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#### Canonical

#### Technical author, Juju

[08/2021-present]

developing easy documentation for complex technical topics related to cloud operations · helping other teams do the same · interviewing

#### Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

# Research affiliate, Linguistics

[05/2021-12/2021]

conducted research (2 papers, 2 presentations)

### **Harvard University**

# Research affiliate, Linguistics

[07/2019-07/2021]

conducted research (2 papers, 7 presentations) · helped edit 1 proceedings volume · reviewed 1 NSF grant application, 5 conference abstracts · proofread 250+ pages for open access research publisher

#### Teaching affiliate, Linguistics

[01/2020-05/2020]

taught 1 course at Harvard Extension School

Advising and administration affiliate, Linguistics [09/2019-05/2020] helped advise 40+ undergrad students · helped oversee 8 half-semester undergraduate tutorials

#### PhD student, Linguistics

[09/2013-05/2019]

won 5 awards, scholarships, or grants · took 20+ PhD-level courses · conducted research (1 PhD thesis, 3 papers, 16 presentations) · taught 3 halfsemester undergraduate tutorials · helped teach 3 undergraduate and 2 graduate courses · taught 1 workshop on LTFX for linguists · helped manage a lab for research on spoken and signed languages (maintained hardware, software, website, database, etc., assisted with experimental research) · taught 1 workshop on experimental research in linguistics · gave 1 interview on experimental research in linguistics · reviewed 1 journal paper, 6 US high-school competition papers · co-organized 1 conference

## **University of Ottawa**

# Research affiliate, Linguistics

[09/2012-08/2013]

conducted research (1 paper, 3 presentations)

# MA student, Linguistics

[09/2011-08/2012]

won 1 scholarship · took 6 MA-level courses · conducted research (1 MA thesis, 1 paper) · helped teach 3 undergraduate-level courses · helped organize 1 international conference · attended NASSLLI

# **Beijing Language and Culture University**

# language student, Mandarin Chinese

[09/2010-07/2011]

won 1 Chinese language learning scholarship · took Chinese language classes · also taught 1 intensive English-through-literature class at the Affiliated High-School of Peking University & translated 1 book (EN-RO)

# Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu

# BA student, Applied English & French

[10/2007-07/2010]

won 3 merit scholarships · won Erasmus scholarship (semester abroad at Aristotle U of Thessaloniki) · translated & interpreted (EN-RO)

### **EDUCATION**

PhD Linguistics 2019 Harvard U

**MA Linguistics** 2012 U of Ottawa

BA Applied English & French 2010 Lucian Blaga U of Sibiu

#### SKILLS

* Linguistics	•••
* Research	•••
⋆ Academic writing	•••
⋆ Teaching, Lecturing	•••
⋆ Lab management	•••
⋆ Peer reviewing	•••
⋆ Funding acquisition	••0
⋆ Data Science	••0
⋆ Technical writing	•••
⋆ Community building	•••
* Mentoring	•••
⋆ Romanian (native)	•••
* English	•••
* French	••0
⋆ German, Spanish	•00
* Leadership	•••
★ Translation & Interpreting (EN-RO)	•••
★ Language teaching (EN, RO)	•••
* Linux	•••
⋆ Bash	••0
* Emacs	••0
* Python	••0
* R	••0
* ETEX	•••
⋆ JavaScript	•00
⋆ Git	••0
* Haskell	•00
⋆ Interviewing	•••



**⊗** ATTACHMENTS **⊗** 



Linguistics

Technical writing

# I Attachments: Activity as a linguist

# I.1 Research: Publications (theses, papers, manuscripts)

(<author name>\* = first author or equal contribution)

