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Current position

Jan 2018 - present

Postdoctoral Research Assistant, University of Edinburgh, School of Philosophy, Psychology and Language Sciences (PPLS)

- ERC-funded project "The Evolution of Linguistic Complexity" (PI: Prof. Kenny Smith)— Investigating how language evolves through transmission and interaction
- Co-supervising linguistics MSc dissertation projects

Introduction to Cognitive Science guest lecturer (Oct-Nov 2018), University of Edinburgh (PPLS)

• Undergraduate Python course (topics covered: functions, loops, conditions, focusing on the use of Python in Cognitive Science)

Experience

Sept 2015 – Dec 2017

Python/R lab tutor, University of Edinburgh (PPLS), United Kingdom

- Undergraduate and postgraduate Python courses (topics: sequences, booleans, functions, control structures, simulations, classes)
- Undergraduate statistics in R course (topics: visualisation, ANOVA, mixed effects regression, factor analysis)

May 2017 – July 2017

Research assistant, University of Edinburgh (PPLS), United Kingdom

- Linguistics research project "Priming over- and under-informative desciptions" (Primary Investigator: Dr Chris Cummins)
- Experimental design, data collection, transcription and analysis

Nov 2016 – Jun 2017

Writing centre tutor, University of Edinburgh (PPLS), United Kingdom

Academic writing consultation to 3rd and 4th year undergraduates

Aug 2010 - July 2013

Assistant Language Teacher (ALT) with the Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) programme, Matsuyama City Board of Education, Japan

• English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher at elementary school, junior high and advanced/adult level

Education

Sept 2014 – Dec 2017 PhD Psychology, University of Edinburgh

- Thesis: Investigating the effect of a speaker's manner of delivery on listeners' on-line pragmatic inferences
- Supervisors: Dr Martin Corley, Dr Hannah Rohde

Sept 2013 - Aug 2014

MSc Applied Linguistics (distinction), University of Edinburgh

- Dissertation: Investigation of filled pause production in L1 and L2 speakers during task-based communication
- Supervisors: Dr Lauren Hall-Lew, Dr Martin Corley

Sept 2007 - Jun 2010

BA English literature and creative writing (1st class), University of Warwick

Publications

- Loy, J. E., Rohde, H., & Corley, M. (2018). Cues to lying may be deceptive: Speaker and listener behavior in an interactive lying game. *Journal of Cognitive Science*, 1(1), 42. doi: 10.5334/joc.46
- King, J. P., Loy, J. E., Corley, M. (2017). Contextual effects on online pragmatic inferences of deception. Discourse Processes. doi: 10.1080/0163853X.2017.1330041
- Loy, J. E., Rohde, H., & Corley, M. (2016). Effects of Disfluency in Online Interpretation of Deception. Cognitive Science. doi: 10.1111/cogs.12378

Presentations and proceedings

- Loy, J. E. & Smith, K. (2018). Accommodation may depend on perceived linguistic knowledge: Experimental evidence from interaction with native and nonnative speakers. Poster at the Workshop on Accommodation in Speech Communication. Zurich, Switzerland.
- Loy, J. E., Rohde, H. & Corley, M. (2016). Lying about where the treasure lies: Pragmatic cues to deception in production and comprehension. Poster at the 22nd AMLaP conference. Bilbao, Spain.
- Loy, J., Rohde, H. & Corley, M. (2016). Lying, in a manner of speaking. *Proceedings of Speech Prosody 8*, 984–988. Boston, MA.
- Loy, J. E., Rohde, H. & Corley, M. (2015). The truth about lying: Pragmatic judgements about speaker reliability are made online. Talk at the 21st AMLaP conference. Malta.

Submitted works

- Loy, J. E., Rohde, H., & Corley, M. (2019). Real-time social reasoning: The effect of disfluency on the meaning of *some*. Under review at *Journal of Cultural Cognitive Science*.
- King, J. P. J., Loy, J. E. & Corley, M. (2019). Interpreting nonverbal cues to deception in real time. Under review at PLoS One.

Skills

Programming Python (proficient; 4+ years)

R (proficient; 5+ years) LaTeX (good; 4+ years)

HTML/CSS

JavaScript~(functional;~2+~years)

PHP (basic; 2+ years)

Data Processing (base R, tidyverse), Visualisation (ggplot), Interpretation

Statistics Null hypothesis testing, Information-theoretic based modelling, Multilevel

modelling, Time series analysis, Cluster analysis

Languages English, Mandarin Chinese, Japanese (JLPT level 3)
Software/tools OpenSesame, Praat, ELAN, WordSmith tools, SoX

Methods Eyetracking (SR, Eyetribe)

Mousetracking (Python)

Corpus analysis

Artificial language learning

Iterated learning

Scholarships/awards

June 2017 University of Edinburgh, PPLS-Gray Publication Prize for manuscript "Cues to

deception may be deceptive: Speaker and listener behavior in an interactive lying

game"

Sept 2014 - Aug 2017 University of Edinburgh, College of Humanites and Social Sciences PhD

studentship

October 2014 University of Edinburgh, PPLS Highly Commended Dissertation Award for MSc

dissertaton

Other research involvement

• Reviewer for XPRAG 2019 (8th Experimental Pragmatics Conference)

• Reviewer for CogSci 2019 (41st Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society)

• Many Labs 5—ongoing multi-lab replication study of Crosby, Monin & Richardson (2008) as part of a larger project to improve research reproducibility. Our replication also looks into integrating a standardised experiment script with different eye-trackers across labs.