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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.
- to appear *Responsible drivers and good passengers: the influence of subsective modification on nouns*. Proceedings of the 28th Sinn und Bedeutung, to appear.
- to appear *Propositional ‘How’ and Justification*. with Marcin Morzycki. Proceedings of the 41st West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, Ed. by Yağmur Kiper, Larry Lyu, Richard Wang, and Niko Webster. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Press, to appear.
- to appear *Instrument Names, Bare Singulars, and Event Kinds*. With Daniel Greeson and Marcin Morzycki. *Proceedings of the 58th Chicago Linguistics Society*, to appear.
- 2024 *Monotonicity enables degree modification in Ktunaxa: an investigation of the intensifier witił*, Proceedings of the 12th Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas, Ed. by Mariana Calderón-Corona, Polina Kasyanova, Eva Neu. Amherst, MA: GLSA (Graduate Linguistics Student Association), pp. 109-122.

Presentations

- 2024 *Non-speaker-oriented Expressives in Ktunaxa.* with Violet Birdstone and Dorothy Alpine. 13th Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas, Florianopolis, Brazil. October 28-31.
- 2024 *The Anatomy of Adjunct Questions in Ktunaxa.* with Marcin Morzycki and Kate Zhou. 13th Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas, Florianopolis, Brazil. October 28-31.
- 2024 *The Twofold Nature of Degree Nominalizations: Degree Concepts and Qualities.* with Ryan Bochnak, Adam Gobeski, and Marcin Morzycki. 29th Sinn und Bedeutung, Noto, Italy. September 16-19.
- 2024 *Building Adjunct Questions from Anaphors in Ktunaxa.* with Marcin Morzycki and Kate Zhou. 29th Sinn und Bedeutung, Noto, Italy. September 16-19.
- 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.* 34th 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. with Marcin Morzycki and Anne Bertrand. Amsterdam, Netherlands. April 11-13.
- 2023 *Responsible drivers and good passengers: the influence of subsective modification on nouns.* 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.* 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.

Awards and Fellowships

- 2024 **Jacobs Research Fund** | *Form and meaning in Ktunaxa*
Competitive/Received | Co-Investigator, PI: Ryan Bochnak | 6,000 USD.
- 2024 **Best Talk Award** at UBC Language Sciences Grad Student and Postdoc Research Day | Competitive/Received | 500 CAD
- 2023 – **Public Scholars Initiative** | *Expressive Meaning in Ktunaxa* UBC Internal Award | Competitive/Received | 7,000 CAD
- 2022 – 2026 **4 Year Graduate Fellowship** | UBC Internal Award (Stipend) | Nominated/Received 18,200 CAD/year + Tuition
- 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
- Fall 2020 **Child acquisition of *why***, Graduate Research Assistant
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