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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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### Postdoctoral Fellow

*President's Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program*  
*University of Minnesota, Twin Cities – Institute of Linguistics*

*August 2020 – Present*

### Assistant Professor

*Department of Linguistics, University of British Columbia*

*Starting Fall 2021*

## EDUCATION

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### University of Massachusetts, Amherst – Department of Linguistics

*Ph.D.; Dissertation: Person-based Prominence in Ojibwe*

**Amherst, MA**

*September 2020*

### University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

*B.A. Linguistics, B.S. Psychology; Minors in Philosophy & French*

**Minneapolis, MN**

*May 2014*

### Norwegian Summer Institute on Language and Mind

*University of Oslo*

**Oslo, Norway**

*August 2017*

### Université Paul Valéry (Montpellier III)

*Study Abroad, Focuses in French Language and Literature*

**Montpellier, France**

*Spring 2012*

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Refereed Journal Articles

1. **Hammerly, C.**, Staub, A., Dillon, B. (2019) The grammaticality asymmetry in agreement attraction reflects response bias: Experimental and modeling evidence. *Cognitive Psychology*, 110, 70-104. [Preprint] [Published Version]
2. Matchin, W., Brodbeck, C., **Hammerly, C.** & Lau, E. (2019) The temporal dynamics of structure and content in sentence comprehension: Evidence from fMRI-constrained MEG. *Human Brain Mapping*, 40(2), 663-678. [Preprint] [Published Version]
3. Matchin, W., **Hammerly, C.**, Lau, E. (2017) The role of the IFG and pSTS in syntactic prediction: Evidence from a parametric study of hierarchical structure in fMRI. *Cortex*, 88, 106-123. [Preprint] [Published Version]

### Book Chapters

1. **Hammerly, C.** (2019) Limiting Gender. In *Gender and Noun Classification*, eds. Éric Mathieu, Myriam Dali, and Gita Zareikar. Oxford University Press. [Preprint]

2. **Hammerly, C.** (2018) What ‘other people’ mean to ‘us’. In *A Festschrift for Peggy Speas*, ed. Rodica Ivan. Amherst, MA: GLSA. [Preprint]

### Edited Volumes

1. **Hammerly, C., Prickett, B., eds.** (2016) *Proceedings of NELS 46*. Amherst, MA: GLSA.

### Book Reviews

1. **Hammerly, C.** (2016) [Review of the book *Ojibwe Discourse Markers* by Brendan Fairbanks]. *American Indian Culture and Research Journal*.

### In preparation and under review

1. **Hammerly, C.** (under review) A verb raising analysis of the Ojibwe VOS/VSO alternation. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*. [Preprint]
2. **Hammerly, C.** (under review) The pronoun which comprehenders who process it in islands derive a benefit. *Linguistic Inquiry*. [Preprint]
3. **Hammerly, C. & Pfau, R.** (in preparation) Distributed Morphology and Psycholinguistics. In *The Cambridge Handbook of Distributed Morphology*, eds. Artemis Alexiadou, Ruth Kramer, Alec Marantz & Isabel Oltra-Massuet. Cambridge University Press.
4. **Hammerly, C. & Mathieu, E.** (in preparation) On the interpretation of long-distance agreement in Ojibwe.
5. **Hammerly, C. & Dillon, B.** (in preparation) Structural depth and the phrase-clause asymmetry in agreement attraction.

## PRESENTATIONS

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### Invited Talks

1. **Hammerly, C.** (2020) Title TBA. *Syntax Brown Bag*. New York University.
2. **Hammerly, C.** (2020) Processing obviation in Border Lakes Ojibwe. *Colloquium*. University of Toronto Scarborough.
3. **Hammerly, C.** (2020) Resolving person-based prominence conflicts in Border Lakes Ojibwe. *Colloquium*. University of British Columbia.
4. **Hammerly, C.** (2020) Number representation and memory in agreement processing. *Colloquium*. University of Toronto.
5. **Hammerly, C.** (2019) Person-based prominence in Ojibwe agreement. *Colloquium*. University of Minnesota.
6. **Hammerly, C.** (2019) Making the most out of grammaticality judgments: A case study of subject-verb agreement. *Psycholinguistics Lab Meeting*. UCLA.
7. **Hammerly, C.** (2019) When memory mixes things around: The case of agreement attraction in comprehension. *Keynote Address at Minnesota Undergraduate Linguistics Symposium*. University of Minnesota.

