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EMPLOYMENT

2018–now **University of Southern California** — Assistant Professor, Linguistics
2023–now — courtesy appointment in Philosophy

EDUCATION

2013–2018 **University of California, Santa Cruz** — Ph.D., Linguistics
Thesis: *Rising Above Commitment*
Committee: Pranav Anand (chair), Adrian Brasoveanu,
Donka Farkas, Cleo Condoravdi & Dan Lassiter
2006–2011 **University of Minnesota, Twin Cities** — B.A., Linguistics

PUBLICATIONS

* = *equal contribution* ____ = *project supervisor*

▷ IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- Catherine Rudin* & **Deniz Rudin***. 2022. On rising intonation in Balkan Slavic. *Journal of Slavic Linguistics* 30(FASL 29 extra issue), 1–10. (published online 13 December 2022)
- Deniz Rudin. 2022. Intonational commitments. *Journal of Semantics* 39(2), 339–383. (published online 25 March 2022)
- Stephanie Shih & **Deniz Rudin**. 2021. On sound symbolism in baseball player names. *Names: A Journal of Onomastics* 69(1), 20–34. (published online 1 June 2020)
- Deniz Rudin. 2019. Head-based syntactic identity in sluicing. *Linguistic Inquiry* 50(2), 253–283.
- Deniz Rudin. 2018. Uncertainty and persistence: A Bayesian Update Semantics for probabilistic expressions. *Journal of Philosophical Logic* 47(3), 365–405. (published online 13 March 2017)

▷ IN CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- Tom Roberts* & **Deniz Rudin***. to appear. Polarity reversal questions and the semantics of prosodic integration. In *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 28.
- Deniz Rudin** & Elsi Kaiser. 2021. Connoisseurial Contradictions: Expertise modulates faultless disagreement. In N. Dreier, C. Kwon, T. Darnell & J. Starr (eds.), *Proceedings of SALT 31*, 385–404.
- Elsi Kaiser* & **Deniz Rudin***. 2021. Arguing with experts: Subjective disagreements on matters of taste. In T. Fitch, C. Lamm, H. Leder & K. Teßmar-Raible (eds.), *Proceedings of the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*, 924–930.
- Jaime Castillo-Gamboa, Alexis Wellwood & **Deniz Rudin**. 2021. *Being tall compared to compared to being tall and being taller*. In A. Beltrama, F. Schwarz & A. Papafragou (eds.), *Proceedings of Experiments in Linguistic Meaning* 1, 78–89.
- Elsi Kaiser* & **Deniz Rudin***. 2020. When faultless disagreement is not so faultless: What widely-held opinions can tell us about subjective adjectives. In P. Farrell (ed.), *Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America* 5, 698–707.
- Roumyana Pancheva* & **Deniz Rudin***. 2019. Speaker discourse roles and the discourse profile of reportative evidentials. In J. Schlöder, D. McHugh & F. Roelofsen (eds.), *Proceedings of the 22nd Amsterdam Colloquium*, 327–336.
- Deniz Rudin. 2019. Embedded rising declaratives and embedded quotation. In K. Blake & F. Davis (eds.), *Proceedings of SALT 29*, 1–21.

- Deniz Rudin** & Andrea Beltrama. 2019. Default agreement with subjective assertions. In K. Blake & F. Davis (eds.), *Proceedings of SALT 29*, 82-102.
- Deniz Rudin. 2018. Rising imperatives. In S. Maspong & B. Stefánsdóttir (eds.), *Proceedings of SALT 28*, 100-119.
- Margaret Kroll* & **Deniz Rudin***. 2017. Identity and interpretation: Syntactic and pragmatic constraints on the acceptability of sluicing. In A. Lamont & K. Tetzloff (eds.), *Proceedings of NELS 47*, Vol. 2, 177-190.
- Deniz Rudin**, Karl DeVries, Karen Duek, Kelsey Kraus & Adrian Brasoveanu. 2016. The semantics of corrections. In J. Väänänen, Å. Hirvonen & R. de Queiroz (eds.), *Logic, Language, Information, and Computation: 23rd International Workshop*, 358-374.
- Deniz Rudin. 2016. Deriving a variable-strength *might*. In N. Bade, P. Berezovskaya & A. Schöller (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 20*, 587-603.

