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## CURRICULUM VITAE

### A. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

#### 1. Personal

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#### 2. Degrees

Ph.D.	1985	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Linguistics) Thesis Title: <i>Case Theory and the Projection Principle</i> Advisor: Noam Chomsky (Ken Hale, Luigi Rizzi)
M.A.	1980	University of Toronto (Linguistics)
B.A.	1979	York University, Ontario (Linguistics and English Literature)

#### 3. Employment

2003-present	<b>Full Professor</b> , Dept. of Linguistics, University of Toronto
1994-present	<b>Associate Professor</b> , Dept. of Linguistics, University of Toronto (tenured, July, 1994)
1989-1994	<b>Assistant Professor</b> , Dept. of Linguistics University of Toronto
1987-1989	<b>Canada Research Fellow</b> , Dept. of Linguistics, University of Toronto
1986-1987	<b>Research Associate</b> , Département de linguistique "Morphologie et syntaxe du créole haïtien" (Director: C. Lefebvre) Université du Québec à Montréal
1986	<b>Research Consultant</b> , Dept. of Computing Science "Computer and Communications Research Project" (Director: V. Dahl) Simon Fraser University
1985-1986	<b>Lecturer</b> , Dept. of Linguistics, University of British Columbia
1984	<b>Lecturer</b> , Dept. of Linguistics, University of British Columbia
1983-1985	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> in Linguistics, University of Toronto and Massachusetts Institute of Technology

#### 4. Honours

Dean's Excellence Award, Faculty of Arts and Science, University of Toronto, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010

## 5. Professional Affiliations and Activities

Erskine Fellowship (Fall 2010) University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand.

Chair, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Committee 5 (Linguistics, Applied Linguistics and Translation) Standard Research Grant Competition (2009-10, 2010-11)

Steering Committee member, Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association 2010-

Advisory Board, *Canadian Journal of Linguistics*, 2008-

Visiting Professor, Harvard University, Spring 2006

Editorial Board, *Linguistic Inquiry*, 2003-2008

Distinguished Visitor, The University of Auckland, New Zealand, May, 2004.  
Honorary Research Fellow, Dept. of Linguistics, University of Auckland. 2001.

Editor, Squibs Dept. (with E. Cowper and E. Drescher) *Linguistic Inquiry* (MIT Press, S. J. Keyser, General Editor) 1998-2002

Executive Committee member (Program Chair), Canadian Linguistics Association, 1998-2002

Citation address for Honorary Doctorate degree: Noam Chomsky, U. of T, May, 2000.

Field work in New Zealand/Niue Island, March-May 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001, 2005, 2010

Visiting Scholar, Dept. of Linguistics, Victoria University of Wellington, Wellington, New Zealand, March-May, 1995 and Niuean Dictionaries Project, Niue Island, May, 1995

Consultant, SSHRCC research project "Morphologie et syntaxe du creole haitien" UQAM (director: Claire Lefebvre) 1987-1991

## B. ACADEMIC HISTORY

### 6. Research

#### a. Research Endeavours

##### **General Areas**

Syntactic and Morphological Theory, Case Theory, Phrase Structure, Word Order, Predication, the Left Periphery, the Lexicon, Argument Structure, Grammatical Relations, Austronesian Syntax, Polynesian Syntax, Niuean Grammar, Cross-linguistic variation, English Grammar

## **b. Research Awards**

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Aid to Scholarly Conferences Grant for conference *NELS* (for U. of Toronto Graduate Students) 2011.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Standard Research Grant “VSO Predication and Ergative Argument Structure” (P.I.) 2009-2012 (with Research Time Stipend).

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Aid to Research Workshops and Conferences (with Nattaya Piriyawiboon) “Workshop on Count and Mass” 2009.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Standard Research Grant “Featural Variation in the Left Periphery of a Predicate Initial Language” (P.I.) 2005-2009.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Aid to Scholarly Conferences Grant for conference *Formal Approaches to Slavic Linguistics Conference/ Workshop on Clitics* (with Magda Goledzinowska and Christina Kramer) 2005-2006.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Standard Research Grant “Aspects of Ergativity in Austronesian” (Co-investigator, with P.I. Ileana Paul, University of Western Ontario) 2005-2008.

Distinguished Visitor Award, The University of Auckland, New Zealand May, 2004.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Aid to Occasional Research Conferences Grant (with A. Johns and J. Ndayiragije, 2002-2003).

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Standard Research Grant "Issues in Niuean Syntax" (P.I.) 2001-2004.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Aid to Occasional Research Conferences Grant, 1998-2000.

Connaught International Symposia Program Award, 1998-2000

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Research Grant "A Cross-linguistic Study of Verbal Systems" (P.I., with E. Cowper and A. Johns). 1997-2001

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Research Grant "Grammatical Morphemes: Their Function and Effect" (P.I., with E. Cowper) 3 yrs. 1994-1997

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Research Grant "Conceptual Structure and its Role in Syntax" (coinvestigator, with E. Cowper) 3 years, approx. 1991-1994

Start-up Grant, Faculty of Arts and Science, U. of Toronto. 1989-1990

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Research Grant "Thematic Relations in the Lexicon and in Syntax" (coinvestigator with E. Cowper) 1989-1991

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. Canada Research Fellowship. 1987-89

Fonds Pour la formation de chercheurs et l'Aide a la Recherche. Research Grant "Creole haitien: Langues africaines relexifiees?" (with C. Lefebvre). 1987-89

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Ph. D. Scholarship 4 years. 1981-1985

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Special MA Scholarship. 1979-1980

## **C. SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL WORK**

### **7. Refereed Publications** (published work or work accepted for publication)

#### **a. Articles in Journals (Refereed)**

“Genitive Subjects in Relative Clauses in Polynesian Languages” (with Jonathon Herd and Catherine Macdonald). *Lingua* 121:1252-1264. 2011

“Determiners in Niuean” With Colin Gorrie and Alexandra Kellner *Australian Journal of Linguistics* 30:3:349-367. 2010.

