

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Education

Ph.D.	Harvard University	Linguistics
A.M.	Harvard University	Linguistics
M.Ed.	Boston University	Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
B.A.	Yale University	Japanese Language and Literature

### Employment

2006– Professor, Eastern, Slavic, and German Studies, Boston College  
1996–06 Associate Professor, Slavic and Eastern Languages Department, Boston College  
1992–96 Assistant Professor, Slavic and Eastern Languages Department, Boston College  
1991–92 Visiting Assistant Professor, Slavic and Eastern Languages, Boston College  
1986–90 Teaching Fellow, Linguistics Department, Harvard University

### Publications: Books

2019

*Formalism and Functionalism in Linguistics: The Engineer and the Collector*, pp. vii + 118.  
London: Routledge Press.

<https://www.taylorfrancis.com/books/9780429455858/>

2014

*Roman Jakobson: Critical Assessments of Leading Linguists*, Vols. 1–4 (Edited by Margaret Thomas). London: Routledge Press.

<http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415624268/>

2011

*Fifty Key Thinkers on Language and Linguistics*, pp. xvii + 306. London: Routledge Press.

<http://www.routledge.com/978-0-415-37303-6>

Japanese translation published 2016 as *Kotoba no shisooka gozyuunin*. Hiezoo Nakajima, Yukito Seta, and Kensuke Takonai (Trans.), pp. xix + 289. Taylor and Francis / Tuttle-Mori.

2004

*Universal Grammar in Second Language Acquisition: A History*, pp. vii + 262. London: Routledge Press.

<http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415654692/>

1993

*Knowledge of Reflexives in a Second Language*, pp. x + 235. Amsterdam: John Benjamins Press.

<https://benjamins.com/catalog/lald.6>

### **Publications: Journal Articles, Chapters, and Publications in Electronic Media**

2020

'Racialization, language science, and nineteenth century anthropometrics. Posted on the blog *History and Philosophy of the Language Sciences*, 7 June 2020, c. 5300 words

<https://hiphilangsci.net/2020/06/08/racialization-language-science/>

'On the reception and revivification of *Cartesian Linguistics*'. Émilie Aussant and Jean-Michel Fortis (Eds.), *History of Linguistics 2017: Selected Papers from the XIV International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences (ICHOLS XIV), Paris, 28 August–1 September 2017*. Amsterdam / Philadelphia: John Benjamins Press. Pp. 157–169.

<https://benjamins.com/catalog/sihols.127>

'Roman Jakobson' (published online). Mark Aronoff (Ed.), *Oxford Bibliographies in Linguistics*. Oxford University Press. Launched 15 January 2020. Pp. 53, c. 11,500 words.

<https://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/view/document/obo-9780199772810/obo-9780199772810-0253.xml?rskey=RAqK4y&result=121>

'Conceptualization of grammar in the history of English grammaticology'. Jillian Bowie, Bas Aarts, and Geri Popova (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook of English Grammar*. Oxford University Press. Pp. 3–20.

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/the-oxford-handbook-of-english-grammar-9780198755104?q=Aarts&lang=en&cc=gb>

2019

'American structuralism' (published online). Mark Aronoff (Ed.), *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Linguistics*. Oxford University Press. Pp. 37, c. 16,000 words.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780199384655.013.400>

2017

'Informed consent in research on second language acquisition' (co-authored with Nicole Pettitt). *Second Language Research* 33: 271–288.

<http://hdl.handle.net/2345/bc-ir:107509>

2016

'Background to formal functionalism: Between Japan, the United States, and Prague'. *Bulletin of the Edward Sapir Society of Japan* 30: 27–38.

'What do we talk about, when we talk about the history of linguistics? A view from the United States'. In Carlos Assunção, Gonçalo Fernandes, and Rolf Kemmler (Eds.), *History of Linguistics 2014: Selected Papers from the XIII International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences (ICHOLS XIII), Vila Real, Portugal, 25–29 August 2014*, 3–16. John Benjamins Press.

2015

'Air writing as a technique for the acquisition of Sino-Japanese characters by second-language learners'. *Language Learning* 65: 631–659.

'A role for *air writing* in second-language learners' acquisition of Japanese in the age of the word processor'. *Journal of Japanese Linguistics* 30: 93–114.

2014

'How did (American) women linguists become women in linguistics?' Linguistic Society of America 90th Anniversary Celebration, Minneapolis, MN, January 2014; published online <http://www.linguisticsociety.org/content/2014-annual-meeting-90th-anniversary-presentation-materials>

'Jakobson's Circles'. In Vadim Kasevich, Yuri Kleiner and Patrick Sériot (Eds.), *History of Linguistics 2011: Selected Papers from the XII International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences (ICHOLS XII), Saint Petersburg, 28 August–2 September 2011*, 145–155. John Benjamins Press.