▷ AS EDITOR

- Jason Merchant*, Line Mikkelsen*, **Deniz Rudin*** & Kelsey Sasaki* (eds.). 2018. *A reasonable way to proceed: Essays in honor of Jim McCloskey*. Linguistics Research Center, Santa Cruz.

PRESENTATIONS

▷ ABSTRACT-REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 ‘Polarity reversal questions and the semantics of prosodic integration’
Joint work with Tom Roberts
Sinn und Bedeutung 28, September 6, Bochum
- 2021 ‘Arguing with experts: Subjective disagreements on matters of taste’
Joint work with Elsi Kaiser
CogSci 2021, July 26, Vienna
- ‘*Being tall compared to* compared to *being tall* and *being taller*’
Joint work with Alexis Wellwood & Jaime Castillo-Gamboa
Society for Philosophy and Psychology, June 28, Princeton
- ‘Connoisseurial contradictions: Expertise modulates faultless disagreement’
Joint work with Elsi Kaiser
Semantics and Linguistic Theory 31, May 8th, Brown
- 2020 ‘*Being tall compared to* compared to *being tall* and *being taller*’
Joint work with Alexis Wellwood & Jaime Castillo-Gamboa
Experiments in Linguistic Meaning, September 18, Philadelphia
- ‘On rising intonation in Balkan Slavic’
Joint work with Catherine Rudin
Formal Approaches to Slavic Linguistics 29, May 9th, Seattle
- ‘When faultless disagreement is not so faultless:
What widely-held opinions can tell us about subjective adjectives’
Joint work with Elsi Kaiser
Linguistic Society of America 94, January 4th, New Orleans
- 2019 ‘Default agreement with subjective assertions’
Joint work with Andrea Beltrama
Semantics and Linguistic Theory 29, May 18th, UCLA
- ‘Embedded rising declaratives’
Semantics and Linguistic Theory 29, May 17th, UCLA
- ‘Sluicing and modal mismatches’
Joint work with Dan Hardt

Sluicing@50, April 13th, Chicago

- 2018 ‘Whither default agreement? The case of subjective assertions’
Joint work with Andrea Beltrama
Semantics and Philosophy in Europe, December 18th, Barcelona
- 2017 ‘Rising imperatives’
Semantics and Linguistic Theory 28, May 18th, MIT
California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics 10, October 21st, Irvine
- ‘Intonation as a speech act modifier: Rising declaratives and imperatives’
Questioning Speech Acts, September 14th, Konstanz
- ‘Assessor-Relativizable Predicates’
Joint work with Phil Crone
Subjectivity in Language and Thought, May 19th, Chicago
- ‘Errata corrige: The pragmatics of error correction’
Joint work with Leon Bergen, Adrian Brasoveanu & Noah Goodman
New Advances in Formal Pragmatics, March 29th, Paris
- ‘A dual perspective approach to sluicing’
Joint work with Margaret Kroll
Linguistic Society of America 91, January 6th, Austin
- 2016 ‘Assessor-Relativizable Predicates’
Joint work with Phil Crone
California Universities Semantics & Pragmatics 9, October 21st, Santa Cruz
- ‘Disagreement over *might*-claims: A fully general pragmatic approach’
California Universities Semantics & Pragmatics 9, October 21st, Santa Cruz
- ‘Licensing and interpretation: A comprehensive theory of sluicing’
Joint work with Margaret Kroll
North East Linguistic Society 47, October 14th, Amherst
- ‘The semantics of corrections’
Joint work with Karl DeVries, Karen Duek, Kelsey Kraus & Adrian Brasoveanu
Workshop on Logic, Language, Information, and Computation 23, August 18th, Puebla
- 2015 ‘The semantics of corrections’
Joint work with Karl DeVries, Karen Duek, Kelsey Kraus & Adrian Brasoveanu
California Universities Semantics & Pragmatics 8, November 7, Stanford
- ‘Scalar and non-scalar implicatures of *might* and *some*’
California Universities Semantics & Pragmatics 8, November 6, Stanford
- ‘Deriving a variable-strength *might*’
Sinn und Bedeutung 20, September 9th, Tübingen
- 2013 ‘On the distribution of stops in Omaha-Ponca’
Siouan and Caddoan Languages Conference 33, June 13th, Ft. Yates

▷ INVITED PLENARY TALKS

- 2024 ‘Deriving question bias from clause typing, context update, and pragmatics’
Polar Question Meaning[s] Across Languages, April 12th, University of Amsterdam