8. Dillon, B., **Hammerly, C.**, & Staub, A. (2018) Under no illusions: Reëvaluating illusions of grammaticality. *Lynschrift*18. UMass Amherst.
9. **Hammerly, C.** (2018) A verb-raising analysis of the Ojibwe VOS/VSO alternation. *WLMA/S-Circle*. UC Santa Cruz.
10. **Hammerly, C.** (2018) The grammaticality asymmetry in agreement attraction reflects response bias: Experimental and modeling evidence. *s-lab*. UC Santa Cruz.
11. **Hammerly, C.** (2016) Agreement across clause types. *Syntax Square*. MIT.
12. **Hammerly, C.** (2016) Innovation and assimilation in post-contact Ojibwemowin. *9th Annual Indigenous Peoples Symposium*. UMass Amherst.

#### Conference/Workshop Talks

1. **Hammerly, C.** (2020) Processing obviation and voice in Border Lakes Ojibwe. *The 52nd Algonquian Conference*. University of Wisconsin Milwaukee.
2. **Hammerly, C.** (2019) The P-constraint, obviation, and word order in Southwestern Ojibwe. *Person and Perspective*. University of Southern California.
3. Göbel, A. & **Hammerly, C.** (2019) A new perspective on obviation from attitude contexts. *Person and Perspective*. University of Southern California.
4. **Hammerly, C.** & Göbel, A. (2018) A “perspective” on obviation from attitude contexts. *The 50th Algonquian Conference*. University of Alberta.
5. Matchin, W., Brodbeck, C., **Hammerly, C.** & Lau, E. (2018) The temporal dynamics of structure and content in the language network. *31st Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing*. UC Davis.
6. Göbel, A. & **Hammerly, C.** (2017) A new perspective on obviation in Ojibwe. *Southern New England Workshop in Semantics (SNEWS)*. MIT.
7. **Hammerly, C.** (2017) The structure of VOS/VSO alternations in Ojibwe. *The 49th Algonquian Conference*. University of Montreal.
8. **Hammerly, C.** (2015) Limiting Gender. *Gender, class, and determination: A conference on the nominal spine*. University of Ottawa.
9. **Hammerly, C.** (2015) The theoretical fallout of non-systematic sex denotation in French gender. *Berkeley Linguistics Society 41st Annual Meeting*. UC Berkeley.
10. **Hammerly, C.** (2014) Mapping gender assignment in French: Nominal categories and features. *Harvard Undergraduate Linguistics Colloquium*. Harvard.
11. **Hammerly, C.** (2014) The linguistic-conceptual interface and the French gender paradigm: A cross-disciplinary approach to linguistic relativity. *Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Conference*. University of Minnesota.
12. **Hammerly, C.** (2014) Mapping gender assignment in French: Nominal categories and features. *Minnesota Undergraduate Linguistics Symposium*. University of Minnesota.

#### Conference/Workshop Posters

1. **Hammerly, C.** (2020) A set-based representation of person features: Consequences for AGREE. *NELS 51*. Université du Québec à Montréal.

2. **Hammerly, C.** (2020) Obviative agreement and word order in Ojibwe. *LSA Annual Meeting*. New Orleans, LA.
3. **Hammerly, C.** (2019) Obviative agreement, word order, and the  $\varphi/\delta$  divide. *NELS 50*. MIT.
4. **Hammerly, C., Wagers, M., Dillon, B.** (2019) Reassessing the grammaticality asymmetry in agreement attraction: An ROC analysis. *32nd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing*. University of Colorado, Boulder.
5. **Hammerly, C.** (2019) A verb-raising analysis of the Ojibwe VOS/VSO alternation. *LSA Annual Meeting*. New York, NY.
6. **Hammerly, C. & Göbel, A.** (2019) A new perspective on obviation in Ojibwe from attitude contexts. *LSA Annual Meeting*. New York, NY.
7. **Hammerly, C.** (2018) Intrusive resumption can ameliorate island violations in real-time comprehension. *Pronouns in Competition*. UC Santa Cruz.
8. **Hammerly, C., Staub, A., & Dillon, D.** (2018) Response bias modulates the grammaticality asymmetry: Evidence for a continuous valuation model of agreement attraction. *31st Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing*. UC Davis.
9. **Hammerly, C.** (2018) Resumptive pronouns can ameliorate island violations in real-time comprehension. *31st Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing*. UC Davis.
10. **Hammerly, C. & Dillon, B.** (2017) Restricting domains of retrieval: Evidence for clause-bound processing from agreement attraction. *30th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing*. MIT.
11. Matchin, W., **Hammerly, C., & Lau, E.** (2015) A parametric study of hierarchical structure building in fMRI and MEG. *Seventh Annual Meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language (SNL)*. Chicago, IL.
12. Stephens, E., **Hammerly, C., & Sera, M.** (2015) Effect of native phonology and semantics in preschoolers' foreign word learning. *2015 Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Biennial Meeting*. Philadelphia, PA.
13. **Hammerly, C.** (2014) Conceptual and morphophonological grammatical gender assignment in French: Lexical architecture and derivational operations. *Ninth International Conference on the Mental Lexicon*. Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON.
14. **Hammerly, C., Sera, M., & Stephens, E.** (2013) What Semantic and Phonological Properties Influence Second language Learning? *Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium at the University of Minnesota*. Minneapolis, MN.

