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## Academic Employment

- 2025- Assistant Professor of Spanish Linguistics, Georgetown University.  
Department of Spanish & Portuguese
- 2024-25 Assistant Professor of Spanish Linguistics, California State University, Fullerton.  
Department of Modern Languages & 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**
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- 2022 Graduate School Summer Research & Writing Grant, Dornsife College
- 2022 General Education Graduate Assistant Award, GE Program, Dornsife College

## Publications \* = 'equal contribution'

### Journal articles

- 2026 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. Jewelry's missing "jewel": containment, doublets and gaps as probes into countability and the count-mass distinction. *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory* 44: 1-61.
- 2026 Little, Carol-Rose\* & **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.\***. Microvariation in the grammar of comparison and measurement in Ch'ol. *International Journal of American Linguistics*.
- 2025 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. Accommodating number neutrality in Alasha Mongolian: Markedness and semantic interpretation. *Journal of Semantics* (Online first).
- 2024 **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.**. Superlatives, partitives and apparent  $\varphi$ -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.

### **Conference proceedings (refereed abstract)**

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- Submitted Kumaran, Elango\* & **Toquero-Pérez, L.M.\***. When your associates tag along: Associative plurality in Rural Iberian Spanish proper first names. In *West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL) 43*.
- 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.

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## Presentations

### **Invited talks**

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- 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)**

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- 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  $\varphi$ -feature mismatch in Spanish”, *LSRL 52*, University of Wisconsin, Madison .
- 2022 “Ctic 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”, *4<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## Teaching

### **Georgetown University**

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|-----------|---|-----------------|
| SPR 2026  | <i>Structure of Spanish Language</i> (Span 4522)  | (undergraduate) |
| SPR 2026  | <i>Syntax II</i> (Ling 6128/ Span 5258)           | (graduate)      |
| FALL 2025 | <i>Intermediate Spanish I</i> (Span 1521)         | (undergraduate) |
| FALL 2025 | <i>Generative Syntax I</i> (Ling 5127/ Span 5257) | (graduate)      |

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### **CSU, Fullerton**

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| 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) |

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### **North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information**

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

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

(with Rajesh Bhatt & Roumyana Pancheva)

## **USC**

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2023-2024 TA for *Language and Society*

(Instructors: Andrew Simpson, Mary Washburn)

2020-2022 TA for *Introduction to Linguistics*

(Instructor: Sandra Disner, Deniz Rudin)

SPR 2020 TA for *Language and Mind*

(Instructors: Stephanie Shih & Deniz Rudin)

FALL 2019 TA for *Language and Society*

(Instructor: Andrew Simpson)

## **Academic Service**

### **To the profession (positions)**

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2025 Associate Editor for *Linguistic Variation*.

### **To the profession (refereeing)**

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2025 Glow48, PLC50.

2024 *Linguistic Inquiry*, *Glossa*, Glow47, PLC49.

2023 *Isogloss*, PLC48.

2022 Glow46, *Glossa*.

2021 *International Journal of Chinese Linguistics*.

### **To the university (Georgetown University)**

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2025 Internal Reviewer for GU's Annual & Summer Research Grant Program.

### **To the department (Spanish & Portuguese, Georgetown University)**

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2025 Member, Job Market Preparation Committee.

### **To the department (Modern Languages & Literatures, CSUF)**

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

2024-25 Member, Outreach Committee.

## **Others**

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