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Research Positions

2019–2021 Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellow, Humanities Lab, Lund University, Sweden

2017–2019 Postdoctoral Researcher, Sign Language Research Lab, University of Haifa, Israel

Education

Ph.D. in Linguistics, The University of Texas at Austin, 2017.

M.A. Applied Linguistics, Boston University, 2011.

B.A. Philosophy and Religion, New College of Florida, 2006

Grants

2012–2013 The Hans Rausing Endangered Languages Project, School of Oriental and African

Studies, University of London. Co-Principal Investigator. Project title: Investigating an undocumented sign language in a Chatino speech/sign community.

Co-Principal Investigator: Lynn Hou, UT Austin. (£9,997)

Publications

Under Review Cooperrider, K. & Mesh, K. Pointing in gesture and sign: One tool, many uses.

In Press Mesh, K. & Hou, L. Negation in San Juan Quiahije Chatino Sign Language: The

Integration and Adaptation of Negative Emblems. GESTURE.

Nonaka, A., Mesh, K. & Sagara, K. Signed Names in Japanese Sign Language:

Linguistic and Cultural Analyses. Sign Language Studies: 16:1

Mesh, K. What the deaf can do, the hearing can, too: Performance in an ASL

boundary perception task. LSA Annual Meeting Extended Abstracts.

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Digital Products

| 2018 | Mesh, K. "Gesture, Speech and Sign in Chatino Communities.' <i>The Endangered Languages Archive at SOAS, London.</i> Public access. https://elar.soas.ac.uk/, #0459 |
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| 2018 | Hou, L. & Mesh, K. "Documenting Chatino Sign Language." <i>The Endangered Languages Archive at SOAS, London.</i> Public access.https://elar.soas.ac.uk/, #0355 |
| 2017 | Mesh, K."Local environment interview data for the dissertation, Points of Comparison" Texas Data Repository Dataverse, V1. doi:10.18738/T8/PJXZJI |

Invited Talks

| 2019 | Bar Ilan University Linguistics Department Colloquium University of Haifa Hebrew Department Colloquium |
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| | University of Göttingen LinG Workshop on Sign Languages |
| 2018 | Dartmouth College Linguistics Department Colloquium Tel Aviv University Linguistics Department Colloquium |
| 2017 | The Origins of Language Workshop, Harvard University. |
| 2016 | Specialist Meeting on Universals and Variation in Spatial Referencing across Cultures and Languages, University of California, Santa Barbara |
| 2015 | Emerging Sign Languages & The Big Picture Workshop, Tufts University [Co-speaker: L. Hou.] |

Teaching

| 2016 | Introduction to the Study of Language. Instructor of Record. UT Austin. |
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| 2014 | Introduction to the Study of Language; Signed Languages and Signing Communities. Teaching Assistant to Dr. David Quinto-Pozos. UT Austin |
| 2013 | Production and Perception of Speech Sounds. Teaching Assistant to Dr. Rajka Smiljanic. UT Austin. |

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Selected Conference Activity

| 2019 | Mesh, K. "Open Description Impacts Documentation: A Case Study from San Juan Quiahije Chatino." Paper presentation at the 2019 Meeting of the Society for the Study of Indigenous Langauges of the Americas. New York, NY. January 3–7. |
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| 2018 | Mesh, K. "Points of Comparison: What Pointing Gestures tell us About the origins of Signs in Chatino Sign Language." Paper presentation at the 8th conference of the International Society for Gesture Studies. Cape Town, South Africa, July 4–8. |
| 2018 | Hou, L., & Mesh, K. "Gestural foundations of an Emerging Language." Paper presentation at the 2018 Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). Austin, TX. Feb. 16. |
| 2017 | Mesh, K. "This Uphill: How Manual Gestures Supplement Fixed Bearing Descriptions in San Juan Quiahije Chatino." Paper presentation at the 91st Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting. Austin, TX. January 5–8. |
| 2016 | Mesh, K. "One Emblem in Two Types of Talk: How Speakers and Signers use the 'Go' Gesture in a Chatino Community." Paper presentation at the 7th conference of the International Society for Gesture Studies. Paris, France, July 18–23. |