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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Syntax-semantic interface, Uto-Aztecan, O'dam (Southeastern Tepehuan), field linguistics, argumenthood, lexical semantics, agreement, language change

CURRENT POSITION

2024 **Lecturer** in the Department of Linguistics at Boston University.

2024 **Lab Manager** Structures of Understudied Language Lab (SULa) at Boston University.

In my capacity as Lab Manager, I organize weekly meetings and other lab events, invite speakers, and act as a mentor for anyone in the department interested in fieldwork or currently undertaking it.

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2023 **Visiting Scholar** in the Department of Linguistics at the University of Texas at Austin.

EDUCATION

2015-2023 **Ph.D** in Linguistics. The University of Texas at Austin. Doctoral Thesis: *Arguments and Adjuncts in O'dam: Language-specific realization of a cross-linguistic distinction*. Supervisor: John Beavers

2013 **BA** with highest honors majoring in Anthropology Oberlin College
Honor's Thesis: *Reconsidering the Puebloan Languages in a Southwest Areal Context* with external reader Brian D. Joseph of The Ohio State University

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

In progress Everdell, Michael. The thematic hierarchy of applicativization. Manuscript. Boston University.

In progress Everdell, Michael & Gabriela García Salido. On Common Experience and its source in discourse genre: reevaluating two evidentials in O'dam. Manuscript. Boston University and UNAM.

Under review Bowler, Margit, Emily Hanink, J. Hopperdietzel, Andrew Koontz-Garboden, Colin Bannard, Michael Everdell, Itamar Francez, Kyle Jerro, Elise LeBovidge & Stephen Nichols. Verbhood and state/change-of-state lability across languages. *Glossa: a journal of general linguistics*.

- 2022 Everdell, Michael & Gabriela García Salido. Los aplicativos en tepehuano del sureste (o'dam) y tepehuano del suroeste (audam). *Cuadernos de Lingüística de El Colegio de México* 9. 1-64.
- 2021 Beavers, John, Michael Everdell, Kyle Jerro, Henri Kauhanen, Andrew Koontz-Garboden, Elise LeBovidge, and Stephen Nichols. States and Changes of State: A Cross-linguistic Study of the Roots of Verbal Meaning. *Language* 97(3): 439-484.
- 2021 García Salido, Gabriela, Inocencia Arellano & Michael Everdell. Southeastern Tepehuan. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 87(Suppl. 1): S159-S168.
- 2020 García Salido, Gabriela & Michael Everdell. Southern Tepehuan (Durango and Narayit, Mexico) - Language Snapshot. *Language Documentation and Description* 19: 87-98.
- 2020 Haugen, Jason, Michael Everdell & Benjamin Kuperman. Uto-Aztecan Lexicostatistics 2.0. *International Journal of American Linguistics*. 86(1): 1-30.
- 2019 García Salido, Gabriela & Michael Everdell. Suplección en tepehuano del sureste (o'dam). *El fenómeno de suplección en lenguas yutoaztecas sureñas. Lingüística Mexicana. Nueva Época* 1(2):81-102.
- 2015 Haugen, Jason D. & Michael Everdell. 'To Kill' and 'To Die' (and Other Suppletive Verbs) in Uto-Aztecan. *Language Dynamics and Change* 5(22): 227-281.

BOOK CHAPTERS, CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS PAPERS, AND WORKING PAPERS

- 2022 Everdell, Michael & Gabriela García Salido. Existential Negation in O'dam. In Ljuba Veselinova & Arja Hamari (eds.). *The Negative Existential Cycle*. Language Science Press. 493-530
- 2021 Everdell, Michael and Paul B. Melchin. Control the sentence, subordinate the pronoun: on the status of controlled versus non-controlled complement clauses in O'dam. In G. de la Cruz Sanchez, R. Walter Smith, L. Irizarry, T. Ni & H. Harley (eds.) *WCCFL Proceedings*. Cascadilla Press Proceedings Project, Somerville, MA.
- 2021 Everdell, Michael, Melchin, Paul B., Asudeh, Ash, & Siddiqi, Daniel. 2021. Beyond c-structure and f-structure: On the argument-adjunct distinction in O'dam. In Butt, Miriam, Findlay, Jamie Y., & Toivonen, Ida (Eds.), *Proceedings of the LFG'21 Conference, On-Line*, 125–145. Stanford, CA: CSLI Publications.
- 2018 Cooley, Frances, Michael Everdell, Hammal Al Bulushi, Ambrocio Gutierrez Lorenzo, Lorena Orjuela, and Santiago David Gualapuro Gualapuro. *Proceedings of the 17th Texas Linguistic Society*.