“V1 or V2?: on the Left in Niuean” *Lingua* 120.2:284-302, 2010.

“On the separation and relatedness of number, classifiers and individuation in Niuean” *Language and Linguistics* 10:4:669-699. 2009.

“Noun Incorporation: Essentials and Extensions” *Blackwell’s Compass* 3 1076–1096, 2009.

“Existential Incorporation Constructions” *Lingua* 119.2:166-184

“Still a Preposition: The Category of *ko*” (with Josephine Lee and Nicholas Rolle) *Te Reo Journal of the New Zealand Linguistics Association* 49:3-38. 2006.

“On the Edge of Syntax: Discourse Particles in Niuean” (with Donna Starks and Ofania Ikiua) *Oceanic Linguistics* 45.1 198-212. 2006.

- “Number and Events: Verbal Reduplication in Niuean” (with Mohammad Haji Abdolhosseini and Kenji Oda) *Oceanic Linguistics* 41.2:475-492. 2002.
- "Pseudo Noun Incorporation in Niuean", *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 19:1:153-197. 2001.
- "Possession in Niuean" (with Wolfgang Sperlich) in Steven Fischer, ed. *Possessive Markers in Central Pacific Languages: Thematic volume of Language Typology and Universals (Sprachtypologie und Universalienforschung)*. pp. 281-292. 2000.
- "Thing-is Constructions: The thing is, is what's the right analysis" *English Language and Linguistics* 3.2:335-352. 1999.
- "Multiple Case Checking" (with S. Bejar), *Syntax: A Journal of Theoretical, Experimental and Interdisciplinary Research*, 2.2:65-79. 1999.
- "Instrumental *aki* and the Nature of Niuean Transitivity" *Oceanic Linguistics*: 37.1:12-28. 1998.
- "Lexical/Syntactic Relations Without Projection" (with Jila Ghomeshi) *Linguistic Analysis* 24.3-4:175-217. 1994.
- "The Licensing of Genitives" *Linguistica Atlantica* 15:115-129. 1994.
- "Null Objects and Nonthematic Subjects" *The Journal of Linguistics* 28:115-137. 1992.
- "Cognate Objects as Thematic Objects" *The Canadian Journal of Linguistics* 35.2:161-190. 1990.
- "Predicate Argument Structure in Haitian Creole" *Revue quebecoise de linguistique* 18.2: 95-130. 1989.
- "Recipe Context Null Objects in English" (with Y. Roberge) *Linguistic Inquiry* 20.1:134-139. 1989.
- "Haitian Creole Syntax: A Case for DET as Head" (with C. Lefebvre) *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages* 3.2:213-243. 1988.
- "Case Theory and the Projection Principle: dissertation abstract" *The Linguistic Review* 5:377-390. 1986.

**b. Chapters in books (Refereed)**

- “Questions and Answers in Niuean” (with Donna Starks and Ofania Ikiua) to appear in Claire Moyse-Faurie and Joachim Sabel (eds) *Morphosyntactic Aspects of Oceanic Languages* Mouton de Gruyter.

“Deriving Inverse Order: The Issue of Arguments” In Raphael Mercado, Eric Potsdam and Lisa Travis (eds.) *Austronesian and Formal Linguistics*. John Benjamins Publishing Company pp. 271-296. 2010.

“The proper-D connection”. (with Jila Ghomeshi) in Jila Ghomeshi, Ileana Paul and Martina Wiltschko, (eds.) *Determiners: Universals and Variation*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins Publishing Company. pp. 67-95. 2009.

“Patterns of Phrasal Movement: The Niuean DP” (with Arsalan Kahnemuyipour). in Hans-Martin Gaertner, Paul Law and Joachim Sabel, eds. *Clause Structure and Adjuncts in Austronesian Languages*. Mouton de Gruyter. pp. 125-150. 2006.

"Neither Absolute nor Ergative is Nominative or Accusative" in Alana Johns, Diane Massam, and Juvenal Ndayiragije, eds., *Ergativity: Emerging Issues* (eds.) Springer Press. pp. 27-46. 2006.

“Predicate Fronting and Lexical Category in Niuean” in Andrew Carnie, Heidi Harley, and Sheila Dooley-Colburg, eds. *Verb First: Studies in Predicate Initial Languages* John Benjamins Publishing Company. pp. 227-242. 2005.

"On Predication and the Status of Subjects in Niuean" in William Davies and Stanley Dubinsky eds. *Objects and Other Subjects* Amsterdam: Kluwer Publishing. pp. 225-246. 2001.

"VSO is VOS: Aspects of Niuean Word Order" in Andrew Carnie and Eithne Guilfoyle, eds. *The Syntax of Verb Initial Languages*, Oxford U. Press. pp. 97-117. 2000.

"Introduction" to *Arguments and Structure in Austronesian Languages* in *Canadian Journal of Linguistics* 43(3/4):275-281. 1998.

"Operator-Bound Clitics and Niuean *ai*" (with Yves Roberge) in Black, Jim and Virginia Motapanyane, eds., *Clitics, Pronouns and Movement* Current Issues in Linguistic Theory 140 John Benjamins Ltd. Amsterdam and Philadelphia. pp. 273-300. 1997.

"Raising and Binding in Niuean" (with J. Levin) in D. McGinn, ed. *Studies in Austronesian Linguistics* Ohio University, Athens. pp. 253-274. 1988.

### **c. Edited Volumes (Refereed)**

*Count and mass across languages*. in prep., Oxford University Press.

