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CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2011–present Professor, University of Delaware.

2025–2026 Interim Chair, Department of Linguistics and Cognitive Science, University of Delaware

2012–2023 Chair, Department of Linguistics and Cognitive Science, University of Delaware

2007–2011 Associate Professor, University of Delaware.

2002–2007 Assistant Professor, University of Delaware.

2001–2002 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Delaware.

08/2000–01/2001 Japan Science and Techonology/MIT Research Associate.

EDUCATION

2001 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass. Ph.D. in Linguistics. Dissertation: *Syntax at the Edge: Cross-Clausal Phenomena and the Syntax of Passamaquoddy*.

1995 University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah. BA *cum laude* in Linguistics; BA *cum laude* in Middle East Studies: Arabic.

PUBLICATIONS: SUBMITTED

All publications are sole authored unless indicated otherwise.

2025 Gapping in Nominals and Clauses is Deletion of a Prosodic Constituent. Submitted to *Syntactic Theory and Research*.

2025 Bruening, Benjamin, Anna Koppy, Bilge Palaz, Satoshi Tomioka, and Rebecca Tollan. How to understand silence: Voice mismatches in ellipsis in English. Submitted to *Glossa Psycholinguistics*.

2025 Phrase Structure Paradoxes and C-Command Paradoxes: A Comparison of Bruening (2014) and Larson (2024). Submitted to *Linguistic Inquiry*.

PUBLICATIONS: REFEREED JOURNALS

2025 A Purely Syntactic Account of Displaced Morphology in German Varieties. To appear in *Journal of Comparative Germanic Linguistics*.

2025 Mari and Udmurt Do Not Require Post-Syntactic Operations (A Reply to Georgieva et al. 2021 and Guseva and Weisser 2018). To appear in *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*.

2025 Asami, Daiki and Benjamin Bruening. Arguments for a Lexical Ambiguity Approach to Restitutive Readings with *Again*. To appear in *Linguistic Inquiry*.

2025 Asami, Daiki and Benjamin Bruening. Subjectless Readings of *Again*: A Response to Bale (2007) and Smith and Yu (2021). *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 43: 1813–1837. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/s11049-024-09652-2.

2025 Bruening, Benjamin and Rebecca Tollan. Reconstruction in Wh-Movement: The View from Lexical Reactivation. *Syntactic Theory and Research* 1.1.4. DOI: https://doi.org/10.16995/star. 17373.

2025 A Simpler Analysis of English Negation (and the Bulgarian Definite Marker). *Linguistic Variation*. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1075/lv.24027.bru.

2025 Palaz, Bilge, Benjamin Bruening, and Rebecca Tollan. Sluicing and Subject Islands: An Experimental Approach. *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics* 10(1): 1–30. DOI: https://doi.org/10.16995/glossa.11054.

2025 Selectional Violations in Coordination (A Response to Patejuk and Przepiórkowski 2023). *Linguistic Inquiry* 56: 439–483. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1162/ling_a_00506.

2024 Depictive Secondary Predicates DO Rule Out Small Clause Analyses: A Response to Hu and Cheng (2024). To appear in *Linguistic Inquiry*.

2024 The Algonquian Person Prefix is an Agreement Affix, Not a Pronominal Clitic. *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics* 9(1): 1–42. DOI: https://doi.org/10.16995/glossa.17212.

2024 English Middles and Implicit Arguments. *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics* 9(1): 1–46. DOI: https://doi.org/10.16995/glossa.9377.

2022 Hebrew Nominals Do Not Require Functional Structure above the NP. *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics* 7(1): 1–45. DOI: https://doi.org/10.16995/glossa.5763.

2022 Locative Inversion, PP Topicalization, and Weak Crossover in English. *Journal of Linguistics* 58: 739–757. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1017/S0022226721000414

2021 Implicit Arguments in English Double Object Constructions. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 39: 1023–1085.

