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## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### **EDUCATION**

Doutorado em Ciências em Lingüística (Sc.D.), UNICAMP, 1983.  
Mestrado em Lingüística, Universidade Estadual de Campinas (UNICAMP), 1980.  
Diploma in Intercultural Studies, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, IL, 1975.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS**

**Dean** of Arts and Sciences, Bentley University, Waltham, MA, 2010 – 2018.  
**Interim Co-Provost and Vice President** for Academic Affairs, Bentley University,  
Waltham, MA, 2016-2017.  
**Department Chair**, Illinois State University, Department of Languages, Literatures,  
and Cultures, Normal, IL, 2006 – 2010.  
**Department Chair**, University of Pittsburgh, Department of Linguistics, Pittsburgh,  
PA, 1989 – 1999.  
**Director**, University of Pittsburgh, Center for Latin American Studies, Brazilian  
Studies Program, Pittsburgh, PA, 1998 – 1999.  
**Director**, University of Manchester, Department of English Language and  
Linguistics, Postgraduate Programme, Manchester, UK, 2003 – 2005.  
**Academic Dean**, Semester at Sea, University of Pittsburgh Center for Int'l Studies,  
Shipboard, Fall 1995.  
**Linguistic Coordinator**, SIL International, Porto Velho, Brazil, 1986 – 1988.

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

**Trustee Professor** of Cognitive Sciences, Bentley University, Waltham, MA, 2018 –  
(Departments of Sociology and Global Studies).  
**University Professor** of Languages, Literatures and Cultures, Illinois State  
University, Normal, IL, 2006 – 2010 (*inaugural holder of this title*).

**Professor** of Anthropology, Professor of Biological Sciences, and Professor of Linguistics, Illinois State University, Normal, IL, 2006 – 2010.

**Honorary Professor** of Linguistics, School of Languages, Linguistics, and Cultures, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK, 2006 – 2008.

**Visiting Scientist** of Linguistics, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, 2005 –2006.

**Professor** of Phonetics and Phonology, Department of English Language and Linguistics, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK, 2002 – 2006.

**Research Professor** of Phonetics and Phonology, Department of English Language and Linguistics, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK, 2001 – 2002.

**Professor** of Linguistics and Professor of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, 1993 – 1999.

**Resident Fellow**, Center for the Philosophy of Science, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, 1989 – 1999.

**Center Associate**, Learning Research and Development Center, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, 1989 – 1999.

**Core Faculty**, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, 1988 – 1999.

**Associate Professor** of Linguistics (Tenured), University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, 1989 – 1993.

**Core Faculty**, Joint Program in Computational Linguistics, University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, 1988 – 1990.

**Assistant Professor**, Department of Linguistics, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, 1988 – 1989.

**Assistant Professor**, Department of Linguistics, UNICAMP, Campinas, Brazil, 1983-1986.

**Visiting Scholar**, Department of Linguistics and Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, 1984 – 1985.

**International Linguistics Consultant**, SIL International, Dallas, TX, 1984 – 2001.

**Adjunct Professor** of Linguistics, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND, 1988 – 2001.

## **OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE**

### ***Conference Organization:***

Organizer, First International Conference on Recursion in Human Languages. Co-sponsored by the Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, and Illinois State University, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois, 2007.

Co-Chair, Colloquium on Discourse, Linguistic, Philosophical, and Computational Perspectives, Center for Philosophy of Science, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA. March 24-26, 1995.

Co-Director, Workshop on Arawakan Languages (with R.M.W. Dixon). Sponsored by the National Science Foundation, Porto Velho, Brazil, July-August, 1993.

Co-Organizer, Conference on Amazonian Languages, Sponsored by the University of Oregon, National Science Foundation, Summer Institute of Linguistics, National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Oregon Foundation, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, 1987.

Coordinator, Teaching of Generative Grammar at the Graduate Level in Brazil: Associação Nacional de Programas de Pós-graduação em Letras e Lingüística, ANPOLL, 1986.

Co-Organizer, Encontro Nacional de Sintaxe, UNICAMP. Sponsored by the Summer Institute of Linguistics and FAPESP, 1983.

***Board and Committee Memberships:***

European Research Council, 2025 Panel Member for Starting Grants in Human Mind and Complexity.

Board of Directors, Humanist Global Charity and Mutual Aid (<https://humanistglobal.charity/directors>)

Member, Scientific Advisory Board, Thinking Solutions/Pat, Inc., 2016-present  
Chair, LSA Committee on Honorary Members, Linguistic Society of America, 2005 – 2006.

Chair, Provost's Internal Review Committee Of Department of English, University of Pittsburgh, 1998.

Chair, Provost's Internal Review Committee of Department of Communication, Division of Communication Disorders, University of Pittsburgh, 1993.

Member, Hearing Committee, Massachusetts Board of Bar Overseers, Boston, MA, 2011 – present.

Member, Panel for Dual Support Reform, Economics and Social Research Council, United Kingdom, 2004. (One of about a dozen academics from throughout the UK invited to give feedback on new Research Council Full Economic Costing Goals for research funding.)

Member, Scientific Committee, 17th International Congress of Linguists, Prague, Czech Republic, 2002-2003.

Member, Board of Experts, Yourdictionary.com. 1999-present.

Member, Committee on Honorary Appointments, Linguistic Society of America, 2003-2005.

Member, Committee on Endangered Languages and Their Preservation, Linguistic Society of America, 1997- 1999.

Member, Board of Advisors, Beijing Branch Campus, Beijing National University, P.R.C., 1994-1999.

Member, Review Committee for Department of Language & Linguistics, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, 1999.

Member, Faculty Advisory Committee, Semester at Sea, 1993-1995.

Member, Faculty Advisory Board, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 1989-1991.

### **Other Academic Administrative Positions:**

External Examiner, MPhil Programme, Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK, 2002 – 2006.

Postgraduate Admissions Officer, Department of Linguistics, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK, 2003 – 2005.

Postgraduate Tutor, Department of Linguistics, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK, 2003 – 2005.

### **PRINCIPAL SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS**

Language, Culture and Cognition, Language Evolution, Descriptive and Theoretical Syntax, Morphology, Descriptive and Theoretical Phonology, and American Indian Languages (esp. Amazonian).

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Roughly \$6 million in grants.

Six conferences dedicated to my work

Multiple journal articles dedicated to my work

One journal issue dedicated to my work

100+ pages of single issue of LSA's journal, *Language*, dedicated to my work.

General-audience book largely about my work by author Tom Wolfe.

One documentary about my work.

One London play about my work

Seventeen published books by me or about me

119 articles on science

Three articles on higher education

Nearly two hundred invited talks

Twenty invited courses

Dozens of peer-reviewed conference presentations

Nine feature-length magazine articles about me

One documentary film about me. One documentary film in which I am the main interviewee. One documentary film in progress.

### **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

Mee Family Career Award for Research, Bentley University. 2024. \$25,000.00

Kawaja Family Grant for Daniel L. Everett's Research. 2024-2025. \$124,000.00

Kawaja Family Grant for Daniel L. Everett's Research. 2023-2024. \$50,000.00

Kawaja Family Grant for Daniel L. Everett's Research. 2022-2023. \$50,000.00

European Union Research-Directorate: Characterizing Human Language by Structural Complexity, co-PI with Manfred Krifka (project head, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin), and various others (€1.6 million), 2006-2009.

Arts and Humanities Research Board: (B/RG/AN10072/APN18332),

Documentation and Description of Suyá (Ge) (£256,161.00), 2004-2006.

Economic and Social Research Council: (RES-000-23-0686), Documentation and Description of Suyá (Ge) (£248,732.55), 2004-2006.