*Ergativity: Emerging Issues* (with Alana Johns and Juvenal Ndayiragije) Edited volume. Springer Press. 2006. (368 pp)

*Arguments and Structure in Austronesian Languages* Thematic double issue of the *Canadian Journal of Linguistics* 43 (3/4). (with Barry Miller) 1998.

## 8. Other Publications (Technical Reports, Reviews, Conference Proceedings)

### a/b. Articles and Chapters (Refereed by Abstract Unless Otherwise Stated)

#### Conference Proceedings

“Causatives and (Un)ergatives” *Proceedings of AFLA*. UCSC, 2009.  
<http://westernlinguistics.ca/afla/meetings/afla16/proceedings.htm>

“The Morpho-syntax of Tense Particles in Niuean” In Frédéric Mailhot (ed.) *Proceedings of the 2009 meeting of the Canadian Linguistics Association*. 2009.  
<http://homes.chass.utoronto.ca/~cla-acl/actesproc.html>

“Niuean Determiners: Everywhere and Nowhere” (first author, with Colin Gorrie and Alexandra Kellner) in ed. Claire Gurski and Milica Radisic, 16 pages. *The Proceedings of the 2006 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Conference*,  
<http://ling.uwo.ca/publications/CLA2006/Massam.pdf>

“The dog, the moon, The Hague, and Canada. (with Jila Ghomeshi) In *Proceedings of the 2005 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Conference*, ed. Claire Gurski, (12 pages).  
<http://ling.uwo.ca/publications/CLA-ACL/CLA-ACL2005.html>

“Genitive Relative Constructions in Polynesian” (with Jonathon Herd and Catherine MacDonald) In *Proceedings of the 2004 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Conference*, ed. Marie-Odile Junker, Martha McGinnis and Yves Roberge, 12 pages.  
<http://www.carleton.ca/~mojunker/ACL-CLA/>

“Deriving the Order of Heads and Adjuncts: The Case of the Niuean DP” in Paul Law, ed. *Proceedings of AFLA 11*. ZAS Papers in Linguistics, Zentrum Fur Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Typologie und Universalienforschung, Berlin. pp. 135-147. 2004.

“Inversely ordered DPs in Niuean” (with Arsalan Kahnemuyipour) In *Proceedings of the 2002 Annual Conference of the Canadian Linguistics Association*, Stanca Somesfalean, ed. UQAM, Montreal. pp. 156-166. 2002. <http://homes.chass.utoronto.ca/~cla-acl/actesproc.html>

“Lexical Categories in Niuean” in the Special issue of U. of Hawaii Working Papers, Volume 34(2), *Digests of Selected Papers from AFLA X* (Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association) conference held in Honolulu, pp. 21-23. 2003.

“Complementizers in Niuean and Tongan” in the Special issue of U. of Hawaii Working Papers, Volume 34(2), *Digests of Selected Papers from AFLA X* (Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association) conference held in Honolulu, pp. 23-25. 2003.

"Questions and the Left Periphery in Niuean" in Anastasia Riehl and Thess Savella, (eds.) *Proceedings of the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA9)*. Cornell Working Papers in Linguistics 19. Pp. 94-106. 2003.

"Fully Internal Case: Surface Ergativity can be Profound" in A. Rackowski and N. Richards eds. *Proceedings of AFLA 8*, MIT Working Papers in Linguistics, Cambridge, Massachusetts. pp. 185-196. 2002.

"Number and Events: Reduplication in Niuean" (with M. Haji-Abdolhosseini and K. Oda in G. Van Herk and J. Jensen, eds. *Proceedings of the 2001 Annual Conference of the Canadian Linguistics Association*, U. of Ottawa, Ontario. pp. 25-36. 2001.

"Subjects and Predicates in Niuean" in Wolfgang Sperlich and Stephen Fischer, eds. *Leo Pasifika, Proceedings of the Fourth International Conference on Oceanic Linguistics, Niue Island*. Institute for Polynesian Languages and Literatures, Auckland, New Zealand. pp. 218-232. 2000. (non-refereed)

"Niuean Nominalization" in Marian Klamer, ed. *Proceedings of AFLA 7: The seventh meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association* Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam. pp. 121-132. 2000.

"Predicate Fronting in Niuean" in Matt Pearson, ed. *Proceedings of AFLAIII and IV*, UCLA Working Papers in Linguistics, UCLA. pp. 223-233. 1998.

"Predicate Fronting in Niuean" in Ana Pasquini, Lorna Rowsell and Laura Smith, eds. *Proceedings of the 1996 Annual Conference of the Canadian Linguistics Association*, Calgary Working Papers in Linguistics, University of Calgary. pp. 246-256. 1996.

"Essential Features of Predication in Niuean and English" (with Carolyn Smallwood) in K. Kusumoto, ed. *Proceedings of NELS 27*, GLSA, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. pp. 236-272. 1996.

"Case Without Functional Projections" in P. Koskinen, ed. *Proceedings of the 1994 Annual Conference of the Canadian Linguistics Association*, LCGU, University of Toronto. pp. 369-380. 1994.

"A Typology of Objects: Aspect and Role" (with Jila Ghomeshi) in C. Dyck, J. Ghomeshi, and T. Wilson, eds. *Proceedings of the 1992 Annual Conference of the Canadian Linguistics Association. Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics*, LGCU, University of Toronto. pp. 157-170. 1992.

"Direct and Indirect Objects: The Niuean Case System" in Klipple, E. and J. van Voorst, eds. *Cahiers de Linguistique de l'UQAM* 1.1. 1992. (non-refereed)

"Part/Whole Constructions in English" in Jane Fee and Katharine Hunt, eds. *Proceedings of the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics* . pp. 236-246. 1989.



"Middles, Tough and Recipe Context Constructions in English" in J. Blevins and J. Carter, eds. *NELS 18*. GLSA, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. pp. 315-332. 1988.

