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Employment

2022-present Postdoctoral Researcher

Department of Comparative Cultural Psychology

Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany

2017-2022 PhD student

Department of Psychology

University of Chicago, IL, USA

Education

2017-2022 Ph.D. in Psychology

University of Chicago, IL, USA

2011-2017 B.A. in Psychology & Philosophy

Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey

Publications

Kısa, Y. D., Goldin-Meadow, S., & Casasanto, D. (under review). Gesturing during disfluent speech: A pragmatic account.

Kısa, Y. D., Goldin-Meadow, S., & Casasanto, D. (2021). Do gestures really facilitate speech production? Journal of Experimental Psychology: General. Advance online publication. https://doi.org/10.1037/xge0001135.

Kısa Y.D., Goldin-Meadow, S. & Casasanto, D. (2021). Do gestures really facilitate speech production? In Proceedings of the 43rd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Karşılar, H., Kısa, Y.D. & Balcı, F. (2018). Dilation and constriction of subjective time based on observed walking speed. Frontiers in Psychology. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2018.02565.

Kısa, Y. D., Aktan-Erciyes, A., Turan, E. & Göksun, T. (2018). Parental use of spatial language and gestures in early childhood. British Journal of Developmental Psychology, 37, 149-167.

Conference presentations

Kısa Y.D., Achen, C., Goldin-Meadow, S. & Casasanto, D. (2022, July). Why do people gesture more during disfluent speech? A pragmatic account. Poster presented the 44th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Kısa Y.D., Goldin-Meadow, S. & Casasanto, D. (2022, July). Do gestures really facilitate speech production? 9th Conference of the International Society for Gesture Studies, Chicago, IL.

Kısa Y.D., Achen, C., Goldin-Meadow, S. & Casasanto, D. (2022, July). Why do people gesture more during disfluent speech? A pragmatic account. 9th Conference of the International Society for Gesture Studies, Chicago, IL.

Kısa Y.D., Goldin-Meadow, S. & Casasanto, D. (2021, July). Do gestures really facilitate speech production? Paper presented the 43rd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Kısa Y.D., Achen, C., Goldin-Meadow, S. & Casasanto, D. (2021, May). Pragmatic function of gestures. Paper presented at the 2021 APS Virtual Convention.

Bergey, C. A., Kısa Y.D., Casasanto, D. & Yurovsky, D. (2020, July). Where does the conceptual space–time asymmetry come from? Poster presented the 42nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Kısa Y.D., Goldin-Meadow, S. & Casasanto, D. (2020, June-September). Do gestures facilitate speech production? Poster presented at the Association for Psychological Science Poster Showcase.

Casasanto, D. & Kısa, Y. D. (2019, July). Origins of cross-domain asymmetries. Poster presented the 41st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Casasanto, D. & Kısa, Y. D. (2019, May). Origins of cross-domain asymmetries. Poster presented at the 31th annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Washington, D.C.

Kısa, Y. D., Brooks, N. B. & Goldin-Meadow, S. (2018, July). Chunking in gesture can facilitate mental abacus problem solving. 8th Conference of the International Society for Gesture Studies: Gesture and Diversity, Cape Town, South Africa.

Sarıçimen, İ., Kısa, Y. D., Aktan-Erciyes, A., & Göksun, T. (2017, July). Mothers' use of spatial language and spatial gestures. 14th International Congress for the Study of Child Language, Lyon, France.

Kısa, Y.D., Sariçimen, İ., Aktan-Erciyes, A., & Göksun, T. (2017, April). Learning relational words: A longitudinal study. Paper presented as part of the symposium in N. George (chair), Playing with words: How parents highlight event structure through language and gesture, at the Society for Research on Child Development, Austin, TX.

Kısa, Y. D., Aktan-Erciyes, A., & Göksun, T. (2017, January). A longitudinal study on learning spatial language in the first two years. Poster presented at the 17th Budapest CEU Conference on Cognitive Development, Budapest, Hungary.

Kısa, Y.D., Karşılar, H. & Balcı, F. (2015, December). The effect of biological motion on time perception. Poster presented at the Department of Psychology, Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey.

Funding

2021 Center for International Social Science Research Lloyd and Susanne Rudolph Field Research Award

2018 & 2020 Center for Gesture, Sign and Language Research Grant

2020 Center for Latin American Studies Mellon Research Travel Fellowship Award

2017-2022 University of Chicago Social Sciences Fellowship

2017-2019 Fulbright Scholarship for Doctoral studies [Declined]

Teaching

Spring 2020 & 2021 Cognitive Psychology, University of Chicago (discussion sessions)

Winter 2021 Biological Psychology, University of Chicago (discussion sessions & guest lecture)

Spring 2020 Introduction to Developmental Psychology, University of Chicago (discussion sessions)

Reviewer

Child Development; Gesture; Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience; Journal of Cognitive Psychology; Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition; Spatial Cognition and Computation: An Interdisciplinary Journal; PLOS One; Journal of Experimental Psychology: General