National Science Foundation: (BCS-0344361), 'Information Structure in Five Amazonian Languages,' (de facto co-PI with Robert Van Valin, SUNY, Buffalo), (\$239,000.00; three years), 2004-2007.

National Science Foundation: (SBR-9631322) 'Finalizing Documentation and Description of Three Family Isolates of Western Brazil,' (Sole Investigator) (\$219,000.00; three years). 1995-1998. Supplemented in 1997 and 1998 by NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates Grants (\$10,000.00).

National Science Foundation: (SBR93-10221) 'Banawá in a Pan-Arawan Perspective,' (Sole Investigator) (\$95,000.00), 1993-1996.

Andrew Mellon Foundation Research Grant: Learning Research and Development Center, (Co-PI with Lauren Resnick, Peter Machamer, and Merrilee Salmon) 'Rationality in Discourse,' (approximately \$2,000,000.00), 1990-1993.

National Endowment for the Humanities: 'Amazonian Phonologies,' (\$3500.00), 1989.

National Science Foundation: (BNS 8617854), 'Working Conference on Amazonian Languages, University of Oregon,' (Postdoctoral Associate), (\$85,000.00), 1987.

FAPESP (Fundação de Amparo à Pesquisa do Estado de São Paulo): 'Comparação Dialetal dos Grupos Pirahã,' (\$1500.00), 1985.

Cultural Survival, Inc.: Identification of Pirahã Reservation, Amazonas, Brazil. (\$1500.00), 1985.

National Science Foundation: (BNS 8405996): 'Prosody and Syntax in Select Amazon Languages,' (\$20,000.00), 1984.

American Council of Learned Societies, Recent Recipients of the Ph.D.: 'Comparative Syntax and Government-Binding Theory' (\$8,500.00), 1984.

Delta Epsilon Chi, National Honor Society of Christian Colleges, 1975.

### **University-Internal Grants**

Center for Latin American Studies: 'Comparative Arawan Phonologies,' (\$2500.00), 1993.

Center for Latin American Studies: 'First Language Acquisition in an Amazonian Language,' (\$2500.00), 1991.

Office of Child Development (Co-PI with Prof. Peter Gordon, Pitt Psychology): 'Archive on Pirahã First Language Acquisition,' (\$5000), 1990.

Center for Latin American Studies: University of Pittsburgh, 'Amazonian Phonologies,' (\$2500.00), 1989.

Faculty of Arts and Sciences, University of Pittsburgh: 'Amazonian Phonologies,' (\$2500.00), 1989.

UNICAMP: Field Training Course Grant (course offered in the Amazon Rain Forest), (\$1000.00), 1987.

Alumni Scholarship, Moody Bible Institute, 1974.

### **EDITORIAL BOARDS**

2014-present: Editorial Board, Messenger of Kyiv National Linguistic

University. Series Philology, ISSN / E-ISSN: 2311-0821, Kyiv National Linguistic University, Ukraine.

2008-2010: Editorial Board, *RaeL: Revista Electrónica de Lingüística Aplicada*, published by the Spanish Society for Applied Linguistics.

2001-present: Editorial Board, **Oxford Surveys in Syntax and Morphology**.

2001-2010: Editorial Board, **ALFA: Revista de Lingüística, da Universidade Estadual Paulista**.

1996-2004: Editorial Board, **International Journal of American Linguistics**.

1992-present: Editorial Board, *Revista D.E.L.T.A.*, **The Journal of the Brazilian Linguistics Society**, São Paulo, Brazil.

1991-1994: Associate Editor, **Language**, The Journal of the Linguistics Society of America.

### CONFERENCES DEDICATED TO MY WORK

**Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. June 8, 2023: "From Linguistic Fieldwork to Linguistic Theory: Studies in Honor of Daniel L. Everett," organized by Ted Gibson, MIT BCS.

**University of Latvia**, Riga. Conference in Honor of the Translation of Daniel Everett's *Language the Cultural Tool* into Latvian. October 7, 2022

**Departamento de Filosofia**, Universidade Católica de Pernambuco. **Linguagem, Sentido e Ação na Obra de Daniel Everett**. Danilo Vaz-Curado R. M. Costa, Gerson Francisco de Arruda Junior, José Marcos Gomes de Luna and Eleonoura Enoque da Silva, organizers. UNICAP (Universidade Católica de Pernambuco), Pernambuco, Brazil. (This conference and the book of the same name are based on my work.)

**Institute of Linguistics (IYAz)** of the Russian Academy of Sciences (RAN), a roundtable dedicated to a discussion of my book *Don't Sleep, There are Snakes*, Moscow, Russia. February 21, 2017.

'**Where idealizations fail: grammars as cultural artifacts**,' keynote at the *International Conference on Space, numerical systems and color terminologies: Theoretical approaches and empirical analysis*, University of Vienna, Austria. (Conference designed around my work.) October 9, 2010.

**Language: The Cultural Tool**, Tel Aviv University, sponsored by the Cohn Institute and the Department of Philosophy, dedicated to a discussion of my book, *Language: the Cultural Tool*, April 02 and 03, 2012.

**Grand River Forum**, Wilfrid Laurier College, Toronto. A three-day series of lectures, artwork, drama and classes on *Don't Sleep, There are Snakes*, 2012.

### JOURNAL ISSUES AND ARTICLES DEDICATED TO MY WORK

Article in *Linguistic Inquiry*, 2007, pp 239-285, Hyde, Brett. Issues in Banawá Prosody: Onset Sensitivity, Minimal Words, and Syllable Integrity. Hyde's study takes a detailed look at the implications of my work on prosody in Arawan languages for phonological theory.

Article in *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*, 2005, pp595-653, Gordon, Matthew. A Perceptually-Driven Account of Onset-Sensitive Stress. This article focuses on my work on the sound system of Pirahã and other languages and the implications for both phonetic and phonological theories.

*Special 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary issue of Pragmatics & Cognition* (2013) dedicated to my 2012 book, **Language: The Cultural Tool**, edited by Professor Marcelo Dascal, Department of Philosophy, Tel Aviv University.

### GENERAL AUDIENCE BOOK ABOUT MY ROLE IN SCIENCE

2016. Tom Wolfe. *The Kingdom of Speech*, Little Brown and Company. In this, Tom Wolfe's last book, Wolfe considers what he labels as two of the most important controversies/conflicts in the history of science, A. Wallace vs.C. Darwin and D. Everett vs. N. Chomsky. A documentary about Wolfe's life is being produced and the director came to Bentley in July 2020 to interview me about the book and Tom's grasp of science.

### PUBLICATIONS AND LECTURES

#### **Books by or about me:**

- (20) in progress **Born of the River: Life, Death, and the Untamed Spirit of the Amazon**, for Profile Books, London.
- (19) 2024. **Não Durma, Há Cobras: Vida e Linguagem Na Amazônia**. Editora Vozes, São Paulo. (Brazilian edition of Don't Sleep, There Are Snakes)
- (18) 2024 **Charles Sanders Peirce: O Juggernaut Americano**, University of Pernambuco Press.
- (17) 2024 Edward A.F. Gibson. **From Fieldwork to Linguistic Theory: A Festschrift For Daniel Everett**. Language Sciences Press.
- (16) 2023 **Linguagem, Sentido e Ação na Obra de Daniel Everett**. Danilo Vaz-Curado R. M. Costa, Gerson Francisco de Arruda Junior, José Marcos Gomes de Luna and Eleonoura Enoque da Silva, eds. Editora da UNICAP (Universidade Católica de Pernambuco), Pernambuco, Brazil. (This book and the conference of the same name are based on my work.)
- (15) in revision/under contract. **Charles Sanders Peirce: American Aristotle**, Princeton University Press (in progress/under contract).
- (14) in progress/under contract. **Peircean Linguistics: A Chapter in the History of Pragmatist Thought**, Oxford University Press.
- (13) 2017. **How Language Began: The Story of Humanity's Greatest Invention**, Liveright Publishers. US W. W. Norton, UK Profile Books, AUSTRALIA Profile Books, BRAZIL Editora Contexto, JAPAN Hakuyosha, CHINA CITIC, VIETNAM Omega Books, RUSSIA Alpina, POLAND Prószyński Media, TURKEY Libronet Bilgi, ARABIC KFAS, UKRAINE Nash Format
- (12) 2016. **Dark Matter of the Mind: The Culturally Articulated Unconscious**, University of Chicago Press.
- (11) 2013. **Shaping the Future of Business Education: Relevance, Rigor, and Life Preparation**, Palgrave Macmillan (co-edited with Gordon Hardy).

