

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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#### **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. (1987)            Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in Linguistics.  
Dissertation: *Grammaticalizing Aspect and Affectedness*.
- B.A. (1977)            Oberlin College, in East Asian Studies and Geology.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

- 2005-2008            Senior Research Scientist, Clairvoyance/JSERI Corporation
- 2001-2005            Adjunct Associate Professor, Carnegie Mellon University.
- 2004                    Queria. Statistical and linguistic tools for text mining.
- 2001-2003            Consultant on Japanese-English machine translation project at Nippon Electric Company.
- 1999-2001            Visiting Scholar, University of Massachusetts at Amherst.
- 1998-1999            Visiting Scholar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.  
Visiting Researcher, Université du Québec à Montréal.
- 1997-1998            Visiting Scholar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.  
Consultant on research project at Massachusetts Institute of Technology: The Lexicon and Machine Translation for Japanese and English.
- 1997                    Consultant for a research project involving aspect in the Spanish and Mapuche languages, "Procesos de Fusion e Incorporacion Lexica," at Universidad Nacional del Comahue, Argentina.
- 1990-1997            Assistant Professor, Department of Linguistics, University of Pittsburgh.
- 1996, 1997            Consultant on Japanese natural language processing at LYCOS, Inc.
- 1987-1990            Postdoctoral Researcher and Coordinator for Lexicon Project and Parsing Project, Center for Cognitive Science, MIT, Cambridge, MA.
- 1984 and 1986        Teacher of English as a Foreign Language and Japanese Language Translator, Boston Language Institute.
- 1980                    Researcher on project to create a Japanese-to-English translation system, responsible for design of rules to define word boundaries in Japanese, LATSEC, World Translation Center, Inc., La Jolla, CA.

## GRANT FUNDED RESEARCH

- 1997 National Science Foundation Grant SBR-9616591. Workshop on Events as Grammatical Objects from the combined perspectives of lexical semantics, logical semantics and syntax. Sponsored workshop at Linguistic Society of America 1997 Summer Institute, Cornell University.
- 1986 Project Athena and MIT-Japan Science and Technology Program, MIT.  
Designed a context-free rule system and lexicon for parsing Japanese, which was implemented by the Athena Language Project.
- 1985 Nippon Electric Company and Lexicon Project, MIT.  
Collaborative research on verb classes in English and Japanese, for purposes of application to machine translation, with S. Miyagawa and N. Fukui.

## CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS

Syntax and its interfaces with discourse and semantics. Grammaticization of mind. The syntax of sentience. The nature of pronominal reference. Event structure in syntax and semantics. Argument structure. Japanese syntax.

## REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2006 "Evidentiality, experiencers, and the syntax of sentience in Japanese". *Journal of East Asian Linguistics* 15(3):245-288.
- 1998 "Psych verbs and verbal passives in Pittsburghese". *LINGUISTICS* 36(3).
- 1995 "Modularity in Thematic versus Aspectual Licensing. Paths and moved objects in motion verbs". *Canadian Journal of Linguistics* 40(2):201-234.
- 1995 "How Motion Verbs are Special. The interaction of linguistic and pragmatic information in aspectual verb meanings". *Pragmatics and Cognition*. Vol. 3(1):31-73.

## BOOKS

- 2000 Tenny, C. and J. Pustejovsky (eds.), *Events as Grammatical Objects*. Stanford: Center for the Study of Language and Information. 510 pp.
- 1994 *Aspectual Roles and the Syntax-Semantics Interface*. Dordrecht: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 245 pp.
- 1991 Berwick, R., S. Abney, and C. Tenny (eds.), *Principle-Based Parsing: Computation and Psycholinguistics*. Dordrecht: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 408 pp.

