

AI TANIGUCHI

Curriculum Vitae

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Research interests

- Formal semantics, formal pragmatics, variation, sociolinguistics
- Dynamic semantics, non-at-issue meaning, social meaning, illocutionary meaning, questions, exclamatives, miratives, polarity emphasis, degree semantics, discourse particles, intensification, pedagogy in linguistics

Language

- Japanese - native
- American English - native
- French - advanced proficiency

Citizenship

- Born Japanese citizen (February 1990)
- Naturalized U.S. citizen (June 2017)
- Canadian resident (July 2017 - present)

Preferred pronouns

- she/her/hers/herself

► Employment

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO MISSISSAUGA July 2020 - present
Assistant Professor (Teaching Stream) Continuing-status track
Department of Language Studies

CARLETON UNIVERSITY July 2017 - June 2020
Instructor II (Linguistics)
School of Linguistics and Language Studies

► Education

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
Doctor of Philosophy in Linguistics August 2017
Dissertation: *The formal pragmatics of non-at-issue intensification in English and Japanese*
Advising committee: Marcin Morzycki (chair), Alan Munn, Cristina Schmitt, Mutsuko Endo-Hudson

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
Master of Arts in Linguistics (by examination) May 2017

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and French December 2011
Summa Cum Laude with Highest Honors

► Publications

Taniguchi, A. (in prep). *Social meaning at the semantics-sociolinguistics interface.*

Taniguchi, A. (in prep). *Meowth's sentence-final particle -nya from Pokémon: Boundaries of social meaning and formal semantics.*

Taniguchi, A. (2017). *Positive vs. negative inversion exclamatives.* Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 21.

Taniguchi, A. (2016). *Sentence-final -ka-yo in Japanese: A compositional account.* Proceedings of the 8th Meeting of Formal Approaches to Japanese Linguistics.

Taniguchi, A. (2016). *Negative inversion exclamatives and speaker commitment.* Proceedings of the 24th Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe.

► Invited talks

Taniguchi, A. (2019). *Non-redundancy, social meaning, and role language.* Invited talk, Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf Semantics and Pragmatics Exchange. Düsseldorf, Germany.

Taniguchi, A. (2019). *Non-redundancy, social meaning, and role language.* Invited talk, University of Toronto Language Variation Group. Toronto, Canada.

Taniguchi, A. (2018). *The formal pragmatics of illocutionary intensifiers: the case of verum and notification.* Carleton University School of Linguistics and Language Studies Speaker Series. Ottawa, Canada.

Taniguchi, A. (2017). *Exclamatives in discourse.* Invited talk, New York University Semantics Group (informal talk series). New York, NY, USA.

► Conference and workshop presentations (semantics)

- Taniguchi, A.** (2019). *On social meaning, non-redundancy, and cats*. Integrating Approaches to Social Meaning 2 (workshop at the 31st European Summer School for Logic, Language, and Information). Riga, Latvia. [talk given via Skype]
- Taniguchi, A.** (2019). *Social meaning in dynamic semantics*. Meaning and Indexicality Across Subfields and Theories. Paris, France.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2019). *Why we say stuff*. “Five-Minute Linguist” talk (winner) at the Linguistic Society of America 2019 Annual Meeting. New York, NY.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2017). *Exhaustification and pejorativity: The case of Japanese nanka*. Integrating Approaches to Social Meaning (workshop at the 29th European Summer School for Logic, Language, and Information). Toulouse, France.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2017). *The dimensions of inversion exclamatives*. Non-at-issue Meaning and Information Structure. Oslo, Norway.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2017). *Nanka or whatevs: Extenders and pejorativity in Japanese and beyond*. Graduate Linguistics Expo at Michigan State 2017. East Lansing, MI.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2016). *Demanding an answer: The CCP semantics of anti-rhetorical questions in Japanese*. Semantics and Syntax Workshop of the American Midwest and Prairies. Evanston, IL.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2016). *Positive vs. negative inversion exclamatives*. Sinn und Bedeutung 21. Edinburgh, Scotland.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2016). *Dynamic semantics with -ka-yo*. Graduate Linguistics Expo at Michigan State 2016. East Lansing, MI.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2015). *Negative inversion exclamatives*. Semantics Workshop of the American Midwest and Prairies. Ann Arbor, MI.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2016). *Manufactured mirativity: A compositional account of Japanese -ka-yo*. Formal Approaches to Japanese Linguistics 8. Mie, Japan.
- Taniguchi, A.** (2016). *Negative inversion exclamatives, focus, and speaker commitment*. 24th Conference of the Student Organisation of Linguistics in Europe. York, England.

