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Current Title/Affiliation



- 2024 – ⋯⋯  **Ph.D. Student** The University of Osaka (Osaka, Japan), Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Language and Culture
- 2025 – ⋯⋯  **Research Assistant** The University of Osaka (Osaka, Japan), Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Language and Culture
[Project title](#): Theoretical approaches to natural language

Research Interests

-  **Linguistic Theories**; Syntax, Morphology
-  **Comparative Morphology**; Allomorphy, Conjugation systems in Japanese and other languages

Education

Degrees




- 2022 – 2024  **M.A. in Language and Culture.** The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan.
[Thesis title](#): *Locality Constraints on Allomorphy: Japanese Verbal Morphology in the Causative-Inchoative Alternation.*
- 2018 – 2022  **B.A. in Foreign Studies.** Kobe City University of Foreign Studies, Kobe, Japan.
[Thesis title](#): *Syntactic Asymmetry in the Dative Alternation: A Case of the English Verb-Particle Construction.*

Employment History

Work Experience (Universities)

- May 2025 – ⋯⋯  **Research Assistant.** **The University of Osaka (Osaka, Japan)**, Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Language and Culture
- Apr 2025 – ⋯⋯  **Part-time Lecturer.** **Setsunan University (Osaka, Japan)**, Faculty of International Studies
- Jan 2023 – Feb 2023  **Research Assistant.** **The University of Osaka (Osaka, Japan)**, Center for International Education and Exchange
- Oct 2022 – Feb 2024  **Teaching Assistant.** **The University of Osaka (Osaka, Japan)**, Center for International Education and Exchange

Work Experience (Others)

- Apr 2024 – ⋯⋯  **Part-time Lecturer.** **Joshu Gakuen High School / Junior High School (Osaka, Japan)**, Division of English
- Apr 2024 – Mar 2025  **Part-time Lecturer.** **Naniwa Gakuin High School (Osaka, Japan)**, Division of English
- Apr 2023 – Mar 2024  **Part-time Lecturer.** **Sakai Liberal Junior High School (Osaka, Japan)**, Division of English

Employment History (continued)

- **Part-time Lecturer. Kyoto Nishiyama High School (Kyoto, Japan)**, Division of English

Research Publications

Conference Proceedings

- 1 **T. Nagano** and K. Tateno, "Morpho-semantic notes on *unhappier*," in *Proceedings of The 33rd Edition of the Conference of the Student Organisation of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE)*, To Appear.
- 2 **T. Nagano**, "Decomposing causative/passive morphemes in Japanese," in *Proceedings of the 27th Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar (SICOGG 27)*, A. Kang, Ed., The Korean Generative Grammar Circle, 2025, pp. 182–191. [URL: https://sites.google.com/view/sicogg27/proceedings](https://sites.google.com/view/sicogg27/proceedings).
- 3 A. Yamada and **T. Nagano**, "Not always introducing arguments: The syntax of high-applicative constructions in Japanese," in *Proceedings of Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics 17*, E.-O. Tumen-Ochir, J. Sinitsyna, and S. Miyagawa, Eds., MIT Working Papers in Linguistics, 2024, pp. 299–306. [URL: http://mitwpl.mit.edu/catalog/mwpl94/](http://mitwpl.mit.edu/catalog/mwpl94/).
- 4 A. Yamada and **T. Nagano**, "The 'passivized' high applicative construction in Japanese," in *Proceedings of the 166th Meeting of the Linguistic Society of Japan*, 2023. [URL: https://ls-japan.jpn.org/modules/documents/LSJpapers/meeting/166/handouts/p/P-22_166.pdf](https://ls-japan.jpn.org/modules/documents/LSJpapers/meeting/166/handouts/p/P-22_166.pdf).

Department Bulliten Papers

- 1 **T. Nagano**, *Phonological allomorphs of sase*, 2025, pp. 33–42. [DOI: https://doi.org/10.18910/102184](https://doi.org/10.18910/102184).