- 2017 Hannah Foster, Michael Everdell, Katie Bradford, Lorena Orjuela, Frances Cooley, Hammal Al Bulushi & Ambrocio Gutierrez Lorenzo. *Texas Linguistics Forum Vol. 60 Proceedings of the 25th Annual Symposium About Language and Society-Austin*.
- 2017 Beavers, John, Michael Everdell, Kyle Jerro, Henri Kauhanen, Andrew Koontz-Garboden, Elise LeBovidge, and Stephen Nichols. Two types of states: A cross-linguistic study of change-of-state verb roots. *Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America* 38: 1-15.

INVITED TALKS

- 2024 Everdell, Michael. Towards a generalized theory of applicativization in *i**. Yale Syntax Reading Group (SynRG). Yale University Linguistics Department. April 4, 2024.
- 2023 Everdell, Michael. A thematic hierarchy of applicativization: possible implications for a broader theory the phenomenon. UMass Amherst Syntax Workshop. The University of Massachusetts Amherst Linguistics Department. December 8, 2023.
- 2023 Everdell, Michael. Las propiedades sintácticas de argumentos y adjuntos en la lengua o'dam. El Centro de Estudios Antropológicos, el Seminario de Lenguas Indígenas, y el Posgrado en Estudios Mesoamericanos, UNAM, Mexico City. November 28, 2023.
- 2023 Everdell, Michael and Gabriela García Salido. La función y el comportamiento de los evidenciales en o'dam. Presented at the V Coloquio de Lingüística Mauricio Swadesh, 20-22 septiembre.
- 2023 Garcia Salido, Gabriela and Michael Everdell. Evidentiality as the source of discourse-genre: Evidence from O'dam (Durango, Mexico). University of California, Berkeley. March 15, 2023.
- 2021 Asudeh, Ash, Michael Everdell, Paul B. Melchin & Daniel Siddiqi. LrFG: Implementing realizational morphosyntax in a constraint-based framework. University of Edinburgh. June 8, 2021.
- 2019 Ruvalcaba, Christian & Michael Everdell. "I want others to know we exist...we matter!": Towards revitalizing the hibernating Ópatan languages of Sonora. Oberlin College. December 13, 2019.
- 2019 Ruvalcaba, Christian & Michael Everdell. "I want others to know we exist...we matter!": A preliminary report on the effort to revitalize the Ópatan languages. University of Arizona. December 8, 2019.
- 2019 Everdell, Michael & Kristin Denlinger. ¿Cómo se cuentan los estados? *Seminario Permanente de Análisis de Textos*. UNAM. September 11, 2019.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 Everdell, Michael and Gabriela García Salido. La función y el comportamiento de los evidenciales en o'dam. Paper presented at *V Coloquio de Lingüística Maruicio Swadesh: Avances en el estudio de tiempo, aspecto, modo y evidencialidad en lenguas originarias (de México) y áreas vecinas*. Lingüística del Instituto de Investigaciones Antropológicas of the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, September 20-22, 2023
- 2022 Everdell, Michael and Gabriela García Salido. Evidenciales y sus características secundarias en O'dam. Paper presented at *The 2022 Friends of Uto-Aztecan Conference/Taller de los amigos de las lenguas yutoaztecas (FUAC/TALY)*. Universidad de Colima Facultad de Letras y Comunicación, October 26-28, 2022.
- 2022 Everdell, Michael. Algunas reflexiones sobre la función de los aplicativos en proto-tepimana. Paper presented at *The 2022 Friends of Uto-Aztecan Conference/Taller de los amigos de las lenguas yutoaztecas (FUAC/TALY)*. Universidad de Colima Facultad de Letras y Comunicación, October 26-28, 2022.
- 2022 Bowler, Margit, Emily Hanink, J. Hopperdietzel, Andrew Koontz-Garboden, Colin Bannard, Michael Everdell, Itamar Francez, Kyle Jerro, Elise LeBovidge & Stephen Nichols. Verbhood and state/change-of-state lability across languages. Paper Presented at the *Change of State Verbs – Empirical and Theoretical Perspectives Workshop at The 44th annual meeting of the German Linguistics Society (DGfS 2022)*. Eberhard Karls Universität, Tübingen February 23-25, 2022.
- 2021 Everdell, Michael, Paul B. Melchin, Ash Asudeh & Daniel Siddiqi. Beyond c-structure and f-structure: On the argument-adjunct distinction in O'dam. Paper presented at *The 26th International Lexical-Functional Grammar Conference (LFG26)*. University of Oslo, July 13-16, 2021.
- 2021 Everdell, Michael & Gabriela García Salido. Los aplicativos en o'dam. Paper presented at *The 2021 Friends of Uto-Aztecan Conference/Taller de los amigos de las lenguas yutoaztecas (FUAC/TALY)*. The University of Texas at Austin, June 3-5, 2021.
- 2021 Everdell, Michael & Paul B. Melchin. O'dam has nominal and sentential clausal complements. Paper presented at the *The nominal approach to clausal complementation*. University of Patras, May 27, 2021.
- 2021 Everdell, Michael. Constituency in O'dam. Paper presented at the *Workshop on constituency, wordhood and the morphology-syntax distinction*. CNRS-DDL, April 28-May 3, 2021.
- 2021 Everdell, Michael & Paul B. Melchin. Control the sentence, subordinate the pronoun: on the status of controlled versus non-controlled complement clauses in O'dam. Poster presented at the *39th meeting of the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL39)*. University of Arizona, April 8-11, 2021.