"Classification of Niuean Verbs: Notes on Case" (jointly with J. Levin) in P. Geraghty, et al. eds. *Focal 1: Papers from the fourth International Conference on Austronesian Linguistics Research School of Pacific Studies, Canberra*. pp. 231-244. 1986. (non-refereed)

"Surface Ergativity: Case/Theta Relations Reexamined" (jointly with J. Levin) in S. Berman, et al., eds. *NELS 15*. GLSA, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. pp. 286-301. 1985.

"Raising an Exceptional Case" in J. Drogo, V. Mishra, D. Testen, eds. *Papers from the 20th Meeting of the Chicago Linguistics Society* University of Chicago. pp. 281-300. 1984.

### **Reviews (non-refereed)**

Review of Chung, Sandra and William Ladusaw 2004 *Restriction and Saturation* in *Journal of Linguistics* 42: 713-716. 2006.

Review of Fagan, Sarah, 1992 *The Syntax and Semantics of Middle Constructions A Study with Special Reference to German* in *Lingua* 96 267-286. 1995

### **Other Journals/Technical Reports/Working Papers (non-refereed)**

Complex Predicates in Niuean. With Daniel Bild-Enkin, Alex Rozin and Filip Tisma. To appear in *Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics*.

Teaching and Learning Guide for Noun Incorporation: Essentials and Extensions. *Language and Linguistics Compass* 3 (2009).

"Resulting States in Niuean" (with Paul Dhillon and Karl Shin Ki Lee) In Richard Compton and Monica Irimia (eds.) *Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics* 31. 2009. <http://twpl.library.utoronto.ca/index.php/twpl/issue/archive>

"Faka-Niue: Understanding Cause in Niuean" (with Philip Patchin and Isaac Gould) In Richard Compton and Monica Irimia (eds.) *Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics* 31. 2009.

"Some Notes on the Quantifier *Oti* in Niuean" *Rongorongo Studies: A Forum for studies in Polynesian Philology* 12.2:56-65. ed. Stephen Fischer, Auckland N.Z. 2002.

"The Three Faces of Niuean *aki*" in E. Pearce, ed. *Wellington Working Papers in Linguistics* 9: 1-17. 1997

"Clause Structure and Case in Niuean" in Päivi Koskinen, ed., *Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics* 14.2: 83-102. 1996

"The Licensing of Genitives" in Barb Brunson and Tom Wilson, eds. *Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics* 11.2 53-60. 1991

"Null Objects and Non-thematic Subjects in Middles and Tough Constructions" in Barb Brunson, Strang Burton and Tom Wilson, eds. *Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics* 10: 95-118. 1989

"Tailoring Government and Binding Theory for Automatic Natural Language Generation" (with C. Brown, V. Dahl, S. Hamilton, P. Massicotte, and T. Pattabhiraman) Laboratory for Computer and Communications Research. Research Report TR86-4. 1986

"Tailoring Conceptual Graphs for Use in NL Translation" (fourth author with C. Brown, T. Pattabhiraman, M. Boyer, and V. Dahl) Laboratory for Computer and Communications Research. Research Report TR86-14, Simon Fraser University. 1986

"The Morphology of Irish Mutation" in I. Haik and D. Massam, eds. *Papers in Grammatical Theory: MIT Working Papers in Linguistics* Vol. 5. 1983

"Time Reference Interpretation in Embedded Clauses" in S. Ehrlich, S. Embleton, and G. Ewing, eds. *University of Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics* Vol. 2. pp. 151-192. 1980

### **c. Books and Volumes Edited (Non-refereed)**

*Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics* 14.2 (with Elizabeth Cowper) Volume presenting papers from SHHRCC project research #410-94-1093

*Case Theory and the Projection Principle* Ph.D. thesis, 1985, Published by MIT Working Papers in Linguistics, MIT, Cambridge

*Papers in Grammatical Theory: MIT Working Papers in Linguistics* Vol. 5 (with I. Haik) Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT (1983)

### **9. Manuscripts in prep.**

"The Origins of Yes-No Question Particles in the Niuean language" (with Donna Starks)

Inversion in an Inverse Language

Juxtaposed Nuclear Complex Predicates in Niuean

The Problem of Learning Nominal Recursion (with Ana-Teresa Perez-Leroux, Anny Castilla and Susana Bejar)

*Mo e*: Conjunction in Niuean (with Jingwei Cheng and Hedvig Lokay)

## 10. Papers Presented at Meetings and Symposia

2011 (upcoming) The acquisition of NP recursion in English-speaking children. With Ana Teresa Perez-Leroux, Anny Castilla and Susana Bejar. 36th Boston University Conference on Language Development, November, 2011.

(upcoming) The Acquisition of NP Recursion in English-speaking Children. With Ana Teresa Perez-Leroux, Anny Castilla and Susana Bejar. At New Perspectives on Language Creativity: A Conference of the Biolinguistics Network, UQAM, September 2011.

The developmental challenge of nominal recursion. With Ana Teresa Perez-Leroux, Anny Castilla and Susana Bejar. (Poster) Canadian Linguistics Association meeting, Fredericton, May 2011.

High and Low Juxtaposed Complex Predicates in Niuean. Canadian Linguistics Association meeting, Fredericton, May 2011.

Genitive Agents. Paper presented at the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association meeting, Harvard University, March 2011.

2010 Recursion as a Learning Problem: Developing a paradigm for recursion in language development (with Ana T. Perez-Leroux, Anny Castilla, Susana Bejar). Bilingual Workshop on Theoretical Linguistics, University of Toronto, December 2010.

Inverse Constructions in an Inverse Language. Canadian Linguistics Association, Concordia University, May 2010.

Faka-Niue: Understanding cause in Niuean, (with Isaac Gould, presenter, and Philip Patchin) Conference On Oceanic Languages (COOL) U. of Auckland, New Zealand. January 2010.

