Emma Manning

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

2015–2021 PhD, Linguistics, Georgetown University, Washington, DC, GPA: 3.96.

Concentration: Computational Linguistics

Dissertation: Referenceless Evaluation of Natural Language Generation from Meaning Rep-

resentations

2011–2015 **BA, Linguistics and Cognitive Science**, *Scripps College*, Claremont, CA, *GPA:* 3.85, magna cum laude.

Minor: Mathematics

Thesis: I Accidentally This Thesis Because East: The Influence of the Internet on Spoken

Language in Eastspeak

Publications

- [1] Emma Manning and Nathan Schneider. Referenceless parsing-based evaluation of AMR-to-English generation. In *Proceedings of the 2nd Workshop on Evaluation & Comparison of NLP Systems*, November 2021.
- [2] Emiel van Miltenburg, Miruna Clinciu, Ondřej Dušek, Dimitra Gkatzia, Stephanie Inglis, Leo Leppänen, Saad Mahamood, Emma Manning, Stephanie Schoch, Craig Thomson, and Luou Wen. Underreporting of errors in NLG output, and what to do about it. In *Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Natural Language Generation*, pages 140–153, Aberdeen, Scotland, UK, August 2021. Association for Computational Linguistics. Commendation for Outstanding Position Paper.
- [3] Emma Manning, Nathan Schneider, and Amir Zeldes. A Balanced and Broadly Targeted Computational Linguistics Curriculum. In *Proceedings of the Fifth Workshop on Teaching NLP*, pages 65–69, Online, June 2021. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- [4] Emma Manning, Shira Wein, and Nathan Schneider. A Human Evaluation of AMR-to-English Generation Systems. In *Proceedings of the 28th International Conference on Computational Linguistics*, pages 4773–4786, Barcelona, Spain (Online), December 2020. International Committee on Computational Linguistics.
- [5] Michael Kranzlein, Emma Manning, Siyao Peng, Shira Wein, Aryaman Arora, and Nathan Schneider. PASTRIE: A Corpus of Prepositions Annotated with Supersense Tags in Reddit International English. In *Proceedings of the 14th Linguistic Anno*tation Workshop, pages 105–116, Barcelona, Spain, December 2020. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- [6] Emma Manning. A Partially Rule-Based Approach to AMR Generation. In Proceed-

ings of the 2019 Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics: Student Research Workshop, pages 61–70, Minneapolis, Minnesota, June 2019. Association for Computational Linguistics.

[7] Frank Feder, Maxim Kupreyev, Emma Manning, Caroline T. Schroeder, and Amir Zeldes. A Linked Coptic Dictionary Online. In *Proceedings of the Second Joint SIGHUM Workshop on Computational Linguistics for Cultural Heritage, Social Sciences, Humanities and Literature*, pages 12–21, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 2018. Association for Computational Linguistics.

Experience

Teaching

Fall 2020 Linguistics Instructor, Independent, Online.

Course: Introduction to Linguistics

Description:

- o Designed, advertised, and taught online course for 17 students in grades 8-12
- Created asynchronous materials including short pre-recorded video lectures, quizzes, and assignments
- o Planned and led weekly synchronous class activities over Zoom

Spring 2020 **Teaching Associate**, *Georgetown University*, Washington, DC.

Course: Language and Computers

Description:

- Developed syllabus and other course materials
- Planned and conducted course including lecturing and grading
- Adjusted format mid-semester from in-person to asynchronous online format due to COVID-19 pandemic
- 2016–2019 **Teaching Assistant**, *Georgetown University*, Washington, DC.

General:

Resolved student questions in class, during office hours, and by e-mail

Computational Corpus Linguistics (Fall 2016, Fall 2018):

- o Corrected and graded students' linguistic annotations and written assignments
- Led occasional class sessions (lecture and workshops)
- Implemented programs to validate annotations across a multilayer corpus and to assist in grading of annotation assignments

Introduction to Natural Language Processing (Fall 2017, Fall 2019):

- Graded students' programming assignments
- Collaborated with professor and co-TA to ensure fair grading and helpful feedback and to address student concerns
- 2018–2019 Instructor, Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth, Lancaster & Carlisle, PA.

Intensive, 3-week summer courses for 12-16-year-old students

Courses:

- o Linguistics (2018, 2019)
- Fundamentals of Computer Science (2019)

Description:

- Developed syllabus and other course materials
- Planned and conducted course including lecturing, leading activities, and providing regular feedback on student work
- Crafted narrative evaluations for all students
- Supervised teaching assistant

2013–2018 **Teaching Assistant**, Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth, Various Locations.

Intensive, 3-week summer courses for 9-16-year-old students

- Courses:
 Linguistics (2017)
- Fundamentals of Computer Science (2017, 2018)
- Inductive and Deductive Reasoning (2013, 2015)

Description:

- Designed and ran some lessons and class activities
- Provided feedback on student work
- Worked with students one-on-one and in small groups to develop problem-solving skills and understanding of course material
- Ensured smooth functioning of class and site by assisting with supervision and other tasks as needed
- 2013–2015 **Peer Math Tutor**, *Scripps College*, Claremont, CA.

Worked with students one-on-one and during drop-in tutoring hours to develop understanding of mathematical concepts and problem-solving skills.

Research

- Summer 2021 Linguistic Annotator, TREC Assessors & NIST, Remote.
 - o Annotated coreference and fine-grained entity types in English news articles
 - Performed quality checks on made corrections on documents annotated by others
 - 2019–2020 **Project Coordinator, Semantic Annotation**, *Georgetown University*, Washington, DC.
 - Annotated preposition supersenses and multiword expressions in L2 English data from Reddit, and in *The Little Prince*
 - Prepared and distributed data to annotators
 - Led and contributed to adjudication sessions
 - 2015–2019 **Research Assistant**, *Georgetown University*, Washington, DC.

Worked with Paul Portner (Fall 2015), Amir Zeldes (Spring 2016, Spring 2017), and Nathan Schneider (Spring 2018, Spring 2019)

- Created and enhanced various natural language processing systems
- Analyzed data in detail to improve accuracy of corpus annotations
- Contributed to research team meetings
- Summer 2017 **GitDox Developer**, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.
 - Developed validation control for GitDox annotation interface
- Summer 2016 Coptic Online Lexicon Developer, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.
 - Converted XML Coptic lexicon files to SQL database
 - Designed and developed web interface for searching and viewing online Coptic dictionary
- Summer 2014 Intern, Language Acquisition Research Center, Hunter College, New York, NY.
 - Assisted with research projects in computational linguistics, natural language processing, and psycholinguistics
 - Transcribed and coded data from psycholinguistics experiments
 - Annotated and analyzed corpus data, manually and with Python scripts
 - Contributed to weekly lab meetings and seminars

Miscellaneous

- 2014–2015 IT Dorm Consultant, Scripps College, Claremont, CA.
 - o Maintained printer and computers in residence hall computer lab

Natura	Lang	guages
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Native English

Intermediate Latin, Ancient Greek

Beginner German, Spanish, Swahili

Programming Languages

Native Python

Intermediate Java, R

Beginner HTML/CSS, SQL, Racket, Prolog, Scala, Javascript

Honors and Awards

20	1 Outstanding Reviewer	EACL Conference
20	9 Outstanding Instructor Award	CTY Carlisle
20	5 Phi Beta Kappa	
2011–20	4 Dean's List (7 semesters)	Scripps College
20	2 Robert B. Palmer Classics Award	Scripps College

Leadership

2011 National Merit Scholarship

2021–	Organizer	Georgetown University Dissertation Writing Group
2019-2021	Social Media Chair	Georgetown University Computational Linguistics
2017-2020	Site Coordinator	North American Computational Linguistics Olympiad
2017-2018	Treasurer	Georgetown University GradPride
2013-2015	Co-Captain	Claremont Colleges Quidditch

Reviewing

2020, 2021	Association	for	Computational	Linguistics	(ACL)	١

- 2020, 2021 ACL: Student Research Workshop (SRW)
 - 2021 NAACL: SRW
 - 2021 Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics (*SEM)
 - 2021 European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (EACL)
 - 2020 Asia-Pacific Chapter of the Assoc. for Computational Linguistics: SRW
 - 2018 Mid-Atlantic Student Colloquium on Speech, Language, and Learning

Graduate Coursework

Computational Linguistics & Natural Language Processing

- Computational Corpus Linguistics
- Empirical Methods in NLP
- Statistical Machine Translation
- Intro to Natural Language Processing
- Computational Discourse Modeling
- Comp. Semantics & Info Extraction

- Analyzing Language Data with R
- Signal Processing
- Doctoral Seminar in NLP audited

Linguistics

- Generative Syntax I
- Sociolinguistic Variation
- Experimental Research in Semantics & Pragmatics
- Linguistics Teaching Practicum

Computer Science

Automated Reasoning

- Advanced Semantic Representations
- Dialogue Systems audited
- Phonology I
- Cognitive Grammar
- Second Language Acquisition& Bilingualism

Web Search and Sense-Making

Invited Talks & Non-Archival Presentations

Graduate Professionalization Seminar at Georgetown University.

o 2021: Teaching Linguistics to High School Students

Workshop on Evaluating NLG Evaluation.

o 2020: Evaluating AMR-to-English NLG Evaluation

Natural Language Processing Course at Harvey Mudd College.

o 2020: Q&A on my research and experience in grad school

Mid-Atlantic Student Colloquium on Speech, Language, and Learning.

- 2020: Referenceless Evaluation of Natural Language Generation from Meaning Representations
- o 2018: A Rule-Based and Statistical Approach to AMR Generation
- o 2017: Verbal Antecedents for 'This' and 'That'