▷ INVITED COLLOQUIUM TALKS

- 2023 ‘Quotative and non-quotative speech reports’
University of Arizona Linguistics Colloquium, October 13th, Phoenix AZ
- ‘Embedded quotation and varieties of asking’
General Linguistics Seminar, May 15th, University of Oxford
- ‘Whose fault is faultless disagreement?’
Language and Linguistic Sciences Colloquium, April 26th, University of York
- ‘Asserting epistemic modals’
ILLC Discourse In Philosophy Colloquium, April 14th, University of Amsterdam
- ‘Faultless disagreement isn’t (only) about predicates’
Edinburgh Meaning Sciences Group, April 7th, University of Edinburgh
- 2020 ‘Conventional vs. pragmatic weakness in the illocutionary typology of imperatives’
Meaning and Grammar Research Group, November 3rd, University of Edinburgh
- ‘Intonation and epistemic bias’
Harvard Linguistics Universals Colloquium, October 30th, Cambridge MA
- 2018 ‘Rising declaratives’
UCLA Linguistics Colloquium, October 12th, Los Angeles
- ‘Rising intonation: Declaratives, interrogatives, and imperatives’
USC Linguistics Colloquium, February 9th, Los Angeles

▷ INVITED WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

- 2019 ‘Rising imperatives’
Stanford/CSLI Philosophy of Language & Linguistics Workshop, May 25th, Palo Alto

▷ INVITED BROWNBAG TALKS

- 2021 ‘Prosody-semantics interface’
Advanced Semantics, April 28th, University of Minnesota
- 2019 ‘Intonational commitments and the pragmatics of the table’
SemBabble, November 5th, UC San Diego
- 2018 ‘Rising intonation: Declaratives, interrogatives, and imperatives’
Syntax & Semantics Circle, February 2nd, Berkeley
- 2016 ‘Relevantly different’
Words With Friends, May 23rd, Stanford
- ‘Speaker self-corrections’
Computation and Cognition Lab, March 11, Stanford
- ‘How to disagree with a *might*-claim: Assessor-sensitivity and the pragmatics of assertion’
SemPrag, February 23, Stanford
- 2015 ‘Event structure vs. argument structure’
Words With Friends, November 17, Stanford

TEACHING

▷ UNDERGRADUATE COURSES AT USC

LING 210: Introduction to Linguistics	FALL 2021 SPRING 2022 FALL 2023
LING 275: Language and Mind (with Stephanie Shih)	SPRING 2020 SPRING 2021
LING 303: Introduction to Semantics and Pragmatics (formerly titled 'Logic and Meaning in Natural Language')	SPRING 2019 SPRING 2020 SPRING 2022 FALL 2022
▷ GRADUATE COURSES AT USC	
LING 534: Semantics (formerly titled 'Logic and the Theory of Meaning')	FALL 2018 FALL 2019 FALL 2020 FALL 2021 FALL 2022 FALL 2023
LING 536: Advanced Semantics	SPRING 2024
LING 610: Seminar in Linguistic Theory (Topic: Screening & Professionalization)	SPRING 2021
LING 636: Seminar in Semantics (Topic: Intonational Meaning & Speech Acts) (Topic: Epistemic Modality) (Topic: Imperatives)	SPRING 2019 SPRING 2022 SPRING 2024
▷ SUMMER SCHOOLS	
North American Summer School in Logic, Language and Information <i>Subjectivity in Semantic Interpretation</i> (with Elsi Kaiser)	SUMMER 2022
European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information <i>The Semantics and Psycholinguistics of Subjective Predicates</i> (with Elsi Kaiser)	SUMMER 2021
Eastern Generative Grammar <i>The Semantics-Discourse-Pragmatics Interface: Theory and Applications</i>	SUMMER 2019
▷ INSTRUCTOR AT UCSC	
LING 101: Phonology 1	WINTER 2018
▷ TEACHING ASSISTANT AT UCSC	
LING 111: Syntactic Structures (Instructor: Ivy Sichel)	SPRING 2018
LING 113: Syntax 2 (Instructor: Sandy Chung)	SPRING 2017
LING 116: Semantics 2 (Instructor: Maziar Toosarvandani)	WINTER 2017
LING 112: Syntax 1 (Instructor: Jorge Hankamer)	FALL 2016
LING 116: Semantics 2 (Instructor: Adrian Brasoveanu)	WINTER 2016
LING 50: Introduction to Linguistics (Instructor: Adrian Brasoveanu)	FALL 2015
LING 101: Phonology 1 (Instructor: Junko Ito)	SPRING 2015
LING 116: Semantics 2 (Instructor: Pranav Anand)	WINTER 2015
LING 50: Semantics 1 (Instructor: Donka Farkas)	FALL 2014
LING 80C: Language, Society, and Culture (Instructor: Jim McCloskey)	SPRING 2014