2009 “One Post-predicate yes-no question particle in Niuean: Where did it come from and why does it occur where it does?” (with Donna Starks) Australian Linguistics Association meeting, 2009.

“Causatives and (Un)ergatives” AFLA, University of California, Santa Cruz, May 2009

“The Morpho-syntax of Tense Particles in Niuean” Canadian Linguistics Association, Carleton University, May 2009

2008 “Three yes-no question particles in Niuean” Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, UBC, May-June, 2008.

“Resulting states in Niuean” (poster, with Amar Dhillon and Karl Lee) Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, UBC, May-June, 2008.

- “Niuean questions and focus” (with Donna Starks) AFLA 15, Sydney, Australia, June 2008.
- 2007 “Questions and Answers in Niuean” (with Donna Starks and Ofania Ikiua) Conference on Oceanic Languages, Vanuatu, July, 2007.
- 2006 “The Proper-D connection” (with Jila Ghomeshi) at the Workshop on Determiners, University of Manitoba, November 2006.
- “Everywhere and Nowhere: The Niuean Determiner” (with Alexandra Kellner and Colin Gorrie) (upcoming) Canadian Linguistics Association Meeting, June 2006, York University.
- “Feature Packaging: Functional Categories in the Niuean Nominal Phrase” paper presented in absentia, in the NP Structures Panel, 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Austronesian Linguistics, Palawan, Philippines. Jan 16-19, 2006.
- 2005
- “The Nominal Wardrobe: What counts as bare?” the Workshop on Bare Nouns, University of Western Ontario, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005
- “The Dog, The Moon, The Hague, and Canada” (with Jila Ghomeshi) 2005 meeting of the Canadian Linguistics Association. U. of Western Ontario. May, 2005. (Refereed)
- “Copular Constructions in a Language without Copular Verbs” Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association XII. UCLA. April 29- May 2, 2005. (Refereed)
- 2004
- “Multi-functional *ko* in Polynesian Languages” (with Josephine Lee and Nicholas Rolle) Bilingual Workshop on Theoretical Linguistics. York University, Dec. 10, 2004. (Non-refereed)
- “Genitive Constructions in Polynesian Languages”. (with J. Herd and C. Macdonald) Conference on Oceanic Languages, University of the South Pacific, Port Vila, Vanuatu, July 2004. (Non-refereed)
- “Genitive Relative Constructions in Polynesian” (with J. Herd and C. Macdonald) Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, University of Manitoba, May 2004. (Refereed)
- “The Order of Heads and Adjuncts: The case of the Niuean DP” Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association meeting, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft Typologie und Universalienforschung, Berlin, Germany, April 2004 (Refereed)

2003

“Relativizing Possession” Seventh Bilingual Workshop on Theoretical Linguistics, McMaster University, December 2003 (Non-Refereed)

“Lexical Categories in Niuean” The 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, University of Hawai’i, Honolulu. (Refereed)

“Complementizers in Niuean and Tongan” (with Yuko Otsuka) The 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, University of Hawai’i, Honolulu. (Refereed)

“Raising in Niuean: Back to ECM?” The Groundhog Day Workshop on Complex Predicates, University of Toronto. (non-refereed)

2002

“Niuean Ergativity” The Workshop on Ergativity, University of Toronto (non-refereed)

“Lexical Categories in Niue-Tongic Languages” The Sixth Bilingual Workshop in Theoretical Linguistics: Categories. University of Toronto. (non-refereed)

“Troublesome Questions in Niuean” Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association 9, Cornell University, New York. (Refereed)

“Inversely ordered DPs in Niuean” (with Arsalan Kahnemuyipour) Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, University of Toronto (Refereed)

“Semantics and Morphology of Niuean Reduplication”(with M. Haji Abdolhosseini and K. Oda) at the 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Oceanic Languages, Canberra, Australia. (Non-refereed)

2001

"Number and Events: Reduplication in Niuean" (jointly with M. Haji-Abdolhosseini and K. Oda) Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, Université Laval, Québec. (Refereed)

"Fully Internal Case: Surface Ergativity can be Profound" Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association 8, MIT, Cambridge, Massachusetts. (Refereed)

"Pluractional Reduplication in Niuean" Workshop on Reduplication, University of Toronto (with M. Haji Abdolhosseini and K. Oda) (Non-refereed)

2000

"S-selectional Agreement?" Fourth Bilingual Workshop in Theoretical Linguistics (Interfaces), York University. (Non-refereed)

"Niuean Nominalization" the Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, University of Alberta. (Refereed)

- 1999  
 "Subjects and Predicates in Niuean" 4th International Conference on Oceanic Linguistics, Niue Island. (Non-refereed)
- 1998  
 "The Morphology and Syntax of Multiple Case Checking" (with Susana Bejar) Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, University of Ottawa. (Refereed)
- "Cross-linguistic Verbal Systems" talk and poster (with E. Cowper and A. Johns) presentation at the 30th Anniversary of Linguistics at the University of Toronto Conference. (Non-refereed)
- "Issues Raised by Noun Incorporation" (with A. Johns) at the Third Annual Multiple Frameworks Workshop, U. of Toronto. (Non-refereed)
- 1997  
 "Variable Clitics: Niuean *ai* and *aki*" (with Yves Roberge) Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, UCLA. (Refereed)
- "Clitics without Phi Features: Niuean *ai* and *aki*" (with Yves Roberge) Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, Memorial University of Newfoundland. (Refereed)
- 1996  
 "Essential Features of Predication in English and Niuean" (with Carolyn Smallwood). NELS, McGill University. (Refereed)
- "Predicate Fronting in Niuean" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, Brock University, Ontario. (Refereed)
- "Predicate Fronting and Focus in Niuean" Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, UCLA. (Refereed)
- 1994  
 "Case Assignment Within VP" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, University of Calgary, Alberta. (Refereed)
- "Topics in Polynesian Syntax" Workshop on Austronesian Linguistics (AFLA I), U. of Toronto. (Non-refereed)
- 1992  
 "The Syntactic Aspect of Objects" (with Jila Ghomeshi) Eastern States Conference on Linguistics, SUNY, Buffalo. (Refereed)
- "A Typology of Objects: Aspect and Role" (with J. Ghomeshi) Canadian Linguistics Association meeting, University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown, PEI. (Refereed)