2013

'Air writing and second language learners' knowledge of Japanese *kanji*'. *Japanese Language and Literature*, 47: 59–92.

'Otto Jespersen and *The Woman*, then and now'. *Historiographia Linguistica*, 40: 377–208.

'The doctorate in second language acquisition: An institutional history'. *Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism*, 3: 509–531.

'History of the study of second language acquisition'. In Martha Young-Scholten and Julia Herschensohn (Eds.), *The Cambridge Handbook of Second Language Acquisition*, 26–45. Cambridge University Press.

2011

'Gender and the language scholarship of the Summer Institute of Linguistics in the context of mid twentieth-century American linguistics'. In Gerda Hassler (Ed.), *History of Linguistics 2008: Selected Papers from the XI International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences (ICHOLS XI), Potsdam, 28 August–2 September 2008*, 389–397. John Benjamins Press.

2010

'Names, epithets, and pseudonyms in linguistic case studies: A historical overview'. *Names: A Journal of Onomastics* 58: 13–23.

'What do we talk about, when we talk about *universal grammar*, and how have we talked about it?' In Douglas A. Kibbee (Ed.), *Chomskyan (R)evolutions*, 301–314. John Benjamins Press.

2009

'Ethical issues in the study of second language acquisition: Resources for researchers'. *Second Language Research* 25: 493–511.

'Units of comparison across languages, across time'. *Second Language Research* 25: 325–333.

2008

'Revisiting the origins of modern study of second-language acquisition: Contributions from the Japanese context', 1956–1959. *Second Language* 7: 3–21.

2007

'The evergreen story of Psammetichus' inquiry'. *Historiographia Linguistica* 34: 37–62.

'Words and concepts for child language learning in late nineteenth versus late twentieth century America'. In Douglas Kibbee (Ed.), *History of Linguistics 2005: Selected Papers from the Tenth International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences*, 344–355. John Benjamins Press.

2006

'Japanese, the grammar of reflexives, and second language acquisition'. In Mineharu Nakayama, Reiko Mazuka, and Yasuhiro Shirai (Eds.), *The Handbook of East Asian Psycholinguistics*, pp. 151–157, Cambridge.

'Research synthesis and historiography: The case of assessment of second language proficiency'. In Lourdes Ortega and John Norris (Eds.), *Synthesizing research on language learning and teaching*, pp. 279–298. Amsterdam / Philadelphia: John Benjamins Press.

Biographical entries: 'Roger Bacon' (Vol. 1: 646–647); 'Roger William Brown' (Vol. 2: 136); 'Joseph H. Greenberg' (Vol. 5: 155–157); 'Robert Lado' (Vol. 6: 301–302). *Encyclopedia of Language and Linguistics* (2nd ed.). Amsterdam: Elsevier.

2005

'Theories of second language acquisition: Three sides, three angles, three points'. *Second Language Research*, 21: 393–414.

2003

'Plato's problems and Plato's Problem'. *Language and Communication* 23: 81–91.

'Two textbook representations of second language acquisition and Universal Grammar: Access versus constraint'. *Second Language Research* 19: 359–376.

2002

'Universal Grammar in Roger Bacon and Martin Joos: Generative linguistics' reading of the past'. *Historiographia Linguistica* 29: 341–380.

'Development of the concept of "the poverty of the stimulus"'. *The Linguistic Review* 19: 51–71.

2001

'The Child Language Data Exchange System in research on second language acquisition'. *Second Language Research* 17: 195–212. Co-author: William E. Rutherford

2000

'Twenty-five years of the BUCLD: An institutional history'. *Journal of Education* 182: 1–18. (Reprinted from Anna H.-J. Do, Laura Domínguez and Aimee Johansen (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 25th Annual Boston University Conference on Language Development*, pp. 1–15. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Press, 2001.)

1999

'Some referential properties of English *it* and *that*'. In Akio Kamio and Ken-Ichi Takami (Eds.), *Function and Structure*, pp. 289–315. Amsterdam, John Benjamins. Co-author: Akio Kamio

1998

'Programmatic ahistoricity in second language acquisition theory'. *Studies in Second Language Acquisition* 20: 387–405.

'Corder's insight in the context of Medieval and early Renaissance language science'. *McGill Working Papers in Linguistics* 13: 183–196.

'Binding and related issues in L2 acquisition'. In Suzanne Flynn, Gita Martohardjono and Wayne O'Neil (Eds.), *The Generative Study of Second Language Acquisition*, pp. 261–276. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.