▷ TEACHING SPECIALIST AT UMN

LING 5205: Semantics (Instructor: Brian Reese)

FALL 2012

LING 5205: Semantics (Instructor: Brian Reese)

SPRING 2012

RESEARCH

▷ GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCHER AT UCSC

Experimental Investigations of Sluicing (Supervisor: Pranav Anand)

SPRING 2016

Building an Annotated Corpus of Sluices (Supervisors: Pranav Anand & Jim McCloskey)

SUMMER 2015

▷ RESEARCH ASSISTANT AT UMN

Learning Words Through Listening to Hip-Hop (Supervisor: Paula Chesley)

SPRING 2011

ADVISING (USC LINGUISTICS DEPARTMENT IF UNSPECIFIED)

▷ PRE-DISSERTATION GENERAL ADVISING

Adam Woodnutt

2022–2023

Samir Alam

2020–2022

▷ DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Brian Haas (USC Philosophy)

ONGOING

Luis Miguel Toquero Perez

ONGOING

Ian Rigby

FALL 2023

Sound Symbolism and Visual Categorization

Junhyo Lee (USC Philosophy)

SPRING 2022

What “Ought” Ought To Mean

Sarah Hye-yeon Lee

FALL 2021

Processing the Dynamicity of Events in Language

Haley Wei Wei (USC East Asian Languages & Cultures)

SPRING 2020

Discourse particles in Mandarin Chinese

▷ QUALIFYING COMMITTEES

Luis Miguel Toquero Perez

SPRING 2023

Ian Rigby

FALL 2022

Brian Haas (USC Philosophy)

SPRING 2022

Silvia Kim

FALL 2021

Jina Song

FALL 2021

Sarah Hye-yeon Lee

SPRING 2020

Jesse Storbeck

FALL 2019

Junhyo Lee (USC Philosophy)

FALL 2019

▷ SCREENING COMMITTEES

Esra Eldem	ONGOING
Yaqing Hu	ONGOING
Muxuan He	FALL 2023
<i>'Just right' is not always right: Asymmetrical effects of informativity in affirmative and negative sentences</i>	
Haley Hsu	SPRING 2023
<i>As a matter of fact: An exploration of objectivity-seeking</i>	
Nelly Marutyan	SPRING 2023
<i>Phase edges as binders: The case of Eastern Armenian</i>	
Katie Kennedy	SPRING 2023
<i>If X made Y drop __, who did the dropping?</i>	
Adam Woodnutt	SPRING 2022
<i>Principled differences between the singular definite generic and bare plural generics</i>	
Samir Alam	SPRING 2021
<i>Bangla quirky subjects</i>	
Peifen Chen	SPRING 2021
<i>Clause types of embedded clause in Mandarin Chinese</i>	
Ian Rigby	SPRING 2021
<i>Sound symbolism guides the resolution of shape-ambiguity</i>	
Jun Lyu	FALL 2020
<i>Processing of Chinese reflexives in discourse: Topic prominence, verb bias, and locality</i>	
Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee (chair)	SPRING 2020
<i>M-zì 'not-know' in Cantonese as an epistemic marker</i>	
Ian Rigby	SPRING 2020
<i>Structure, gender, & information: A multivariate analysis of English name blends</i>	
Luis Miguel Toquero Perez	SPRING 2020
<i>Revising extraction and subextraction patterns from arguments</i>	
Silvia Kim	SPRING 2020
<i>Null pronoun interpretation in Korean: Differences between monolinguals and second language learners</i>	
Sarah Hye-yeon Lee	FALL 2018
<i>The interpretation of the comparison class in degree predication</i>	
▷ BA THESIS SUPERVISION	
Adeline Wang	SPRING 2021
<i>New media, old techniques: Propaganda in the age of youtube</i>	
▷ AD HOC 'POP-UP' MENTORING	
NELS 50 & 52, LSA 94, ELM 1, SALT 31, WCCFL 40, NASSLLI 2022	