- (10) 2012. **Language: The Cultural Tool**, Pantheon Books (Random House USA) and Profile (UK). Other translations available in Arabic, German, Polish, Hungarian and Shtokavian.
- (9) 2011. **Linguistic Field Work: A Student Guide**, Cambridge University Press Red Series in Introductory Textbooks in Linguistics (with Dr. Jeanette Sakel, University of the West of England, UWE).
- (8) 2008. **Don't Sleep, There are Snakes: Life and Language in the Amazonian Jungle**. Translations: **DON'T SLEEP, THERE ARE SNAKES** US Pantheon, UK Profile Books, GERMANY DVA/ Siedler/ Pantheon, ITALY Fabbrica dei Segni, WORLD SPANISH Turner Publicaciones, S.L., FRANCE Flammarion, BRAZIL Editora Vozes LTDA , JAPAN Misuzu Shobo Ltd., TAIWAN Common Master Press, CHINA Grand China Publishing, POLAND Copernicus Center Press, SLOVAKIA Centre of environmental and ethical education Živica, ARABIC King Saud University, MONTENEGRIN Faculty of Montenegrin Language and Literature, UKRAINE ArtHuss, AUDIO Tantor Media, RUSSIA Languages of Slavic Culture Press.
- (7) 1997. **Journal of Amazonian Languages**, 1:1 & 1:2 (published by University of Pittsburgh, Department of Linguistics and for which I was a founding editor – no longer in publication).
- (6) 1997. **Wari': The Pacaas Novos Language of Western Brazil**, Routledge Descriptive Series, London (co-authored with Barbara Kern) (540pp).
- (5) 1996. **Why There Are No Clitics**, Summer Institute of Linguistics and the University of Texas at Arlington Series in Linguistics, Dallas, TX (188pp).
- (4) 1986. **Baako-Kasi**. Translation of the Gospel of Mark in Pirahã. Edicoes Vida Nova. Brazil.
- (3) 1985. **O Desenvolvimento da Teoria Chomskyana: Uma Discussão Epistemológica**, RLEE, Lima, Peru.
- (2) 1983. **A Lingua Pirahã e a Teoria da Sintaxe**, ScD Thesis, Universidade Estadual de Campinas. Published as **A Lingua Pirahã e a Teoria da Sintaxe**, Editora da UNICAMP (400pp), 1992.
- (1) 1979. **Aspectos da Fonologia do Pirahã**, unpublished MA Thesis, Universidade Estadual de Campinas.

### **Articles**

- (123) "Conceptions of Instinct in Language and Communication: Rationalist vs. Pragmatist Approaches," to appear in: *The Handbook of Human Instincts*, Springer. Edited by Sam Goldstein and Robert Brooks.
- 122) 2025 "Frege's Error? Compositionality, Inference, and Final Causes," (<https://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/008270>)
- (121) 2023 "An Overview of Peircean Semeiotics," Posted to open-access site, LingBuzz. <https://lingbuzz.net/lingbuzz/008176>
- (120) 2023 "Culture as Philosophy: The Case of Pirahã." Posted to open-access site, LingBuzz. <https://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/007670>

- (119) 2023 Thomason, Sarah Grey and Daniel L. Everett. "Transitivity in S'el̥i̯-s-Ql'isp'ẽ" In: **From Linguistic Fieldwork to Linguistic Theory: Festschrift in Honor of Daniel L. Everett**. Language Science Press.
- (118) 2023 "O papel da Cultura na emergência da Linguagem." In Danilo Costa, ed., **O Trabalho do Daniel L. Everett**, special volume in my honor published by the Universidade Católica de Pernambuco.
- (117) 2024 Caldwell-Harris, Catherine and Daniel L. Everett. "Religion is of reduced importance when not needed to solve the problems of social living." Invited peer commentary on "Religion Evolving: Cultural, Cognitive, and Ecological Dynamics." **Journal of the Cognitive Science of Religion**.
- (116) 2023 "Peirce's Journey to the End of Inquiry: The Tenure of the Soul," in Cornelius DeWaal, ed., **Oxford Handbook on C.S. Peirce**.
- (115) 2023 "Underspecified Temporal Semiosis in Pirahã," In: Prof. Kasia Jaszolt, ed., **Understanding Human Time**, Oxford University Press.
- (114) 2024. "*Peirce's Universal Grammar: Some Implications for Modern Linguistics*," in Cornelius DeWaal, ed., **Oxford Handbook on C.S. Peirce**, pp 601-640.
- (113) 2021 Barham, Larry and Daniel Everett. 2020. "Semiotics and the Origin of Language in the Lower Paleolithic," **Journal of Archaeological Method and Theory** (online).
- (112) 2020, "O Papel da Cultura na Língua e na Cognição," 50th Anniversary Edition of the Proceedings of **ABRALIN** (Brazilian Linguistics Association), ABRALIN Press, São Paulo, Brazil).
- (111) 2020 Everett, Daniel L. and Edward Gibson. "Semantics requires knowledge of meaning: A reply to Rodrigues" Lingbuzz.  
<https://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/005060>
- (110) 2019, "Review of *Recursion Across Domains*," (with Ted Gibson), **Language**, Journal of the Linguistic Society of America.
- (109) 2019 "The American Aristotle," **Aeon Magazine**.
- (108) 2018, "Make Language-Learning Great Again!" **Aeon Magazine**.
- (107) 2018. "Homo erectus Invented Language," **Aeon Magazine**.
- (106) 2018. "The Role of Culture in Language and the Cognitive Sciences," *Language and Linguistic Compass* (invited article), volume 12, issue 11.
- (105) 2017. 'Seek Out Strangers', **The Chronicle of Higher Education**, April 30.
- (104) 2017. 'Chomsky, Wolfe and Me', **Aeon** magazine, January 10.
- (103) 2016. 'Grammar Came Later: Triality of Patterning and the Gradual Evolution of Language', **Journal of Neurolinguistics**, November 10.
- (102) 2016. 'A Corpus Investigation of Syntactic Embedding in Pirahã', **PLOS One**. Co-authored by Richard Futrell, Laura Stearns, Steven T. Piantadosi, and Edward Gibson, March 2.
- (101) 2016. 'An Evaluation of Universal Grammar and the Phonological Mind', **Frontiers in Psychology**, February 8.
- (101) 2015. 'Review of Adger: a Syntax of Substance,' *American Anthropologist*, 117, 2: 414-415.