2021 Generalizing the Presuppositional Approach to the Binding Conditions. *Syntax* 24: 417–461. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1111/synt.12221.

2020 The Head of the Nominal is N, Not D: N-to-D Movement, Hybrid Agreement, and Conventionalized Expressions. *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics* 5(1): 15. 1–19. DOI: https://doi.org/10.5334/gjgl.1031.

2020 Benjamin Bruening and Eman Al Khalaf, Category Mismatches in Coordination Revisited. *Linguistic Inquiry* 51: 1–36.

2020 Idioms, Collocations, and Structure: Syntactic Constraints on Conventionalized Expressions. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 38: 365–424.

2019 Benjamin Bruening and Eman Al Khalaf, No Argument-Adjunct Asymmetry in Reconstruction for Binding Condition C. *Journal of Linguistics* 55: 247–276.

2019 Passive *Do So*. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 37: 1–49.

2018 Non-Local Allomorphy in Passamaquoddy-Maliseet. *Snippets* 34: 6–7. DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.7358/snip-2018-034-brue.

2018 CPs Move Rightward, Not Leftward. *Syntax* 21(4): 362–401. DOI DOI: https://doi.org/10.1111/synt.12164.

2018 Word Formation is Syntactic: Raising in Nominalizations. *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics* 3: 102. DOI: http://doi.org/10.5334/gjgl.470

2018 Depictive Secondary Predicates and Small Clause Approaches to Argument Structure. *Linguistic Inquiry* 49(3): 537–559.

2018 Brief Response to Müller. *Language* 94: e67–e73.

2018 The Lexicalist Hypothesis: Both Wrong and Superfluous. *Language* 94: 1–42. Winner of the Best Paper in *Language* 2018 Award.

2018 Double Object Constructions and Prepositional Dative Constructions are Distinct: A Reply to Ormazabal and Romero. *Linguistic Inquiry* 49: 123–150.

2018 Benjamin Bruening, Xuyen Dinh, and Lan Kim. The Structure of Nominal Phrases with and without Classifiers: Evidence from Selection and Idioms. *Glossa* 3: 1–46.

2016 Alignment in Syntax: Quotative Inversion in English. *Syntax* 19:111–155.

2015 Benjamin Bruening and Thuan Tran. The Nature of the Passive, with an Analysis of Vietnamese. *Lingua* 165: 133–172.

2014 Defects of Defective Intervention. *Linguistic Inquiry* 45: 707–719.

2014 Precede-and-Command Revisited. *Language* 90: 342–388.

2014 Word Formation is Syntactic: Adjectival Passives in English. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 32: 363–422.

2013 By-Phrases in Passives and Nominals. *Syntax* 16: 1–41.

2012 Solveig Bosse, Benjamin Bruening, and Masahiro Yamada. Affected Experiencers. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 30: 1185–1230.

2010 Ditransitive Asymmetries and a Theory of Idiom Formation. *Linguistic Inquiry* 41: 519–562.

2010 Language-Particular Syntactic Rules and Constraints: English Locative Inversion and *Do*-Support. *Language* 86: 43–84.

2010 Double Object Constructions Disguised as Prepositional Datives. *Linguistic Inquiry* 41: 287–305.

2009 Algonquian Languages Have A-Movement and A-Agreement. *Linguistic Inquiry* 40: 427–445.

2007 Wh-in-Situ Does Not Correlate with Wh-Indefinites or Question Particles. *Linguistic Inquiry* 38(1): 139–166.

2006 Differences Between the Wh-Scope-Marking and Wh-Copy Constructions in Passamaquoddy. *Linguistic Inquiry* 37(1): 25–49.

2006 Benjamin Bruening and Thuan Tran. Wh-Questions in Vietnamese. *Journal of East Asian Linguistics* 15(4): 319–341.

2004 Two Types of Wh-Scope Marking in Passamaquoddy. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 22(2): 229–305.

