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EMPLOYMENT

- 2019–present **University of Oxford**
Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics (LPP)
Leverhulme Early Career Research Fellow
Project: *The Semantics and Pragmatics of Individuation*.
- 2016–2018 **University of Oslo**
Department of Philosophy, Classics, History of Art and Ideas (IFIKK)
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Project: *Syntax and Semantics*.
- 2015–2016 **University of Manchester**
Department of Linguistics and English Language (LEL)
Lecturer in Linguistics.
- 2014–2015 **University College London (UCL)**
Department of Linguistics
Teaching Fellow.
- 2009–2016 Freelance translator, proof-reader and linguistics consultant.
- 2007–2009 **The Aktuel Translation Group**, Henley-on-Thames, UK
In-house translator and project manager.

EDUCATION

- 2010–2014 **PhD in Linguistics, UCL**
Thesis title: [Copredication, quantification and individuation](#)
Supervisors: Nathan Klinedinst (primary) and Robyn Carston (secondary)
Examiners: Yasutada Sudo (internal) and Robin Cooper (external, University of Gothenburg).
- 2008–2009 **MA Linguistics, UCL**
Dissertation title: *The problem of polysemy and the question of underspecification in the lexicon: what is the connection?*
Classification: Distinction.

2002–2006 **BA Modern Languages** (French and German), University of Oxford
Classification: Upper Second.

PUBLICATIONS

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Refereed journal articles

- forthcoming Matthew Gotham, Property inheritance, deferred reference and copredication. To appear in the *Journal of Semantics*.
- 2018 Matthew Gotham, [Making Logical Form type-logical: Glue semantics for Minimalist syntax](#). *Linguistics and Philosophy* 41(5):511–556.
- 2017 Matthew Gotham, [Composing criteria of individuation in copredication](#). *Journal of Semantics* 34(2):333–371.

Refereed conference proceedings papers

- 2021 Matthew Gotham, [Event-related readings and degrees of difference](#). In Patrick Georg Grosz, Luisa Martí, Hazel Pearson, Yasutada Sudo & Sarah Zobel (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 25*, 325–339.
- 2019 Matthew Gotham, [Constraining scope ambiguity in LFG+Glue](#). In Miriam Butt, Tracy Holloway King & Ida Toivonen (eds.), *Proceedings of the LFG'19 Conference, Australian National University*, 111–129. Stanford, CA: CSLI Publications.
- 2019 Matthew Gotham, [Double negation, excluded middle and accessibility in dynamic semantics](#). In Julian J. Schlöder, Dean McHugh & Floris Roelofsen (eds.), *Proceedings of the 22nd Amsterdam Colloquium*, 142–151.
- 2019 Matthew Gotham, [Quantificational subordination as anaphora to a function](#). In Raffaella Bernardi, Greg Kobele & Sylvain Pogodalla (eds.), *Formal Grammar: FG 2019* (Lecture Notes in Computer Science 11668), 51–66. Berlin: Springer.
- 2018 Matthew Gotham & Dag Trygve Truslew Haug, [Glue semantics for Universal Dependencies](#). In Miriam Butt & Tracy Holloway King (eds.), *Proceedings of the LFG'18 Conference, University of Vienna*, 208–226. Stanford, CA: CSLI Publications.
- 2018 Matthew Gotham, [A model-theoretic reconstruction of type-theoretic semantics for anaphora](#). In Annie Foret, Reinhard Muskens & Sylvain Pogodalla (eds.), *Formal Grammar: FG 2017* (Lecture Notes in Computer Science 10686), 37–53. Berlin: Springer.
- 2017 Matthew Gotham, [Glue semantics and locality](#). In Miriam Butt & Tracy Holloway King (eds.), *Proceedings of the LFG'17 Conference, University of Konstanz*, 230–242. Stanford, CA: CSLI Publications.

Edited volumes

- 2018 Alexandra Anna Spalek & Matthew Gotham (eds.), [Approaches to coercion and polysemy](#). *Oslo Studies in Language* 20(2). ISSN: 1890-9639.