Conference Presentations

- 1 **T. Nagano**, *Deriving causative/passive morphemes in Japanese*, **Poster Presentation**, *The 27th Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar (SICOGG 27)*. Sogang University, Seoul, South Korea. Aug 14–16, 2025.
- 2 **T. Nagano** and K. Tateno, *Morpho-semantic notes on unhappier*, **Oral Presentation**, *The 33rd Edition of the Conference of the Student Organisation of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE)*, The University of Göttingen, Göttingen, Germany. Jan 29–31, 2025.
- 3 **T. Nagano**, *Deriving Japanese causative morphemes from a single phonological form*, **Poster Presentation**, *The 169th Meeting of the Linguistic Society of Japan*. Hokkaido University, Hokkaido, Japan. Nov 9–10, 2024.
- 4 A. Yamada and **T. Nagano**, *Not always introducing arguments: The syntax of high-applicative constructions in Japanese*, **Poster Presentation**, *The 17th Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics (WAFL 17)*. National University of Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Sep 27–29, 2023.
- 5 A. Yamada and **T. Nagano**, *The 'passivized' high applicative construction in Japanese*, **Poster Presentation**, *The 166th Meeting of the Linguistic Society of Japan*. Senshu University, Tokyo, Japan. Jun 17–18, 2023.
- 6 **T. Nagano**, *Phonological rules and syntactic structure of deverbal complex nouns in Japanese*, **Oral Presentation**, *Morphology and Lexicon Forum (MLF) 2021*, via Zoom. Sep 4–5, 2021.

Miscellaneous Works

Talks (Non Peer-Reviewed)

- Jul 5, 2025 ■ Decomposing Causative/Passive Morphemes in Japanese. *Meeting of Kansai Lexicon Program (KLP)*, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan.
- Apr 26, 2025 ■ Decomposing *sase* and *rare*. *Member internal seminar of JSPS Core-Core Program "International Research Network for the Human Language Faculty"*, via Zoom.
- Feb 6, 2025 ■ Get Passive/Causative in Japanese. *The 453th Meeting of Language, Computer, Communication Circle (LCCC)*, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan.
- Sep 5, 2024 ■ (with Kanta Tateno) On the Morpho-Semantic Issues of *more unhappy*. *The 448th Meeting of Language, Computer, Communication Circle (LCCC)*, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan.
- Aug 1, 2024 ■ On the Transitivity Marker *e* in Japanese – A Morphosyntactic Account. *The 447th Meeting of Language, Computer, Communication Circle (LCCC)*, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan.
- Jul 27, 2023 ■ Voice Morphology in Japanese. *The 438th Meeting of Language, Computer, Communication Circle (LCCC)*, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan.
- Jun 9, 2022 ■ Syntactic Asymmetry in the Dative Alternation: A Case of the English Verb-Particle Construction. *The 426th Meeting of Language, Computer, Communication Circle (LCCC)*, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan.

Thesis

- Jan 2024 ■ *Locality Constraints on Allomorphy: Japanese Verbal Morphology in the Causative-Inchoative Alternation*. M.A. Thesis, The University of Osaka
Committee: Masao Ochi, Akitaka Yamada, Hirotaka Nakajima
- Jan 2022 ■ *Syntactic Asymmetry in the Dative Alternation: A Case of the English Verb-Particle Construction*. Graduate Thesis, Kobe City University of Foreign Studies.
Committee: Norio Nasu, Franklin Chang

Teaching Experience

Instructor

- Apr 2025 – ■ **Basic English.** Setsunan University, Osaka, Japan
Introductory English course for freshmen.

Teaching Assistant

- Oct 2022 – Feb 2024 ■ **JA 100.** The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan
Introductory Japanese course for international exchange students
(Instructor: Associate Professor Kozi Namba)

Miscellaneous Experience




Grants

- Apr 2024 – ■ **JST Spring.** The University of Osaka, Grant No. JPMJSP2138



Academic Services

- Apr 2025 – ■ **Tutor of an international student.** The University of Osaka (Osaka, Japan), Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Language and Culture, Supervised by Prof. Masao Ochi

Miscellaneous Experience (continued)





- Dec 2024 – Dec 2024  **Local student staff** at International Workshop 2024 of JSPS Core-Core Program "International Research Network for the Human Language Faculty", The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan.
- Oct 2024 – Feb 2025  **Tutor of an international student. The University of Osaka (Osaka, Japan)**, Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Language and Culture, Supervised by Prof. Kozi Ueda
- Jan 2023 – Feb 2025  **Editor for KLS (Kansai Linguistic Society) Selected Papers**

Certification

- Mar 2022  **High School Teaching Licence in Japan (English).**
Certified by Hyogo Prefectural Board of Education.
-  **Junior High School Teaching Licence in Japan (English).**
Certified by Hyogo Prefectural Board of Education.

Skills

Languages

- Native  Japanese
- Fluent  English
- Beginner  Spanish
- Coursework  Ainu

Others

- Coding  \LaTeX
- Web Dev  HTML, CSS

References

Available on Request

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