2001 QR Obeys Superiority: ACD and Frozen Scope. *Linguistic Inquiry* 32(2):233–273.

PUBLICATIONS: REFEREED BOOK CHAPTERS

2017 Syntactic Constraints on Idioms (Do Not Include Locality). In Claire Halpert, Hadas Kotek, and Coppe van Urk (eds.), *A Pesky Set: Papers for David Pesetsky*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Working Papers in Linguistics.

2017 Subject Auxiliary Inversion. In Martin Everaert and Henk van Riemsdijk (eds.), *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Syntax*, Second Edition, Volume VII, pages 4250–4277. Somerset, NJ: John Wiley and Sons.

2013 Thuan Tran and Benjamin Bruening. Wh-Phrases as Indefinites: A Vietnamese Perspective. In Daniel Hole and Elisabeth Löbel (eds.), *Linguistics of Vietnamese: An International Survey*. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter, 217–241.

2008 Quantification in Passamaquoddy. In L. Matthewson (ed.), *Quantification: A Cross-Linguistic Perspective*. Emerald: 67–103.

1997 Abkhaz-Mabkhaz: M-Reduplication in Abkhaz, Weightless Syllables, and Base-Reduplicant Correspondence. In B. Bruening, M. McGinnis, and Y. Kang (eds.), *PF: Papers at the Interface*. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics vol. 30. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL.

PUBLICATIONS: CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

2016 Bruening, Benjamin and Eman Al Khalaf. Linear Effects in ATB Movement. Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America, Volume 1. Article 10:1–6. Available at http://journals.linguisticsociety.org/proceedings/index.php/PLSA/issue/view/152.

2016 Light Verbs Are Just Regular Verbs. *University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics 22.1: Proceedings of the 39th Annual Penn Linguistics Conference*. Available at http://repository.upenn.edu/pwpl/vol22/iss1/7.

2015 Non-Constituent Coordination: Prosody, Not Movement. *University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics 21.1: Proceedings of the 38th Annual Penn Linguistics Conference*. Available at http://repository.upenn.edu/pwpl/vol21/iss1/.

2011 Solveig Bosse and Benjamin Bruening. Benefactive Versus Experiencer Datives. In *The Proceedings of the 28th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics*. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Proceedings Project, 69–77. Available at http://www.lingref.com/cpp/wccfl/28/index.html.

2009 Selectional Asymmetries between CP and DP Suggest that the DP Hypothesis is Wrong. In L. MacKenzie (ed.), *U. Penn Working Papers in Linguistics 15.1: Proceedings of the 32nd Annual Penn Linguistics Colloquium*, 26–35. Available at http://repository.upenn.edu/pwpl/vol15/iss1/.

2008 Solveig Bosse, Benjamin Bruening, MaryEllen Cathcart, Anne E. Peng, and Masahiro Yamada. Affected Arguments Cross-Linguistically. In M. Tadić, M. Dimitrova-Vulchanova, and S. Koeva (eds.), *Proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on Formal Approaches to South Slavic and Balkan Languages*. Zagreb: Croatian Language Technologies Society, 41–47.

2006 Benjamin Bruening and Thuan Tran. Wh-conditionals in Vietnamese and Chinese: Against Unselective Binding. In *Proceedings of BLS 32*, 49–60. DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.3765/bls.v32i1.3440.

2004 Verbal Reciprocals. In T. Solstad, B. Lyngfelt, and M. F. Krave (eds.), *Demoting the Agent: Proceedings of the Oslo Workshop on Passive and Other Voice-Related Phenomena*. Oslo: University of Oslo, 3–12.

2001 Constraints on Dependencies in Passamaquoddy. In John D. Nicols, ed., *Papers of the 32nd Algonquian Conference*. Winnipeg: The University of Manitoba, 37–62.

