

# ALLISON NGUYEN

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## EDUCATION

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| <b>Ph.D., Cognitive Psychology</b><br>University of California, Santa Cruz  | June 2023     |
| <b>M.A., Linguistics</b><br>University of California, Santa Cruz  | December 2023 |
| <b>M.S., Cognitive Psychology</b><br>University of California, Santa Cruz   | June 2019     |
| <b>B.S., Cognitive Science</b><br><i>Linguistics Minor</i><br><i>Specialization in Computing</i><br>University of California, Los Angeles | March 2017    |

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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| <b>Assistant Professor</b><br>Cognitive and Experimental Sequence<br>Psychology Department<br>Illinois State University | 2023 - Present |
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## RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

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| <b>Research Associate</b><br>Psychology Department<br>University of California, Santa Cruz | 2024 - Present |
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## GRANTS & AWARDS

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| <b>New Faculty Initiative Grant</b><br>Illinois State University<br>\$3000  | Spring 2024       |
| <b>Psychology Department Outstanding TA Award</b><br>University of California Santa Cruz<br>\$75                    | Spring 2023       |
| <b>Psychology Department Summer Dissertation Fellowship</b><br>University of California Santa Cruz<br>\$6000        | Summer 2022       |
| <b>Humanizing Technology Teaching Fellowship</b><br>University of California Santa Cruz<br>\$5000                   | 2022 - 2023       |
| <b>Division of Social Sciences Quarter Dissertation Fellowship</b><br>University of California Santa Cruz<br>\$8000 | 2022 - 2023       |
| <b>Psychology Department Summer Research Award</b><br>University of California Santa Cruz<br>\$6000                 | Summer 2019, 2020 |

**Frank X. Barron Award in Creativity Research**

Summer 2019

University of California Santa Cruz

\$582.35

**The Federico and Rena Perlino Award**

Summer 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022

University of California Santa Cruz

\$14,873.83

**Psychology Department Travel Grant**

Winter 2017, 2018, 2020

University of California Santa Cruz

\$1,798

**UC Regents Fellowship**

Spring 2018

University of California Santa Cruz

\$6000

**PUBLICATIONS**

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**Nguyen, A.** & Fox Tree, J.E. (Under review). How Authority Affects Interpretation of Negotiation Words.

**Nguyen, A.** & Fox Tree, J.E. (Under review). Is Kinda Less Sure than Partially?: Putting Negotiation Words on a Scale.

**Nguyen, A.** & Fox Tree, J.E. (Under review). Pragmatic Uses of *I don't know*, Boosters, and Hedges in Text and Talk.

Guydish, A. J., **Nguyen, A.**, & Fox Tree, J.E. (2024). Discourse Markers in Small Talk and Tasks. *Discourse Studies*.

**Nguyen, A.**, Guydish, A. J., & Fox Tree, J.E. (To appear in 2024). Backchannels in the Lab and in the Wild. *Interaction Studies*.

Fox Tree, J.E., Herring, S.C, **Nguyen, A.**, Whittaker, S., Martin, R., & Takayama, L. (2023). Conversational Fluency and Attitudes Towards Robot Pilots in Telepresence Robot-Mediated Interactions. *Computer Supported Cooperative Work*.

**Nguyen, A.**, Roberts, T., Anand, P., & Fox Tree, J.E. (2022). Look, Dude: How Hyperpartisan and Non-hyperpartisan Writing Differ in Online Commentary. *Discourse & Society*.

Fox Tree, J.E., Whittaker, S., Herring, S.C., Chowdhury, Y., **Nguyen, A.**, & Takayama, L. (2021). Psychological Distance in Mobile Telepresence. *International Journal of Human-Computer Studies*.

**TALKS**

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**Nguyen, A.** (Forthcoming, June 2024). *Comments on Andrea Beltrama*. Studies in Language, Information, Meaning, and Expression 3. University of California, Los Angeles. Los Angeles, CA, USA.

**Nguyen, A.** (December 2023). *Negotiation and agreement in conversations*. Workshop on Argumentation and Maneuvering Agreement in Discourse. University of Cologne. Cologne, Germany. Talk.

**Nguyen, A.**, Roberts, T., Anand, P., & Fox Tree, J.E. (November 2023). *Writing Style Affects Partisanship and Persuasiveness Ratings*. Multidisciplinary International Symposium on Disinformation in Open Online Media. Amsterdam, Netherlands. Talk.

**Nguyen, A.** (December 2022). *Absolutely Persuasive, Kinda Negotiating*. Rising Star Colloquium Series. University of Virginia. Charlottesville, VA, USA. Talk.

**Nguyen, A.**, & Fox Tree, J.E. (November 2021). *Interpreting Negotiation Words In and Out of Context*. Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society. Online. Talk.

