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## EDUCATION

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- 2021 - 2026 **PhD in Linguistics, UC Santa Cruz**
- 2021 - 2023 **MA in Linguistics, UC Santa Cruz**  
Advisor : Matt Wagers  
Thesis : Maintaining Syntactic Positions and Thematic Roles in Memory
- 2018 - 2021 **BA with Honors in Linguistics, UC Santa Cruz**  
with Minor in Literature

### *Non-degree programs*

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- 2024 **Graduate Pedagogy Fellowship Program, UC Santa Cruz**  
Pedagogical Leadership Certificate, The Learning Center

## PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS (\* = FIRST AUTHOR)

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- 2024 | **Probing Facilitatory and Inhibitory Interference with English Ditransitives\***  
Poster at the Conference on Human Sentence Processing (HSP) 37, University of Michigan. (with Matt Wagers)
- 2024 | **Canonical Argument Alignment Modulates Gap, but not RP, Acceptability in English\***  
Poster at the Conference on Human Sentence Processing (HSP) 37, University of Michigan. (with Mandy Cartner, Ivy Sichel, Maziar Toosarvandani, and Matt Wagers)
- 2024 | **Investigating Syntactic Gating during Subject Retrieval with English Ditransitives\***  
Talk at California Meeting on Psycholinguistics (CAMP) 6, Stanford. (with Matt Wagers)
- 2023 | **Maintaining Syntactic Positions and Thematic Roles in Memory : Evidence from Ditransitive Alternations in English\***  
Poster at Architectures and Mechanisms of Language Processing (AMLaP) 29, BCBL. (with Matt Wagers)
- 2023 | **The Subject-Object Asymmetry in Embedded Questions : Evidence from the Maze\***  
Talk at California Meeting on Psycholinguistics (CAMP) 5, UCLA. (with Matt Wagers)
- 2023 | **Developing Computer Games in Field Methods Classes : A tool for language teaching revitalization**  
Talk in special session *Engaging the Community : Using field methods classes for community outreach* at the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA) Annual Meeting. (with Giorgia Troiani, Jeremías Salazar, Andrew Hedding, Jack Duff, Natalia Gracida Cruz, Fe Silva-Robles, and Mykel Lorne Brinkerhoff)
- 2023 | **Implementing Game of Tones\***  
Tutorial in special session *Engaging the Community : Using field methods classes for community outreach* at the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA) Annual Meeting. (with Andrew Hedding, Jack Duff, and Mykel Lorne Brinkerhoff)
- 2022 | **"It's alive!" : Animacy-based structural expectations rapidly update with context**  
Poster at the Conference on Human Sentence Processing (HSP) 35, UCSC. (with Stephanie Rich, Lalitha Balachandran, Jack Duff, Nicholas Van Handel, Maya Wax Cavallaro, and Matt Wagers)

- 2024 | **Or What? Questions As Complex Exclamative Speech Acts**  
Talk at Linguistics Spring Research Symposium, UCSC
- 2023 | **The Role of Specifiers in a Content-Addressable Retrieval Mechanism**  
Talk at Linguistics Spring Research Symposium, UCSC

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- 2023 | **Graduate Student Researcher (UCSC)**  
*Filler-Gap Dependencies and Syntactic Retrieval Cues*  
PI : Matthew Wagers
- 2023 | **Graduate Student Researcher (UCSC, NSF Grant BCS-201984)**  
*Animacy and Resumption at the Border of Cognition and Grammar*  
PIs : Maziar Toosarvandani, Ivy Sichel, and Matthew Wagers
- 2021 - 2022 | **Undergraduate Research Assistant (UCSC, NSF Grant BCS-201984)**  
*Animacy-based structural expectations rapidly update with context*  
PIs : Maziar Toosarvandani, Ivy Sichel, and Matthew Wagers
- 2020 - 2021 | **Undergraduate Research Assistant (UCSC)**  
*Studying Implicit Prosody with Delexicalized Melodies*  
PIs : Nicholas Van Handel and Matthew Wagers

## TEACHING

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### Teaching Assistant, UCSC

- Spring 2024 | **Psycholinguistics and Linguistic Theory**  
*Instructor : Matt Wagers*
- Winter 2024 | **Introduction to Linguistics**  
*Instructor : Andrew Angeles*
- Fall 2023 | **Phonology II**  
*Instructor : Ryan Bennett*
- Summer 2023 | **Psycholinguistics and Linguistic Theory**  
*Instructor : Jack Duff*
- Spring 2023 | **Introduction to Linguistics**  
*Instructor : Ivy Sichel*
- Fall 2022 | **Semantics I**  
*Instructor : Maziar Toosarvandani*

### Grader, UCSC

- Spring 2024 | **Introduction to Linguistics**  
*Instructor : Andrew Angeles*

### Small Group Tutor, UCSC Learning Support Services

- Spring 2022 | **Syntax I**  
*Instructor : Jorge Hankamer*
- Winter 2022 | **Semantics II**  
*Instructor : Jess H.K. Law*

## SERVICE

2023 - 2024	<b>Chair, Colloquia Events Committee</b> Lead and coordinate with subcommittees to prepare for and execute Linguistics Department Colloquia.
2023	<b>Organizing Committee Volunteer, West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics</b> Assisted with organizing and execution of 41st WCCFL hosted at UCSC
2022 - 2023	<b>Co-Coordinator, SPLAP Reading Group</b> Organized weekly reading group on semantics, philosophy of language, and pragmatics.
2022 - 2023	<b>Hospitality Subcommittee Chair, Colloquia Events Committee</b> Managed hospitality and reception for Departmental Colloquia.
2022 - 2023	<b>Lead Student Organizer, Nido de Lenguas</b> Organize community facing outreach events celebrating indigenous Oaxacan languages; Developed a web-based memory game for learning lexical tones
2018 - 2019	<b>Voting Delegate, Porter College Senate</b> Represented students in campus-wide decisions regarding university policy changes and funding

## Mentorship

2023	<b>Undergraduate Research Fellowship, UCSC Linguistics Department</b> Research Assistant: Alison Sun
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## HONORS & AWARDS

2024	THI Graduate Public Fellowship
2023	Humanities Division Summer Fellowship
2021 - 2022	THI Undergraduate Research Fellowship
2020 - 2021	Aerojet Rocketdyne Student Scholarship
2019 - 2020	UCSC College Scholar's Program
2018 - 2021	Dean's Honors List (9 Quarters)

## LANGUAGES

English	● ● ● ● ●
Russian	● ● ● ● ○
Spanish	● ● ○ ○ ○
French	● ○ ○ ○ ○
R	● ● ● ● ○
HTML/CSS	● ● ● ● ○
LaTeX	● ● ● ○ ○
JavaScript	● ● ○ ○ ○
Python	● ○ ○ ○ ○