2001 Benjamin Bruening and Andrea Rackowski. Configurationality and Object Shift in Algonquian. In *Proceedings of the Workshop on Structure and Constituency in the Languages of the Americas*. Vancouver: UBCWPL, 71–83.

2001 Benjamin Bruening and Vivian Lin. Discontinuous QPs and LF Interference Effects. In *Proceedings of SULA: The Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas*. UMOP 25. Amherst, Mass.: GLSA, 20–28.

2001 Benjamin Bruening, Vivian Lin, and Elissa Flagg. An MEG Study of Tone Processing Asymmetries in English versus Mandarin Speakers. In Proceedings of NELS 31. Amherst, Mass.: GLSA, 42–56.

1997 What are Secondary Predicates? Evaluating the Syntax of Adjunction. In *Proceedings of the North West Linguistics Conference*. University of British Columbia Linguistics Department, 49–65.

PUBLICATIONS: REVIEW ARTICLES

2010 Review of Gillian Catriona Ramchand, *Verb Meaning and the Lexion: A First-Phase Syntax*. *Journal of Linguistics* 46: 260–270.

1999 Review of the Phonology 2000 Symposium. *GLOT International* 6(2).

PUBLICATIONS: EDITED COLLECTIONS

1999 Editor, with K. Arregi, C. Krause, and V. Lin. *Papers on Morphology and Syntax, Cycles One and Two*. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics vols. 33 and 34. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL.

1997 Editor. *Proceedings of the Eighth Student Conference in Linguistics*. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics vol. 31. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL.

1997 Editor, with M. McGinnis and Y. Kang. *PF: Papers at the Interface*. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics vol. 30. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL.

PRODUCTS

The Scope Fieldwork Project Set of visual materials that can be used to investigate quantifier scope in the languages of the world in fieldwork or laboratory settings. Available at http://udel.edu/~bruening/scopeproject/scopeproject.html.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2024 Named a Top Scholar by ScholarGPS.

2018 Best Paper in *Language* 2018 Award.

12/2011–08/2013 Humboldt Fellowship for Experienced Researchers. Funded research stay in Berlin.

09/2005–08/2008 NSF Grant No. BCS-0518308. Funded creation of materials for investigating quantification in field research, and using them to investigate quantification in the Algonquian languages Passamaquoddy and Micmac.

06/2005–06/2006 University of Delaware General University Research grant. Funded a comparative study of Chinese and Passamaquoddy.

08/2000–09/2001 NSF Dissertation Grant No. BCS-0081003. Funded fieldwork on the syntax of the Algonquian language Passamaquoddy.

Fall 2000 Ken Hale Fellowship for Linguistic Field Research. Funded research into the syntax, semantics, and morphology of preverbs in Passamaquoddy.

Summer 1999 Phillips Fund for Native American Research, American Philosophical Society. Grant to complete Wampanoag Text Database, an electronic database of all extant sources for the Eastern Algonquian language formerly spoken in Massachusetts.

INVITED TALKS

August 2024 Subjectless Readings of *Again* and Argument Structure. Joint work with Daiki Asami (University of Delaware). Invited speaker, SICOL-2024, Seoul, South Korea.

June 2024 Subjectless Readings of *Again* and Argument Structure. Joint work with Daiki Asami (University of Delaware). Invited colloquium talk, Universität Potsdam, Germany.

June 2024 English Middles, Implicit Arguments, and Reflexive Clitics in Slovenian. Invited series of three lectures, Universität Potsdam, Germany.

April 2024 Accounting for a Mysterious Prefix in Algonquian Languages. Invited colloquium talk, University of Utah.

December 2023 Building Structure Left to Right Explains Many Things. FIND Workshop, Göttingen, Germany.

May 2021 Spelling out the Numeration, Part 1: Selection by Itself Accounts for Synthetic-Periphrastic Alternations. Invited colloquium talk, International Christian University, Japan.

February 2020 The Algonquian Prefix is an Affix, Not a Clitic: Implications for Morphosyntax. Invited colloquium talk, MIT.

November 2018 Benjamin Bruening and Eman Al Khalaf, Reconstruction in Multiple-Gap Constructions. Workshop on Condition C Reconstruction, Queen Mary University, London.

October 2018 Binding, Coreference, and Presuppositions in the Binding Theory. Invited plenary talk, NELS 49, Cornell University.

January 2018 Depictive Secondary Predicates and Small Clause Approaches to Argument Structure. Invited colloquium talk, Michigan State University.

December 2017 Idioms, Collocations, and Structure. Invited colloquium talk, Universität Leipzig.

December 2017 Consolidated Morphology: A non-distributed, purely syntactic theory of morphology. Invited series of four lectures, Universität Leipzig.

May–June 2017 The Lexicalist Hypothesis: Both Wrong and Superfluous; Word Formation is Syntactic: Raising in Adjectival Passives and Nominalizations; Consolidated Morphology: A non-distributed, purely syntactic theory of morphology. Invited series of lectures, University College London.

May 2016 Word Formation is Syntactic: Adjectival Passives in English. University of Chicago.

October 2015 Time to Dump Lexicalism. University of Maryland.

October 2014 Subject-Verb Inversion as Generalized Alignment. McGill University.

June 2014 Giving and Having: Quantifier Scope and Secondary Predicates. Bayonne Workshop on Quantifier Scope: Syntactic, Semantic, and Experimental Approaches.

February 2014 Subject-Verb Inversion as Generalized Alignment. Harvard University.

September 2013 Alignment in Syntax: Quotative Inversion Revisited. University of Pennsylvania.

September 2012 Word Formation is Syntactic: Adjectival Passives in English. Georgetown University.

June 2012 Precede-and-Command Versus C-Command. Universität Konstanz.

May 2012 There is No Lexicon-Syntax Distinction: Adjectival Passives in English. Universität Stuttgart.

May 2012 East Asian "Passives": A Vietnamese Perspective. (Joint work with Thuan Tran, Universität Potsdam.) Universität Leipzig.

May 2012 Precede-and-Command Revisited. Universität Potsdam.

January 2012 Toward a Typology of Non-Selected Arguments. Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin.

May 2011 P-Command: Precedence in Syntax. Queen Mary, University of London.

May 2011 Toward a Typology of Non-Selected Arguments. University of Utah.

February 2011 Transitivity Restrictions in Passamaquoddy and Other Languages. Workshop on Structure and Constituency in the Languages of the Americas, UMass Amherst.

March 2007 On the Word Order of Quantificational Elements in Passamaquoddy. University of California, Los Angeles.

February 2007 On Diagnostics of Structural Case and the Nature of Ergative Case. University College London.

February 2007 On the Word Order of Quantificational Elements in Passamaquoddy. Invited workshop presentation, Queen Mary, University of London.

September 2006 What is the Right Binding Theory? Invited colloquium talk, State University of New York at Stony Brook.

September 2006 Discrepancies between Projection and Selection: Split Coordination and Raising to Object in Passamaquoddy. Invited colloquium talk, City University of New York.

November 2004 There is No Relation Between Wh-in-Situ and Wh-Indefinites or Question Particles. Invited colloquium talk, Northwestern University.

November 2004 Verbal Reciprocals and the Interpretation of Reciprocals. Invited colloquium talk, University of Chicago.

November 2004 The Algonquian Inverse is Syntactic: Scope and Binding in Passamaquoddy. Invited colloquium talk, Georgetown University.

February 2004 On Wh-Indefinites and Wh-In-Situ: Bare Conditionals in Chinese and Passamaquoddy. Invited colloquium talk, Harvard University.

February 2004 Split Coordination in Passamaquoddy. UMass Amherst.

February 2004 On Wh-Indefinites and Wh-In-Situ: Bare Conditionals in Chinese and Passamaquoddy. UMass Amherst.