- 2021 Ruvalcaba, Christian & Michael Everdell. Initiating a transnational, collaborative revitalization effort for the Ópatan languages. Paper presented at the *Symposium on American Indian Languages (SAIL)*. University of Arizona, April 9-10, 2021.
- 2021 Everdell, Michael. From Whence Arise Arguments? Argumenthood in O'dam. Poster presented at the *2021 SSILA Annual Meeting*. University of California, Berkeley. January 7-10, 2021.
- 2020 García Salido, Gabriela & Michael Everdell. La codificación de argumentos en construcciones aplicativas en o'dam y audam. *Seminario Diacronía, adposiciones y argumentos nucleares y oblicuos*. Universidad de Sonora. Noviembre 12-13, 2020.
- 2019 García Salido, Gabriela & Michael Everdell. Los aplicativos en tepehuano del sureste (o'dam) y tepehuano del suroeste (audam). *Ninth Conference on Indigenous Languages of Latin America*. University of Texas at Austin. Octubre 10-12, 2019.
- 2019 Everdell, Michael & Gabriela García Salido. Negación existencial en tepehuano del sureste (o'dam). *Taller de los amigos de las lenguas yutoaztecas 2019 Homenaje a Jane y Kenneth Hill*. Universidad Autónoma de Nayarit. June 27-29
- 2018 Tallman, Adam J.R., Dennis Wylie, Eric Adell, Natalia Bermudez, Gladys Camacho, Patience Epps, Michael Everdell, Ambrocio Gutierrez, Cristian Juarez, and Anthony C. Woodbury. Constituency and the morphology-syntax divide in the languages of the Americas: towards a distributional typology. *21st Annual Workshop on American Indigenous Languages*. University of California Santa Barbara. April 20-21.
- 2018 Everdell, Michael & Kristin Denlinger. A study of O'dam suppletion and category shift. Presentation at the Syntax of the World's Languages VII 2018, INALCO, September 3-5.
- 2017 Everdell, Michael. Reconstructing Basic Valency in Proto-Uto-Aztecan. Presentation at the Friends of Uto-Aztecan Conference 2017, Boise State University, October 20-21.
- 2017 Haugen, Jason D., Michael Everdell & Benjamin Kuperman. Uto-Aztecan Lexicostatistics 2.0. Presentation at the Friends of Uto-Aztecan Conference 2017, Boise State University, October 20-21.
- 2017 Everdell, Michael. Basic Valence Orientation and Uto-Aztecan. Presentation at the Linguistic Association of the Southwest, 46th Annual Meeting, Las Cruces, NM, October 5-7.

