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EDUCATION

Universidade Estadual de Campinas

Jan 2014 - Jul 2017

B.A in Linguistics

Institute of Language Studies

McMaster University

Sep 2017 - 2019

Master of Science degree, Cognitive Science of Language Program

McMaster University

Sep 2019 - present

PhD Candidate, Cognitive Science of Language Program

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

McMaster University

Sep 2017 - Jul 2019

Master's Thesis: Null Subjects in Brazilian Portuguese, an alternative approach

- Under supervision of Dr. Ivona Kucerova
- An analysis of null subject phenomena in Brazilian Portuguese that aims to give a new approach in light of new data on null subject in matrix clauses and WH-movement intervention effects.
- Currently preparing a manuscript to be submitted based on the proposal developed in this thesis.

Universidade Estadual de Campinas

May 2016 - May 2017

Undergraduate thesis: Reassessing multiple adjectival modification in Pirahã

- Under supervision of Dr. Filomena Sândalo
- Conducted fieldwork with native Pirahã speakers at Humaitá, AM
- Gathered data on adjective usage by employing predefined elicitation tests
- Granted an undergrad research grant by CNPq - Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development

PRESENTATIONS AND EVENTS

The Canadian Linguistic Association

Jun 2019

2019 CLA meeting

- Poster presented: Brazilian Portuguese null subjects in light of a hybrid discourse-oriented system

Universidade de São Paulo

Oct 2016

V Workshop on Indigenous Languages

- Conference talk: *Multiple adjectival modification in Pirahã*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

McMaster University

Sept 2017 - Present

Teaching Assistant

- Worked as a teaching assistant for the following courses:
- Introduction to Linguistics I (Marking, office hours)
- Syntax (Marking)
- Semantics (Marking)
- Structure of Modern English (Marking, teaching tutorials)

University of Toronto

2017

Research Assistant

- Worked briefly under a seasonal work contract with Dr. Alana Johns
- Wrote simple scripts to gather sentence patterns from a large language corpora
- Simple implementation of an initial section of the corpus into Fieldworks Language Explorer (FLEX)

Translating

2015-2018

Freelance translating

- Worked seasonally on freelance contracts as a translator (English/Portuguese)
- Initially worked translating and proofreading dissertations for graduate students at the Institute of Electrical Engineering at the State University of Campinas
- Translated and proofread the documentation of the R Package SADS
- Translated and proofread texts and documentation for two art exhibitions: *Fields of Invisibility* and *The Other Transatlantic* (São Paulo, Brazil).

RELEVANT COURSES

Core Courses: Undergrad

Syntax and Syntax Theory
Models in phonology
Psycholinguistics
Brazilian indigenous languages
Language acquisition

Other Courses: Undergrad

Microeconomics I
Calculus 101
Probability and Statistics
Japanese language (6 semesters)
General economic history

Core Courses: Graduate

Fundamentals of the Cognitive Neuroscience of Language I and II
Laboratory Methods of Visual Language Research
Language Analysis Methods: Syntax and Semantics
Advanced Syntax and Semantics

SKILLS

Technology

Proficient user of L^AT_EX and of GNU/Linux operating systems
Knows how to design and implement linguistic experiments using the IBEX platform
Knows data wrangling, processing and analysis methods using R
Practical knowledge of BASH scripting and git

Languages

Native: Portuguese — Fluent: English — Studied: Japanese, French — Investigated: Pirahã