April 2003 Indefinites and Wh-in-situ. Invited colloquium talk, Pennsylvania State University.

October 2002 Wh-Variables and Wh-Movement Parameters. Invited colloquium talk, University of Pennsylvania.

March 2002 Successive Cyclic Wh-Movement and Agreement. Invited colloquium talk, University of Maryland.

October 2001 Wh-Scope Marking in Passamaquoddy. Invited colloquium talk, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

September 2001 Two Types of Wh-Scope Marking in Passamaquoddy. Invited colloquium talk, University of Delaware.

February 2001 Scope Rigidity and Scope Taking in Passamaquoddy. New York University, New York.

June 2000 Resource Gathering, Evaluation, and Language Correspondence (Algonquian). Invited talk presented at Language for Seven Generations, MIT, Cambridge, Mass.

September 1999 Tiberian Hebrew and the "Problem of Opacity." Phonology Circle, MIT, Cambridge, Mass.

REFEREED TALKS

October 2024 Asami, Daiki and Benjamin Bruening. Subjectless Readings of *Again* and the Kratzerian Model of Argument Structure. Poster presented at NELS 55, Yale University.

August 2024 Slovenian *SE*: A Reflexive Pronoun Licensed by Voice. Slavic Linguistic Society 2024, Provo, Utah.

February 2024 Bruening, Benjamin, and Rebecca Tollan. A New Technique to Detect Lexical Content in Gaps and Its Application to the Question of Reconstruction in Wh-Movement. Linguistic Evidence, Potsdam, Germany.

August 2022 Palaz, Bilge, Benjamin Bruening, and Rebecca Tollan. Differential Subject Island Effects in Sluicing and the Role of Contextual Support. 55th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea, University of Bucharest (presented online at the Workshop on Experimental and Corpus-Based Approaches to Ellipsis).

March 2022 Palaz, Bilge, Benjamin Bruening, and Rebecca Tollan. Differential Island Effects in Sluicing and the Role of Discourse. Poster presented at the 35th Annual Conference on Human Sentence Processing (HSP2022), UC Santa Cruz, hybrid conference (presented at the in-person satellite event in College Park, MD).

March 2022 Palaz, Bilge, Benjamin Bruening, and Rebecca Tollan. Differential Island Effects in Sluicing and the Role of Discourse. Poster presented at the 46th Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC46), University of Pennsylvania (online conference).

April 2021 Mirror Principle Violations in Bantu Languages Have Been Misanalyzed. Structural Asymmetries in African Languages, University of Potsdam.

January 2021 Amanda Payne and Benjamin Bruening. Prosodic Constraints on Adverb Placement. Theoretical and Experimental Approaches to Modification, University of Tübingen.

January 2020 Amanda Payne and Benjamin Bruening. Experimental Investigations of "Degree of Perfection" Adverbs in English. Linguistic Society of America annual meeting, New Orleans.

January 2020 Strict Linear and Hierarchical Adjacency: P + Det Combinations. Linguistic Society of America annual meeting, New Orleans.

March 2019 N-to-D Movement, Hybrid Agreement, and Conventionalized Expressions. Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft 41, University of Bremen, Germany.

September 2018 Verbs: Not Head Movement, Not Mirror Theory, Just Merge + Agree. Poster presented at the Comparative Germanic Syntax Workshop, Göttingen, Germany.

March 2018 P-Stranding When a CP Has Shifted Rightward is Not Ungrammatical. The 42nd Penn Linguistics Conference, University of Pennsylvania.

January 2018 Eman Al Khalaf and Benjamin Bruening. Category Mismatches in Coordination Revisited. Poster presented at the Linguistic Society of America annual meeting, Salt Lake City.

November 2017 Eman Al Khalaf and Benjamin Bruening. Category Mismatches in Coordination Revisited. Selection Fest, Berlin.

