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Employment

2022/23 Lecturer in syntax at Yale University.

Fall 2021 Lecturer in linguistics at Queen Mary University of London.

Education

2015–21 Ph.D. in linguistics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA.

Title: Nominal licensing: the number interpretation and syntactic distribution of bare nominals in Wolof. [pdf]

Committee: Prof. David Pesetsky (chair), Prof. Sabine Iatridou, and Prof. Norvin Richards.

2013–15 M.A. in linguistics. Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil.

Title: Construindo um domínio não-finito: a sintaxe de orações de gerúndio em português brasileiro [*Building a nonfinite domain: the syntax of gerund clauses in Brazilian Portuguese*; LingBuzz; original file, in Br. Portuguese]

Committee: Prof. Marcello Modesto (chair), Prof. Jairo Nunes, Prof. Rafael Minussi.

Spring 2014 Visiting student, University of Connecticut.

Supervisor: Prof. Susi Wurmbrand

2008–12 B.A. in linguistics and Portuguese language, Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil

Undergraduate research #2: Complementos gerundivos em PB [*Gerund complements in BP*]. Supervisor: Prof. Marcello Modesto

Undergraduate research #1: A estrutura argumental das metáforas conceituais [*The argument structure of conceptual metaphors*]. Supervisor: Prof. Marcos Lopes

Research topics

Broad: A-dependencies across nonfinite and finite clauses.

Narrow: control; hyperraising; case; nominal licensing.

Manuscripts and publications

Journal articles

(to appear) A dependent case analysis of pseudo noun incorporation in Wolof. [link; accepted with revisions at *Syntax*].

(accepted) Feature licensing and the number interpretation of bare nominals in Wolof [LingBuzz; accepted with revisions at *Glossa*].

2019 Proper movement through Spec-CP: An argument from hyperraising in Mongolian. *Glossa* (4)1, 30. Special Collection: Subject Extraction, edited by Michael Yoshitaka Erlewine.

DOI: https://doi.org/10.5334/gjgl.667.

Proceedings papers

(accepted) Pronouncing PRO in Wolof. ACAL 53 proceedings [LingBuzz].

2022 Distinguishing between explanatory accounts of the A/A′-distinction: the view from Argentinian Spanish Clitic Doubling. Going Romance XXXIV proceedings.

DOI: https://doi.org/10.5565/rev/isogloss.132

2021 The syntax of plural marking: The view from bare nouns in Wolof. In Mojmír Dočekal & Marcin Wągiel (eds.), *Formal approaches to number in Slavic and beyond*, 129–148. Berlin: Language Science Press.

DOI: https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.5082460.

2020 The syntax of number marking: the view from bare nouns in Wolof. *Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America*, 5(1), 293–307.

DOI: https://doi.org/10.3765/plsa.v5i1.4709

2018 Featural definition of syntactic positions: Evidence from hyper-raising. *Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America, 3(1)*.

DOI: https://doi.org/10.3765/plsa

2013 Clausal gerund and Case marking in Brazilian Portuguese. *Proceedings of the IX Workshop on Formal Linguistics (2012)*.

Handbook chapter

2023 'A-dependencies'. With Prof. Claire Halpert.

Presentations

2021–22 Nominal licensing via dependent case: the view from Pseudo Noun Incorporation in Wolof.

> **Feb/22** S-Lab, University of Maryland [invited; handout].
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> **Feb/21** Syntax & Semantics Circle, University of California, Berkeley [presented under the title 'A dependent case analysis of pseudo noun incorporation in Wolof'; invited].

Refereed

2022/23 Pronouncing PRO in Wolof.

> **Jan 23** North East Linguistics Society (NELS) 53. University of Göttingen. [virtual poster].
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> **Apr 22** Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL) 53. UC San Diego.
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> **Mar 22** 46th annual Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC). University of Pennsylvania.
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> **Jan 22** ConSOLE 30, Université de Nantes [OSF].

2021–22 Nominal licensing via dependent case: the view from Pseudo Noun Incorporation in Wolof.

> **Jan 22** Linguistic Society of America (LSA) 2022 Annual Meeting, Washington DC [talk].
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> **Oct 21** North East Linguistics Society (NELS) 52. Rutgers University. [OSF]
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> **Sept 21** 14th Syntax, Phonology and Language Analysis (SinFonIJA). University of Novi Sad.

2020–21 Distinguishing between accounts of the A/A′-distinction: the view from Argentinian Spanish Clitic Doubling.

> **May 21** 57th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society, University of Chicago [slides].
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> **Apr 21** Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages 51, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
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> **Nov 20** Going Romance 34, CNRS. [alternate talk, OSF]

2019–21 The number interpretation of bare nominals in Wolof.