1997

'Concepts of the nature of second language learning from the thirteenth and the twentieth centuries'. In Kurt Jankowsky (Ed.), *Conceptual and Institutional Developments in the Linguistic History of Europe and the United States*, pp. 23–38. Münster: Nodus Publications.

'Full access and the history of linguistics'. Commentary on a target article in *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 19: 743–744.

'Why second-language acquisition theory has no sense of its own history, why we should do something about it, and what we should do'. In Elizabeth Hughes, Mary Hughes, and Annabel Greenhill (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 21st Annual Boston University Conference on Language Development*, pp. 627–638. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Press.

1995

'Medieval and modern views of Universal Grammar and the nature of second language learning'. *The Modern Language Journal* 79: 345–355.

'Acquisition of the Japanese reflexive *zibun* and movement of anaphors in Logical Form'. *Second Language Research* 11: 206–234.

1994

'Linguistic variation in Spike Lee's *School Daze*'. *College English* 56: 911–927.

'Assessment of proficiency in second language acquisition research'. *Language Learning* 44: 307–336.

'Young children's hypotheses about English reflexives'. In Jeffrey L. Sokolov and Catherine E. Snow (Eds.), *Handbook of Research in Language Development Using CHILDES*, pp. 254–285. Hillsboro, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.

1993

'What do elicited imitation data reveal about comprehension?' In Don Staub and Cheryl Delk (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 1992 Second Language Research Forum*, pp. 187–199. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University.

1991

'Universal grammar and the interpretation of reflexives in a second language'. *Language* 67: 211–239.

'Do second language learners have *rogue* grammars of anaphora?' In Lynn Eubank (Ed.), *Point-Counterpoint*, pp. 375–388. Amsterdam: John Benjamins Press.

1990

'Acquisition of Japanese reflexive *zibun* by unilingual and multilingual learners'. In Hartmut Burmeister and Patricia L. Rounds (Eds.), *Variability in Second Language Acquisition: Proceedings of the 1990 Second Language Research Forum*, pp. 701–718. Eugene, OR: University of Oregon.

1989

'The acquisition of English articles by first and second language learners'. *Applied Psycholinguistics* 10: 335–355.

'The interpretation of English reflexive pronouns by non-native speakers'. *Studies in Second Language Acquisition* 11: 281–303.

1988

'Vietnamese submissive passives'. *Proceedings of the 24th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistics Society* 24: 377–390.

### **Publications: Book Reviews**

2011

Review of Brian Partridge and Aek Phakiti, *Continuum Companion to Research Methods in Applied Linguistics*. *Studies in Second Language Acquisition* 33: 475–477.

2009

Review of Noam Chomsky, *Cartesian Linguistics (3rd ed.)*. *Language and History* 52: 201–204.

2008

Short review of Caroline Coffin, *Historical Discourse*. *Studies in Second Language Acquisition* 30: 414–415.

2005

Review of E. F. K. Koerner, *Toward a History of American Linguistics*. *Word* 55: 286–290.

2004

Review of Vivian Cook, *Portraits of the L2 User*. *Modern Language Journal* 88: 141–142.

2002

Review of Joan Leopold (Ed.), *Prix Volney Essay Series (Vols. 1–4)*. *Language* 78: 335–339.

2000

Review of William C. Ritchie and Tej K. Bhatia (Eds.), *Handbook of Language Acquisition*. *Language* 76: 718–720.

Review of Dan I. Slobin (Ed.), *The Cross-Linguistic Study of Language Acquisition, Vols. 4 and 5*. *Language* 76: 156–158.

1999

Review of William C. Ritchie and Tej K. Bhatia (Eds.), *Handbook of Second Language Acquisition*. *Language* 75: 128–130.

Short review ('Book Notice') of Harald Clahsen (Ed.), *Generative Perspectives on Language Acquisition*. *Language* 75: 177–178.

Short review ('Book Notice') of Pierre Swiggers, *Language and Linguistics: Aims, Perspectives, and Duties of Linguistics*. *Language* 75: 178–179.

Short review ('Book Notice') of Angelika Becker and Mary Carroll (Eds.), *The Acquisition of Spatial Relations in a Second Language*. *Language* 75: 189–190.

Short review ('Book Notice') of Georges Mounin, *Histoire de la Syntaxe: Des Origins au XXe Siècle*. *Language* 75: 216–217.

1998

Short review ('Book Notice') of Kari Sajavaara and Courtney Fairweather (Eds.), *Approaches to Second Language Acquisition*. *Language* 74: 429–430. Co-author: Stephanie Gottwald.