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under review	Aspectual operators: Temporality, evaluativity, and polarity sensitivity. Submitted to GLOW 44 <i>Glossa</i> special issue.
to appear	[Aurore González* and Teodora Mihoc*.] A neo-Carlsonian approach to bare plural nominals in Romanian and French. In J. Sturm (ed.), <i>Harvard Working Papers in linguistics</i> 14.
2022	Negative comparison, or how to be judgmental and ignorant with scalar alternatives. In <i>University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics</i> , Vol. 28, Iss. 1, Article 14.
2021	Modified numerals and polarity sensitivity: Between O(nly) <sub>DA</sub> and E(ven) <sub>SA</sub> . In <i>Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB) 25</i> , pp. 648–665.
2021	[Teodora Mihoc* and Kathryn Davidson.] Superlative-modified numerals and negation: A multiply negotiable cost. In A. Beltrama, F. Schwarz, A. Papafragou (eds.), <i>Proceedings of Experiments in linguistics Meaning (ELM)</i> 1, pp. 212-223.
2020	Ignorance and anti-negativity in the grammar: <i>or/some</i> and modified numerals. In M. Asatryan, Y. Song, and A Whitmal (eds.), <i>Proceedings of The Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS) 50</i> , pp. 197-210.
2019	Ignorance and polarity sensitivity in the grammar: From disjunction and indefinites to numerals. 45 pp. Unpublished manuscript.
2019	[Teodora Mihoc*, Diti Bhadra, and Anamaria Fălăuş.]  Epistemic modals, deduction, and factivity: New insights from the epistemic future.  In K. Blake, F. Davis, K. Lamp, and J. Rhyne (eds.), <i>Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT)</i> 29, pp. 351-370.
2019	Decomposing logic: Modified numerals, polarity, and exhaustification PhD thesis, linguistics, Harvard University. Committee: Gennaro Chierchia (chair), Kathryn Davidson, Anamaria Fălăuş, Roger Schwarzschild
2017	[Akshat Agrawal* and Teodora Mihoc*.]  Numeral-negation scope endorsement asymmetry: An alternative Rational Speech Act (RSA) model.  Unpublished manuscript.
2015	Georgian tu: A ka particle. Unpublished manuscript.
2014	The Romanian future-and-presumptive auxiliary. In B. Buccola, M. Hamilton, A. McKillen, and J. Tanner (eds.), <i>McGill Working Papers in linguistics</i> 24(1), pp. 64-80.
2014	The Romanian presumptive mood: The key to the Romanian will-future.  Cahiers linguistiques d'Ottawa / Ottawa Papers in linguistics, 38.
2012	The Romanian Presumptive Mood: Inferential evidentiality and upper-end degree epistemic modality MA thesis, linguistics, U of Ottawa Advisor: Ana Arregui
2010	From Plato to Derrida: The dissolution of the author. BA thesis, Applied English & French, Lucian Blaga U of Sibiu

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# I.2 Research: Presentations (talks and posters)

(<author name>\* = first author or equal contribution; <year> = refereed talk; <year> = invited talk) (A = link to abstract, H = link to handout, P = link to poster, S = link to slides, V = link to video)Aspectual operators: Temporality, evaluativity, and polarity sensitivity. (S) Talk at Grup de Lingüística Formal (GLiF), Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Nov 25. 2021 Polarity sensitivity across domains. (S) Talk @ Workshop: The meaning of functional categories in the verbal / sentential domain (Neg / Asp / Voice / Deg / little v), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, June 17-18. 2021 Ignorance and positive polarity in indefinites, disjunction, and numerals. (S) Talk @ Centre de Lingüística Teòrica, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, May 21. From Chomsky through Confucius to Montague and Grice (Or what I've been up to since I left LBUS). 2021 Talk @ Lucian Blaga U of Sibiu, May 18. 2021 Singular, plural, modal. (A) (P+V) Poster @ Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL) 51, U of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (online), Apr 29-May 1. 2021 Aspectual operators and polarity sensitivity. (A) (S) Talk @ Generative linguistics in the Old World (GLOW) 44, GLOW Board (online), Apr 5-7. 2021 Negative comparison between exactness, ignorance, and evaluativity. (A) (S) Talk @ Penn linguistics Conference (PLC) 45, U of Pennsylvania (online), Mar 19-21. 2020 Epistemic indefinites, number marking, and certainty. (A) (S) Talk @ Sensus 1, U of Massachusetts at Amherst (online), Sep 26-27. 2020 [Teodora Mihoc\* and Kathryn Davidson.] Superlative-modified numerals and negation: A negotiable cost. (A) (S + V)Talk @ Experiments in Linguistic Meaning (ELM) 1, U of Pennsylvania (online), Sep 16-18. Modified numerals and polarity sensitivity: Between  $O(nly)_{DA}$  and  $E(ven)_{SA}$ . (A) (S + V) 2020 Talk @ Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB) 25, U College London / Queen Mary U of London (online), Sep 3-5. 2019 Ignorance and anti-negativity in the grammar: or/some and modified numerals. (A) (S + H) Talk @ The Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS) 50, MIT, Oct 24-27. 2019 [Teodora Mihoc\*, Diti Bhadra, and Anamaria Fălăuș.] Epistemic modals, deduction, and factivity. (A) (S) Talk @ Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 29, UCLA, May 17-19. 2019 Ignorance and polarity sensitivity in modified numerals and beyond. (A) (P) Poster @ Workshop: The meaning of numerals: cognitive, experimental, and semantic perspectives, ZAS, Berlin, Mar 27-28. 2018 The alternatives of bare and modified numerals. (A) (S) Talk @ Rencontres dAutomne de Linguistique Formelle (RALFe), U of Paris 8 / CNRS, Paris, Dec 6-7. 2018 Modified numerals between polarity and valence. (S) Talk @ Laboratoire de Linguistique de Nantes, CNRS/University of Nantes, Dec 3. An extent-based GQT-style unified implicature account of bare and modified numerals. (S) 2018 Talk @ Institute for Logic, Language, and Computation (ILLC), U of Amsterdam, June 12. 2018 Scope asymmetry, OUDs, and exhaustification. (H) Talk @ LingedIn, Harvard U, May 4. Decomposing bare and modified numerals. 2017 Talk @ LingedIn, Harvard U, Dec 7.

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2017	[Teodora Mihoc* and Kathryn Davidson.]  Testing a PPI analysis of superlative-modified numerals. (A) (S)  Talk @ Experimental Pragmatics (XPrag) 7, U of Cologne, June 21-23.
2017	[Aurore González* and Teodora Mihoc*.]  Bare nominals in French and Romanian. (H)  Talk @ Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL) 47, U of Delaware, Apr 20-23.
2016	More evidence of heterogeneity in the class of comparative and superlative numeral modifiers. Talk @ Language and Cognition, Harvard U, Nov 29.
2016	More evidence of heterogeneity in the class of comparative and superlative numeral modifiers. Talk @ Experimental Syntax & Semantics Lab / Language Acquisition Lab, MIT, Oct 18.
2016	More evidence of heterogeneity in the class of comparative and superlative numeral modifiers. Talk @ LingedIn, Harvard U, Sep 30.
2016	Confessing ignorance. Talk @ LingedIn, Harvard U, Apr 20.
2015	Romanian bare nominals and Derived Kind Predication. Talk @ Southern New England Workshop on Semantics (SNEWS), Harvard U, Nov 21.
2015	[Teodora Mihoc and Alexander G. Klapheke.] Two sets of alternatives for numerals. Talk @ East Coast Graduate Student Workshop (ECO-5), Harvard U, Apr 11.
<u>2014</u>	The broader epistemic future. (S) Talk @ Invited symposium: Commitment phenomena through the study of evidential markers in Romance languages, U of Neuchâtel, Sep 5.
2013	Romanian presumptivity: The future case in point. Talk @ Southern New England Workshop on Semantics (SNEWS), MIT, Nov 16.
2013	The Romanian presumptive mood and the key to the Romanian <i>will</i> -future. (S) Talk @ Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal Workshop on Semantics (TOM) 6, McGill U, Mar 23.