- (100) 2015. 'On resilience, homesigns and nativism: a response to Goldin-Meadow', July 2, **Language, Cognition and Neuroscience**, 30:8, pp919-921
- (99) 2015. 'Geo-Identity', Travel Plus Magazine, February.
- (98) 2015. 'A Cultural Context.' Reply to Edge.org's annual question, "What do you think about machines that think?" January.
- (97) 2014. 'Cultural Differences in Perceptual Reorganization in US and Pirahã Adults', **PLOS One**. Co-authored by Jennifer M. D. Yoon, Nathan Witthoft, Jonathan Winawer, Michael C. Frank, and Edward Gibson, November 20.
- (96) 2014. 'One world, many visions.' Review of 'Upriver: The Turbulent Life and Times of an Amazonian people', by Michael F. Brown. **New Scientist Magazine**, October 25.
- (95) 2014. 'Instinct and Innate.' Reply to Edge.org's annual question, "What scientific idea is ready for retirement?" in **This Idea Must Die: Scientific theories that are blocking progress** by John Brockman, published March 2015.
- (94) 2014. 'The Demise of the Scholar' - a chapter in **What should we be worried about: real scenarios that keep scientists up at night**, edited by John Brockman, with many chapters by many of the leading scientists, philosophers, actors, and artists alive today.
- (93) 2013. 'The shaman's-eye view: A Yanomami verdict on us.' Review of 'The Falling Sky: Words of a Yanomami Shaman', by Davi Kopenawa and Bruce Albert. **New Scientist Magazine**, November 18.
- (92) 2013. 'The State of Whose Art?' Reply to Nick Enfield's review of Language: The Cultural Tool in the **Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute**, September.
- (91) 2013. 'A Noble Scientist'. Review of 'Noble Savages: My Life Among Two Dangerous Tribes – The Yanomamö and the Anthropologists', by Napoleon A. Chagnon. **New Scientist Magazine**, February 2.
- (90) 2013. 'Recursion and Human Thought: Why the Pirahã Don't Have Numbers' In: John Brockman (ed.), *Thinking: the New Science of Decision-Making, Problem-Solving, and Prediction*. HarperCollins, New York, NY, 269-291.
- (89) 2013. 'The Role of Culture in Language Emergence' In: *The Handbook of Language Emergence*, Wiley-Blackwell, ed. by Brian MacWhinney and William O'Grady.
- (88) 2013. 'When Nature and Nurture Clash: Pioneering a New Theory of Language' op-ed piece, New York Daily News, February 11.
- (87) 2012. 'The story of language: culture not nature' *New Scientist*, March, pp 32-35.
- (86) 2012. 'What does Pirahã Have to Teach Us About Human Language and the Mind?' **WIREs Cogn Sci**. doi: 10.1002/wcs.1195.
- (85) 2012. 'Concentric Circles of Attachment in Pirahã: A Brief Survey' In: Keller, Heidi and Hiltrud Otto (eds.), *Different Faces of Attachment: Cultural Variations of a Universal Human Need*, Cambridge University Press.
- (84) 2011. 'Fürchtet euch nicht!,' *Kultur Austausch* 11:111 pp 64-65.

- (83) 2010. 'You drink. You drive. You go to jail. Where's recursion?' on LingBuzz
- (82) 2010. (co-authored with Miguel Oliveira, Jr) 'Remarks on the Pirahã suffix -sai and Complex Syntax' on LingBuzz
- (81) 2010. 'The Shrinking Chomskyan Corner: A Final Reply to Nevins, Pesetsky, and Rodrigues'.  
**and Rodrigues**".
- (80) 2009. 'Pirahã culture and grammar: a reply to some critics.' **Language. The journal of the Linguistic Society of America**. Language dedicated nearly 50% of its June 2009 issue to a discussion of my work.
- (79) 2009. 'Interview with Dan Everett,' In: Geoffrey Sampson, David Gil, and Peter Trudgill (eds.), *Language Complexity as an Evolving Variable*, Oxford University Press. (All other chapters are referred articles. My chapter is the only one to consist of an interview, intended as a special recognition.)
- (78) 2009. 'Wari' Intentional State Construction Predicates,' In: Robert Van Valin (ed.), *Investigations of the Syntax-Semantics-Pragmatics Interface*, John Benjamins Publishing Company, Amsterdam.
- (77) 2009. 'Review of *In the Land of Invented Languages*', by Arika Okrent, San Francisco Chronicle.
- (76) 2008. Frank, Michael, Daniel Everett, Evelina Fedorenko, and Edward Gibson. 'Number as a cognitive technology: Evidence from Pirahã language and cognition' **Cognition**. 1: Cognition. 2008 Sep;108(3):819-24. Epub 2008 June 10. Selected by **Discover Magazine** as one of the top 100 science stories of 2009.
- (75) 2007. 'Challenging Chomskyan Linguistics: The Case of Pirahã,' **Human Development** 50:6, 297-299.
- (74) 2007. 'Cultural Constraints on Grammar in Pirahã: A Reply to Nevins, Pesetsky, and Rodrigues,' on LingBuzz
- (73) 2007. 'Review of Joyce McDonough,' *The Navajo Sound System*,' **Language**.
- (72) 2006. Responding to Bambini, Valentina, Claudio Gentili, and Pietro Pietrini, 'Discussion On Cultural Constraints on Pirahã Grammar,' **Current Anthropology**: 47:1, 143-145.
- (71) 2006. 'Reply to Anderson and Lightfoot,' reply by S. Anderson and D. Lightfoot, to item (2) of this section).
- (70) 2005. 'Biology and Language: A Consideration of Alternatives,' **Journal of Linguistics**, 41, 157-175.
- (69) 2005. 'Cultural Constraints on Grammar and Cognition in Pirahã: Another Look at the Design Features of Human Language,' a CA article in **Current Anthropology** 76: 4, 621-646 (with eight solicited commentaries, by Brent Berlin, Paul Kay, Alexandre Surrales, Michael Tomasello, Anna Wierzbicka, Stephen Levinson, Marco Antonio Goncalves, and Andrew Pawley). Top ten most cited articles in the history of the journal.
- (68) 2005. 'Periphrastic pronouns in Wari', **International Journal of American Linguistics**, 71:3, 303-326.
- (67) 2004. 'Coherent Fieldwork,' In: Piet van Sterkenberg, ed., *Linguistics Today*, John Benjamins Publishing, 141-162.

- (66) 2004. 'Documenting Languages: The View from the Brazilian Amazon,' In: Peter Austin (ed.), *Language Documentation and Description*, Vol 1, papers from the first conference sponsored by the Hans Rausing Endangered Languages Project. London: School of Oriental and African Studies.
- (65) 2003. 'Iambic Feet in Paumari and the Theory of Foot Structure,' **Linguistic Discovery**, 2:1 22-44. [Available online](#).
- (64) 2003. 'A Critical Evaluation of Greenberg's Classification of Arawan, Chapacuran, and Muran,' In: Allan Taylor (ed.) *Language and Prehistory in the Americas*, Stanford University Press, Stanford. PUBLICATION SUSPENDED.
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***Invited Talks***