Short review ('Book Notice') of Barabara Fox (Ed.), *Studies in Anaphora*. *Language* 74: 883–884.

1997

Short review ('Book Notice') of Nick C. Ellis (Ed.), *Implicit and Explicit Learning of Languages*. *Language* 73: 420–421.

Short review ('Book Notice') of Fred R. Eckman, Diane Highland, Peter W. Lee, Jean Mileham, and Rita Rutkowski Weber (Eds.), *Second Language Acquisition Theory and Pedagogy*. *Language* 73: 211–212.

Review of *The Newbury House Dictionary of American English*. *The Modern Language Journal* 81: 265–266.

1996

Short review ('Book Notice') of Paula Menyuk, Jacqueline W. Liebergott, and Martin C. Schultz, *Early Language Development in Full-Term and Premature Infants*. *Language* 72: 888–889.

Review of Judith Strozer, *Language Acquisition After Puberty*. *Language* 72: 170–173.

1995

Review of Rod Ellis, *The Study of Second Language Acquisition*. *Studies in Second Language Acquisition* 17: 533–534.

Short review ('Book Notice') of Dan I. Slobin, *The Cross-linguistic Study of Language Acquisition*, Vol. 3. *Language* 71: 424–425.

1994

Review of Susan Gass and Larry Selinker (Eds.), *Language Transfer in Language Learning*. *Applied Psycholinguistics* 14: 571–575.

Review of Vivian Cook, *Second Language Learning and Language Teaching*. *Studies in Second Language Acquisition* 16: 100–101.

Short review ('Book Notice') of Anjum P. Saleemi, *Universal Grammar and Language Learnability*. *Language* 70: 406.

### **In Press / Accepted**

Book chapter: 'Applied linguistics' (co-authored with Kees de Bot). In Press. To appear in Linda R. Waugh and Monique Monville-Brown (Eds.), *Cambridge Handbook of the History of Linguistics*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Book chapter: 'American women's contributions to the history of linguistics'. Accepted. To appear in Helena Samson and Wendy Ayres-Bennett (Eds.), *Distant and Neglected Voices: Women in the History of Linguistics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

### **Exhibit**

Missionaries and linguists: Jesuit grammars from Africa and Native America (co-curated with Doyle Calhoun, Elizabeth Birch, and Bryan Fleming). Burns Library, Boston College, Chestnut Hill MA, 14 July 2016–7 October 2016.

### **Papers Presented**

2020

'Operationalizing linguistic complexity within early generative grammar'  
Colloque: Société d'Histoire et d'Épistémologie des Sciences du Langage  
Université Paris BULAC, Paris, France, January 2020

'William Wood's *New England's Prospect* and language in colonial New England'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting

New Orleans, LA, January 2020

2019

'On the history of generative grammar: Four perspectives'

The Bar-Hillel Colloquium for History, Philosophy & Sociology of Science

The Cohen Institute / Tel Aviv University

Tel Aviv, December 2019

'On what bases does functional linguistics oppose formalism, and what are the consequences beyond the study of language?'

The Bar-Hillel Colloquium for History, Philosophy & Sociology of Science

The Edelstein Center / The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Jerusalem, December 2019

'Brokers, mediators, and 'forest diplomats: Language learning in colonial New England'

Henry Sweet Society for the History of Linguistic Ideas Annual Colloquium

University of Edinburgh, September 2019

'The history of monolingual fieldwork as a tool in American linguistics'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting

New York, NY, January 2019

2018

'Roots of the debate between 'formalists' and 'functionalists''

Henry Sweet Society for the History of Linguistic Ideas Annual Colloquium

National University of Ireland, Maynooth, September 2018

'Broca's legacy to the twenty-first century'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting

Salt Lake City, UT, January 2018

'Wikipedia in a course on the history of linguistics'

Co-presented with Jared Collier, Boston College (Linguistics) 2017

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting

Salt Lake City, UT, January 2018

2017

'On the historiography of *Cartesian Linguistics*'

Fourteenth International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences

Sorbonne Nouvelle 3, Paris, August 2017

'Conceptualization of the basis of English grammaticology, 1800–2000'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting

Austin, TX, January 2017

2016

'Insights into cultural orientation and assumptions through linguistic historiography'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting

Washington, DC, January 2016

'English negative concord, in usage and grammar'

Colloque: Histoire des langues et histoire des représentations linguistiques  
Université Paris Sorbonne, Paris, France, January 2016

'The significance of missionary grammars, or, why the history of linguistics matters'

Department of Linguistics guest lecture  
Georgetown University, Washington DC, March 2016

'The role of women in the history of linguistics in the British and American national contexts' (co-presented with Carol Percy, of the University of Toronto)

Distant and neglected voices: Women in the history of linguistics  
The Royal Society / The British Academy, London, UK, July 2016

'Onomastics in American linguistic fieldwork'

Henry Sweet Society for the History of Linguistic Ideas Annual Colloquium  
Cambridge University, UK, September 2016

2015

'First-person testimony as a resource in the historiography of linguistics'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Portland, OR, January 2015

'Historiography of second language acquisition: How has the field narrated its own history?'