## BOOK CHAPTERS

- To appear "Short distance pronouns, point of view, and the nature of pronominal reference". In M. Wiltschko and R. Dechaine (eds.) *Pronoun Volume*.
- 2003 "Configurational Properties of Point of View Roles", with Peggy Speas. In DiSciullo, A. (ed.), *Asymmetry in Grammar*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. 315-343.
- 2000 "Core events and adverbial modification". In Tenny, C. and J. Pustejovsky (eds.), *Events as Grammatical Objects*. Stanford: Center for the Study of Language and Information.
- 1995 "Aspectual Roles, Modularity and Acquisition; with a discussion of Contact Locatives". In Coopmans, P., M. Everaert, and J. Grimshaw (eds.) 2000. *Lexical Specification and Insertion*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. 379-401.
- 1992 "The Aspectual Interface Hypothesis". In *Lexical Matters*, edited by I. Sag and A. Szabolsci. Stanford: Center for the Study of Language and Information.

## INVITED REVIEW ARTICLES

- 2000 Review of *Tense and Aspect. From Semantics to Morphosyntax* by Alessandra Giorgi and Fabio Pianesi, 1997. (Oxford University Press. 319 pp.) *Language*. 76(1)
- 1997 Review of *Representing Time in Natural Language. The Dynamic Interpretation of Tense and Aspect* by Alice ter Meulen 1995. (MIT Press. 144 pp.) *Language*. 73(3).
- 1996 Review of *A Theory of Aspectuality* by Henk J. Verkuyl 1993. (Cambridge University Press. 393 pp.) *Language* 72(1).
- 1995 Review of *English Verb Classes and Alternations* by Beth Levin 1993. (University of Chicago Press. 348 pp.) *Language* 71(1).
- 1993 Review of *The Parameter of Aspect* by Carlota Smith 1991. (Kluwer Academic Publishers. 455 pp.) *Studies in Language* 17(2).

## EDITED WORKING PAPERS

- 1988 "Studies in Generative Approaches to Aspect". Lexicon Project Working Papers 24. Cambridge, MA: Center for Cognitive Science at MIT.
- 1988 *On Linking: Papers by Richard Carter*. Lexicon Project Working Papers 25. Cambridge, MA: Center for Cognitive Science at MIT. With B. Levin.

## ARTICLES IN CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS AND WORKING PAPERS

- 1998 "Modification, event structure, and the word/phrase asymmetry", with Anne-Marie DiSciullo. In Kiyomi Kusumoto (ed.) *Proceedings of NELS 27*. GLSA, University of Massachusetts at Amherst.
- 1996 "Short Distance Pronouns and Locational Deixis". Archives of *On-Line LINGUIST Conference on Geometric And Thematic Structure In Binding: October 14 to November 4, 1996*.
- 1987 "The Syntax of Coordination in Berber". In *Studies in Berber Syntax*, Lexicon Project Working Papers 14. Cambridge, MA: Center for Cognitive Science at MIT. With Jennifer Cole.

#### ARTICLES IN CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS AND WORKING PAPERS, CONT'D.

- 1987 "Aspect and Affectedness". *Proceedings of NELS 18*. GLSA, University of Massachusetts at Amherst.
- 1986 "On the Topic of Topic -- The Syntax of the Topic Position in Japanese and the Nature of Linguistic Data". *MIT Working Papers in Linguistics 8*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Department of Linguistics.
- 1985 "Verb Classes in English and Japanese: A Case Study in the Interaction of Syntax, Morphology and Semantics". *Lexicon Project Working Papers 3*, Cambridge, MA: Center for Cognitive Science at MIT. With N. Fukui and S. Miyagawa.

#### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 1988 "How to Link Form and Meaning in Natural Language". *MIT Cognitive Science Newsletter 3*. Cambridge, MA: Center for Cognitive Science at MIT.
- 1986 "A Context-Free Rule System for Parsing Japanese". Cambridge MA: MIT-Japan Science and Technology Program Publications.

#### REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2004 "Pronoun Binding and the Grammar of Sentience". Workshop on Semantic Approaches to Binding Theory, 16th European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information, Université Henri Poincaré, Nancy, France.
- 2004 "The interaction of clausal syntax, discourse roles, and information structure in questions". Workshop on Syntax, Semantics and Pragmatics of Questions, 16th European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information, Université Henri Poincaré, Nancy, France, with Peggy Speas.
- 2004 "Evidentials as Agreement in the Left Periphery", Georgetown University Round Table on Languages and Linguistics, with Peggy Speas.
- 2004 Presentation on my undergraduate teaching at Linguistic Society of America poster session on teaching undergraduate linguistics.
- 2003 "Point of View Domains for Pronoun Binding", Workshop on the Form and Function of Pronouns, University of British Columbia
- 2002 "Grammaticalization at the Left Periphery", with Peggy Speas. Workshop on The Syntax-Semantics Interface in the CP Domain, Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS), Berlin.
- 2000 "Experiencers and point of view", NELS 31, Georgetown University.
- 1998 "Person and evidentiality in Japanese", Workshop on Syntax of East Asian Languages, University of Southern California.
- 1997 "Modification, event structure, and the word/phrase asymmetry", NELS 28, Toronto, with Anne-Marie DiSciullo.
- 1997 "Pronominal coreference and point of view", NELS 28, Toronto.
- 1996 "Short Distance Pronouns and Locational Deixis", On-Line LINGUIST Conference on Geometric And Thematic Structure In Binding: October 14 to November 4, 1996.
- 1995 "A constraint on psych verbs in Pittsburghese", Linguistic Society of America meeting, New Orleans.
- 1993 "Core event structure and the scope of adverbs", Linguistic Society of America meeting, Los Angeles, with Frank Heny.

#### **REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, CONT'D.**

- 1992 "Linguistic underspecification and pragmatic interference in aspectual verb meanings"; Conference on The Relationship Between Linguistic and Conceptual Representation, University of Antwerp, Belgium.
- 1992 "Scope and core event structure: The relationship between linguistic and conceptual representation", Conference on The Relationship Between Linguistic and Conceptual Representation, University of Antwerp, Belgium, with Frank Heny.
- 1991 "Aspectual Roles", Conference on Lexical Specification, Utrecht, Holland.
- 1990 "Telicity and the measure of an event", Conference on Time in Language, MIT, Cambridge, MA.
- 1989 "The Aspectual Interface Hypothesis", Tense and Aspect Workshop at Australian Linguistics Society Meeting, Melbourne.
- 1987 "Aspect and unaccusativity", Linguistic Society of America meeting, San Francisco.
- 1987 "Aspect and affectedness", NELS 18, Toronto.

#### **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

- 2003 "Grammar of Point of View", with Peggy Speas, University of California, Irvine.
- 2003 "Short distance pronouns, argument structure, and the grammar of sentience", Nippon Electric Company Research Labs, Princeton New Jersey.
- 2001 "Configurational Properties of Point of View Roles", with Peggy Speas, Conference on Asymmetry, Université du Québec à Montréal.
- 2000 "Psych predicates and evidentiality in Japanese", University of Calgary Colloquium Series.
- 2000 "Evidentiality, Experiencers, and the Syntax of Point of View", University of Massachusetts at Amherst Colloquium Series.
- 1999 "Evidentiality and the Grammaticalization of Sentience", University of Rochester.
- 1999 "Evidential Domains", McGill University.
- 1998 "Towards a Representation of Grammatical Point of View", Université du Québec à Montréal.
- 1998 "Pronoun reference, point of view, and language acquisition", University of Massachusetts at Amherst.
- 1997 "Point of View and Grammaticalization of Mind in the Syntax and Lexicon", Universidad Nacional del Comahue, Argentina. Also "How does Natural Language Structure Events?"
- 1997 "Argument structure, pronominal coreference, and point of view", Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- 1997 "Adverbs and event structure. Three ways of modifying -- or not modifying -- the core event." Workshop on Events as Grammatical Objects, LSA Summer Institute, Cornell University.
- 1997 "Adverbial Modification and Event Structure", Université du Québec à Montréal.
- 1997 "How does Natural Language Structure Events?", University of Vermont.