**Nguyen, A.**, Fox Tree, J.E., & Seymour, T.L. (March 2019). *Fake News and Desirable Difficulties*. University of California Santa Cruz, Three-Minute Thesis Semi-Finals. Talk.

## POSTERS

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- Marcikic, A., & **Nguyen, A.** (April 2024). *LOL as a discourse marker*. Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society. Chicago, IL. Poster.
- Ervin, W., **Nguyen, A.**, Guydish, A. J., & Fox Tree, J.E. (April 2024). *LOL as a discourse marker*. Illinois State University Research Symposium. Normal, IL. Poster.
- Nguyen, A.**, & Fox Tree, J.E. (November 2022). *Hedges Hedge, Boosters Boost*. Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society. Boston, MA. Poster.
- Nguyen, A.**, & Fox Tree, J.E. (March 2022). *Understanding Words of Negotiation in Context*. The 35th Annual Conference on Human Sentence Processing. Online. Poster.
- Nguyen, A.**, & Fox Tree, J.E. (May 2021). *Hedging words in conversation*. California Meeting on Psycholinguistics. Irvine, CA. Online. Poster.
- Nguyen, A.**, & Fox Tree, J.E. (November 2020). *These words kinda matter*. Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society. Online. Poster.
- Nguyen, A.**, Guydish, A.J., Chowdhury, Y., & Fox Tree, J.E. (November 2019). *Little Words in a Big Corpus*. Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Poster.
- Nguyen, A.**, & Fox Tree, J.E. (October 2019). *Words of Negotiation*. California Meeting on Psycholinguistics. Santa Cruz, CA. Poster.
- Nguyen, A.**, Fox Tree, J.E., & Seymour, T.L. (March 2019). *Fake News and Desirable Difficulties*. University of California Santa Cruz, Three-Minute Thesis Semi-Finals. Talk.
- Nguyen, A.**, Fox Tree, J.E., & Seymour, T.L. (November 2018). *Tide Pods, Crystals, and Vaccinations: Desirable Difficulties and Fake News*. Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society. New Orleans, LA. Poster.

## TEACHING

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### Assistant Professor, Illinois State University

*Laboratory in Research Methods for Psychology: Cognitive*

Spring 2024

*Senior Seminar*

Spring 2024

*Laboratory in Research Methods for Psychology: Cognitive*

Fall 2023

*Introduction to Psychology*

Fall 2023

### Graduate Student Instructor, UC Santa Cruz Humanities Division

*Language Technology: Themes across cultures and histories*

Winter 2023

### Graduate Student Instructor, UC Santa Cruz Linguistics Department

*Language Online*

Summer 2022

### Graduate Student Instructor, UC Santa Cruz Psychology Department

*Introduction to Psychological Statistics*

Summer 2020

### Teaching Assistant, UC Santa Cruz Linguistics Department

*Semantics I*

Fall 2022

Dr. Maziar Toosarvandani

*Introduction to Linguistics*

Spring 2022

Dr. Matt Wagers

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| <i>Semantics II</i><br>Dr. Jess Law            | Winter 2022 |
| <i>Semantics I</i><br>Dr. Maziar Toosarvandani | Fall 2021   |

### **Teaching Assistant, UC Santa Cruz Psychology Department**

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| <i>Visual and Spatial Cognition</i><br>Dr. Bryan Holbrook               | Spring 2021 |
| <i>Social and Emotional Development</i><br>Dr. Elizabeth Goldman        | Winter 2020 |
| <i>Psychology of Language</i><br>Dr. Liv Hoversten                      | Fall 2020   |
| <i>Research Methods</i><br>Dr. Courtney Bonam                           | Spring 2020 |
| <i>Psychology of Language</i><br>Dr. Jean E. Fox Tree                   | Winter 2020 |
| <i>Perception</i><br>Dr. Nick Davidenko                                 | Fall 2019   |
| <i>Introduction to Psychological Statistics</i><br>Dr. Saskias Casanova | Spring 2019 |
| <i>Psychology of Reading</i><br>Dr. Peter Krause                        | Winter 2019 |
| <i>Research Methods</i><br>Dr. Leila Takayama                           | Fall 2018   |
| <i>Abnormal Psychology</i><br>Dr. Tony Hoffman                          | Winter 2018 |
| <i>Psychology of Language</i><br>Dr. Jean E. Fox Tree                   | Fall 2017   |

### **Guest Lectures**

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| <i>Language Use and Identity</i><br>Psychology of Women          | Spring 2024 |
| <i>Making Meaning</i><br>Senior Seminar                          | Spring 2024 |
| <i>Speaker Identity and Conversations</i><br>Psychology of Women | Fall 2023   |
| <i>Viral Content</i><br>Language Technology                      | Summer 2022 |
| <i>Playing the Conversational Game</i><br>Psychology of Language | Fall 2022   |
| <i>Grounding Emojis</i><br>Language Online                       | Summer 2021 |