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

Refereed conferences and workshops

- 2021 **Approaches to scope islands in LFG+Glue**, 26th International Lexical-Functional Grammar Conference, Online, 13-16 July 2021.
- 2020 **Event-related readings and degrees of difference**, *Sinn und Bedeutung* 25, Online, 3–9 September 2020.
- 2020 **Intensional independence without world variable in LFG+Glue**, 25th International Lexical-Functional Grammar Conference, Online, 23–26 June 2020.
- 2019 **Double negation, excluded middle and accessibility in dynamic semantics**, 22nd Amsterdam Colloquium, University of Amsterdam, 18–20 December 2019.
- 2019 **A response to Liebesman and Magidor on copredication**, 11th Semantics and Philosophy in Europe Colloquium, University of Warsaw, 20–22 September 2019.
- 2019 **Quantificational subordination as anaphora to a function**, 24th Conference on Formal Grammar, University of Latvia, 11 August 2019.
- 2019 **Constraining scope ambiguity in LFG+Glue**, 24th International Lexical-Functional Grammar Conference, Australian National University, 8–10 July 2019.
- 2018 with Dag Haug: **Glue semantics for Universal Dependencies**, 23rd International Lexical-Functional Grammar Conference, University of Vienna, 17–19 July 2018.
- 2017 **Glue semantics and locality** (poster), 22nd International Lexical-Functional Grammar Conference, University of Konstanz, 25–27 July 2017.
- 2017 **A model-theoretic reconstruction of type-theoretic semantics for anaphora**, 22nd Conference on Formal Grammar, University of Toulouse, 22–23 July 2017.
- 2016 **Conceptualization, individuation and quantification**, *Referential semantics one step further: Incorporating insights from conceptual and distributional approaches to meaning*, workshop at the 28th European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESSLi), Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, 22–26 August 2016.
- 2015 **Criteria of individuation determined compositionally**, 8th Semantics and Philosophy in Europe Colloquium, University of Cambridge, 17–19 September 2015.

2015 **Glue Semantics for Minimalist syntax**, Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain (LAGB), UCL, 14–18 September 2015.

Invited talks

2016 **Individuation and quantification in semantic theory**, *Expressing sameness* seminar, University of Cologne, 28 November 2016.

2016 **Copredication: quantificational issues and methodological implications**, Linguistics Seminar Series, University of Gothenburg, 3 May 2016.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2019–2022 **Early Career Fellowship** (ECF) from the Leverhulme Trust
Project title: *The Semantics and Pragmatics of Individuation*.

2016 Departmental funding to host the international workshop *Approaches to Coercion and Polysemy*, IFIKK, University of Oslo.

2010–2013 **Doctoral Studentship** from the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC).

2011 **Scholarship** from the Netherlands Graduate School of Linguistics (LOT) for summer school attendance.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer

University of Manchester

2015–2016 **The Logic of English** (second-year undergraduate course).

2015–2016 **Introduction to Pragmatics** (second-year undergraduate course).

UCL

2014–2015 **Semantics and Pragmatics** (postgraduate course, with Nathan Klinedinst and Richard Breheny).

2014–2015 **Introduction to Semantics and Pragmatics A** (first-year undergraduate course).

2012–2013 **Introduction to Semantics and Pragmatics B** (first-year undergraduate course).

Tutor

University of Oxford

2020–2021 **Syntax** (postgraduate course).

Teaching Assistant

UCL

2011–2012 **Logic and Meaning B**. Lecturer: Nathan Klinedinst.

2010–2011 **Logic and Meaning B**. Lecturer: Nathan Klinedinst.

Training

2010 UCL Centre for the Advancement of Learning and Teaching (CALT) course: 'Introduction to Teaching in Higher Education'.

SERVICE

Peer review

2020–present **Member of the Editorial Board**
Semantics and Pragmatics.

2016–present **Reviewer** (journals and conference proceedings)
Journal of Semantics; Linguistics and Philosophy (2×); Journal of Logic, Language and Information; Semantics and Pragmatics; Mind; Philosophical Studies; Inquiry; Proceedings of the LFG Conference (2×).

2016–present **Reviewer** (conferences)
IWCS, XPRAG, International LFG Conference (3×), ESSLLI Student Session (2×), NoSLiP, UCL Postgraduate Conference in Linguistics.

Organization

2020–present **Semantics and Pragmatics Readings Group**
Founder and organizer, LPP, University of Oxford.

2017 **Approaches to Coercion and Polysemy**, international workshop
Co-organizer (with Alexandra Anna Spalek), University of Oslo.

Institutional and pastoral responsibilities

2014–2015 Personal tutor for 12 undergraduate students (first, second and final-year), Department of Linguistics, UCL.

2008–2009 Course representative for MA Linguistics on the Staff-Student Consultative Committee, Department of Linguistics, UCL.

OTHER POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

2014–present Trustee of the **Red Balloon Foundation**, a registered charity (number 1158982 in the UK) created for the advancement of the Christian faith, the advancement of education, and the promotion of the voluntary sector for the public benefit.

MEMBERSHIP OF ACADEMIC SOCIETIES

The Association for Logic, Language and Information (FoLLI); The International Lexical-Functional Grammar Association (ILFGA).

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Languages

English (native speaker), French (fluent), German (fluent), Norwegian (conversational), Spanish (some knowledge).

Programming

Haskell, L^AT_EX, PHP, Prolog, Python, R.

Statistics

Summary statistics, null hypothesis significance testing, analysis of variance.