### Public Lectures

1. **Hammerly, C.** (2016) Agreement errors in comprehension. *Montgomery Blair High School Linguistics Club*. Silver Spring, MD.
2. **Hammerly, C.** (2016) Linguistic diversity on Turtle Island and a crash-course in Ojibwemowin. *Holyoke Community College*.
3. **Hammerly, C.** (2016) Linguistic diversity on Turtle Island and a crash-course in Ojibwemowin. *Josephine White Eagle Cultural Center*. UMass Amherst.
4. **Hammerly, C.** (2014) Modeling lexical production. *Montgomery Blair High School Linguistics Club*. Silver Spring, MD.

## GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

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- Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant 2019  
*National Science Foundation*  
“The role of animacy and obviation in the processing of Ojibwe relative clauses”
- Dissertation Fieldwork Grant 2019  
*UMass Graduate School*
- Interdisciplinary Studies Institute Fellow (1 year) 2018  
*UMass Interdisciplinary Studies Institute*
- Selkirk Linguistic Outreach Fund Grant 2017  
*UMass Department of Linguistics*
- Graduate Research Fellowship Program Individual Professional Development Grant 2017  
*National Science Foundation & UMass Graduate School*
- Doctoral Student Research Grant 2016  
*UMass Department of Linguistics*
- Graduate Research Fellowship (5 years) 2015  
*National Science Foundation*
- Talle Family Scholarship 2013  
*University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts*

## AWARDS

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- CUNY Student Travel Award 2018
- Phi Beta Kappa, University of Minnesota 2013

## TEACHING

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- Spring 2019: Supervisor, Kerri Devlin (now graduate student at UCLA); undergraduate independent study on agreement attraction in adjuncts versus complements at UMass
- Spring 2019: Teaching assistant for *Language and Cognition* at UMass  
Instructor: John Kingston  
Duties: grading, gave three class lectures
- Fall 2018: Instructor for *Introduction to Linguistic Theory* at UMass
- Fall 2016: Teaching assistant for *Introduction to Linguistic Theory* at UMass  
Instructor: Nicholas LaCara  
Duties: weekly discussion, grading, gave one class lecture

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Ojibwemotaadidaa Omaa Gidakiiminaang Summer Immersion Academy**  
*Program Assistant*

*Summers 2017, 2018*

## **National Breath of Life Archival Institute for Indigenous Languages**

*Linguistic Partner*

*Summer 2017*

## **NewGen Technologies; Clarksville, MD**

*IBM Watson Temporary Contractor*

*Spring 2015*

## **Department of Linguistics, University of Maryland**

*Baggett Fellow*

*2014–2015*

## **Language and Cognitive Development Laboratory, University of Minnesota**

*Research Assistant*

*2012–2014*

## **AFFILIATIONS**

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- Member, Psychonomic Society *2018–present*
- Member, Linguistic Society of America *2013–present*

## **SERVICE**

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- Organizing committee member, CUNY 33, UMass Amherst *2019–2020*
- Graduate student representative to the faculty, UMass Amherst *2018–2019*
- Mentor, Office of Professional Development NSF GRFP Program, UMass Amherst *Fall 2018*
- Organizer, Psycholinguistics workshop, UMass Amherst *2017–2018*
- Steward, Graduate Employee Organization UAW 2322, UMass Amherst *2016–2017*
- Organizer, Syntax/Semantics Reading Group, UMass Amherst *2016–2017*
- Organizing committee member, Mayfest 2015, University of Maryland *2014–2015*
- Co-Organizer, Linguistics Colloquium, University of Minnesota *2013–2014*

## **REVIEWING**

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### **Journals**

*Glossa*

*Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition*

*Journal of Psycholinguistic Research*

*Journal of Memory and Language*

*Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*

*Linguistic Variation*

## **FIELDWORK**

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*Ojibwe (Southwestern) — 2016–Present: Minnesota and Ontario*

## SKILLS

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**Programming:** R (advanced); Python, HTML (intermediate)

**Languages:** English (native language), French (fluent), Ojibwe (intermediate)

**Experimental methods:** Self-paced reading, eye tracking while reading, acceptability judgments (self-sufficient); MEG, fMRI, EEG (collaborative); visual world eye tracking (beginner)

**Analysis methods:** Signal Detection Theory, Diffusion Model, Mixed Effects Models, ANOVA (advanced); Bayesian (intermediate)

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