

Joseph Class

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Education

PHD | EXPECTED JUNE 2026 | UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

- Department: Linguistics
 - MA Thesis: *Case Discrimination and Selective Opacity*
 - Committee: Stefan Keine (chair), Anoop Mahajan, Ethan Poole
- GPA: 4.0

BA | MAY 2021 | YALE UNIVERSITY

- Major: Linguistics
 - Senior Thesis: *Topics in Tlingit Ergativity*
 - Advisor: Jim Wood
- GPA: 3.91
- Activities: Yale Daily News, Quiz Bowl

Research Experience

TLINGIT RESEARCH GROUP | MEMBER | JAN 2022-MAY 2022

- Worked with James Crippen and Rose-Marie Déchaine to prepare materials for Tlingit language research
- Created elicitation plans in preparation for a two week summer fieldwork trip to the Canadian village of Teslin

ICELANDIC NOMINALIZATIONS | RESEARCH ASSISTANT | MAY 2020-JUL 2020

- Read relevant literature to inform theory for Jim Wood's manuscript on Icelandic nominalizations
- Read in-depth about the syntactic encoding of gender and the interaction between plurality and telicity in nominals
- Summarized readings for Professor Wood on a weekly basis and answered follow-up questions

KINYARWANDA FIELD RESEARCH | MEMBER | JAN 2020-APR 2020

- Conducted field research on Kinyarwanda language as part of Yale's undergraduate linguistic field methods course
- Participated in weekly elicitation sessions with a native speaker of Kinyarwanda
- Used data to write manuscript on direct objects and verbal object agreement

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND CHILD LANGUAGE LAB | RESEARCH ASSISTANT | MAY 2019-JUL 2019

- Performed outreach and administrative duties for Jeff Lidz and Tara Mease's Child Language Lab
- Helped to conduct graduate and undergraduate studies investigating infant acquisition of syntactic categories and filler-gap dependencies
- Tracked eye movement data for study looking at infant acquisition of the term *each*

Work Experience

YALE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY | FRONTLINE SERVICES | JAN 2019-MAY 2021

- Provided information to patrons at library front desk
- Helped patrons locate and check out books
- Handled reservations for media equipment

Teaching Experience

LING 20 | TEACHING ASSISTANT | JAN 2023 – PRES

- Current teaching assistant for LING 20 during 2023 Winter Quarter

LING 1 | TEACHING ASSISTANT | AUG 2022 – DEC 2022

- Served as a teaching assistant for LING 1 during 2022 Summer Session C and 2022 Fall Quarter

Publications

Class, Joseph. 2021. "Causee Case in Gipuzkoan Basque." *Proceedings of the 44th Annual Penn Linguistics Conference*, vol. 27, no. 1.

Conference Posters

"Reanalyzing Agreement and Incorporation Restrictions in Southern Tiwa: Interaction/Satisfaction meets Gluttony." *GLOW 46*. April 11 – April 15, 2023, Vienna. (Upcoming)

"Causee Case in Gipuzkoan Basque: Evidence for a Split Case Assignment Mechanism." *44th Annual Penn Linguistics Conference*. March 27 – March 29, 2020 (Remote)