- (206) 2025 The Pirahã Conception of Ecology, invited talk, Royal College of the Arts, London.
- (205) 2025 Inferential Foundation of Human Language, talk to Google research group working on AI, led by Blaise Aguerre y Arcos.
- (204) 2025 Semiotics of Friendship in Pirahã, plenary talk, Semiotics Society of America, Prague, Czech Republic.
- (203) 2025 Speculative Grammar and the Nonuniqueness of Human Language, plenary lecture, Poznan Linguistic Meeting.
- (202) 2025 Culture and Thinking: From Charles Peirce to the Amazon, webinar on thinking (seminar for faculty emeritae, Wayne State University).
- (201) 2025 Amazonian Phonologies and the Incompleteness of Phonological Theory at University of Amsterdam, ACLC (Amsterdam Center for Language and Communication) Seminar.
- (200). 2025. Multimodality and The Inferential Foundation of Human Language at Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics. Talk for entire institute.
- (194-199) 2023 Pernambuco Lectures on Pirahã, Philosophy, and Anthropology at Universidade de Pernambuco, Universidade Catolica de Pernambuco, and Universidade de Paraiba.
- (193) 2023 "ChatBots and Linguistics," SciFoo Camp, Googleplex, Mountain View, CA.
- (192) 2023 "The Inferential Foundation of Human Language," Invited Colloquium, University of North Carolina, Department of Linguistics.
- (191) 2022 "Numeracy in Pirahã," Princeton University Cognitive Science.
- (190) 2021 "Amazonian Research," Harvard University Undergraduate Linguistics Club.
- (189) 2021 "Dark Matter of the Mind and the Origins of Human Culture," Global Now Fest 2021. (open to public - <https://thenowfest.com>)
- (188) 2021 "A Matéria escura da mente - o inconsciente articulado culturalmente," Seminar for the Society of Psychoanalysis, Brasilia, Brazil. December 11, 2021.
- (187) 2021 A evolução da linguagem, Linguagem, Sentido e Ação na Obra de Daniel L. Everett, UNICAP, Pernambuco (philosophy conference dedicated to my work). September 9 & 10, 2021 (virtual)
- (186) 2021 A evolução da linguagem e o cérebro, Grupo de Pesquisa Conectivos e Conexão de Orações, Brasília, DF Brazil. September 15, 2021 (Brasília, virtual).
- (185) 2021 "Language, Knowledge, and Global Paradoxes "Summer School at Friedrich-Schiller University in Jena, Germany, Keynote lecture
- (184) 2021 Opening Plenary Lecture "Language and the Brain" for 4,000 or so Brazilian neurologists (in Portuguese)

- (183) 2021. "Dialogue and the Selection of Data for a Grammar," Opening Plenary Lecture, Summer School on Linguistic Research, University of Bologna.  
<https://site.unibo.it/summer-school-catching-language-data/en/programme>
- (182) 2021. "Dark Matter of the Mind and the Origin of Language," Keynote lecture for Sociedade de Psicoanalise de Porto Alegre, Brazil.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DgwjVzsvtdk> (Also on the site of the organization are two Brazilian academics giving separate introductions for the relevance of my work, one for linguistics, one for psychoanalysis)
- (181) 2021 "Dark Matter of the Mind and Music," Invited discussion for the conference Percevoir – saisir – comprendre : Music and tacit knowledge
- (180) 2021 "Temporal Semantics and Grammar in Pirahã" Invited Plenary at Cambridge University Conference, "Understanding Human Time."
- (179) 2020 Winchester College, England. "In Search of Strange Things."
- (176) 2020 Universidad Autonoma de Mexico, "The Evolution of Meaning."  
 (Distinguished Lecture Series, School of Education)
- (176) 2020 Semiotics and the Origin of Language, invited talk to Biosemiotics Seminar, University of Tartu, Finland. (ZOOM)
- (176) 2020 How Language Began – Harvard University Science Center
- (175) 2020 "How Language Began," ABRALIN online lectures, invited talk (Brazilian Linguistics Association) (ZOOM)
- (174) 2019 Sci Foo Camp (see item 150). This is a conference sponsored by Google and O'Reilly Media at the GooglePlex in Mountain View, California, by invitation-only, for the 300 top thought-leaders across all disciplines. Nobel prize winners, artists, educators, authors, scientists and humanists, etc.
- (173) 2019 Main talk: The Nature of Language, Copernicus Festival, Krakow, Poland (40,000 participants, one of the world's largest science festivals).
- (172) 2019 The Role of Culture in Language and Cognition (Keynote), 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting, Brazilian Linguistics Society (ABRALIN), Maceió, Brazil.
- (171) 2018 "How Language Began," Colloquium, University of Manchester.
- (170) 2018 "Homo erectus Invented Language," Colloquium, Department of Archaeology, University of Liverpool.
- (169) 2018 "How Language Began," Colloquium, New York University, Department of Biology.
- (168) 2018 "Latin American Indigenous Cultures in Western Science and Society Or Why the Grave of Frederick the Great is Covered in Potatoes," Symposium on Indigenous Languages and Cultures, Ohio State University.
- (167) 2018 "How Language Began," (Plenary), Poznan Linguistics Conference, Poland.
- (166) 2018 "How Language Began," International Literature Festival, Berlin.
- (165) 2018 Sci Foo Camp" (see item 150 for explanation.)
- (164) 2018 "The Origin, Nature, and Development of Human Language," (Keynote), Poznan Linguistics Conference, Poland. September.

- (163) 2017. "The Role of Culture in Language and Cognition," (Keynote) 8th International Conference on Language, Culture and Mind, Denison University, Granville, OH.
- (162) 2017. "The Role of Culture in the Cognitive Sciences," (Keynote) *Extraordinary Brain Symposium*, Saint Petersburg, Russia, May 27-June 01. (not delivered due to visa issues)
- (161) 2017 "The Role of Culture in the Cognitive Sciences," Potsdam University, April.
- (160) 2017 "How Language Began," Einstein Forum, public lecture, Potsdam, Germany, April.
- (159) 2017 "How Language Began," Central European University, Budapest, Hungary. March 14.
- (158) 2017 "How Language Began," Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Szeged, March 14.
- (157) 2017. "How Language Began," talk for Linguistics Graduate Students, Szeged University Hungary. March 14.
- (156) 2017. Slovak National Theater, Bratislava, as part of Slovakia's most prestigious and most watched television talk show, *SlovakTalk*. (March 12)
- (155) 2017. Public lecture on behalf of Socratic Institute, Kosice, Slovakia, to launch Slovakian translation of *Don't Sleep, There are Snakes*. (March 09)
- (154) Public lecture on behalf of Socratic Institute, Bratislava, to launch Slovakian translation of *Don't Sleep, There are Snakes*. (March 8)
- (153) 2017 "How Language Began," Anthropology Graduate Students, University of Vienna. March 06.
- (152) 2017. "Life in the Jungle Can Make You Lose Your Religion," Public lecture, Vienna (sponsored by University of Vienna, Department of Anthropology). March 06.
- (151) 2017. "How Language Began," *Dare to Know*, TEDx San Francisco, October 10, 2017, Herbst Theater, San Francisco.
- (150) 2017 "Sci Foo Camp," The Googleplex, Mountain View, California (by invitation only, Google and O'Reilly Media invite 200-250 thought leaders from around the world for 2.5 days of seminars, meals, and discussions. Nothing but the meals planned - talks and seminars "emerge" from the interests of participants).
- (149) 2017. "Wisdom from Strangers: How we learn most from people least like us", *Rise and Run*: TEDx Penn, April 1, Annenberg Auditorium, Pennsylvania State University, Pittsburgh, PA
- (148) 2017. "On the emergence of grammar from culture", keynote at the 30th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, March 29, Cambridge, MA
- (147) 2017. Lectures on linguistics, Piraha life, and missionary culture at the Socratic Institute, March 22-25, Zaježka Community, Central Slovakia
- (146) 2017. "Piraha Culture and Language", March 21, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia

- (145) 2017. “Culture and the Emergence of Languages”, February 27, University of Rochester, New York.
- (144) 2016. “Language: the Cultural Tool”, September 19, University of Szeged, Hungary
- (143) 2016. “Homo erectus and the Semiotic progression”, September 15, Poznań Linguistic Meeting, Poland
- (142) 2016. ‘Homo erectus and the Semiotic progression’, 8th Annual Conference in Evolutionary Linguistics, August 8, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- (141) 2016. ‘The implausibility of universal grammar’, March 14, University of Alagoas, Maceió, Brazil
- (140) 2016. ‘Cultures of business and educational fusion’, March 14, University of Alagoas, Maceió, Brazil
- (139) 2015. ‘Dark Matter of the Mind’. September 25, the Institute of Cognitive Science Colloquium, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- (138) 2015. ‘Monolingual Demonstration’. September 25, the Institute of Cognitive Science Colloquium, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- (137) 2015. “Nonrecursive, nonendocentric, and nonbinary structures in Amazonian languages: Counterexamples vs. exceptions’. May 27, Bangor University, North Wales
- (136) 2015. Institute of Arts and Ideas Academy Course, ‘Mind, Matter and the Self.’ May 24, *HowtheLightGetsin* Festival, Hay-on-Wye, England.
- (135) 2015. ‘Demons Among Us’. May 24, *HowtheLightGetsin* Festival, Hay-on-Wye, England.
- (134) 2015. ‘Nonrecursive, nonendocentric, and nonbinary structures in Amazonian languages: Counterexamples vs. exceptions’. March 28, UNC Chapel Hill, North Carolina.
- (133) 2014. ‘On the Role of Culture in the Emergence of Language’. December 11, Columbia University, New York City, New York.
- (132) 2014. ‘Tacit Knowledge: How We Come to Know Things That We Cannot Tell’. November 28, Nordic Intercultural Communication Conference, University of Iceland, Reykjavik, Iceland
- (131) 2014. ‘Numerical Cognition in Piraha’. November 14, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany
- (130) 2014. ‘Dark Matter of the Mind’. November 13, The Einstein Forum, Potsdam, Germany
- (129) 2014. ‘On the Role of Culture in the Emergence of Language’. November 11, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany
- (128) 2014. ‘On the Role of Culture in the Emergence of Language’. November 5, Watz Memorial Lecture, Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania
- (127) 2014. ‘Recursion and the Evolution of Language and Thought’. September 25, Osaka University, Japan
- (126) 2014. ‘Culture and Grammar in a Functional-Based Linguistics.’ September 22, Nagoya University, Japan.

- (125) 2014. 'On the Role of Culture in the Emergence of Grammar'. September 20, keynote speech at the Japanese Cognitive Linguistics Association, Keio University, Tokyo, Japan.
- (124) 2014. 'Recursion and the Evolution of Language and Thought.' September 19, seminar at the Japanese Cognitive Linguistics Association, Keio University, Tokyo, Japan.
- (123) 2014. 'A cultura na análise linguística', September 9, VI SELIN, Seminario de Linguística da Unesp, no Câmpus da Faculdade de Ciências e Letras da Unesp de Araraquara-SP, Brazil.
- (122) 2014. 'The Role of Culture in the Emergence of Language.' August 28, 3rd Coloquio Internacional de Estudos Linguísticos e Literários, Universidade Estadual de Maringá, Brazil.
- (121) 2014. "On the role of culture in the emergence of language." Walter Lonner Distinguished Lecture at the annual meeting for the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology, July 19, Reims, France.
- (120) 2014. 'Ultimate Proof.' May 31, *HowtheLightGetsin* Festival, Hay-on-Wye, England
- (119) 2014. 'Noble Ancestors and Modern Selves.' May 29, *HowtheLightGetsin* Festival, Hay-on-Wye, England.
- (118) 2014. 'Dark Matter of the Mind.' May 29, *HowtheLightGetsin* Festival, Hay-on-Wye, England.
- (117) 2014. 'Tacit Knowledge – How we can know that which we do not know.' May 11, Martin Buber Society Conference, Jerusalem.
- (116) 2013. 'Shaping the Future of Business Education', October 1, EFMD's 2013 Conference: Undergraduate Management Education, St. Petersburg State University, Russia.
- (115) 2013. 'A Reconsideration of the Reification of Linguistics.' September 26, The Cognitive Revolution, 60 Years at the British Academy, London.
- (114) 2013. 'Why there is no innate universal grammar.' September 12, Multilingualism Symposium, September 12-14, Leeuwarden, Netherlands.
- (113) 2013. 'Learning what to talk about and how to talk about it: An examination of language, culture, and conflict resolution among the Pirahas', August 3-6, World Congress of Philosophy, Athens, Greece.
- (112) 2013. 'Monolingual Demonstration', July 5, Linguistics Society of America Summer Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Includes an invited showing of 'The Grammar of Happiness'
- (111) 2013. 'Towards Ethnogrammar, April 29, Max Planck Institute, Leipzig, Germany
- (110) 2013. 'Language and Culture', April 26, University of Amsterdam
- (109) 2013. 'Cultural Effects on Grammar', April 10, University of California Irvine, Irvine CA
- (108) 2013. 'Cultural Effects on Grammar', April 9, California State University, Long Beach, CA

- (107) 2013. 'Cultural Effects on Grammar', April 8, University of California San Diego, San Diego, CA
- (106) 2013. 'Language, Culture and Being Human', March 27, Lake Forest Academy, Lake Forest, IL
- (105) 2013. 'Language, Culture, and Being Human': March 26-28, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL.
- (104) 2013. 'Clips and Conversations': an invited presentation to the American Association for the Advancement of Science on the Smithsonian Documentary about my work, Grammar of Happiness, February 13, Harvard Museum of Natural History.
- (103) 2013. 'Towards Ethnogrammar: A New Research Program', February 8-10, 5th Biennial Meeting of the Rice Linguistics Society, Rice University, Houston, TX
- (102) 2012. 'Quotatives in Wari' and Piraha: different strategies for reporting the contents of other minds', Quotation: Perspectives from Philosophy and Linguistics, Ruhr-University, Bochum Germany
- (101) 2012. 'Life and Language in the Amazon Jungle: the Difficult Task of Understanding Others', Revisioning the Americas through Indigenous Cinema, INRS, Montreal, Can.
- (100) 2012. 'Language: The Cultural Tool' Colloquium: "Exploring the Syntax-Semantics Interface" Heinrich-Heine-Universität, Düsseldorf Germany
- (99) 2012. 'Language: The Cultural Tool' (with commentary by Daniel Dor, Department of Communication, TAU; Ewa Jablonka, Cohen Institute, TAU) Cohen Institute, Israel
- (98) 2012. 'Life and Language in the Amazon,' Eton College, England.
- (97) 2012. 'Cognitive Fire: How Language Emerges to Serve Human Needs,' Williams College, The Annual Richmond Lecture, Williamstown, MA.
- (96) 2012. 'Language, Culture and Being Human': Connecticut College.
- (95) 2012. 'Language, the Cultural Tool': Leiden University, Netherlands.
- (94) 2012. 'Language, Culture and Being Human': London School of Economics, London, England.
- (93) 2012. 'Language, the Cultural Tool': School of Oriental and African Studies, London, England..
- (92) 2012. General Public Talk and Q&A, LRB Bookshop, London, England
- (91) 2012. 'Language, Culture and Being Human': University of Manchester, England.
- (90) 2011. 'Language as a Cultural Tool,' Brazil Israel Philosophy Colloquium on Mind and Language, November 7-9, 2011.
- (89) 2011. 'Cognitive Fire: Language as a Cultural Tool,' 26<sup>th</sup> Linguistics Symposium: Language Death, Endangerment, Documentation, and Revitalization, UW-Milwaukee, October 20-22.
- (88) 2011. 'Lessons on Language and Culture from the Amazon,' Wilfrid Laurier College, Toronto, Grand River Forum (My book, Don't Sleep There are Snakes, was selected as required reading for incoming freshmen and I gave a three day series of seminars and talks based on it.

