Brian Vincent Rusk

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Education

University of Alberta, ABD Linguistics 2014 - 2021 (Expected)
University of New England, MA Applied Linguistics, High Distinction 2012
University College of the Fraser Valley, BA English Literature 1998

Awards

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowship

President's Doctoral Prize of Distinction

2016 & 2018

Alberta Graduate Excellence Scholarship

2019

Peer Reviewed Publications

Rusk, B. V., Paradis, J., & Järvikivi, J. (2020). Comprehension of English plural-singular marking by Mandarin-L1, early L2-immersion learners. *Applied Psycholinguistics*, 1–31. https://doi.org/10.1017/S0142716420000089

Soto-Corominas, A., Paradis, J., Rusk, B. V., Marinova-Todd, S., & Zhang, X. (2020). Oral language profiles of English second language learners in adolescence: Cognitive and input factors influence how they compare to their monolingual peers. *Studies in Second Language Acquisition*, 1–24. https://doi.org/10.1017/S0272263119000767

Paradis, J., Rusk, B. V., Sorenson Duncan, T., & Govindarajan, K. (2017). Children's second language acquisition of English complex syntax: The role of age, input and cognitive factors. *Annual Review of Applied Linguistics*, (37), 148–167.

Publication Under Review

Rusk, B. V., Paradis, J., Marinova-Todd, S., & Zhang, X. (Under Review). Morphosyntactic knowledge across early L2 learning contexts: Comparing classroom and community immersion.

Presentations & Posters

Rusk, B. V., Paradis, J., & Soto-Corominas, A. (2019, July) Morphosyntactic abilities of early L2 learners in adolescence and young adulthood: Convergence with monolinguals and role of vocabulary size *International Symposium on Bilingualism* 2019 (ISB12), Edmonton AB.

Rusk, B. V., Paradis, J., & Järvikivi, J. (2019, June) Middle-school language immersion learners' comprehension of plural-singular marking: Acquisition across a typologically distinct language pairing [Poster] 2019 CLA Meeting, Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, Vancouver, BC.

Rusk, B., & Paradis, J. (2017, October). Differences between ESL, EFL and monolinguals: A developmental retrospective grammaticality judgment task study. *Alberta Conference on Linguistics*, Edmonton, AB.

Rusk, B. V. (2017, September). How are they now? Early second language learners' grammaticality judgments in adulthood. *Bilingual Acquisition Symposium in Edmonton*, Edmonton, AB.

Rusk, B. V. (2017, February). Influence of a classifier L1 on processing of number marking in an L2. (*Dis*)Connections. Edmonton, AB.

Paradis, J., Rusk, B., Sorenson Duncan, T., & Govindarajan, K. (2016, July). English L2 children's acquisition of complex sentences: The role of age, input and cognitive factors. *Young Language Learners Symposium*, Oxford.

Rusk, B. (2014, February) Benefiting from EFL immersion: Are youth and native input sufficient conditions for target language convergence? *The International TESOL Conference*, Kainan University, Taoyuan, Taiwan.

Research and Technical Skills

Psycholinguistic Experimental Methods:

Experience with designing and programming eye-tracking experiments using SR-Research software with EyeLink eye-trackers, as well as, experience using E-Prime and OpenSesame to create experiments including grammaticality judgment tasks, sentence repetition tasks, serial reaction time tasks or picture decision tasks

Statistical Analysis:

Ability to use R statistical software for data visualizations and a range of statistical analyses including generalized additive mixed models for time-series data, as well as, linear mixed models for multivariate analysis

Reproducible Research:191304

Ability to use the markdown language in R to produce dynamic documents that integrate analyses with the write up text that make previous analyses easily reproducible

Language Skills:

English: Native proficiency

Mandarin: Conversational proficiency - interest in improving

Additional Proficiencies:

Knowledge of the Python programming language, Git version control, and document creation in either LaTeX or Word formats

Teaching Experience

University of Alberta

Instructor -

Psychology 405 X01: Psychology of Bilingualism

Fall 2020

Linguistics 101: Introduction to Linguistics

Winter 2020

Linguistics 204: Syntax

Winter 2019

Linguistics 319: Child Language Acquisition

Fall 2017; Spring 2019; Fall 2019

Data/Software Carpentry Workshops

Assistant Instructor - Helped to introduce Git and R software

July, 2017 & Nov, 2017

EPL Open Data Day Hackathon, 2017

Workshop Leader - Introduced R statistical software

March, 2017

Beth's Academy, Taipei

English Immersion Teacher - Taught first grade

2003 - 2014

EJ Canada College, Vancouver

ESL Instructor - Taught primarily university-aged adults

2001 - 2003

David's English Center, Taipei

ESL Instructor - Taught primarily working adults and corporate classes

1999 - 2001

Service

Digital Scholars of the University of Alberta

Co-president

2015 - 2017

Linguistics Graduate Student Association

Secretary

2016 - 2018

Graduate Student Association

Linguistics department representative

2014 - 2015

References

Available upon request