# I.3 Teaching

Spring 2020	Introduction to linguistics. (syllabus)
	Instructor. Full semester undegraduate- / graduate-level course, Harvard Extension School.
Fall 2017	Semantic Theory I.
	Teaching Assistant (instructor: Kathryn Davidson). Graduate-level course, Harvard U.
Fall 2017	Language, Structure, and Cognition. Teaching Assistant (instructor: Kathryn Davidson). Undergraduate-level course, Harvard U.
	reaching Assistant (instructor, Ratingin Davidson). Ondergraduate-level course, Harvard O.
Spring 2017	The semantics and pragmatics of numerals. (syllabus) Instructor. Half-semester sophomore tutorial, Harvard University.
25/04/2017	A beginner's introduction to experiments.
	Co-instructor (with Aurore González). Ad hoc workshop, Harvard U.
Fall 2016	Language, Structure, and Cognition. Teaching Assistant (primary instructor: Kathryn Davidson). Undergraduate-level course, Harvard U.
28/09/2016	Introduction to 哲表.
	Co-instructor (with Laurence B-Violette). Workshop, Harvard University.
20/07/2016	Entailment and monotonicity. Guest lecturer (instructor: Jenny Lee). Undergraduate tutorial (The Science of Language), Harvard U.

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Spring 2016	Language, Structure, and Cognition. Teaching Assistant (instructor: Kathryn Davidson).Undergraduate-level course, Harvard University
Spring 2016	Logic in linguistics. (syllabus) Instructor. Half-semester sophomore tutorial, Harvard U.
Fall 2015	Syntactic Theory I. Teaching Assistant (instructor: CT. James Huang). Graduate-level course, Harvard U.
Fall 2015	Inquisitive Semantics. (syllabus) Instructor. Half-semester junior tutorial, Harvard U.
01/2014	Syntax - Semantics - 上下上X for linguists. Instructor. 2-weekend bootcamp, Lucian Blaga U of Sibiu.
Winter 2012	Writing Systems. Teaching Assistant (instructor: Marie-Claude Séguin). Undergraduate-level course, U of Ottawa.
Winter 2012	Les langues dans le monde. Teaching Assistant (instructor: Andrés Pablo Salanova). Undergraduate-level course, U of Ottawa.
Fall 2011	Introduction to linguistics. Teaching Assistant (instructor: Robert Truswell). Undergraduate-level course, U of Ottawa.

### I.4 Service

2020-present	Proofread multiple chapters in multiple books for open access linguistics research publisher Language
_	Science Press. (Hall of Fame)
12/2022	Reviewed 1 paper for Minds and Machines.
2021	Reviewed 1 grant proposal for the National Science Foundation (NSF).
2021	Reviewed 3 abstracts for Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB) 26.
2021	Member of the editorial committee for Proceedings of Experiments in Linguistic Meaning (ELM) 1.
2020	Reviewed 1 abstract for Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB) 25.
2020	Reviewed 1 abstract for Syntax, Phonology and Language Analysis (SinFonIJA) 13.
2018	Interviewee, article on experimental linguistic research, Harvard Gazette, Feb 21. (article)
2017	Refereed linguistics-related submissions for MIT INSPIRE (US national high-school research competi-
	tion). (event highlights)
2015	Co-organizer, Southern New England Workshop on Semantics (SNEWS), Harvard U, Nov 21. (event)
2014	Reviewed 1 paper for Borealis – An International Journal of Hispanic linguistics.
2012	Student helper, Workshop on Modality @ U of Ottawa (Apr 20-21)

# I.5 Grants, scholarships, awards

08/2021	(Declined.) Juan de la Cierva 2-year Postdoctoral Fellowship, Spanish Ministry of Science & Innovation.
Spring 2019	Conference travel grant, Harvard Graduate Student Council. \$750.
2018-2019	Dissertation completion fellowship, Harvard U. \$ 36,472.
2015-2016	Sosland Family Graduate Fellowship, Harvard U. \$9,435.
2014-2015	Sosland Family Graduate Fellowship, Harvard U. \$7,924.
2013-2014	Douglas Dillon Fellowship, Harvard U. \$25,300.
2011-2012	Differential admission scholarship, U of Ottawa. \$18,450.
2010-2011	Study abroad scholarship, Confucius Institute Sibiu
2007-2010	Merit scholarships, Lucian Blaga U of Sibiu
Spring 2009	Study abroad scholarship, Erasmus Mundus

# II Attachments: Activity as a technical author

My duties are mainly with Juju Docs.

However, I have also been involved with Multipass Docs and Charmed Kubeflow Docs.

I've also given 1 presentation at a community workshop and published 1 blog post on https://ubuntu.com.

My work is guided by Diataxis and informed by close collaboration with software engineers, product managers, marketing specialists, web designers, and community members.