

# Adam Liter

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## Education

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**M.A., Linguistics** 01/2013 – (expected:) 05/2015

*Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

Cumulative GPA: 4.0

**B.A., Linguistics (Honors) & B.A., Philosophy (Honors)** 08/2010 – (expected:) 05/2014

*Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

◦ Cognitive Science Specialization

◦ Women's and Gender Studies Minor

Dean's List (Fall 2010 – Present); Cumulative GPA: 4.0

**Non-Degree Seeking Student** 09/2007 – 05/2010

*University of Minnesota – Twin Cities, Minneapolis, MN*

◦ Post-Secondary Enrollment Options ('09 – '10)

◦ University of Minnesota Talented Youth Mathematics Program ('07 – '09)

Cumulative GPA: 3.911

**High School Diploma** 09/2006 – 06/2010

*Eden Prairie High School, Eden Prairie, MN*

Cumulative GPA: 3.99

## Honors & Awards

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Funded Awards.....

**University Distinguished Scholarship** 08/2010 – present

*Honors College, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

**National Merit Scholar** 08/2010 – present

*Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

**Undergraduate Research Initiative – Grantee** 10/2013 – 05/2014

*College of Arts and Letters, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

**2013 Linguistic Institute Fellowship** 06/2013 – 07/2013

*Linguistic Society of America, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI*

**Undergraduate Research Initiative – Grantee** 10/2012 – 05/2013

*College of Arts and Letters, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

**Professorial Assistantship** 08/2010 – 05/2012

*Honors College, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

Undergraduate Conference Presentation Awards.....

**Category Winner (with C. Heffner)** 04/2012

*UURAF, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

**Award Winner, Poster Presentation (with C. Heffner)** 04/2012

*MSULC, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

## Research Experience

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**Lab Assistant for Cristina Schmitt, Ph.D.**

**06/2012 – present**

*MSU Language Acquisition Lab, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

I now manage the artificial language experiment investigating the acquisition of a unique nominal number system.

**Professorial Assistant for Cristina Schmitt, Ph.D.**

**08/2010 – 06/2012**

*MSU Language Acquisition Lab, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

I am involved in an artificial language experiment investigating the acquisition of a unique nominal number system.

## Publications

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Non-Refereed Articles.....

Liter, A. (2012). Activism, agency, and epistemic violence: Toward an understanding of a productive, privileged activist/m. *The Presage Journal*, 1(2), 7–13. [PDF](#) [BibTeX](#)

## Presentations

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Conference Presentations.....

Liter, A., Heffner, C. C., & Schmitt, C. (2013). Inclusive plural interpretations depend on grammaticalized number: an argument from artificial language learning. Paper presented at the Workshop on the Acquisition of Quantification, University of Massachusetts - Amherst.

Undergraduate Conference Presentations.....

Liter, A., Heffner, C. C., & Schmitt, C. (2013b). An artificial language investigation of number and number neutrality. Paper presented at the fourth annual Michigan State Undergraduate Linguistics Conference (MSULC), East Lansing, MI. [Presentation](#)

Liter, A., Heffner, C. C., & Schmitt, C. (2013a). An artificial language investigation of number and number neutrality. Paper presented at the third annual Great Lakes Expo for Experimental and Formal Undergraduate Linguistics (GLEEFUL), East Lansing, MI.

Liter, A. (2013). Beyond an animal care ethics: A first approximation of dialogic standpoint theory. Paper presented at the Sixth Annual Undergraduate Ethics Symposium, DePauw University, Greencastle, IN.

Liter, A. (2012). Facebook's facility for necessary (political) identities: A case study of asymmetric moral and epistemic standings. Paper presented at the 7th Annual Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Undergraduate Philosophy Conference.

Heffner, C. C., Liter, A., & Schmitt, C. (2012b). Lions, zebras, and plurals, oh my!: Learning a novel number system. Poster presented at the third annual Michigan State Undergraduate Linguistics Conference (MSULC), East Lansing, MI. [Poster](#)

Heffner, C. C., Liter, A., & Schmitt, C. (2012a). Lions, zebras, and plurals, oh my!: Learning a novel number system. Poster presented at the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum 2012 (UURAF), East Lansing, MI.

Liter, A. (2011). Towards a theoretical tool against anthropogenic environmental harm: Bringing the western "bio-logic" into view. Paper presented at the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum 2011 (UURAF), East Lansing, MI.

Heffner, C. C., Liter, A., & Schmitt, C. (2011c). Dogs not put in boxes by boys: Learning a novel

number system. Poster presented at the first annual Great Lakes Expo for Experimental and Formal Undergraduate Linguistics (GLEEFUL), East Lansing, MI.

Heffner, C. C., Liter, A., & Schmitt, C. (2011b). Dogs not put in boxes by boys: Learning a novel number system. Poster presented at the second annual Michigan State Undergraduate Linguistics Conference (MSULC), East Lansing, MI.

Heffner, C. C., Liter, A., & Schmitt, C. (2011a). Dogs not put in boxes by boys: Learning a novel number system. Poster presented at the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum 2011 (UURAF), East Lansing, MI.

## Professional Service

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**Assistant Editorial Board Member** 2012 – 2013, 2013 – 2014

*Stance*, Ball State University, Muncie, IN

I served as an external reviewer for this professional, annual undergraduate philosophy journal.

**Student Editorial Board Member** 2013

*ReCUR*, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

I organized and facilitated faculty blind review of various student submissions to ReCUR.

**President** 08/2012 – present

*qUALMS*, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

I run the “q Undergraduate Association for Linguistics at Michigan State”, which consists of preparing programming for throughout the year, arranging speakers and activities for the club, and advertising for linguistics on campus.

**Chair ('13 & '14), Vice Chair ('11 & '12)** 04/2011, 04/2012, 04/2013, (in prep:) 04/2014

*GLEEFUL*, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

In '13 & '14, I (will) organize(d) the Great Lakes Expo for Experimental and Formal Undergraduate Linguistics, an international undergraduate linguistics conference. I will manage advertising, volunteers, fundraising, review of abstracts, the arrangement of the program, the arrangement of homestays and transportation, and the keynote speaker. In '11 & '12, I aided Chris Heffner in running the conference.

**Vice Chair ('13 & '14), Chair ('11 & '12)** 04/2011, 04/2012, 04/2013, (in prep:) 04/2014

*MSULC*, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

In '11 & '12, I advertised for the Michigan State Undergraduate Linguistics Conference, a conference for MSU linguistics students only. I raised funds, collected abstracts, booked rooms, and ran the conference. In '13 & '14, I (will) aid(ed) Haley Rooney in organizing the conference.

## Professional Affiliations

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**Member** 2012 – present

*Linguistic Society of America*

## Skills

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Languages.....

- English (specifically, *North-Central American English*) – native
- German – moderate intermediate proficiency
- French – moderate intermediate proficiency
- (Brazilian) Portuguese – moderate intermediate proficiency
- Spanish – low intermediate proficiency
- Mandarin Chinese – one year college instruction

Computing.....

- Excel – advanced

- $\text{\LaTeX}$  – intermediate
- HTML – intermediate
- CSS – intermediate
- R – low intermediate
- E-Prime – low intermediate