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Education

Stanford University
Ph.D. Candidate, Linguistics (expected June 2018)
Sept 2013 – present
Dissertation title (working): *Causality, aspect, and modality in actuality inferences*
Committee: Cleo Condoravdi (chair), Itamar Francez (University of Chicago), Daniel Lassiter,
            Beth Levin

University of Oxford
M.Phil. (Distinction) in General Linguistics & Comparative Philology, July 2013
Specialization in Syntax, Semantics, and Psycholinguistics
Thesis Title: *If ... (and only if): conditional perfection and completeness*
Advisor: Ash Asudeh

University of Chicago
A.B. (Honours) in Mathematics, June 2010
Minors in Linguistics and Philosophy
Cumulative GPA: 3.83/4.0

Non-degree study

Visiting Student (Exchange Scholar), *Department of Linguistics & Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology*, Spring 2017.

2014 European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information, Tübingen, Germany, August 11-22 (tuition waver awarded).

Selected honours and awards

Gerhard Casper Stanford Graduate Fellow, Sept 2013–present
Department of Linguistics, Stanford University

George Wolf Prize (for best overall performance in M.Phil./M.St.), July 2013
Department of Linguistics, Philology & Phonetics, University of Oxford

Rhodes Scholar, (2011, Minnesota; Magdalen College)
University of Oxford

Phi Beta Kappa, inducted Spring 2010
University of Chicago

Publications

Lauer, Sven, and Prerna Nadathur. 2016. Quantified indicative conditionals and the relative reading of "most." In *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 2016*.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2016. Causal necessity and sufficiency in implicativity. In *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory 2016*, pp.1002–1021.

Nadathur, Prerna and Daniel Lassiter. 2014. Unless: an experimental approach. In *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 2014*, pp.426–444.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2014. *Unless*, exceptionality, and conditional strengthening. In *Proceedings of ESSLLI 2014 Student Session*, pp. 109–120.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2013. Weak crossover and the direct association hypothesis. In Miriam Butt and Tracy Holloway King (eds.), *Proceedings of the LFG13 Conference*. Stanford: CSLI.

Manuscripts

Lauer, Sven and Prerna Nadathur (under review). Causal necessity, causal sufficiency, and the implications of causative verbs.

Nadathur, Prerna (in prep). Causal dependence in the semantics of implicative verbs.

Nadathur, Prerna and Daniel Lassiter (in prep). *Unless*, exceptive constructions, and the pragmatics of conditional statements.

Conference presentations

Nadathur, Prerna. Upcoming, 2018. Implicative behavior and causality in *enough* and *too* constructions. *Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting.* Salt Lake City, Utah. January 4-7.

Nadathur, Prerna. Upcoming, 2017. Implicative inferences and causality in *enough* and *too* constructions. *Amsterdam Colloquium.* University of Amsterdam. Dec 20-22.

Nadathur, Prerna and Daniel Lassiter. 2017. Poster: An experimental look at the negative implications of exceptives. *North East Linguistics Society* (NELS 48). University of Iceland, Reykjavík, Iceland. Oct 27-29.

Lauer, Sven and Prerna Nadathur. 2016. Quantified indicative conditionals and the relative reading of "most." *Sinn und Bedeutung 2016* (SuB21). University of Edinburgh, Scotland. Sept 4-6.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2016. Poster: Causal necessity and sufficiency in implicativity. *Semantics and Linguistic Theory 26* (SALT 26). University of Texas-Austin. May 12-15.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2016. Necessity, sufficiency, and implicativity. *Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting* (LSA2016). Washington, DC. Jan 7-10.

Nadathur, Prerna and Daniel Lassiter. 2015. Exceptive phrases and the negative condition. *8th California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics Conference* (CUSP8). Stanford University. Nov 6–7.

Nadathur, Prerna and Daniel Lassiter. 2015. Poster: *Unless* as a restrictor of non-universal quantifiers. *Experimental Pragmatics 2015*. Chicago, Illinois. Jul 16-18.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2015. Towards an explanatory account of conditional perfection. *Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting*. Portland, Oregon. Jan 8-11.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2014. Finnish and English implicative verbs and their presuppositions. *7th California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics Conference* (CUSP7). University of California – Los Angeles. Nov 7-8.

Nadathur, Prerna and Daniel Lassiter. 2014. Unless: an experimental approach. *Sinn und Bedeutung 2014* (SuB19). Georg-August Universität Göttingen, Germany. Sept 15-17.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2014. *Unless*, exceptionality, and conditional strengthening. *European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information 2014 Student Session* (ESSLLI 2014 StuS). University of Tübingen, Germany. Aug 11-22.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2013. *Unless*, exceptionality, and conditional strengthening. *6th California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics Conference* (CUSP6). University of California – Berkeley. Oct 11-12.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2013. Weak crossover and the direct association hypothesis. *2013 Lexical-Functional Grammar Conference* (LFG13). University of Debrecen, Hungary. July 18-20.

Other presentations

Nadathur, Prerna. 2017. Causality, aspect, and modality in actuality inferences. *NYU Semantics Group* (invited). New York University. May 23.