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| <i>Hedging in Conversation</i><br>Social and Emotional Development       | Winter 2020 |
| <i>Hedging Words</i><br>Psychology of Language                           | Winter 2019 |
| <i>Machine Learning and Fake News</i><br>Research Methods                | Fall 2018   |
| <i>Problem-Solving and Creativity</i><br>Cognition: Fundamental Theories | Summer 2018 |

## INTERNSHIPS

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| <b>Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility (DEIA) Intern</b><br>Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity<br>NASA Stennis Space Center | Summer 2022 |
| <b>Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility (DEIA) Intern</b><br>Applied Sciences Program, Earth Science Division<br>NASA Headquarters  | Summer 2021 |

## RESEARCH POSITIONS

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| <b>Graduate Student Researcher</b><br>Fox Tree Lab<br>University of California, Santa Cruz.                                  | 2017 - 2023 |
| <b>Undergraduate Student Researcher</b><br>Bjork Lab<br>University of California, Los Angeles.                               | 2015 - 2017 |
| <b>Undergraduate Student Researcher</b><br>Middle and High School Diversity Project<br>University of California, Los Angeles | 2015 - 2016 |

## MENTORSHIP

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| <b>Mentor, Teaching Assistant Mentorship</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz         | 2020 - 2023             |
| <b>Supervisor, undergraduate research assistants</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz | 2017 - 2023             |
| <b>Mentor, M.I.N.T. Program</b><br>University of California, Santa Cruz   | 2017 - 2023             |
| <b>Mentor, Science Internship Program</b><br>University of California, Santa Cruz                                   | Summer 2018, 2019, 2020 |

## SERVICE

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| <b>Committee for Responsible AI, Academics: Research Subcommittee</b><br>Illinois State University | 2024 - Present |
| <b>Queer Coalition, Executive Committee Member-at-Large</b><br>Illinois State University           | 2024 - Present |
| <b>Climate and Diversity Committee, Member</b><br>Illinois State University                        | 2023 - Present |
| <b>Asia Connect, Member</b><br>Illinois State University   | 2023 - Present |

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| <b>Queer Coalition, Member</b><br>Illinois State University  | 2023 - Present |
| <b>Graduate Student Commons, President</b><br>University of California, Santa Cruz   | 2022 - 2023    |
| <b>Equity in Linguistics Working Group, Member</b><br>Linguistics Department, University of California, Santa Cruz                           | 2021 - 2023    |
| <b>AA/PI Student Group, Founder</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz   | 2021 - 2023    |
| <b>LGBTQIA+ Graduate Student Group, Co-Founder</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz                            | 2020 - 2023    |
| <b>Graduate Student Commons, Vice President</b><br>University of California, Santa Cruz  | Spring 2022    |
| <b>Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Cognitive Area Graduate Representative</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz | 2020 - 2022    |
| <b>Human Sentence Processing Conference Planning Committee, Social Media Coordinator</b><br>University of California, Santa Cruz             | Spring 2022    |
| <b>Cognitive Area Graduate Representative</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz                                 | 2018 - 2020    |

## OUTREACH

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| <b>Panelist, Job Market Panel</b><br>Graduate Professional Development Seminar, University of California, Riverside       | Fall 2023                |
| <b>Promoting Cross-Agency Interaction, Stennis Space Center, Center Chair</b><br>NASA                                     | Summer 2022              |
| <b>Promoting Cross-Agency Interaction, Events &amp; Yearbook Committees</b><br>NASA                                       | Summer 2022              |
| <b>Panelist, Teaching Assistant Advice Panel</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz           | Fall 2019, Winter 2020   |
| <b>Panelist, Graduate School Advice Panel</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz              | Spring 2019              |
| <b>Visiting Day Coordinator</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz                            | Spring 2019, Spring 2020 |
| <b>Host, Lab Tours for Middle and High School Students</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz | Winter 2019              |
| <b>Outreach, Hartnell College</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz                          | Spring 2020              |
| <b>Outreach, De Anza College Students</b><br>Psychology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz                  | Spring 2018, Spring 2019 |

## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

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Midwestern Psychological Association  
Society for Human Sentence Processing  
American Association for the Advancement of Science

Cognitive Science Society

Women in Cognitive Science

Psychonomic Society

SPARK Society

Society for the Neurobiology of Language

## MEDIA

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ReggieCon: Women's History Month Discussion of *Artificial* by Amy Kurzweil

Outstanding UCSC 2023 Graduate

Outstanding UCSC 2023 Graduate Promo

These Red Flags Can Let You Know When You're in an Online Echo Chamber

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NASA Intern Feature

Grad Slam 2019 Finalist Talk

## CERTIFICATES

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Professional Communication Certificate

Spring 2018