October 2017 The Importance of Verifying Grammaticality Judgments with Corpora. Linguistic Intuitions Workshop, Aarhus, Denmark.

September 2017 Implications of the Passive in Passamaquoddy-Maliseet. Poster presented at Passives: A Cross-Linguistic Workshop, University of Vienna.

April 2017 Eman Al Khalaf and Benjamin Bruening. No Argument-Adjunct Distinction in Reconstruction for Binding Condition C . WCCFL 35, University of Calgary.

March 2017 Old English Verb-Second-ish in a Typology of Verb-Second. Poster presented at the 41st Penn Linguistics Conference, University of Pennsylvania.

January 2016 Eman Al Khalaf and Benjamin Bruening. Linear Effects in ATB Movement. Poster presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.

October 2015 Eman Al Khalaf and Benjamin Bruening. Linear Order in Syntax: Selection in Coordination. NELS 46, Concordia University.

March 2015 Light Verbs Are Just Regular Verbs. The 39th Penn Linguistics Conference, University of Pennsylvania.

October 2014 Depictive Secondary Predicates: No HaveP in Double Object Constructions. Poster presented at NELS 45, MIT.

March 2014 Non-Constituent Coordination: Prosody, Not Movement. The 38th Penn Linguistics Conference, University of Pennsylvania.

February 2010 Benefactive Versus Experiencer Datives. With Solveig Bosse (University of Delaware). WCCFL 28, University of Southern California.

February 2010 The Passive By-Phrase is Not Related to the Active Subject. Georgetown Linguistics Society, Washington, D.C.

July 2009 Wh-Phrases as Indefinites: A Vietnamese Perspective. With Thuan Tran (Hue University). Linguistics of Vietnamese Workshop, Universität Stuttgart, Germany.

September 2008 Affected Arguments Cross-Linguistically. With Solveig Bosse, MaryEllen Cathcart, Anne Peng, and Masahiro Yamada (all University of Delaware). Formal Approaches to South Slavic and Balkan Languages 6, Dubrovnik, Croatia.

September 2008 Bi-Eventive *Affect*: Affected Arguments. With Solveig Bosse, MaryEllen Cathcart, Anne Peng, and Masahiro Yamada (all University of Delaware). Theoretical East Asian Linguistics 5, University of Potsdam, Germany.

February 2008 Selectional Asymmetries between CP and DP Suggest that the DP Hypothesis is Wrong. The 32nd Penn Linguistics Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania.

January 2008 Algonquian (and Other Polysynthetic) Languages are Not Unusual. Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Chicago.

December 2007 There is a Dedicated Reciprocal Semantics Cross-Linguistically. Workshop on Reciprocals Cross-Linguistically, Berlin.

February 2006 Wh-Conditionals in Vietnamese and Chinese: Against Unselective Binding. With Thuan Tran (University of Delaware and University of California, San Diego). BLS 32, University of California, Berkeley.

October 2004 Wh-Questions in Vietnamese. With Thuan Tran (University of Delaware). NELS 35, University of Connecticut.

November 2003 Unselective Binding in Chinese and Passamaquoddy. Poster presented at NELS 34, SUNY Stony Brook.

September 2003 Split Coordination and Successive-Cyclic Movement in Passamaquoddy. WECOL, University of Arizona.

August 2003 Investigating Gap-Filler Dependencies in Chinese: Is There an "Active Gap"? With Chun-chieh Natalie Hsu (University of Delaware). Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing, University of Glasgow.

March 2003 Wh-Variables and Wh-Movement Parameters. Semantics of Under-represented Languages of the Americas 2, UBC, Vancouver.

April 2002 Raising to Object and Improper Movement. WCCFL 21, UC Santa Cruz.

January 2002 Two Types of Wh-Scope Marking. Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, San Francisco.

October 2001 Raising to Object and Phase Edges. Poster presented at NELS 31, NYU and CUNY, New York City.