> **Apr 21** Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL) 51–52. University of Florida [handout].
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> **Jan 21** ConSOLE 29, Leiden University Centre for Linguistics. [OSF]
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> **Jan 20** Linguistic Society of America (LSA) 2020 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, USA.
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> **Sep 19** 12th Syntax, Phonology and Language Analysis (SinFonIJA 12). Workshop on Number, Numerals, and Plurality. Masaryk University, Czech Republic.
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> **Sep 19** Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland 2019. Queen Mary University of London.

2019 Alternations between regular and athematic participles in Brazilian Portuguese.

May 49th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL). University of Georgia in Athens, USA. [slides]

Mar 43rd annual Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC). University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA. [poster]

2018 Proper movement through Spec-CP: an argument from hyperraising in Mongolian.

Oct North East Linguistics Society (NELS) 49. Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, USA. [poster]

Aug VIII Encuentro de Gramática Generativa. Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina. (Presented under the title *Differential Subject Marking in Mongolian*.)

Mar 2018 A raising analysis of accusative subjects in Mongolian.

ConCall-3. Indiana University, USA.

Jan 2018 Featural definition of syntactic positions: evidence from hyper-raising [poster]

Linguistic Society of America (LSA) 2018 Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, USA.

2012–15 Gerund clauses in Brazilian Portuguese

Jul 15 Três classes de oração de gerúndio em PB [*Three classes of gerund clauses in BP*]
63º Seminário do GEL (Grupo de Estudos Lingüísticos do Estado de São Paulo). Universidade Estadual de Campinas, Brazil.

Feb 15 Três classes de oração gerundiva em português brasileiro [*Three classes of gerund clauses in BP*]
IX ABRALIN (Associação Brasileira de Lingüística) International Congress. Universidade Federal do Pará, Brazil

Jul 14 Gerund clauses in Brazilian Portuguese [poster]
Workshop on morphology and interpretation. Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil

Aug 12 Clausal gerunds and Case marking in Brazilian Portuguese [poster]
IX Workshop on Formal Linguistics. Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Jul 12 Complementos gerundivos em PB: proposta preliminar de análise [*Gerund complements in BP: preliminary analysis*] [poster]
60º Seminário do GEL (Grupo de Estudos Lingüísticos do Estado de São Paulo). Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil

Jul 2010 Propriedades morfossintáticas na construção da metáfora [*Morphosyntactic properties in the building of metaphors*] [poster]

58º Seminário do GEL (Grupo de Estudos Lingüísticos do Estado de São Paulo). Universidade Federal de São Carlos, Brazil

Outreach

Apr 2019 The singular (and plural) behavior of bare nouns in Wolof. Hungry Wugs presentation for undergraduate students, MIT.

Mar 2017 A ciência e a lógica da estrutura das línguas [*The science and logic of linguistic structure*].
PUB-Lingüística. Introduction to linguistics for non-linguists. With Mar Bassa and Karin Vivanco.

Other/Non-refereed

Aug 2020 Feature licensing and the number interpretation of bare nominals in Wolof.

40th Colloquium of African Languages and Linguistics, Leiden University.

Jul 2019 The syntax of plural marking: the view from bare nouns in Wolof.

The Alphabet of Universal Grammar, The British Academy in London. [poster]

Jun 2019 Nominais nus em Wolof e a sintaxe de marcação plural [*Bare nouns in Wolof and the syntax of plural marking*].

Tardes de Lingüística na USP. Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil.

Feb 2019 CONCORD and INDEX number in Wolof bare nominals.

ECO-5. University of Maryland, USA.

Apr 2018 Differential Argument Marking by phase in Mongolian

ECO-5. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA.

Apr 2017 Moving out of a finite CP: an analysis of hyper-raising

ECO-5. University of Connecticut, USA

May 2015 A sintaxe de orações de gerúndio em PB [*The syntax of gerund clauses in BP*]

XVIII ENAPOL. Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil.

Apr 2014 Gerund clauses in Brazilian Portuguese [poster]

V Language Fest. University of Connecticut, USA

Oct 2012 Gerúndio e marcação de Caso [*Gerund and Case marking*]

20º SIICUSP. Universidade de São Paulo

May 2012 Complementos gerundivos em PB: proposta preliminar de análise [*Gerund complements in BP: preliminary analysis*] [poster]

XV ENAPOL. Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil

Nov 2010 A estrutura argumental de metáforas conceituais [*The argument structure of conceptual metaphors*]

18º SIICUSP. Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil

Teaching

Yale University

Spring 2023 Syntax II (Undergraduate/Graduate, LING 254/654; syllabus; teaching materials).

Linguistics in the real world (Undergraduate, LING 106; syllabus).

