

## **Positions**

Faculty Research Specialist 06/2016 - present Center for Advanced Study of Language, University of Maryland, College Park, MD EDUCATION M.A., Linguistics 01/2013 - 05/2016Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI Thesis: The Acquisition and Syntax of the Passive in English Advised by: Alan Munn (Chair), Cristina Schmitt, Marcin Morzycki Cumulative GPA: 4.0 2015 Linguistic Institute 07/2015 University of Chicago, Chicago, IL B.A., Linguistics (High Honors) & B.A., Philosophy (High Honors) 08/2010 - 05/2014Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI Thesis: Passives in English: A Theoretical and Experimental Investigation Thereof Advised by: Cristina Schmitt • Cognitive Science Specialization • Women's and Gender Studies Minor Cumulative GPA: 3.98 2013 Linguistic Institute 06/2013 - 07/2013University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI Non-Degree Seeking Student 09/2007 - 05/2010University 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 - 06/2010Eden Prairie High School, Eden Prairie, MN Cumulative GPA: 3.99 AWARDS, HONORS, & FELLOWSHIPS FUNDED AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS Teaching Assistantship 08/2015 - 05/2016Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI Research Assistantship 08/2014 - 05/2015Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI **Board of Trustees Award** 05/2014 Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI University Distinguished Scholarship 08/2010 - 05/2014Honors College, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

National Merit Scholar	08/2010 - 05/2014
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	
Genevieve Gillette Fellowship	05/2013 - 08/2013
Honors College, Michigan State University, East Lansing, 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	
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2016 Outstanding Graduate Student in Linguistics	05/2016
Department of Linguistics and Languages, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI	
Outstanding Graduating Senior in LGSAAL	05/2014
Department of Linguistics and Languages, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI	

## PRESENTATION AWARDS

Award Winner, Poster Presentation	04/2014
MSULC, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI	
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	

## **PUBLICATIONS & MANUSCRIPTS**

## SUBMITTED MANUSCRIPTS

2016 Durvasula, Karthik & Adam Liter. Generalizing from ambiguous data. Phonology. Under review.

Liter, Adam, Tess Huelskamp, Christopher C. Heffner & Cristina Schmitt. Grammaticalized number, implicated presuppositions, and the plural. *Glossa: Acquisition of quantification*. Magda Oiry & Jeremy Hartman (eds.). Under revision.

Liter, Adam, Christopher C. Heffner & Cristina Schmitt. The interpretation of plural morphology and (non-)obligatory number marking: an argument from artificial language learning. *Language, Learning and Development*. Resubmitted.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

## INVITED TALKS

2016 Durvasula, Karthik & Adam Liter. "Learning phonological patterns from ambiguous data." North American Phonology Conference (NAPhC), Concordia University, Montréal, Canada.

## REFEREED CONFERENCE - TALKS

- 2015 Liter, Adam, Tess Huelskamp, Christopher C. Heffner & Cristina Schmitt. "Non-grammaticalized number entails an exclusive interpretation of plural morphology." Workshop on Linguistics and Cognitive Aspects of Quantification (LCQ), Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary.
- 2013 Liter, Adam, Christopher C. Heffner & Cristina Schmitt. "Inclusive plural interpretations depend on grammaticalized number: An argument from artificial language learning." Workshop on the Acquisition of Quantification, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA.

#### REFEREED CONFERENCE - POSTERS

- 2016 Durvasula, Karthik & Adam Liter. "Generalising from ambiguous data." Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA), Washington, DC.
- 2015 Liter, Adam, Tess Huelskamp, Susima Weerakoon & Alan Munn. "What drives the Maratsos Effect, agentivity or eventivity?" Boston University Conference on Language Development (BUCLD), Boston University, Boston, MA.
  - Durvasula, Karthik & Adam Liter. "Learning generalisations in the face of ambiguous data." Annual Meeting on Phonology (AMP), University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC.

#### Conference - Talks

2014 Liter, Adam. "Toward an explanatory account of appositives." Graduate Workshop of the American Midwest and Prairies (GWAMP), University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI.