- 1991  
"The Syntax of Split Ergativity" NELS 23, University of Delaware. (Refereed)
- "Direct and Indirect Objects: The Niuean Case System" at the Canadian Workshop on Lexical/Syntactic Relations, UQAM. (Non-refereed)
- "The Syntax of Split Ergativity" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, Queens University, Kingston, Ontario. (Refereed)
- 1990  
"Genitive NPs in English" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, University of Victoria, B.C. (Refereed)
- 1989  
"What is an Argument?" Cognate Object Constructions" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, Université Laval, Quebec. (Refereed)
- "Inalienable Possession Constructions in English and French" West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, Vancouver, B.C. (Refereed)
- 1988  
"Inalienable Possession Constructions" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, University of Windsor, Ontario. (Refereed)
- 1987  
"Middles, Tough and Recipe Context Constructions in English" NELS 18, University of Toronto, Ontario. (Refereed)
- "Internal Argument Subject Constructions in English" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario. (Refereed)
- "The Core Syntax of Haitian Creole" (jointly with C. Lefebvre) The 18th Conference on African Linguistics, UQAM, Montreal, Quebec. (Refereed)
- "The Status of Move Alpha in Haitian Creole" The 18th Conference on African Linguistics, UQAM, Montreal, Quebec. (Refereed)
- 1986  
"Non-thematic Subjects and the Theta Criterion" Linguistics Society of America annual winter meeting, New York. (Refereed)
- "Case and Exceptional Case in Romance" Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages, University of Texas, Austin. (Refereed)
- "Possessor Raising and Exceptional Case Marking" the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, University of Washington, Seattle. (Refereed)

"Possessor Raising and the Theta Criterion" Northwest Linguistics Conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver. (Refereed)

1985

"Non-thematic Subjects" Western Conference on Linguistics, University of Victoria, B.C. (Refereed)

"Possessor Raising as Exceptional Case Marking" 1985 Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, Université de Montreal, Quebec. (Refereed)

1984

"On the Derivability of Burzio's Generalization" Linguistics Society of America annual winter meeting, Baltimore, Maryland. (Refereed)

"Surface Ergativity: Case/Theta Relations Reexamined" (jointly with J. Levin) NELS 15, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. (Refereed)

"A Classification of Niuean Verbs" (jointly with J. Levin) The fourth International Conference of Austronesian Linguistics, Suva, Fiji. (Non-refereed)

"Variations on Exceptional Case Marking" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting Guelph University, Ontario. (Refereed)

"Raising an Exceptional Case" Chicago Linguistics Society, University of Chicago, Illinois. (Refereed)

1983

"Phonological and Morphological Aspects of Irish Mutation" Canadian Linguistics Association annual meeting, University of British Columbia, Vancouver. (Refereed)

"Is there Raising in Polynesian?" (jointly with J. Levin) Third Eastern conference on Austronesian Linguistics, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. (Refereed)

## 10. Invited Lectures

"On Gapless Relative Clauses" Workshop on Relative Clauses. University of Victoria, B.C. June 2011.

"Extending Phrase Structure" Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, October, 2010.

"Extending causation: *faka* in Vagahau Niue" University of Canterbury Institute for Language Mind and Behaviour. University of Canterbury, New Zealand, Sept 29, 2010.

"Agents and Possessors: Who's in Control?" Workshop on Nominal Dependents. Banff, Alberta (U. of Calgary), May 2010.



“Word Order Frontwards and Backwards” TULCon. University of Toronto Student Conference, March 6th, 2010.

“Variations in Predication: Verbal and Nominal Predication in Niuean” Non-canonical Predication Workshop, University of Western Ontario. May 2009.

“Quantity in Niuean: A Mixed Classifier/Number System” *The Present Meets the Past: A Dialogue Between Historical Linguistics and Theoretical Linguistics* Academia Sinica, Taiwan, July 2008

“Where Predicates Meet Arguments” *Directions in Oceanic Research*, University of Newcastle, Australia, Dec. 2008

“Degrees of Separation: Theta Relations in Niuean” Invited for AFLA 14, McGill University, May 2007

“Noun Incorporation and Null Objects” Workshop on Null Arguments and Clitics, Depts of French, and of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Toronto. May 2008.

“Counting, Classifiers, and number in Niuean: Classifiers that don’t classify and plural markers that are singular” Conference on Parts and Quantities, UBC, November, 2007.

“Predicates and Arguments in V1” presented at the Workshop on V1 and V2. University of Leiden, The Netherlands, April 20 2007.

“Heavy Predicates and Light Arguments: Varieties of Incorporation in Niuean” Guest Lecture at the University of Rochester, February 22 2007

“Deriving Inverse Order” Workshop on Comparative Austronesian Syntax. University of California, San Diego. October 2006.

“Noun Incorporation in Niuean” presented at the New Zealand Linguistics Society Conference, University of Auckland, Nov 17-18, 2005.

“Variations on Incorporation: The Nominal Wardrobe” presented at Workshop on Nominal Incorporation and its Kind, University of Ottawa Feb 20-22, 2006.

“Relative Genitives” presented at the Cornell/Syracuse Workshop on the Internal Structure of Nominalized Clauses. Syracuse University, March 2006.

“Heavy Predicates in VSO” Harvard University Practicum April 12, 2006.

“Non-verbal predication in Niuean” at *The Stanford Austrofest*, Stanford University, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

“Questions and the Left Periphery in Niuean”. Auckland University, New Zealand, May 12, 2004.

“Language Maintenance and Survival with Special Reference to the Niue language” Auckland University, May 17, 2004.

“On the Left of VSO” Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, May 21, 2004.

“A Study of Particles: On the Left of Niuean” University of Canterbury, New Zealand May 24, 2004.

“What is a predicate?” Workshop on Predicate Initial Languages, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2003.

“The Left Periphery of VSO” Paper presented at the Workshop on VSO Languages, University of Stuttgart, Germany. May 2002.

“Predication on the Left” Guest Lecture at the Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft Typologie und Universalienforschung, Berlin, Germany. May, 2002.

"Niuean Nominals", at the Seventh annual meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, Amsterdam. May 2000.

"Noun Incorporation in Niuean" at the Sixth annual meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, U. of Hawai'i, USA. April, 1998.

"Cognate Objects in non-Cognate Languages" (with Hoa Pham and Zhou Hong) 30th Anniversary Speaker Series, U. of Toronto. 1998.

"Variable Clitics" Linguistics Seminar Series U. of Auckland, New Zealand. May, 1997.

"Verbal Clitics in Niuean" Linguistic Research Seminar Series, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand. May, 1997.

"Deriving VSO in Niuean" The First Workshop on Multiple Frameworks in Linguistics, University of Toronto. May 13, 1996.

"VSO and the Niuean Verb" Visiting Speaker Series, McGill University. March, 1996.

"Phrase Structure and Case in Niuean" Linguistic Research Seminar Series, Dept. of Linguistics Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand. May, 1995.

"Inflection and Projection in Niuean" Visiting Speaker Series, Dept. of Linguistics, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand. April, 1995.

Address before the Niuean community of Porirua, New Zealand. May, 1995.

"Strange Cases" Lounge Lecture, Dept. of Linguistics, University of Toronto.  
Dec. 1993.

"Localizing Case Systems" Sixth Biennial Conference on Grammatical Relations. UBC.  
Sept. 1993.

"Ergative and Other Cases" SUNY Buffalo Visiting Lecture Series. February, 1993.

"The Mapping of Internal Arguments" NSF Workshop on Thematic Roles in Linguistic Theory and Language Acquisition The University of Kansas, Lawrence. (organized by Cliff Pye) January, 1993.

"Possession" at the Linguistics Circle, McMaster University, Hamilton. January, 1990.

"Genitive Relations in English" Visiting Speakers Series, University of Syracuse.  
December, 1989.

"The Grammar of Possession" Guest Lecture Series, University of Massachusetts at Amherst. October, 1989.

"Comments on "On Interpreting the Haitian Predicate Cleft Construction"" by John Hutchison at the Workshop on Transitivity and Serial Constructions" Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts. January, 1989.

"Comments on "AGR and Expletives in Kilega"" by Kasangati K.W. Kinyalolo at the Workshop on the Structure of INFL within the 2nd Niger-Congo Syntax and Semantics Workshop, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts. April, 1988.

"Non-thematic Predicate/Argument Relations" McGill University. April, 1987.

"Predicate Argument Structure and Transitivity Alternations in Haitian Creole" Workshop on Creoles, University of Amsterdam. March 1987.

"Haitian Creole Syntax: A Case for DET as Head" (jointly with C. Lefebvre) Workshop on Creoles, University of Amsterdam. March 1987.

Invited lectures for Claire Lefebvre in "Seminaire sur la syntaxe du creole haitien", graduate seminar, UQAM. 1986-7.

"On Certain Similarities between French and English" Linguistics Colloquium, University of British Columbia. November, 1985.

"Raising Constructions and the Projection Principle" Linguistics Colloquium, University of British Columbia. November, 1985.

"Raising in Niuean" Toronto Linguistics Atelier, University of Toronto. Summer, 1984.

"Irish Mutation" Toronto Linguistics Atelier, University of Toronto. Summer, 1983.

### **Outreach Talks**

Niue: The Island and the Language" FLAUT Spring Reunion Alumni Event, Dept. of Linguistics, University of Toronto. (May 2011)

Workshop for Perspectives: Challenges Ideas and Responses, Annual TCDSB High School Gifted Program Conference, "Language Diversity" Faculty of Arts and Science, U. of Toronto, February 19, 2008, 2010, 2011.

Workshop for Study Languages Conference for high school students, "Language Diversity" Faculty of Arts and Science, U. of Toronto, 2007, 2009

Participant "Books that Inspire Faculty" October-December 2009, Robarts Library Exhibition: <http://discover.library.utoronto.ca/inspiring-books>

Television interview for a five-part documentary series on the history of language *Speaking in Tongues: The History of Language* Canadian Documentary Series, OMNI.2 Television (Christene Brown, director)

## **D. TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **12. Teaching and Advising (at U. of Toronto, U. of Canterbury, Harvard University, and UBC)**

#### **a. Undergraduate Courses Taught**

Field Methods  
The Unity and Diversity of Language  
Language Diversity and Linguistic Universals  
Research Opportunity Program: Polynesian Grammar  
Reading Courses  
Analysis and Argumentation  
Morphological Patterns in Language  
Introduction to Syntactic Theory  
Introduction to Linguistics  
Syntactic Patterns in Language  
Advanced Syntactic Analysis  
Topics in Syntax  
Studies in Phonology II  
General Linguistics: Phonology and Grammar  
Studies in Phonology I