American Association of Applied Linguistics Annual Meeting  
Toronto, Ontario, March 2015

2014

'What do we talk about, when we talk about the history of linguistics? A view from the United States' (Invited plenary address)

Thirteenth International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences  
Universidad de Trás-Os-Montes, Vila Real, Portugal, August 2014

'*Air writing* as a technique for the acquisition of *kanji* by second language learners'

8th International Conference on Practical Linguistics of Japanese  
National Institute for Japanese Language and Linguistics  
Tachikawa, Japan, March 2014

'In what language did Roman Jakobson "speak six languages, all of them in Russian"?'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Minneapolis, MN, January 2014

'Women in American linguistics, 1924–2014'

(Invited participant in Symposium marking the 90th anniversary of the LSA)

Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America  
Minneapolis, MN, January 2014

2013

'*Kuusho*: Using the hands to learn to write in Japanese as a second language'  
(Keynote presentation)  
'Windows on the Mind' symposium  
Waseda University, Tokyo, January 2013

"'Little words" in English pragmatics'  
(Invited lecture)  
Meiji Gakuin University

'Research design in a case study of Japanese as a second language'  
(Invited lecture)  
Japan Women's University  
Tokyo Japan, January 2013

'Otto Jespersen and "The Woman", then and now'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Boston, MA, January 2013

'New England: Wicked important contributions to the history of linguistics'  
(Chair of panel presentation, with Boston College students)  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Boston, MA, January 2013

2012

'Acquisition of *kanji* by second-language learners in the age of the word processor'  
(Invited lecture)  
Momoyama Gakuin, Department of English and American Literature  
Osaka Japan, July 2012

'Roman Jakobson and the 1968 Newberry Conference on the History of Linguistics'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Portland, OR, January 2012

2011

'On the history of the LSA's Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Pittsburgh, PA, January 2011

'Jakobson's Circles'  
Twelfth International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences  
St. Petersburg University, St. Petersburg, Russia, August 2011

2010

'The professional and the personal in linguistic biography'  
Henry Sweet Society for the History of Linguistic Ideas, Annual Colloquium  
University of Sheffield, UK, September 2010

'Chomsky revisited, reviewed, republished, renewed'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Baltimore, MD, January 2010

2009

'Names and pseudonyms in linguistic case studies'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
San Francisco, CA, January 2009

2008

'Gender and the language scholarship of the Summer Institute of Linguistics in the context  
of mid twentieth-century American linguistics'  
Eleventh International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences  
Potsdam University, Potsdam, Germany, August 2008

'Who counts as a "key figure" in the history of linguistics?'  
Invited lecture to the Department of Linguistics  
University of Newcastle, Newcastle, UK, February 2008

'Fifty key thinkers'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Chicago, IL, January 2008

2007

'On the pragmatics of English sentential anaphors *it* and *that*'  
Invited lecture to Department of English Studies  
Chuo University, Japan, May 2007

'On the origins of modern study of second language acquisition, and why we should care  
about getting the story right'  
(Invited plenary address)  
Annual Meeting of the Japan Second Language Association  
Shizuoka University, Japan, May 2007

'The evergreen story of Psammetichus' inquiry'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Anaheim, CA, January 2007

2005

'Re-conceptualization of child and adult language learning in late nineteenth into twentieth century America'

Tenth International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences  
University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, September 2005

'Saussure's arrows, Chomsky's vectors'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Oakland, CA, January 2005

2004

'Two proposals for the extra-linguistic value of the study of language: Eighteenth century *idéologues* and modern generative grammarians'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Boston, MA, January 2004

2003

'What do we talk about, when we talk about universal grammar, and how have we talked about it?'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
Atlanta, GA, January 2003

2002

'Notions of universal grammar and their multiple uses: Bacon, Steintal, Joos'  
(Invited presentation)

Georgetown Conference on the Term 'Grammar' in the 19th and 20th Centuries  
Georgetown University, March 2002

'The specious battle between contrastive analysis and creative construction'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting  
San Francisco, CA, January 2002

