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#### **EDUCATION**

### University of California, San Diego

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Ph.D. in Linguistics and Computational Social Science

## University of Hawaii at Mānoa

2017

M.A. in Linguistics

**Waseda University** 

2015

B.A. in International Liberal Studies

Study abroad: Stony Brook University (2012-2013)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] Bale, A., **Takahashi, M.**, Noguchi, H., Rolland, M., and Barner, D. (under review). Competence by Default: Do listeners assume that speakers are knowledgeable when computing conversational inferences?
- [2] **Takahashi, M.**, Barner, D., and Bale, A. (under review). Online measures of human pragmatic reasoning.
- [3] **Takahashi, M.** and Goodall, G. (to appear). Island sensitivity with relativization in Japanese: The case of double relatives. *Proceedings from the 57th annual meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society*.
- [4] Deen, K. U., Bondoc, I., Camp, A., Estioca, S., Hwang, H., Shin, G-H., Takahashi, M., Zenker, F., and Zhong, J. C. (2018). Repetition Brings Success: Revealing Knowledge of the Passive Voice. Proceedings of the 42nd annual Boston University Conference on Language Development, 200–213.
- [5] **Takahashi, M.** (2018). Intransitive Sentences with Floating Quantifiers in Child Japanese. Selected papers from the twenty-first college-wide conference for students in languages, linguistics and literature, 105–115.
- [6] **Takahashi, M.** (2015). Verb Restructuring and Event Argument. *Journal of the Japan Association of Teaching Language and Culture*. 10, 4–19.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

Arnett, C., and **Takahashi**, M. (2022). Creating a Baseline to Evaluate Correlations Between Language and Environment. Poster Presentation, Machine Learning and the Evolution of Language (ml4evolang), Virtual. (September 5)

**Takahashi, M.**, Barner, D., Cousins, A., and Bale, A. (2022). Sensitivity to speaker knowledge in online tests of scalar implicature. Poster Presentation, 2nd Experiments in Linguistic Meaning Conference (ELM 2), Virtual. (May 18-20)

Bale, A., Barner, D., **Takahashi, M.**, Noguchi, H. and Rolland, M. (2022). A path to ignorance: The default computation of Scalar Implicatures. Poster Presentation, 2nd Experiments in Linguistic Meaning Conference (ELM 2), Virtual. (May 18-20)

**Takahashi, M.**, and Goodall, G. (2022). Do islands care about the direction of the dependency? Poster Presentation, 58th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society (CLS 58), Chicago, IL. (April 22-24)

**Takahashi, M.**, Barner, D., and Cousins, A. (2021). The effect of experimentally proffered alternatives on the presupposition of 'only.' Poster Presentation, Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing (AMLaP), Virtual. (September 2-4)

**Takahashi, M.**, and Goodall, G. (2021). Gap-filler dependencies are sensitive to islands: The case of Japanese relative clauses. 34th CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing (CUNY 34), Virtual. (March 4-6)

**Takahashi, M.** (2017). Intransitive Sentences with Floating Quantifiers in Child Japanese. 21st Annual Graduate Student Conference, College of Languages, Linguistics and Literature (LLL 21), Honolulu, HI. (April 22)

**Takahashi, M.** (2016). Verb Restructuring and Event Argument. 20th Annual Graduate Student Conference, College of Languages, Linguistics and Literature (LLL 20), Honolulu, HI. (April 23)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE	First and Second Language Learning (LIGN119), UCSD	Winter 2022, 2023	
	Introduction to Human Developmental Sciences (HDS1), UCSD	Fall 2021, 2022	
	Pre-Fall English Bridge Program, Teaching+Learning Commons	Summer 2020, 2021	
	Second-Year Japanese I (JAPN20A), UCSD	Summer 2021	
	Language Development (HDS120), UCSD	Spring 2021, 2022	
	First-Year Japanese II (JAPN10B), UCSD	Winter 2021	
	First-Year Japanese I (JAPN10A), UCSD	Fall 2020	
	First-Year Japanese III (JAPN10C), UCSD	Spring 2020	
	Introduction to the Study of Language (LIGN101), UCSD	Winter 2020	
	The Linguistics of Invented Languages (LIGN5), UCSD	Fall 2019	
	Introduction to Linguistic Thought (LING200), UW	Winter 2019	
	Syntax (CO 310), Waseda	Spring 2015	
	Elementary Japanese (JPN111), SBU	Spring 2013	
	Intermediate Japanese (JPN211), SBU	Fall 2012	
INVITED TALKS	Theories of Language Acquisition. HDS 120, UCSD	2021, 2022	
AND GUEST	Language Development. LIGN 101, UCSD	2020	
Lectures	Japan: Challenges and Opportunities. Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, UCSD Extention 2020		
	Theories of Language Acquisition. LING 200, UW	2019	
AWARDS	Linguistics Department Travel Award, UCSD (\$460)	2022	
	Linguistics Department TA Excellence Award, UCSD	2020	
	Paula Menyuk Travel Award, BUCLD (\$350)	2017	
	Named and Endowed Scholarship, East-West Center (\$5,600)	2016	
	Okuma Memorial Special Scholarship, Waseda University (full tuition waiver)	2011–2015	
Industry	Linguistic Engineer Intern, Meta	6/2022-9/2022	
	Japanese Linguist, Summa Linguae Technologies	5/2017-9/2018	
RESEARCH	Experimental Syntax Lab, UCSD	2019–present	
Affiliation	PI: Grant Goodall, Department of Linguistics		
	Language and Development Lab, UCSD  Pl. David Barner, Department of Psychology	2019–present	
	PI: David Barner, Department of Psychology	2010 2010	
	Language Development and Processing Lab, UW PI: Marina Oganyan and Richard Wright, Department of Linguistics	2018–2019	
	11. Marina Oganyan and Menara Wilgin, Department of Linguistics		

Second Language Acquisition and Bilingualism Lab, UH Mānoa	2016-2017
PI: Amy Schafer, Department of Linguistics	
Theres Grüter, Department of Second Language Studies	

SERVICE	Graduate Student Head, UCSD Linguistics	2022-present
	Board Member, Teachers of Japanese in Southern California	2021-present
	Graduate Mentor, UCSD Summer Training Academy for Research Success	2020
	Student Affiliate, East-West Center	2015-2017

SKILLS Languages Japanese (native), English (proficient), Italian (intermediate)

San Juan Piñas Mixtec (fieldwork)

Code Languages: Python, R

NLP libraries: spaCy, NLTK (coursework)

Machine learning libraries: scikit-learn, PyTorch

Databases: MySQL, Firebase

**Certificates** IBM Data Science Professional Certificate

CELTA (Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages)