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Academic Employment

- 2025- Assistant Professor of Spanish Linguistics, Georgetown University.
Department of Spanish and Portuguese
- 2024-25 Assistant Professor of Spanish Linguistics, California State University, Fullerton.
Department of Modern Languages and Literatures

Education

- 2024 Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.
Dissertation: *The Grammar of Individuation, Number & Measurement*.
Co-chairs: Roumyana Pancheva & Alexis Wellwood.
- 2020 M.A. in Linguistics, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2018 M.A. in World Languages, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV.
- 2016 B.A. in English, Universidad de Valladolid, *with honors*, Valladolid, Spain.

Grants & Awards

External grants

- 2023-25 NSF DDRIG, Co-PI: *The grammar of number, countability and measurement*; with Roumyana Pancheva, Co-PI (UCSC), and Alexis Wellwood, PI (USC), BCS 2315167)

USC

- 2022 Graduate School Summer Research & Writing Grant, Dornsife College
- 2022 General Education Graduate Assistant Award, GE Program, Dornsife College

Publications

* = 'equal contribution'

Journal articles

- In press **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.** Accommodating number neutrality in Alasha Mongolian: Markedness and semantic interpretation. *Journal of Semantics*.
- In press Little, Carol-Rose* & **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.***. Microvariation in the grammar of comparison and measurement in Ch'ol. *International Journal of American Linguistics*.
- 2024 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.** Superlatives, partitives and apparent ϕ -feature mismatch in Spanish. *Isogloss* 10: 1-33.
- 2023 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.** There is only one *más*: Spanish *que/de* comparative alternation. *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory* 42: 701-765.

- 2023 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. The syntax of individuating and measuring pseudo-partitives in Alasha Mongolian. *Journal of East Asian Linguistics* 32: 551-593 .
- 2021 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. Revisiting extraction and subextraction patterns from arguments. *Linguistic Variation* 22: 113-207.
- 2020 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. The semantics of Spanish compounding: an analysis of NN compounds in the Parallel Architecture. *Glossa* 5: 1-31.

Manuscripts under review

- Submitted **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. *Jewelry's* missing "jewel": containment, doublets and gaps as probes into countability and the count-mass distinction.
- Submitted **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**.(Im)possible determiners.

Conference proceedings (refereed abstract)

- 2024 Davis, Colin* & **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.***. The significance of parasitic gap licensing by pronominal cliticization in Spanish. In Lu J., et al. eds., *West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL)* 40: 72-82.
- 2022 Cleani, Antonio* & **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.***. Debunking Multiform Dimensionality: *many*, *tant*-PL, & morpho-syntactic opacity. In Starr, J., et al. eds., *Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT)* 32: 705-726.
- 2022 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. A seeming violation to the Monotonicity Constraint in Spanish verbal comparatives. In Gutzmann, D. & Repp, S. eds., *Sinn und Bedeutung* 26: 845-864.
- 2022 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. The syntax and semantics of Spanish comparatives. In Kim, S. et al. eds. *Chicago Linguistic Society (CLS)* 56: 451-462.

Presentations

Invited talks

- 2024 "The *jewelry* puzzle: containment, competition and gaps". *USC S-Side Story*.
- 2024 "Non-canonical measurement in verbal comparatives: implications for the morpho-syntax of directed-motion". *Workshop on Morphology at Princeton*.
- 2023 "Nominal number: markedness and semantic interpretation". *UCSC S-Circle*.
- 2022 "Animating number neutrality". *Universidad Autónoma de Buenos Aires*.
- 2022 "The syntax and semantics of number neutral NPs in Alasha Mongolian". *UCLA syn/sem*.

Contributed (refereed abstracts)

- 2025 "Doublets and gaps as probes into nominal architecture: the case of object mass nouns", *GLOW* 47, University of Gottingen.
- 2025 "When your associates tag along: Associative plurality in Rural Iberian Spanish names", *WCCFL* 43, University of Washington [with Elango Kumaran].
- 2025 "When your associates tag along: Associative plurality in Rural Iberian Spanish names", *Non-bare Proper Names II*, Colegio de México [with Elango Kumaran].
- 2022 "Degree constructions in Ch'ol", *SULA* 12, University of Ottawa [with Carol-Rose Little].
- 2022 "Debunking Multiform Dimensionality: *many*, *tant*-PL, & morpho-syntactic opacity", *SALT* 32, UNAM [with Antonio Cleani].