- 2017 Everdell, Michael. A Quantitative Analysis of Morphological Features of the Greater Southwest. Presentation at the Workshop on Diachronic morphology: Theoretical, areal, and phylogenetic perspectives, University of Zurich, January 26-27.
- 2017 Haugen, Jason D. and Michael Everdell. Arealty and Suppletion. Presentation at the Workshop on Diachronic morphology: Theoretical, areal, and phylogenetic perspectives, University of Zurich, January 26-27.
- 2017 Beavers, John, Michael Everdell, Henri Kauhanen, Andrew Koontz-Garboden, Elise LeBovidge & Stephen Nichols. Two Types of States: A Cross-linguistic Study of Change of State Verb Roots. Presentation at the LSA 2017 Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, January 5-8.
- 2016 Haugen, Jason D., Michael Everdell, & Benjamin A. Kuperman. Bayesian Phylogenetic Classification of the Uto-Aztecan Languages Using Lexical Data?. Presentation at 13th Annual MLK Day Linguistics Symposium, The Ohio State University, OH, January 15-16.
- 2015 Haugen, Jason D., Michael Everdell, & Benjamin A. Kuperman. A New Approach to Uto-Aztecan Lexicostatistics? Presentation at Workshop on American Indigenous Languages, University of California Santa Barbara, May 7-8, Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2013 Haugen, Jason D. & Michael Everdell. ‘To Kill’ and ‘To Die’ (and Other Suppletive Verbs) in Uto-Aztecan, 87th Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, January 3-6, Boston, MA.
- 2012 Everdell, Michael. ‘To Kill’ and ‘To Die’ (and Other Suppletive Verbs) in Uto-Aztecan, Presented at the Oberlin Symposium on Language and Linguistics. Oberlin, OH.

INVITED COMMENTATOR

- 2024 Primer Taller de Géneros Discursivos en Lenguas Nacionales. Workshop held at the Centro Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, Durango. Durango, Mexico June 20-21.

Grants and Fellowships

- 2020-2021 Continuing Fellowship. The University of Texas at Austin.
- 2020 Argument Realization and (Non-)agreement in Odam. Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation. John Beavers (PI) and Michael Everdell (Co-PI). \$14,522.
- 2019 Agreement and Argument Realization in O’dam. Individual Grant, Jacobs Research Fund. Michael Everdell (PI). \$3,000

- 2019 Agreement and Argument Realization in O'dam. E.D. Farmer International Fellowship, Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, UT Austin. Michael Everdell (PI). \$2,718
- 2019 Carlota S. Smith Memorial Fellowship. Department of Linguistics, UT Austin. \$600
- 2017 Carlota S. Smith Memorial Fellowship. Department of Linguistics, UT Austin. \$1,753
- 2017 Joel Sherzer Research Grant. The Center for Indigenous Languages of Latin America, Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, UT Austin. \$500
- 2016-2020 Spring Graduate School Fellowship. Graduate School, UT Austin. \$5,000 (yearly)

RESEARCH POSITIONS

- 2021-2023 **Research Assistant:** Análisis de la cláusula compleja en dos lenguas sureñas de la familia yutoazteca: o'dam y audam (IN402621). The Programa de Apoyo a Proyectos de Investigación e Innovación Tecnológica de la Dirección General de Asuntos del Personal Académico de la Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (PAPIIT-DGAPA-UNAM). Gabriela García Salido (PI).
- 2019-2020 **Research Assistant** Análisis y revisión de la cláusula simple en dos lenguas sureñas de la familia yutoazteca. o'dam y audam (UNAM IA401619). The Programa de Apoyo a Proyectos de Investigación e Innovación Tecnológica de la Dirección General de Asuntos del Personal Académico de la Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (PAPIIT-DGAPA-UNAM). Gabriela García Salido (PI).
- 2017-2018 **Research Assistant** Estudio gramatical del tepehuano del sur. Comparación entre el o'dam y el au'dam de Durango (UNAM IA401417). The Programa de Apoyo a Proyectos de Investigación e Innovación Tecnológica de la Dirección General de Asuntos del Personal Académico de la Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (PAPIIT-DGAPA-UNAM). Gabriela García Salido (PI).
- 2014-2016 **Research Assistant,** The University of Texas at Austin
NSF Grant: *The Meaning of Verbal Roots Across Languages*. National Science Foundation Grant BCS-1451765. John Beavers (PI) and Andrew Koontz-Garboden (Co-PI).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2024 **Lecturer,** Boston University, Lexical Semantics (Fall)
Historical and Comparative Linguistics. (Spring)
Linguistic Field Methods. (Spring)