► Talks, conference/workshop presentations, and posters (Pedagogy)

- Taniguchi, A.** (2020). *Teaching formal semantics in introductory linguistics courses*. Linguistic Society of America 2020 Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.

► Talks, conference/workshop presentations, and posters (other)

- Taniguchi, A.** (2014). VV- vs. V-final truncation of Japanese loanword compounds. 19th Mid-Continental Phonetics and Phonology Conference. Madison, WI.
- Taniguchi, A.**, Totsuka, Y., Munn, A., & Schmitt, C. (2013). Isn't it not cute?: Variation in the interpretation of Japanese double negation by age. Poster at New Ways of Analyzing Variation 42. Pittsburgh, PA.

► Teaching experience

- INSTRUCTOR I Fall 2017 - Winter 2019
LING1001, LING2005, LING3505, LING4505, LING4055, LING 4009 (Carleton U, Ottawa, ON, Canada)

Full list of courses taught at Carleton:

SEMESTER	COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CLASS SIZE
Fall 2017	LING2005A	Linguistic Analysis	72
	LING2005B	Linguistic Analysis	42
	LING4505A	Formal Semantics	30
Winter (Spring) 2019	LING2005C	Linguistic Analysis	45
	LING2005D	Linguistic Analysis	29
	LING1001C	Introduction to Linguistics	173
	LING3505A	Semantics	79
Fall 2018	LING2005A	Linguistic Analysis	56
	LING2005B	Linguistic Analysis	65
	LING4055A	Lexical Semantics	25
Winter (Spring) 2019	LING2005C	Linguistic Analysis	62
	LING3505A	Semantics	81
	LING4009A	Special Topic: Formal approaches to social meaning and other non-at-issue meanings	19

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Fall 2019	LING2005A	Linguistic Analysis	82
	LING2005B	Linguistic Analysis	76
	LING4505A	Formal Semantics	13
Winter (Spring) 2020	LING3505A	Semantics	96
	LING1100A/V	Mysteries of Language (Linguistics for non-majors, includes online section)	339

- GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT Fall 2014 - Spring 2017
LIN200 - Introduction to Language (MSU, East Lansing, MI)
- ASSISTANT INSTRUCTOR Summer 2016
LIN200 - Introduction to Language (MSU, East Lansing, MI)

► Undergraduate research supervision

- Eddie Cai Summer 2019
Independent study on non-at-issue meaning in formal semantics/pragmatics, with focus on sentence-final intonation, response particles (yes/yeah/no), and propositional anaphora
- Allyson Balaz (co-supervised with Raj Singh) Fall 2018 - Winter 2019
Proposition removal from the Common Ground via the surprise/redundancy intonation contour. Carleton University undergraduate honours thesis.
- Shayla Stevens (co-supervised with Ida Toivonen) Fall 2017 - Winter 2018
The newly emerging use of the word lowkey. Carleton University undergraduate honours thesis.

► Graduate research supervision

- MA thesis internal/external examiner Winter 2018
Van Luven, Katie. *Pseudoclefts*. Carleton University MA thesis.

