, Marcin Morzycki**
- Spring 2023    **LING 201: Morphology, Syntax and Semantics, Ryan Bochnak**
- Fall 2022      **LING 327: Semantics, Marcin Morzycki**
- Fall 2022      **LING 300: Syntax, Joash Gambarage**
- Spring 2022    **LING 201: Morphology, Syntax, and Semantics, Lisa Matthewson**
- Fall 2021      **LING 100: Intro to Linguistics, Amanda Cardoso**

### **Other teaching positions**

- June – Aug. 2018    **English Tutor to high school students, Come on Out Japan, Tokyo, Japan**  
Designed and held lessons on English grammar, public speaking, and politics
- Oct. 2015 – May 2018    **Teaching assistant to first graders, America Reads, New York, NY**  
Taught reading, writing, and math; analyzed test scores and wrote progress reports
- May – Aug. 2017    **Educational Intern, International Rescue Committee, Atlanta, GA**  
Taught history, civics and vocational skills; organized IRC fundraiser events
- July – Aug. 2016    **Teacher to preschool students, Guda Education Center, Guangzhou, China**  
Taught English using Montessori methods, coordinated recreational student events

### **Service**

- Sept. 2020 –    **UBC Linguistics PhD Student Representative**  
Take notes at department meetings, raise graduate student issues to graduate advisor
- Jan – May 2021    **39th Northwest Linguistics Conference at UBC (Volunteer Organizer)**  
Reviewed abstracts, organized program, chaired sessions
- Feb – April 2019    **Mid-Atlantic Colloquium of Studies in Meaning 8 at NYU (Lead Organizer)**  
Managed budget, organized schedule, reserved restaurant, supervised volunteers

### **Memberships**

- 2023–    Sluring Terms Across Languages (STAL)
- 2023–    Linguistics Society of America (LSA)

## Skills

Software     $\LaTeX$ , R, Python, JSPsych, ELAN, Praat, CLAN, Adobe (Photoshop, Premiere)

## Languages

English	native
German	fluent (C1)
Ktunaxa	research, documentation work