- (87) 2010. 'Culture, Cognition, and Language,' University of Osnabruek, special public lecture.
- (86) 2010. 'Life Among the Pirahãs,' public lecture (with admission fee) at the Museum of Ethnology, University of Vienna.
- (85) 2010. 'Sci Foo Camp'; Google Headquarters, Mountain View, California.
- (84) 2009. Invited discussant, University of California, Santa Barbara Forum on Human Origins
- (83) 2009. 'Recursion in Pirahã.' University of Massachusetts NSF-sponsored Conference on Recursion.
- (82) 2009. 'Endangered languages, lost knowledge, and the future,' Seminar for the Long Now Organization (<http://longnow.org/>) (professional video and audio of lecture available for download).
- (81) 2008. 'A finite grammar in a non-finite language'; SUNY Stony Brook, Colloquium.
- (80) 2008. 'Arrows Pizza and Language: Grammar as a Cultural Tool'; SUNY Stony Brook, Semi-annual linguistics public lecture series.
- (79) 2008. 'Arrows Pizza and Language: Grammar as a Cultural Tool'; Princeton University.
- (78) 2008. 'Arrows Pizza and Language: Grammar as a Cultural Tool'; Wabash College.
- (77) 2008. 'Arrows Pizza and Language: Grammar as a Cultural Tool'; University of Michigan.
- (76) 2008. 'Arrows Pizza and Language: Grammar as a Cultural Tool'; Beloit College.
- (75) 2008. 'Arrows Pizza and Language: Grammar as a Cultural Tool'; University of Edinburgh.
- (74) 2008. 'Arrows Pizza and Language: Grammar as a Cultural Tool'; University College London.
- (73) 2007. 'Culture, Linguistics, and Ethnogrammar,' Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Workshop on 'Language complexity as an evolving variable.'
- (72) 2007. Invited participant, 'Symposium on Missionaries and Linguists,' Linguistic Society of America.
- (71) 2007. 'Cultural Constraints on Recursion,' International Conference on Recursion in Human Language. (I was also the main organizer for this conference.)
- (70) 2007. 'Jamesian Linguistics and the Nature of Language,' International Conference on Role and Reference Grammar, Universidad Autonoma de Mexico, Mexico City (Unable to attend).
- (69) 2007. 'The Nature of Grammar and its Relation to Culture'; Department of Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley.
- (68) 2007. 'The Nature and Nurture of Grammar'; co-sponsored by the Departments of Linguistics, Psychology, and Anthropology, University of California, Santa Cruz.

- (67) 2007 'Cultural constraints on grammar in Pirahã'; Department of Linguistics, McGill University.
- (66) 2007 'Cultural constraints on grammar in Pirahã'; Department of Linguistics, Oxford University.
- (65) 2007. 'Seminar on non-endocentric syntax'; Department of Linguistics, Oxford University.
- (64) 2007. 'Language Evolution and Cultural Niches'; Linguistics Seminar, University of Oxford, UK.
- (63) 2007. 'Language Evolution'; Department of Biological Sciences, ISU.
- (62) 2007. 'Language and Culture'; Linguistics, University of Illinois, Chicago.
- (61) 2006. 'Wari' Intentional State Constructions'; Department of Linguistics, University of Edinburgh.
- (60) 2006. 'Cultural Constraints on Grammar in Pirahã'; Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- (59) 2006. 'Language Evolution'; University of Edinburgh, Language Evolution and Computation Research Unit (LEC).
- (58) 2006. 'Language Evolution'; Institute Lecture, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig (March 10) – this lecture is for all MPI-EVAN departments, including Primatology, Human Genetics, Psychology, Anthropology, and Linguistics.
- (57) 2006 'Exocentric Syntax: RRG vs. the World,' International Conference on Role and Reference Grammar, University of Leipzig, Germany.
- (56) 2006 'Phonology and Field Research,' 14th Manchester Phonology Meeting, Manchester, UK (the largest phonology meeting in the world).
- (55) 2006. 'Rarities, Culture, and the Evolution of Language,' International Conference on Rara and Rarissima, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, March 29-April 01.
- (54) 2006. 'Exocentric Morphology,' York-Essex Morphology Meeting (YEMM 3), York University, February 24-25.
- (53) 2005. 'Questões Empíricas na Avaliação da Lingüística Formal,' Meeting of the Grupo de Trabalho on Formal Linguistics of the Brazilian Association of Letters and Linguistics, Ouro Preto, Minas Gerais, December 01.
- (52) 2005. Invited plenary session address, Brazilian Linguistics Society (ABRALIN) annual meeting, University of Brasilia.
- (51) 2005. Invited plenary session address, RRG 2005, Taiwan.
- (50) 2004. Orações exocêntricas, Categorias Liminais e etnossintaxe, invited lecture for International Conference on Tupi Languages, University of Brasilia, October 05-09.
- (49) 2004. 'How to document a language,' Symposium on Documenting Endangered Languages: Goals, Methods, and Strategies, American Association for the Advancement of Science Annual Meeting, Seattle.
- (48) 2004. 'Liminal Categories and the Theory of Words,' invited lecture, Workshop on Word Domains: Theory and Typology, University of Leipzig (also given at Essex University, October 9, 2003).

- (47) 2003. 'Morphological Irregularities in the Amazon,' invited talk, Conference on Irregularities in Morphological Paradigms, Manchester, England.
- (46) 2003. 'Why We Should be Concerned About Syntaxes We Don't Know,' Conference on Role and Reference Grammar, UNESP, Rio Preto, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
- (45) 2003. 'Coherent Fieldwork,' Major Invited Lecture for 17th International Congress of Linguists, Prague, Czech Republic (also invited to organize a symposium for the Congress on the same topic).
- (44) 2003. 'Case, valency, and transitivity: evidence from Montana Salish', with Lucy Thomason and Sally Thomason, Nijmegen, Pionier Workshop on Case, Valency, and Transitivity.
- (43) 2002. 'Monolingual Demonstration and Fieldwork Seminar,' University of Michigan Symposium on Kenneth L. Pike, April.
- (42) 2002. 'Particulars vs. Universals in Theories of Phrase Structure,' invited plenary session lecture, Conference on Role and Reference Grammar and Functional Grammar, University of La Rioja, Logroño, Spain.
- (41) 2001. 'Functional Arguments for Syllables'; Colloquium, Department of Linguistics, University College London, December.
- (40) 2001. 'Wari' e a Ontologia da Sintaxe'; Museu Nacional, Rio de Janeiro.
- (39) 2001. 'Role and Reference Grammar: Uma Alternativa à Gramática Universal'; Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro.
- (38) 2001. 'Prosodic Theory and Amazonian Languages'; Holland Institute for Generative Linguistics, University of Leiden.
- (37) 1999. 'Problemas Epistemológicos na Teoria Chomskyana'; Invited Lecture at the Universidade Estadual de Campinas (UNICAMP), Brazil.
- (36) 1999. 'Integridade Lexical: Evidência do Wari'; Invited Lecture at the Universidade Estadual de Campinas (UNICAMP), Brazil.
- (35) 1999. 'Being Truth in Academics,' special invited seminar for the Veritas Forum, University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University.
- (34) 1999. 'A Morfologia do Wari'; Invited Lecture at the Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro.
- (33) 1999. 'Concordância e 'Movimento-WH' em Wari'; Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro.
- (32) 1999. 'A Formação de Palavras na Sintaxe no Wari'; Invited Lecture at the Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- (31) 1999 'Naming and Cosmology of the Pirahã Indians of the Brazilian Amazon'; Colloquium, Department of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh.
- (30) 1999. 'The Shrinking Chomskyan Corner'; Center for Philosophy of Science, University of Pittsburgh, weekly lecture series.
- (29) 1998. 'Syllables, Minimal Word Size, and Stress Placement in Paumari'; Colloquium, Department of Linguistics, University of Manchester, England. This talk was also presented as a colloquium in the Department of Linguistics at the University of Pittsburgh.