Lauer, Sven and Prerna Nadathur. 2016. Don't panic: the inverse reading of *most* conditionals. *17th Semantics Fest* (SemFest2016). Stanford University, Mar 11.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2015. *Unless*, exceptionality, and the pragmatics of conditional statements. *Qualifying Paper Fest*, Stanford University Department of Linguistics. Apr 24.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2015. *Unless*: an experimental approach. *Unofficial Graduate Get-together in Semantics and Pragmatics* (invited). University of California–Santa Cruz. Apr 11.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2014. Weak crossover, direct association, and focus sensitivity. *Syntax-Morphology Circle* (invited). Stanford University. Apr 21.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2014. Towards an explanatory account of conditional perfection. *15th Semantics Fest* (SemFest2014). Stanford University. Mar 14.

Nadathur, Prerna. 2012. Weak crossover and the direct association hypothesis. *9th South of England Lexical-Functional Grammar Meeting* (invited). School of Oriental and African Studies, London, UK. Nov 3.

Teaching experience

Stanford University Department of Linguistics

Autumn 2017	Grader. *Introduction to Lexical Semantics.* (Cleo Condoravdi)
Spring 2016	Teaching Assistant. *Crosslinguistic Syntax.* (Boris Harizhanov)
Autumn 2015	Teaching Assistant. *Introduction to Linguistics.* (Meghan Sumner)
Spring 2015	Grader. *Introduction to Lexical Semantics.* (Cleo Condoravdi & Annie Zaenen)
Winter 2015	Teaching Assistant. *Introduction to Semantics & Pragmatics.* (Chris Potts)

University of Minnesota Department of Mathematics

2010–2011	Teaching Assistant. *Calculus I*; *Calculus II.*

University of Chicago Department of Mathematics

2009-2010	Junior Tutor. *Studies in Mathematics.*
2007-2009	Junior Tutor. *Calculus.*

Chicago Academic Achievement Program (CAAP)

Summer 2010	Course assistant & tutor. *Intro to Linear Algebra & Analysis.*
Summer 2009	Course assistant & tutor. *Precalculus.*

University of Chicago Collegiate Scholars Program

Summer 2009	Assistant Instructor. *Topics in Geometry, Grades 11-12.*

University of Chicago Young Scholars Program

Summer 2008	Counselor. *Algebra & Galois Theory; Programming in Java (Grades 11-12).*
Summer 2007	Counselor. *Topics in Geometry, Programming in Scheme (Grades 9-10).*
2007–2008	School-year Counselor. *Advanced topics in Mathematics (Grades 7-8).*

University of Minnesota Talented Youth Mathematics Program

Fall 2005	Teaching Assistant. *Calculus II*

Academic & institutional service

Ad hoc review, *Glossa* (2017).

Ad hoc review, *Semantics and Pragmatics* (2017).

Abstract review, *Chicago Linguistic Society* (2016, 2017).

California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics (CUSP) 8 Organizing Committee, Stanford University Department of Linguistics, 2015.

Co-convener, Words With Friends Semantics discussion group, Stanford University Department of Linguistics, 2014–2016

Abstract review, *Semantics and Linguistic Theory* (2015)

Colloquium Committee, Stanford University Department of Linguistics, 2014–2016.

Financial Officer & Organizing Committee, Graduate Humanities and Social Sciences Society, Stanford University, Jan 2014–Jun 2015

Organizing Committee, SemFest Conference, Stanford University Department of Linguistics, 2014

Social Committee, Stanford University Department of Linguistics, 2013–2014

Student Government, University of Chicago
2009–2010	Chair, Academic Freedom Initiative
	Spearheaded a project to reexamine key documents at the University of Chicago pertaining to open research, academic freedom, and investment.
2008–2009	Class representative, College Council; Member, Finance Committee
Winter 2009	Member, Uncommon Fund Grant Committee

Other service, extracurriculars, volunteer experience

San Francisco Civic Symphony, violin and piano, Nov 2014–present.

Magdalen College Middle Common Room Committee, University of Oxford, 2012–2013
Middle (graduate) Common Room committee.

Magdalen College Boat Club, University of Oxford, 2011-2013

Students for a Democratic Society, University of Chicago, 2008–2010
Co-founder and primary chapter contact; projects included the creation of a proposal for the creation and institution for a committee on socially responsible investment policy at the University of Chicago.

University of Chicago Chamber Orchestra, violin, 2007–2010

Assistant to Director of Undergraduate Studies in Mathematics, University of Chicago, 2007–2009
Activities included assistance with the SESAME certification program for Chicago Public School teachers, co-ordinating departmental administrative material such as course evaluations and helping with research.

Bharat Gyan Vigyan Samiti and Eklavya Intern, Bhopal, India, Jan-Apr 2006
Participated in social workshops and advocacy on issues related to women's empowerment. Led teacher-training workshops in middle-grade mathematics and physics, and provided extensive critiques and proof-reading help for middle-grade science textbooks and curricula being developed by *Eklavya*. (http://bgvs.org; http://eklavya.org)

Professional membership

Member, Linguistic Society of America, 2013–present
Member, Linguistic Association of Great Britain, 2014–2015

Skills

Languages
English (native); German (proficient); Hindi (conversant)

Programming
Python, C++, C, R, Javascript, Haskell, Scheme.

Performing Arts
Piano (accompaniment & performance; ATCL recital diploma from Trinity College London, 2005), violin, *Bharatanatyam* (south Indian classical dance).