#### **b. Graduate Courses Taught**

Topics in Austronesian Syntax  
 Typology  
 Introduction to Morphology  
 Linguistic Forum  
 Analysis and Argumentation  
 Introduction to Linguistics  
 Introduction to Syntactic Theory  
 Current Issues in Linguistic Theory  
 Advanced Syntactic Analysis  
 Phonological Theory and Analysis  
Syntax Seminars: Case Theory/Phrase Structure/Grammatical Relations/Minimalist  
 Program/Morpho-syntax/Movement and Word Order/Argument  
 Structure/Austronesian Syntax/ Nominal Structure/Word Order  
 Various Reading Courses

### c. Theses Supervised (primary supervisions only)

#### Primary Ph.D. advisor

- Safieh Moghaddam *Ergativity in Iranian Languages* (in progress)
- Julia Su *The Syntax of VP Periphery* (in progress)
- Monica Irimia *Secondary Predicates* (in progress)
- Kenji Oda (co-advisor with E. Cowper) *Issues in the left periphery of Modern Irish*
- Catherine Macdonald *Left and Right in the Tongan DP: Sorting out Long Distance Dependencies* (in progress)
- Jaehee Bak *The Light Verb Construction in Korean* (August 2011)
- Kyumin Kim *External Argument Introdurers* (August 2011)
- Rashid Al-Balushi *Case in Standard Arabic: Untravelled paths* (November 2010)
- Nattaya Piriyawiboon *Classifiers and determiner-less languages: The case of Thai* (May, 2010)
- Magdalena Goledzinowska *Morphosyntactic idiosyncrasy and lexical specification* (2007)
- Arsalan Kahnemuyipour *On Sentential Stress* (2004)
- Milan Rezac *Elements of Cyclic Syntax: Agree and Merge* (2004)
- Susana Bejar *Phi Syntax: A Theory of Agreement* (2003)
- Jun Mo Cho *The Nature of Legibility Conditions* (2000)
- Zhang Ning (Niina) *Syntactic Dependencies in Mandarin Chinese* (1997)
- Jila Ghomeshi *Projection: and Inflection: A Study of Persian Phrase Structure* (1996)

#### Primary M.A. Advisor

- Holly Young *Measure Phrase Modification and the Attributive Construction* 2010-
- Isaac Gould *Distinctness of -ly adverbs in English* 2009-10
- Emma Lawson *The Morpho-syntax of Polish Numerals* 2007-8
- Monica Irimia *Topics in the syntax and semantics of secondary predicates* 2004-5
- Katarina Koncar *Living on the edge: wh-movement in Serbo-Croatian* 2004-5

- Jee-Youn Shih *Wh-constructions in Korean: a Lexical Account* 2003-5
- Catherine MacDonald –i: *Towards a Unified Account of a Valency-Changing and Aspectual Morpheme in Tongan* 2003-2005
- Raphael Mercado *Verb Raising and Restructuring in Tagalog* 2001-2002
- Franny Hsiao *A Minimalist Look at German Clause Structure and Parametric Variation* 1998-1999
- Susana Bejar *Markedness and Morphosyntactic Representation: A study of verbal inflection in the imperfect conjugation of Standard Arabic* 1997-1998
- Carolyn Smallwood *Small Clauses and Copular Constructions* 1995-1996
- Jun Mo Cho *Multiple Case Constructions in Korean* 1993-1994
- Tony Pi *Thematic Delineation* 1992-1993
- Cynthia Wannamaker *The Meaning of 'with'* 1991- 1993
- Paivi Koskinen *The Finnish Impersonal Passive* 1990-1992
- Rick Albert *Adverbial Arguments in English* 1988-1989

#### **D. Other Teaching and Lectures**

##### **External Examiner (PhD only)**

Université de Québec à Montréal, PhD thesis, Joel Finley, *Aspect-Conditioned Morphological Ergativity: The Hindi Particle 'ne'* 2010

University of Canterbury, NZ, PhD thesis, Heideland Quinn *The Distribution of Pronoun Case Forms in English* 2002

McGill University, PhD thesis, Ileana Paul *Malagasy Clause Structure*, 1999

University of Ottawa, Ph.D. thesis, Mohamed Vahedi-Langrudi *The Syntax Semantics and Argument Structure of Persian Compound Verbs*, May, 1996

Memorial University of Newfoundland, MA thesis. Julie Brittain, "Two Valency Increasing Processes in Sheshatshit Innu-Aimun: Applicative and Causative Formation" 1993

McGill University Ph.D. thesis. Alan Reed Libert *On the Distinction between Syntactic and Semantic Case* 1992

#### **E. MAJOR ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS**

Chair, Dept. of Linguistics and Tri-campus Graduate Department (2002-2007, 2007-2008)

Member, Agenda Committee, Academic Board (2004-5)

Member of Academic Board, Governing Council (2003-2004, 2004-2007)

School of Graduate Studies Council Member (1997-2000)

School of Graduate Studies Executive Committee Member (1996-8)

Graduate Co-ordinator, Dept. of Linguistics (1995-98, 2008)

Member of the Board of Directors, Canadian Federation for the Humanities (representing the Canadian Linguistics Association) (1989-1992)

**c. International Conference Organization**

NELS (upcoming 2011) (faculty advisor)

Organizer, Workshop on Mass and Count Nouns. Feb. 2009.

Co-organizer (with Magdalena Goledzinowska and C. Kramer) Formal Approaches to Slavic Linguistics, University of Toronto, May, 2006.

Organizer, Workshop on Ergativity, (with Juvenal Ndayiragije, Alana Johns) Dept. of Linguistics, University of Toronto, Oct.18-19 2003.

Program Chair, Canadian Linguistics Association, (1999 U. de Sherbrooke, 2000 U. of Alberta, 2001 Université Laval, 2002 University of Toronto)

Organizer, AFLA VI, April 16-18, 1999. U. of Toronto

Organized/Founded (with B. Miller) Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, 1994

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