## REFEREED UNDERGRADUATE CONFERENCE - TALKS

- 2013 Liter, Adam. "Beyond an animal care ethics: A first approximation of dialogic standpoint theory." Sixth Annual Undergraduate Ethics Symposium, DePauw University, Greencastle, IN.
  - Liter, Adam, Christopher C. Heffner & Cristina Schmitt. "An artificial language investigation of number and number neutrality." Great Lakes Expo for Experimental and Formal Undergraduate Linguistics (GLEEFUL), Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.
- 2012 Liter, Adam. "Facebook's facility for necessary (political) identities: A case study of asymmetric moral and epistemic standings." The 7th Annual Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, IL.

## Refereed Undergraduate Conference - Posters

2011 Heffner, Christopher C., Adam Liter & Cristina Schmitt. "Dogs not put in boxes by boys: Learning a novel number system."
Great Lakes Expo for Experimental and Formal Undergraduate Linguistics (GLEEFUL), Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.

## **UNDERGRADUATE CONFERENCE - TALKS**

- 2013 Liter, Adam, Christopher C. Heffner & Cristina Schmitt. "An artificial language investigation of number and number neutrality." Michigan State Undergraduate Linguistics Conference (MSULC), Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.
- Liter, Adam. "Towards a theoretical tool against anthropogenic environmental harm: Bringing the western "bio-logic" into view." University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum (UURAF), Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.

## **UNDERGRADUATE CONFERENCE - POSTERS**

2012 Heffner, Christopher C., Adam Liter & Cristina Schmitt. "Lions, zebras, and plurals, oh my!: Learning a novel number system." Michigan State Undergraduate Linguistics Conference (MSULC), Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### TA

#### IAH 204 - "Asia and the World"

2015 - 2016

Department of Linguistics and Languages, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

#### **TUTORING**

## Departmentwide Undergraduate Tutor

2013 - 2014

Department of Philosophy, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

## Undergraduate Mentoring

## 2015 - 2016

- Tess Huelskamp
  - Reassessing the Verbal Distinction of the Maratsos Effect
  - Poster presented at GLEEFUL & UURAF; talk given at MSULC
- Julia Andary, Robert Felster, & Natalie Chemey
  - It is either high or low: Investigating children's and adult's understanding of 'or'
  - Poster presented at UURAF & MSULC
- Rachel Stacey & Adam Smolinski
  - C-or-pus: How children learn the properties of 'either/or'
  - Poster presented at UURAF & MSULC

#### 2014 - 2015

- Tess Huelskamp, Susima Weerakoon, & Adam Smolinski
  - Seeking perfection in death
  - Poster presented at UURAF, MSULC, & GLEEFUL
- Tess Huelskamp, Susima Weerakoon, & Taylor Sydow
  - What underlies the Maratsos Effect, agentivity or eventivity?
  - Poster presented at UURAF, MSULC, & GLEEFUL

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## 2013 - 2014

- Tess Huelskamp & Emily Glaser
  - An Artificial Language Investigation of Number & Number Neutrality
  - Poster presented at UURAF & MSULC
- Adam Greene & Kevin Kain
  - Accounting for Comprehension Asymmetries in Children's Acquisition of the Passive
  - Poster presented at UURAF & MSULC

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

COSIAC Committee Member	07/2015 – present
Linguistic Society of America, Washington, DC	
Organizing Committee Member	09/2016
MidPhon 21, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI	
Reviewer	04/2015, 04/2016
GLEEFUL, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI	
President	08/2012 - 05/2014
qUALMS, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI	
Chair ('13 & '14), Vice Chair ('11 & '12)	04/2011, 04/2012, 04/2013, 04/2014
GLEEFUL, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI	
Vice Chair ('13 & '14), Chair ('11 & '12)	04/2011, 04/2012, 04/2013, 04/2014
MSULC, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI	
Assistant Editorial Board Member	2012 – 2014
Stance, Ball State University, Munice, IN	
Student Editorial Board Member	2013

## Professional Affiliations

ReCUR, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Member 2012 – present

Linguistic Society of America

# **SKILLS**

## LANGUAGES

Native English (specifically, North-Central American English)

Intermediate German, French, Brazilian Portuguese

Beginner Spanish, Mandarin

## **COMPUTING**

Advanced LTEX, R, HTML, CSS, Jekyll, knitr, R Markdown

Intermediate git, Linux, Bootstrap, Sass, PsychoPy, E-Prime

Beginner	Python, psiTurk, Speriment, JavaScript, CLAN, Praat, CorpusSearch, Ruby, Ruby on Rails, nginx