April 2001 Discontinuous QPs and LF Interference Effects. With Vivian Lin (MIT). Semantics of Under-Represented Languages in the Americas, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Mass.

January 2001 Configurational Dependencies in a Polysynthetic Language. Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.

October 2000 Constraints on Dependencies in Passamaquoddy. The 32nd Algonquian Conference, McGill University, Montreal.

October 2000 An MEG Study of Tone Processing Asymmetries in English versus Mandarin Speakers. With Vivian Lin and Elissa Flagg (MIT). NELS 31, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

March 2000 Configurationality and Object Shift in Algonquian. With Andrea Rackowski (MIT). The Workshop on Structure and Constituency in the Languages of the Americas, Toronto.

September 1999 Morphological Templates and Phonological Opacity. The Second Mediterranean Morphology Conference, Malta.

March 1999 Imposing Order on QR. Kanda Move and Interpret Alpha Workshop, Kanda University, Japan.

February 1999 ACD, QR, and Frozen Scope. BLS 25, Berkeley Linguistics Society, UC Berkeley.

January 1998 Abkhaz-Mabkhaz: M-Reduplication in Abkhaz, Weightless Syllables, and Base-Reduplicant Correspondence. GLOW Colloquium (extraordinary), Hyderabad, India.

June 1997 What are Secondary Predicates? Evaluating the Syntax of Adjunction. North West Linguistics Conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

January 1997 Abkhaz-Mabkhaz: M-Reduplication in Abkhaz. With Bert Vaux (Harvard University). Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois.

COURSES TAUGHT

U. of Delaware Structure of Language (undergraduate introduction to syntax). Taught regularly.

U. of Delaware Syntax 1 (first half of introductory graduate course). Taught regularly.

U. of Delaware Syntax 2 (second half of introductory graduate course). Taught regularly.

U. of Delaware Syntax 3. Taught regularly.

U. of Delaware Introduction to Linguistics. Taught regularly (including online course).

U. of Delaware Topics in Syntax (graduate seminar on various topics). Taught regularly.

U. of Delaware Morphology. Spring 2021.

U. of Delaware First Language Development. Fall 2011.

U. of Delaware Languages Invented for Books and Film. Fall 20101.

U. of Delaware Structure of Albanian. Fall 2007, spring 2008.

U. of Delaware Language Typology and Documentation. Spring 2004.

U. of Delaware Introduction to Psycholinguistics. Spring 2002, spring 2003.

DISSERTATIONS SUPERVISED

2022 Michael Donovan (*Verbless Imperatives*)

2020 Jinwoo Jo (*Selecting Argument Structure: A Purely Syntactic Approach to Natural Reflexives, Causatives, and Passives*)

2020 Mai Ha Vu (*A Quantifier-Based Approach to NPI-Licensing Typology: Empirical and Computational Investigations*)

2018 Amanda Payne (*Adverb Typology: A Computational Characterization*)

2015 Zenghong Jia (*Argument Structure in Mandarin Chinese*)

2015 Eman Al Khalaf (*Coordination and Linear Order*)

2014 Darrell Larsen (*Particles and Particle-verb Constructions in English and Other Germanic Languages*)

2011 MaryEllen Cathcart (*Impulsatives*)

2011 Solveig Bosse (*The Syntax and Semantics of Free Arguments in German and English*)

2009 Thuan Tran (*Quantification in Vietnamese*)

2006 Chun-chieh Hsu (*Issues in Head-Final Relative Clauses in Chinese—Derivation, Processing, and Acquisition*)

2005 Heejong Yi (*Exploring the Formal Representation of Discourse Units with Korean Noun Anaphors and Null Pronouns*)

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES SERVED ON

2024 Juyeon Cho (*Nominative Objects in Psych Verb Constructions: Formal and Experimental Approaches*)

2023 Bilge Palaz (*Sluicing, Islands, and Sentence Processing*)

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