

EDUCATION

New York University Ph.D., Communicative Sciences and Disorders – Advisor: Dr. Sudha Arunachalam	NYC, USA 2021–Current
Jawaharlal Nehru University M.A. in Linguistics GPA: 8.31/9.00	Delhi, India 2016–2018
English and Foreign Languages University B.A. (Hons) in English, GPA: 8.04/9.00	Hyderabad, India 2013–2016

WORK EXPERIENCE

First Language Acquisition Teaching Assistant – Supervisor: Dr. Ailis Cournane	NYU Linguistics Spring 2023
Project Prakash, MIT Research Assistant – Referential communication in blind, sighted and newly-sighted individuals – Supervisor: Dr. Paula Rubio-Fernandez	New Delhi, India 2018–2021

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **V. Shukla**, M. Long, and P. Rubio-Fernandez, “Children’s acquisition of new/given markers in english, hindi, mandinka and spanish: Exploring the effect of optionality during grammaticalization”, *Glossa Psycholinguistics*, vol. 1, no. 1, 2022. [Online]. Available: <https://doi.org/10.5070/G6011120>.
- [2] P. Rubio-Fernandez, **V. Shukla**, V. Bhatia, S. Ben-Ami, and P. Sinha, “Head turning is an effective cue for gaze following: Evidence from newly sighted individuals, school children and adults”, *Neuropsychologia*, vol. 174, p. 108 330, 2022, issn: 0028-3932. [Online]. Available: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuropsychologia.2022.108330>.
- [3] P. Rubio-Fernandez, M. Long, **V. Shukla**, V. Bhatia, and P. Sinha, “Visual perspective taking is not automatic in a simplified dot task: Evidence from newly sighted children, primary school children and adults”, *Neuropsychologia*, p. 108 256, 2022. [Online]. Available: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuropsychologia.2022.108256>.
- [4] **V. Shukla**, M. Long, V. Bhatia, and P. Rubio-Fernandez, “Some sentences prime pragmatic reasoning in the verification and evaluation of comparisons.”, *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition*, 2021. [Online]. Available: <https://doi.org/10.1037/xlm0001082>.
- [5] M. Long, **V. Shukla**, and P. Rubio-Fernandez, “The development of simile comprehension: From similarity to scalar implicature”, *Child Development*, vol. 92, no. 4, pp. 1439–1457, 2021. [Online]. Available: <https://doi.org/10.1111/cdev.13507>.

- [6] H. Yadav, A. Vaidya, **V. Shukla**, and S. Husain, “Word order typology interacts with linguistic complexity: A cross-linguistic corpus study”, *Cognitive Science*, vol. 44, no. 4, e12822, 2020. [Online]. Available: <https://doi.org/10.1111/cogs.12822>.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **Parental tuning of narratives directed to autistic and non-autistic children: An exploratory eye-tracking study** Durham, USA, 2023
Vishakha Shukla, Angela Xiaoxue He, Sudha Arunachalam
Meeting on Language in Autism
- **Comprehension of unscripted parent narratives by autistic children** Wisconsin, USA, 2022
Vishakha Shukla, Angela Xiaoxue He, Sudha Arunachalam
2022 Symposium on Research in Child Language Disorders
- **Eliciting narratives in different languages, cultures and platforms: methodological insights.** Nov, 2021
Vrinda Bhatia, Anwesha Mahapatra, Vishakha Shukla, Paula Rubio-Fernandez
MODE: Methods of Online Discourse Elicitation Conference
- **Children’s acquisition of new/given markers in English, Hindi, Mandinka and Spanish** Virtual, 2021
Vishakha Shukla, Madeleine Long, Vrinda Bhatia, Paula Rubio-Fernandez
34th CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing
- **Priming pragmatic reasoning in the verification and evaluation of comparisons** Virtual, 2021
Vishakha Shukla, Madeleine Long, Vrinda Bhatia, Paula Rubio-Fernandez
34th CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing
- **Perspective taking in newly-sighted kids** Boulder, USA, 2019
Paula Rubio-Fernandez, Vishakha Shukla, Shlomit Ben Ami, Chetan Ralekar, Ashwini Vaidya, Michelle Oras Ali Pawan Sinha
32nd CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing

SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Proficient in Python, R, \LaTeX . Some experience with Javascript, HTML, MATLAB.
- **Softwares and Platforms:** General Experiment Builders (Psiturk, Psychopy), Eye-Tracking Experiment Builders (SMI, Tobii), Participant Sourcing Platforms (Amazon Mechanical Turk, Prolific), Audio/Video Data Coding Softwares (Datavyu, Praat, Audacity, ELAN)
- **Native languages:** Hindi and English

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- **Behavioral data coding:** Vrinda Bhatia
- **Linguistic data coding:** Vrinda Bhatia, Dana Suthammanont, Summer Riddle, Le’har Mishra
- **Eye-gaze data coding:** Sydney Flisser, Angel Frechette
- **Running eye-tracking studies:** Vrinda Bhatia

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Steinhardt PhD Fellowship 2021–2026