- 2023 **Co-Instructor**, The 2023 Linguistic Institute at The University of Massachusetts Amherst, Applicatives: their past, present, and future.
Co-taught with Neil Myler
- 2021 **Teaching Assistant**, The University of Texas at Austin, Ideas of the Twentieth Century (Fall).
Supervisor: Daniel Bonevac
- 2019-2020 **Assistant Instructor**, The University of Texas at Austin, Language Variation and Change. (Fall 2018, Summer 2020)
- 2018-2019 **Assistant Instructor**, The University of Texas at Austin, Introduction to the Study of Language (Spring 2018, Summer 2018, Spring 2019).
- 2016-2017 **Teaching Assistant**, The University of Texas at Austin, Phonetics: The Production and Perception of Speech Sounds.
Supervisor: Rajka Smiljanic
- Teaching Assistant**, The University of Texas at Austin, Language Variation and Change.
Supervisor: Patience Epps
- Teaching Assistant**, The University of Texas at Austin, Syntax and Semantics: The Structure of Meaning and Utterance.
Supervisor: Stephen Wechsler
- Teaching Assistant**, The University of Texas at Austin, Introduction to the Study of Language.
Supervisor: Tony Woodbury
- 2012 **Teaching Assistant**, Oberlin College, Fundamentals of Linguistics.
Supervisor: Jason D. Haugen

MENTORING

QP reader Danutham Worapipat (in progress, Boston University)

Licenciatura Committee Rodrigo Fregoso Garduño (in progress, Universidad Autónoma de México),
Roberto Balam Espinosa Morales (in progress, Universidad Autónoma de México)

In addition to my formal roles in mentoring, I have brought a number of students to their first fieldtrip and am currently mentoring two students as they decide what language they want to study and how to begin fieldwork.

Undergraduates funded under Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (BU)

UROP connects BU undergraduate students with funded, faculty-mentored research experiences. Students are expected to play a significant role in the research process.

Ethan Stoehr. 2nd year. *Why say more? Factors that influence overt argument realization in O'dam*. Funded Summer 2024.

Seung-Min Cho. 3rd year. *Machine Learning and nominal realization in a low-resource language*. Funded Summer 2024.

SERVICE IN THE FIELD

Executive Committee member Associated Students of Linguistics (ASOL). The University of Texas at Austin.

President Latin Americanist Linguists and Anthropologists (LALA). The University of Texas at Austin. Managed budget, coordinated funding requests and managed membership.

Conference Co-chair The Friends of Uto-Aztecan Conference (FUAC)/El Taller de los Amigos de las Lenguas Yutoaztecas (TALY). The University Arizona. Led the conference's organization and organized the schedule, bilingual (Spanish-English). February 16-18 2024.

The Friends of Uto-Aztecan Conference (FUAC)/El Taller de los Amigos de las Lenguas Yutoaztecas (TALY). The University of Texas at Austin. Led the conference's organization and organized the schedule, this conference was the first bilingual (Spanish-English) version of this conference. June 3-5 2021

The Grammar of Regularity and Idiosyncrasy, workshop at the 2019 Linguistic Institute. University of California, Davis. Co-organized workshop, invited speakers and scheduled talks.

The 17th Texas Linguistic Society Conference (TLS 17), The University of Texas at Austin, September 15-16, 2017. Assisted in choice of topic, keynotes and presenters; coordinated funding requests, catering, on-site trouble shooting and coordination; organized proceedings.

25th Symposium About Language and Society (SALSA XXV), The University of Texas at Austin, April 14-15, 2017. Assisted in choice of topic, keynotes and presenters; coordinated funding requests, catering, on-site trouble shooting and coordination; organized proceedings.

Abstract 2025 Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, January 9-12,
Reviewer 2025

2025 Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas annual
Winter Meeting, on-line, January 24-26, 2025.

The Texas Linguistic Society Conference 2021 (TLS 2021), The University of
Texas at Austin, February 19-20, 2021.

The Texas Linguistic Society Conference 2020 (TLS 2020), The University of
Texas at Austin, February 14-15, 2020.

The Texas Linguistic Society Conference 2019 (TLS 2019), The University of
Texas at Austin, February 22-24, 2019.

The 17th Texas Linguistic Society Conference (TLS 17), The University of Texas
at Austin, September 15-16, 2017.

25th Symposium About Language and Society (SALSA XXV), The University of
Texas at Austin, April 14-15, 2017.

Article Language, 2023
Reviewer The International Journal of American Linguistics (IJAL), 2022
Proceedings of the 15th Annual Arizona Linguistics Circle (ALC15), 2022

Memberships

Linguistic Society of America (LSA)
Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA)
Structure of Understudied Languages Lab (SULa) at Boston University