2001

'The arbitrary versus the natural in debate about the Critical Period'

(Invited panel presentation)

Harvard Mind / Brain / Behavior Forum, American Academy of Arts and Sciences  
Cambridge MA, November 2001

'Medieval and early Renaissance background to the modern epistemology of language'

(Invited presentation)

University of Southern California Department of Linguistics Colloquium Series  
Los Angeles, March 2001

'*Arbitrary lexicon / natural grammar* in the history of concepts of second language

acquisition'

(Invited presentation)

University of Southern California

Los Angeles, March 2001

'Development of the concept of "the poverty of the stimulus"'

Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America

Washington, DC, January 2001

'Roger Bacon and Martin Joos: Often cited but misconstrued'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting

Washington, DC, January 2001

2000

'Twenty-five years of the BUCLD: An institutional history'

(Invited presentation)

25th Annual Conference on Language Development

Boston University, November 2000

1999

'History, scholarship, nonsense: A chapter in the prehistory of second language acquisition'

(Invited plenary address)

Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics

Stamford CT, March 1999

'The significance of Babel in western conceptualization of second language learning'

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences Annual Meeting

Los Angeles, January 1999

1998

'Syntax and serial order in the elicited imitation of sentences by L2 learners'

Second Language Research Forum

University of Hawai'i, October 1998

1997

'Corder's insight in the context of Medieval and early Renaissance language science'

(Invited plenary address)

Generative Approaches to Second Language Acquisition

McGill University, May 1997

1996

'Why second-language acquisition theory has no sense of its own history, why we should do something about it, and what we should do'

21st Annual Conference on Language Development

Boston University, November 1996

'Language study in the ancient Mediterranean world and current research on L2 acquisition'  
Second Language Research Forum  
University of Arizona, October 1996

'Second language learning and the history of universal grammar'  
Spencer Fellows' Forum, National Academy of Education  
New York NY, April 1996

'Interpretive and methodological issues in recent nativist research on child language acquisition'  
Guest lecture, The College of William and Mary  
Williamsburg VA, February 1996

1995

'Medieval and modern views of Universal Grammar and the nature of second language learning'  
Georgetown Roundtable on Language and Linguistics (Pre-session: History of Linguistics)  
Georgetown University, March 1995

1994

'English multiple-foci *it* clefts' [With Akio Kamio]  
Conference on English Linguistics  
Tokyo University, November 1994 [Presented by Akio Kamio]

'Roundtable on acquisition of Japanese as a second language' [Organizer and co-chair]  
Second Language Research Forum  
McGill University, October 1994

'Acquisition of Japanese as a second language' [Panel chair and discussant]  
Association of Asian Studies  
Boston MA, March 1994

1993

'Comments on the session on binding and related phenomena'  
Recent Advances in Generative Approaches to Second Language Acquisition  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, January 1993

'Language acquisition and movement of reflexives in Logical Form'  
Second Language Research Forum  
University of Pittsburgh, March 1993

1992

'Historical parallels to young children's grammars of English reflexives'  
Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America  
Philadelphia PA, January 1992

'What does elicited imitation reveal about comprehension?'  
Second Language Research Forum  
Michigan State University, March 1992  
Also presented at Boston University, April 1992

1991

'Degree-zero learnability, morphology, and binding domains'  
16th Annual Conference on Language Development  
Boston University, October 1991

'Position of adverbial clauses and anaphora direction in Japanese as a second language'  
Second Language Research Forum  
University of Southern California, March 1991

'Assessment of proficiency levels in second language research'  
Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics  
New York NY, March 1991

1990

'Language interference and *wanna* contraction'  
Annual Convention of the Modern Language Association  
Chicago IL, December 1990

'Access to universal grammar in L2 learners' interpretation of anaphors'  
15th Annual Conference on Language Development  
Boston University, October 1990

'Acquisition of the Japanese *zibun* by unilingual and multilingual learners'  
Second Language Research Forum  
University of Oregon, March 1990

'Universal grammar and second language acquisition'  
10th Annual Conference on Second Language Acquisition  
University of South Florida, February 1990

1989

'Referential properties of English *it* and *that*: A functional analysis' [With Akio Kamio]  
Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America  
Washington DC, December 1989

'Parameters and Japanese *zibun*'

Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics  
Washington DC, December 1989

'Active learning and active teaching'  
Harvard-Danforth Center Fall Teaching Orientation  
Harvard University, September 1989

1988

'The interpretation of English reflexive pronouns by non-native speakers'  
13th Annual Conference on Language Development  
Boston University, October 1988