► Other teaching and undergraduate mentoring experience

- GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT Fall 2012 - Spring 2014
MSU Language Acquisition Laboratory (Supervisors: Alan Munn, Cristina Schmitt)
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
Mentor undergraduate research, manage lab logistics, construct lab experimental materials, research ethics training
- ONLINE COURSE NARRATOR Summer 2015 - Spring 2016
JPN101 - Elementary Japanese I
JPN102 - Elementary Japanese II (Instructor: Mariko Kawaguchi)
English/Japanese bilingual narration of JPN101 and JPN102 lecture videos.
- SUBSTITUTE INSTRUCTOR
LIN437 - Introduction to Semantics/Pragmatics (Instructor: Marcin Morzycki)
JPN101 - Elementary Japanese I (Instructor - Mariko Kawaguchi)
JPN102 - Elementary Japanese II (Instructor - Mariko Kawaguchi)
JPN491 - Business Japanese (Instructor - Mutsuko Endo-Hudson)

► Outreach experience and media appearance

- **Interview on CBC Newfoundland and Labrador morning radio show.** June 2020
On language and racism.
- **Invited workshop on giving accessible presentations in academia and beyond** November 2019
(*SMORE: The art of accessible academic presentations*)
Careers and Alumni at Michigan State (CALMS)
- **Winner of “Five-Minute Linguist” competition** January 2019
Linguistic Society of America 2019 Annual Meeting
- **High school audience lecture** April 2017
(*Language: Different Pieces, Same Puzzle*)
[co-presentation with Cara Feldscher, Alex Mason, Chenchen Xu]
MSU World Languages Day 2017
- **General audience presentation** Spring 2016
(*My, how big your ears are! Why the big bad wolf can’t answer “4 inches, my dear!”*)
MSU Linguistics and Languages Alumni Reunion 2016

► Academic service

PEER-REVIEW

- **Reviewer (publications)**
Glossa; Canadian Journal of Linguistics
- **Reviewer (conferences and workshops)**
Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting; The thirteenth International Tbilisi Symposium on Language, Logic and Computation; Integrating Approaches to Social Meaning II; Emotive Attitudes Workshop 2019; Great Lakes Expo for Experimental and Formal Undergraduate Linguistics 2015 and 2017

OTHER

- **Member** Fall 2018 - present
CUASA joint sub-committee on teaching evaluations
- **Founding Conference Committee Chair and Co-organizer** Spring 2016
Graduate Linguistics Expo at Michigan State 2016
- **Intern** Summer 2013
LSA Summer Linguistic Institute, Ann Arbor, MI

► Funding and awards

TEACHING

- **New Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award** (2018-2019)
Carleton University Educational Development Centre
- **Housing and Residence Life’s Department Favourite Faculty Award** (2017-2018, 2018-2019)
Carleton University Housing and Residence Life Services
- **Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award** Spring 2016
Department of Linguistics and Languages, MSU

RESEARCH & ACADEMIC

- **Winner of “Five-Minute Linguist” competition** January 2019
Linguistic Society of America 2019 Annual Meeting
- **Dissertation Completion Fellowship** Summer 2017
Graduate School, MSU
- **Outstanding Graduate Student Award** Spring 2016
Department of Linguistics and Languages, MSU
- **Summer Fellowship** Summer 2014, Summer 2015
Graduate School, MSU
- **Research Enhancement Award** Spring 2014
Graduate School/College of Arts and Letters, MSU
- **LSA Summer Institute Fellowship** Summer 2013
Department of Linguistics and Languages, MSU

► References

- Marcin Morzycki (Assistant Professor of Linguistics at University of British Columbia)

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- Alan Munn (Associate Professor of Linguistics at Michigan State University)

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- Cristina Schmitt (Associate Professor of Linguistics at Michigan State University)

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- Raj Singh (Associate Professor of Cognitive Science at Carleton University)

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- Karen Jesney (Assistant Professor of Linguistics at Carleton University)

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