- 2022 “The significance of parasitic gap licensing by pronominal cliticization in Spanish”, *WC-CFL 40*, Stanford University [with Colin Davis].
- 2022 “The interaction of clitic pronouns and parasitic gaps in a variety of Spanish”, *CLS 58*, University of Chicago [with Colin Davis].
- 2022 “Uniform Dimensionality across the board: many oranges & morpho-syntactic opacity”, *GLOW 45*, Queen Mary University, London [with Antonio Cleani].
- 2022 “Measure Phrases, superlatives and φ -feature mismatch in Spanish”, *LSRL 52*, University of Wisconsin, Madison .
- 2022 “Clitic pronouns and Parasitic Gaps in Spanish: Evidence for composite A/A-bar movement”, *LSA 96*, Washington DC [with Colin Davis].
- 2021 “Spanish *más* differs from *tanto* and English *more*: a puzzle for the Monotonicity Constraint”, *Sensus 2*, University of Massachusetts, Amherst [Poster].
- 2021 “A seeming violation to the Monotonicity Constraint: evidence from Spanish verbal comparatives”, *Sinn und Bedeutung 26*, University of Cologne.
- 2021 “Does *run more* mean “run faster”? (Non-)monotonicity in Spanish verbal comparatives”, *4th California Meeting on Psycholinguistics*, University of California, Irvine.
- 2021 “Can *correr más* mean “run faster”? (Non-)monotonicity in Spanish verbal comparatives”, *DUCOG 12: Linguistic & Cognitive Foundations of Meaning*.
- 2021 “What Antilocality and the Principle of Minimal Compliance tell us about extraction and subextraction”, *LSA 95* [Poster].
- 2020 “The syntax and semantics of Spanish comparatives: a uniform account”, *LSRL 50*, University of Texas, Austin.
- 2020 “The syntax and semantics of Spanish comparatives”, *CLS 56*, University of Chicago .
- 2017 “Is this an ice house or a house of ice? Production, judgment and interpretation of English NN compounds in L1 Spanish L2 English adults”, *KFLC 70*, University of Kentucky.

Teaching

Georgetown University

FALL 2025	<i>Intermediate Spanish I</i> (Span 1521)	(undergraduate)
FALL 2025	<i>Generative Syntax I</i> (Span/Ling 5257)	(graduate)

CSU, Fullerton

SPR 2025	<i>Spanish for Spanish Speakers</i> (Span 202)	(undergraduate)
SPR 2025	<i>Advanced Writing</i> (Span 400)	(undergraduate)
FALL 2024	<i>Spanish Morphology and Syntax</i> (Span 467)	(undergraduate)
FALL 2024	<i>Historical Linguistics</i> (Span 530)	(graduate seminar)

North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information

SUM 2025	<i>The Many Faces of Number.</i>	(with Roumyana Pancheva)
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The New York-St. Petersburg Institute of Linguistics

SUM 2022	<i>Introduction to Formal Semantics.</i>	(with Rajesh Bhatt & Roumyana Pancheva)
WIN 2022	<i>Introduction to Formal Semantics.</i>	(with Rajesh Bhatt & Roumyana Pancheva)

USC

2023-2024	TA for <i>Language and Society</i>	(Instructors: Andrew Simpson, Mary Washburn)
2020-2022	TA for <i>Introduction to Linguistics</i>	(Instructor: Sandra Disner, Deniz Rudin)
SPR 2020	TA for <i>Language and Mind</i>	(Instructors: Stephanie Shih & Deniz Rudin)
FALL 2019	TA for <i>Language and Society</i>	(Instructor: Andrew Simpson)

Academic Service

To the profession (refereeing)

- 2024 *Linguistic Inquiry, Glossa*, Glow47, PLC49.
- 2023 *Isogloss*, PLC48.
- 2022 *Glow46, Glossa*.
- 2021 *International Journal of Chinese Linguistics*.

To the department (CSU, Fullerton)

- 2025- Member, Spanish Language Courses (ad hoc) Committee.
- 2024- Member, Outreach Committee.

To the department (USC)

- 2020-2022 Organizer of USC Syntax+/S-Side Story.
- SPR 2020-22 Student representative in Job Search Committee (Tenure track, Syntax x2, Psycholinguistics).

Languages

- I speak Spanish (native), English (almost native), French (intermediate), German (basic)
- Have worked Spanish, English, German, Norwegian, Alasha Mongolian, Ch'ol
- Fieldwork Alasha Mongolian (Mongolic): USC (ongoing since 2022); Ch'ol (Mayan): Chiapas (2022)

Others

R (basic), ELAN (basic), Praat (basic), CHAT (Training and management)