'Vietnamese submissive passives'  
24th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistics Society  
University of Chicago, April 1988

'Use of English articles by Mandarin-speaking second language learners'  
22nd Convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages  
Chicago IL, March 1988

### **Awards / Research Support**

Boston College full year Sabbatical  
2019–2020

Kolvenbach Grant  
Boston College, November 2018

Honorary membership, Edward Sapir Society of Japan  
Tokyo, Japan, January 2015

*Jyutenka Shiken* grant (supporting travel and research in Japan)  
Japan Women's University, Tokyo, Japan, 2013

Exchange Researcher  
Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan, 2012

Japan Foundation Short-Term Research Grant  
2012

Boston College Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Teaching / Mentoring Award  
2012

Boston College Research Incentive Grant  
2009

Teachers for a New Era (Carnegie Corporation-supported grant to Boston College)  
2006–2007; 2008; 2009

Boston College full year Sabbatical  
2005–2006

- Boston College Faculty Fellowship  
 Spring 2003  
 Spring 1996; declined in order to accept Spencer Fellowship
- Boston College Teaching / Advising Grant  
 1995–1996; 2002–2003; 2003–2004; 2006–2007; 2009
- Spencer Small Research Grant  
 Spencer Foundation (1998)
- Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship  
 National Academy of Education, Stanford University (1995–1996)
- Boston College Small Research Grant  
 Summer 1993; Fall 2004; Summer 2005
- Harvard-Radcliffe Certificate of Distinction in Teaching  
 Awarded for work as Teaching Fellow in course *Introduction to Linguistics* (1990)
- Dokkyo International Cooperation Research Fellowship  
 Dokkyo University, Saitama, Japan (Summer 1989)
- American Association of Applied Linguistics Graduate Student Prize  
 Awarded for the best paper presented at 1989 AAAL conference by a graduate student
- Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship  
 Harvard University (Summer 1987)
- Harvard University Grant-in-Aid  
 Harvard University (1983–1989)
- Sumitomo Travel-Study Fellowship  
 Yale University (1974–1975)

### Teaching Experience

Department of Eastern, Slavic, and German Studies, Boston College

- Classics in Linguistics*
- Formalism and Functionalism in Linguistics*
- Language and Language Types*
- Language and Ethnicity*
- Language in Society*
- Linguistic Analysis and Field Methods*
- Linguistic Structure of English*
- Linguistic Structure of Japanese*
- Psycholinguistics*
- Second Language Acquisition*
- Syntax and Semantics*
- Teaching English as a Foreign Language*

Department of Linguistics, Harvard University

Undergraduate tutorial courses  
*Experimental Psycholinguistics*  
*Language Typology*  
*Second-Language Acquisition and Linguistic Theory*  
*Functional Syntax*

Teaching assistantships  
*Introduction to Linguistics*  
*Knowledge of Language*  
*Transformational Syntax*

### University, College, and Department Service

Undergraduate Program Director, Program in Linguistics	2016–
Member, College of Arts and Sciences Promotion and Tenure Committee	2011–2013
Faculty academic advisor	1993–
Faculty interviewer, Presidential Scholars Program	2000–2010
Director, Undergraduate Fulbright Program	1996–2010
Member, University Fellowships Committee	1996–2010
Member, University Core Committee	2007–2009
Member, Arts and Sciences Awards Committee	2007–2010
Member, Coordinating Council for Teachers for a New Era	2008–2011
Member, Graduate Grievance Committee	2006–2008
Faculty participant, ‘Halftime’ student retreats	2006, 2007, 2009
Chair, Slavic and Eastern Languages	2000–Jan. 2002
Interview committee member, NSEP grant applicants	2000–2003
Member, Connors Family Learning Center Advisory Committee	1991–2000
Director, English for foreign students	1991–2003
Faculty co-advisor, Graduate International Forum	2002–2003
Faculty advisor, Sophia University exchange program	1996–2000
Member, Working Committee on ‘Traditions’	2004
Member, Boston College Teacher Education Council	1999–2009
Participant, Title II grant to Lynch School of Education	1999–2009
Participant, Jesuit Institute seminar on religion and alienation	1996–1997
Participant, NSF / NEH seminar on science and the humanities	1995
Coordinator, English Dept. English as a foreign language tutoring program	1984–1992

### Service to the Profession

Member, Editorial Board, *History and Philosophy of the Language Sciences*  
 Appointed May 2020

Archivist, Linguistic Society of America  
 Appointed February 2018

President, North American Association for the History of Language Sciences  
 2008–10; elected January 2008