GRANTS

- 2017 **Fall Dissertation Quarter Fellowship**
- 2017 **Institute for Humanities Research Summer Dissertation Fellowship**
- 2015 **Tanya Honig Graduate Research Initiative Grant**
Co-recipient on behalf of the SPLAP! Reading Group

SERVICE

▷ AD HOC REVIEWING FOR JOURNALS

ANALYSIS: 2019
AUSTRALASIAN JOURNAL OF PHILOSOPHY: 2022
ERKENNTNIS: 2022, 2023(x2)
GLOSSA: 2018
JOURNAL OF LINGUISTICS: 2018, 2021
JOURNAL OF PRAGMATICS: 2021
JOURNAL OF SEMANTICS: 2016, 2018(x2), 2019, 2020, 2023(x2)
LANGUAGE: 2020, 2021
LINGUISTIC INQUIRY: 2019, 2021, 2022
LINGUISTICS AND PHILOSOPHY: 2020(x2)
NATURAL LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTIC THEORY: 2020(x2), 2022
NATURAL LANGUAGE SEMANTICS: 2023
PHILOSOPHY AND PHENOMENOLOGICAL RESEARCH: 2021
SYNTAX: 2017, 2021, 2022
SYNTHESE: 2022

▷ AD HOC REVIEWING FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDITED VOLUMES

2023 *Cambridge Elements in Semantics*
2023 *Topics in the semantics of Slavic languages*

▷ ANNUAL REVIEWING FOR CONFERENCES

2016– SINN UND BEDEUTUNG
2019– SEMANTICS AND LINGUISTIC THEORY
2019– AMSTERDAM COLLOQUIUM
2019– NORTH EAST LINGUISTIC SOCIETY
2020– CHICAGO LINGUISTIC SOCIETY
2022– WEST COAST CONFERENCE ON FORMAL LINGUISTICS
2022– GLOW IN ASIA

▷ AD HOC REVIEWING FOR CONFERENCES

2019 TBILISI SYMPOSIUM ON LANGUAGE LOGIC AND COMPUTATION
2015 ESSLLI STUDENT SESSION

▷ AD HOC REVIEWING FOR GRANTS

2021 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada: Insight Grants
2023 National Science Foundation Dissertation Research Grant

▷ CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP/COLLOQUIUM ORGANIZING

2020– **Co-Organizer**, USC Philosophy ‘Mind & Language’ Colloquium Series
2022 **Moderator**, ‘From WCCFL 1 to WCCFL 40 and beyond’, Stanford
2022 **Session Chair**, CUSP 13, UCLA
2022 **Moderator**, NASSLLI 2022 Industry Jobs Panel, USC
2021–22 **Organizing Committee**, NASSLLI Summer School
2019 **Organizer**, California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics 12
2016 **Organizing Committee**, Semantics of Underrepresented Languages in the Americas 9
2016 **Co-Organizer**, UCSC SPLAP! Workshop on Semantics & Cognition

▷ SERVICE TO THE LINGUISTICS DEPARTMENT, USC

2019–22 **Graduate Studies Committee**
2021–22 **Job Search Committee**, DEI liaison (Tenure Track, Syntax)
2021 **Chair Consultative Committee**

2021 **Job Search Committee** (Postdoc, Syntax)
2020–21 **Job Search Committee** (Tenure Track, Psycholinguistics)
2019–20 **Graduate Admissions Committee**
2019–20 **Job Search Committee** (Tenure Track, Syntax)
2019 **Faculty Merit Review Committee**
2019 **Chair Consultative Committee**

▷ SERVICE TO THE LINGUISTICS DEPARTMENT, UCSC

2017 **Graduate Recruitment Czar**
2015–16 **Graduate Representative**
2014–15 **Colloquium Committee Transportation Czar**
2014–17 **Coordinator**, SPLAP! Reading Group
2014 **Co-founder**, SPLAP! Reading Group
2013–14 **Coordinator**, PHLUNCH Reading Group

PUBLIC OUTREACH

2021 **Podcast Guest**, *Nobody Listens to Paula Poundstone*
Ep. 151, ‘The Meaning of Meaning’

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