Fall 2022 Current Trends in Syntax: The Agree Operation (undergraduate/graduate, LING 261/661; teaching materials)

Morphology (undergraduate/graduate, LIN 280/680; teaching materials)

Queen Mary University of London

Fall 2021 Introduction to Semantics (BA/MA, LIN5217/7206).

Syntax II: Explaining Grammatical Structures (BA, LIN5213).

Syntax (MA, LIN7209; teaching materials).

ELBA (Escuela de Lingüística de Buenos Aires)

Feb 2020 Theoretical approaches to hyperraising. [handouts and program here; one-week summer course]

Teaching assistantship

Fall 2020 Introduction to Syntax (24.951; graduate)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Instructor: Prof. David Pesetsky
Duties: recitation, office hours, grading, dependent case lecture [recitation materials here]

Fall 2018 Introduction to Linguistics (24.900; undergraduate)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Instructor: Prof. Adam Albright, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Duties: recitation, office hours, grading [recitation materials here]

Spring 2017 Special Subject: Linguistics (24.S90; undergraduate)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Instructor: Prof. David Pesetsky, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Duties: office hours, hyper-raising class [handout]

Fall 2016 Language and Its Structure II: Syntax (24.902; undergraduate)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Instructor: Prof. David Pesetsky, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Duties: grading, recitation, office hours, dependent case lecture [handout]

2015/1 Sintaxe: fundamentos de análise e descrição sintática (FLL0215; undergraduate introduction to syntax)
Universidade de São Paulo
Instructor: Prof. Jairo Nunes, Universidade de São Paulo
Duties: office hours, preparation of lists of exercises [available here]

2014/2 Elementos de Lingüística II (FLL0434; undergraduate introduction to linguistics)
Universidade de São Paulo
Instructor: Prof. Margarida Petter, Universidade de São Paulo
Duties: office hours, two exam review classes, preparation of lists of exercises [available here]

Advising

2022/23 Hailey Dykstra. Yale undergraduate thesis. Topic: morphosyntax of negation in American Sign Language.

2022/23 Diana Kulmizev. Yale undergraduate thesis. Topic: inverse marking in Blackfoot (Algonquian).

Research grants, fellowships, and awards

2019 Student bursary: LAGB 2019 (Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain) at QMUL.

2019 Runner-up for the Best Student Presentation Award: 49th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL 49, UGA).

2013–15 FAPESP (São Paulo Research Foundation, Brazil).

M.A. research (grant #2012/23196-5)

2014 FAPESP (São Paulo Research Foundation, Brazil)

Research Internship Abroad, BEPE (grant #2013/20648-5)

2013 Capes (Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior, Brazil)

M.A. research

2011–12 FAPESP (São Paulo Research Foundation, Brazil)

Undergraduate research (grant #2011/08152-9)

2009–10 CNPq (Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico, Brazil)

Undergraduate research

Academic service

2022/23 Syntax Reading Group organizer. Yale.

2020– LSA Mentoring Initiative; mentor.

2021 ECO-5 co-organizer (virtual).

2017–21 ECO-5 liaison, MIT Linguistics (syntax workshop for graduate students from five schools in the East Coast).

2019 TripleA 6 (The Semantics of African, Asian and Austronesian Languages) co-organizer, MIT Linguistics.

2018 WAFL 14 (Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics) co-organizer, MIT Linguistics.

Jun 2018 INSPIRE judge. (National High School Research Competition in the Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences), Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

2017–18 Syntax Square (reading group) co-organizer, MIT Linguistics.

2016–17 Student co-editor of Whamit! (MIT Linguistics newsletter).

2016–17 Ling-Lunch co-organizer, MIT Linguistics.

2015/1 *Tardes de Lingüística na USP* co-organizer (series of colloquia and other events), Universidade de São Paulo.

Paper reviewing

Caderno de Estudos Linguísticos (2021)

Caderno de Squibs (2020×2)

Glossa (2018, 2019, 2020, 2022)

Language (2022)

Linguistic Inquiry (2021)

Syntax (2021)

A paper for *Formal approaches to number in Slavic and beyond* (2020)

A paper for a collection on African languages (2021)

Conference abstract reviewing

TripleAFLA 2022

Workshop on Formal Linguistics 2021

Membership

2017–23 Linguistic Society of America

Languages

Brazilian Portuguese: native

English: fluent

Spanish: basic reading and listening

French: basic reading

Elicitation

Wolof: Spring/2018 (24.942/MIT); Spring/2019, Fall/2019, Spring/2020, Summer/2021 (MIT, Ken Hale fund); Spring/2022 (independent)

Mongolian: Spring/2017 (24.942/MIT); Summer/2017 (MIT); Spring & Summer/2018 (independent)

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