- Reviews Editor, *Second Language Research*  
Commissioning, evaluation, and editing of review articles for Vol. 15 onward  
Appointed January 1998
- Reviews Editor, *Language and History*  
Commissioning, evaluation, and editing of book reviews for Vol. 52 onward  
Appointed May 2009
- Member, Advisory Board, *Studies in Second Language Acquisition*  
Appointed July 2003
- Member, Editorial Board, *Studies in Second Language Acquisition*  
Appointed January 2012
- Member, Editorial Board, *Historiographia Linguistica*  
Appointed January 2008
- Member, Advisory Board, Japan Second Language Association  
Appointed April 2009
- Member, Editorial Board, *Language and Communication*  
November 2010–May 2020
- Member, Editorial Board, *Todas as Letras: Revista de Língua e Literatura*  
Appointed July 2016
- External evaluator of faculty candidates for promotion and tenure  
University of Paris / Sorbonne  
The University of Western Ontario  
Cornell University  
University of Hawai'i  
University of Colorado, Denver, CO  
University of California, Santa Barbara CA  
Indiana University, Bloomington IA  
McGill University, Montréal Quebec  
University of North Texas, Denton TX  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA  
University of San Francisco, San Francisco CA  
Macalester College, St. Paul MN
- External evaluator of PhD candidate in Linguistics  
McGill University, Montreal Quebec 2002
- External evaluator of undergraduate Linguistics honors candidates  
Swarthmore College, Swarthmore PA 1997
- Reviewer of grant proposals submitted to National Science Foundation 2005, 2006
- Reviewer of grant proposal submitted to the British Academy 2006
- Reviewer of grant proposal submitted to Social Science and Humanities Council of Canada  
2008
- Reviewer of grant proposal submitted to the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven 2015
- Referee of book manuscripts submitted to scholarly presses

Conceptual Foundations in the Language Sciences	2015
Blackwell Publishers	1999, 2004
Brill Publishers	2010
Cambridge University Press	1999
Edinburgh University Press	2000, 2009
Equinox Press	2008
John Benjamins Press	2008, 2009
Lawrence Erlbaum	2004
Routledge Press	2005, 2013, 2014
Sinaur Associates	2013

Referee of article manuscripts submitted to scholarly journals

*Applied Linguistics*  
*Applied Psycholinguistics*  
*College English*  
*Historiographia Linguistica*  
*International Journal of Applied Linguistics*  
*Journal of French Language Studies*  
*Language Acquisition*  
*Language and History*  
*Language Learning*  
*Language Teaching*  
*PLOS One*  
*The Modern Language Journal*  
*Second Language*  
*Second Language Research*  
*Studies in Language Sciences*  
*Studies in Second Language Acquisition*

Referee of chapter manuscripts submitted to edited collections

María del Pilar García Mayo and Roger Hawkins (Eds.). 2009. *Second Language Acquisition of Articles: Empirical Findings and Theoretical Implications*. John Benjamins Press.

Lourdes Ortega, and John M. Norris (Eds.). 2006. *Contemporary Instructed SLA Problems in Meta-Analysis Perspective*. John Benjamins Press.

Suzanne Flynn, Gita Martohardjono, and Wayne O'Neil (Eds.). 1998. *Recent Advances in Generative Approaches to Second Language Acquisition*. Lawrence Erlbaum.

Maria Beck (Ed.). 1998. *Morphology and Its Interfaces in Second Language Knowledge*. John Benjamins Press.

Harald Clahsen and Roger Hawkins (Eds.). 1996. *Generative Perspectives on Language Acquisition*. John Benjamins Press.

Teun Hoekstra and Bonnie D. Schwartz (Eds.). 1993. *Language Acquisition: Studies in Generative Grammar*. John Benjamins Press.

Evaluator of conference paper proposals

North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences  
 2008–

Boston University Language Development Conference

1992, 1994–2012

Generative Approaches to Second Language Acquisition

1997, 1998, 2001, 2010

European Second Language Association

2003

Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition

2008

Member, Nominating committee

North American Association for History of Language Sciences (1999–2000; 2003–5)

Member, American Association for Applied Linguistics Committee on Graduate Student Awards (2000–2001)

### **Professional Memberships**

Linguistic Society of America	1989–
American Association of Applied Linguistics	1990–
Modern Language Association	1990–
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences	1994–
Henry Sweet Society for the History of Linguistic Ideas	2010–
Edward Sapir Society of Japan (appointed Honorary Member)	2015–

### **Quantitative Skills**

Parametric and non-parametric tests, regression, ANOVA; SAS statistical package

### **Languages**

Japanese, Vietnamese, French; some Spanish, Latin, Chinese, Indonesian, Tagalog