#### **INVITED PRESENTATIONS, CONT'D.**

- 1995        *"This construction needs investigated: Three interesting features of Pittsburghese"*, University of Rochester.
- 1995        Invited panel discussant on Aspect. Member of three-person panel with Bernard Comrie and Alice ter Meulen. Linguistic Society of America meeting, New Orleans.
- 1993        "Goals, Paths and Moved Objects: Verbs of Motion and Obligatory arguments", Workshop on Thematic Roles in Linguistic Theory and Language Acquisition, University of Kansas.
- 1992        "Argument Structure, Aspectual Roles and Modularity", University of Kansas.
- 1990        "Syntax, Aspect and Event Structure", University of Pittsburgh.
- 1989        "Aspect and Affectedness", Université du Québec à Montréal.
- 1989        "Lexicon-Syntax Interaction: Where are we now?", Boston University.
- 1988        "The Aspectual Interface Hypothesis: Some Implications and Consequences", Conference on Theoretical and Computational Issues in Lexical Semantics, Brandeis University.
- 1988        "Japanese as a Configurational Language," University of New Hampshire.

#### **GRADUATE SUPERVISION**

- Carlos Fasola, "The Logical Form of Action Sentences with 'With'" (Masters Thesis, Department of Philosophy, Carnegie Mellon University 2004). Served on Committee.
- Carlos Fasola, "The grammar of spatial deixis and sentience" (A graduate project, Department of Philosophy, Carnegie Mellon University 2003). Advisor/research guider. Served on Masters Thesis Committee.
- Filomena Sandalo, "A Grammar of Kadiwéu" (Ph.D in Linguistics 1995). Served on committee.
- Deming Mei, "A Study of Mixed Headedness and V'-Internal Word Orders in Chinese" (Ph.D. Indiana University of Pennsylvania 1994). Served on committee.
- Ann Britt, "The role of referential uniqueness and argument structure in parsing prepositional phrases" (Ph.D in Psychology 1991). Served on committee.
- Eunkyeong Jeong, "Two Causative Types in Korean" (M.A. 1995). First reader.
- Suzanne McLaughlin, "Configurationality and the notion of subject in Philippine languages: Evidence from Cebuano" (M.A. 1994). First reader.
- Rumiko Sode, "Control-like structures in Japanese" (M.A. 1993). First reader.
- Christine O'Neill, "The Pro-drop Parameter and the Accessibility of Universal Grammar to Adult Second Language Learners" (M.A. 1993). Second reader.

## GRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

Seminar on Current Issues in Syntax  
The Representation of Time in Natural Language  
The Lexicon-Syntax Interface  
Transitivity  
Anaphora, co-taught with Daniel Everett  
Issues in Japanese Syntax  
Argument Structure  
Syntax  
Morphology

## UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Linguistics  
The Nature of Language  
Syntax  
Morphology  
Computational Linguistics, co-taught with Richmond Thomason

► *My undergraduate Introduction to Linguistics Course was a featured course at the Linguistic Society of America's Poster Session on Teaching Undergraduate Linguistics at the 2004 LSA annual meeting.*

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

### Prepublication Reviewer

Presses: Benjamins, MIT Press, Oxford University Press

Journals: *Journal of East Asian Linguistics, Journal of Linguistics, Language, Language Acquisition, Linguistic Inquiry, Linguistics and Philosophy, Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*

### Grant Reviewer

Fonds pour la Formation de Chercheurs et L'Aide a la Recherche; Programme Etablissement de Nouveaux Chercheurs  
(Quebec Provincial Government agency for research funding)  
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada  
National Science Foundation

### Project Activities

Lexicon Project, Department of Linguistics, MIT, Cambridge, MA (1987-1990).  
Coordinator of Lexicon Seminar.  
Editor of Lexicon Project Working Papers.  
Organizer of Workshop on Sentential Complementation (1988).  
Organizer of Workshop on External Arguments (1989).

Parsing Project, Department of Linguistics, MIT, Cambridge, MA (1989-1990).  
Coordinator of MIT Parsing Seminar.  
Editor of Parsing Project Working Papers.

### Professional Societies

*Linguistic Society of America; Association for Computational Linguistics*