- (28) 1998. 'Why Attacks on an Innate Universal Grammar Fail'; Colloquium, Department of Psychology, Florida Atlantic University.
- (27) 1998. 'Syntactic Word Formation in Wari'; Colloquium, Department of Linguistics, SUNY Buffalo.
- (26) 1998. 'Tutorial on Monolingual Fieldwork'; Department of Linguistics, Swarthmore College.
- (25) 1998. 'Nonce Forms, Inputs, and Comparative Optimality: Experimentation and the Obligatory Contour Principle in Modern Hebrew, Current Trends in Phonology II,' Royaumont Abbey, Paris (international conference by invitation only-paper withdrawn in order to carry out additional fieldwork under NSF grant).
- (24) 1998. 'Tutorial on Monolingual Fieldwork'-Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, New York (Sole presenter in a two-hour colloquium).
- (23) 1997. 'Jungle Talk: Conversational Styles in Amazonia,' University of Pittsburgh Annual Founder's Day Conference (one of four invited lectures for 1997).
- (22) 1997. 'Why Attacks on Universal Grammar Fail'; Center for Philosophy of Science, University of Pittsburgh, weekly lecture series.
- (21) 1997. 'Wari' Morphology: Where's Inflection?'; Holland Institute for Generative Linguistics, University of Leiden.
- (20) 1996. 'Phi-feature Numerations and Banawá Verb Agreement Patterns'; Colloquium, Holland Insitute for Generative Linguistics, University of Leiden.
- (19) 1995. 'Quantity Constraints in Arawan: From proto-Arawan to Suruwahá'; Colloquium, University of Arizona, Tucson.
- (18) 1993. 'Valency vs. Transitivity: Evidence from Selish m, Romance se, and Karitiana Case-Spreading'; Colloquium, Department of Linguistics, University of Oregon.
- (17) 1993. 'Minimality in Phonology, Colloquium, Department of Communication Disorders'; University of Pittsburgh.
- (16) 1993. 'Discourse, Cognition and the Theory of Grammar,' Richard King Mellon Annual Lecture Series, Center for Philosophy of Science, University of Pittsburgh.
- (15) 1993. 'Blocking Constraints, Obligatory Rules, and Optimality Theory,' Workshop on Cognitive Phonology, University of Manchester, England.
- (14) 1991. 'On the Storage, Insertion, and Form of-features,' Workshop on Lexical Specification and Lexical Insertion, Research Institute for Language and Speech, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands.
- (13) 1991. 'What Does Morphology Have to do With Syntax?'; Computational Linguistics Research Seminar, Carnegie Mellon University.
- (12) 1991. 'Allomorphy and Syntax, Department of Cognitive Science'; The Johns Hopkins University.
- (11) 1991. 'On Subsyllabic Feet in Kamã, Department of Psychology, Program in Linguistics'; Brandeis University.
- (10) 1991. 'Allomorphy and the Nonexistence of Clitics'; Department of Linguistics and Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

- (9) 1991. 'Theoretical Linguistics and Field Work'; Department of Linguistics, University of Texas at Arlington.
- (8) 1991. 'Φ-features and the Nonexistence of Clitics'; Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Cruz.
- (7) 1991. 'Why There Are No Clitics and Why You Should Care'; Department of Linguistics, University of California, Irvine.
- (6) 1990. 'A Morphosyntactic and Phonological Comparison of Arawan and Chapacuran: Any Evidence for a Genetic Classification?,' Conference on Greenberg's Classification of Languages of the Americas, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO.
- (5) 1988. 'Case, Clitics, and Word Order in Yagua'; University of California, San Diego.
- (4) 1987. 'The Status of Phonological Research in Lowland South America,' Working Conference on Amazonian Languages, University of Oregon, Eugene.
- (3) 1986. 'Amazon Languages and Linguistic Theory'; Department of Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley.
- (2) 1984. 'Pirahã Phonology'; Harvard University Linguistics Circle.
- (1) 1979-1983. Various talks to seminars at UNICAMP.

### ***Invited Courses***

- (20) 2024 "O Pensamento de Charles Sanders Peirce," in-person course for ANPOF (Associação Nacional de Pós-graduação em Filosofia), Recife, Brazil.
- (19) 2021 In Search of Strange Things. Invited online course for ABRALIN (Brazilian Linguistics Association) on field research, data, and the relationship between field research and theory.
- (18) 2018 "The Evolution of Language," Master Class, Center for Interdisciplinary Research in Arts and Language, University of Manchester.
- (17) 2012. 'Field Methods,' The National Winter Linguistics Course of the Netherlands; Tilburg University.
- (16) 2006. 'Non endocentric Syntax in Amazonian Languages: Problems for Theories of Phrase Structure,' Leipzig Spring School on Linguistic Diversity, March 20-28, 2006, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology.
- (15) 2005. (Course on) 'Anthropological Linguistics and Amazonian Languages,' 4-8 April, University of Stockholm.
- (14) 2004. 'Fieldwork,' Lecture/course for Northwest Centre for Linguistics, Manchester, Spring Course Series, March 30.
- (13) 2003. 'Introduction to Role and Reference Grammar,' Role and Reference Grammar Morphology, (UNESP) State University of São Paulo, São Jose do Rio Preto.
- (12) 2003. 'Workshop on Brazilian Amazonian languages and functional grammars,' at Conference on Role and Reference Grammar, UNESP, São José do Rio Preto, São Paulo, Brazil.
- (11) 2002. 'Introduction to Role and Reference Grammar and Morphology in Role and Reference Grammar,' International Conference on Functional Grammar

and Role and Reference Grammar, University of La Rioja, Logroño, Spain, Invited Instructor.

- (10) 2001. 'Workshop on Morphology in Role and Reference Grammar,' with Balthasar Bickel (90 minute presentation and discussion of what an RRG morphology might 'look like'), Role and Reference Grammar Workshop, LSA Summer Institute, University of California, Santa Barbara.
- (9) 2001. 'Introduction to Role and Reference Grammar,' Role and Reference Grammar Workshop, LSA Summer Institute, University of California, Santa Barbara (3-hour lecture).
- (8) 2000. Invited lecture and course in 'Lexical Integrity and Optimality Theory,' Dubrovnik, Croatia (As part of a Croatian Ministry of Science course on 'New Theoretical Perspectives on Syntax and Semantics in Cognitive Science Sponsored by the Ministry of Science. The other invited lecturers: Melissa Bowerman, Max Plank Institute, James Pustejovsky, Brandeis University, and Robert VanValin, SUNY Buffalo).
- (7) 1997. 'Pirahã Morphology,' University of Essex (five-hour invited seminar).
- (6) 1994. 'Seminar on Theoretical Linguistics and Research on Amazonian Languages,' Department of Anthropology, Museu Nacional, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. (Invited by Marilia Facó, consulting on the research of Profs. Bruna Franchetto, Marilia Facó, and Yonne Leite).
- (5) 1989. 'Advanced Phonology,' Invited Professor, Brazilian Linguistics Society (ABRALIN) Annual Institute, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro.
- (4) 1986. 'Questoes Empiricas no Modelo de Regencia e Vinculaçao,' minicourse on Government and Binding Theory, Universidade Federal do Paraná.
- (3) 1985. 'Aspectos da SocioLinguística Relevantes para a Educação Indígena,' seminar for employees of the National Indian Foundation (FUNAI), Porto Velho, Brazil.
- (2) 1985. 'The Structure of Pirahã, three-day seminar on the Pirahã language,' Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- (1) 1982. 'Introdução a Fonetica e Fonologia,' two-week seminar at the Universidade Federal do Maranhao.

### ***Peer-Reviewed Conference Presentations***

- (40) 2018. "How Language Began," American Association for the Advancement of Science (Flashtalk), Austin, TX.
- (39) 2016. (with Peter Gordon, Erin Kirby, Jean Tang, Eli Zaleznik, Dalynah Maldonado, Allison Orr, Zhamilya Gazman, Sylvie Truong, Rong Cheng, Weimin Shi, Yu Wang, and Sean Madden) 'Pirahã Motherese' (poster session), XX Biennial International Conference on Infant Studies, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 26-28.
- (38) 2004. 'On the absence of number and numerals in Pirahã,' Workshop on Numerals in the World's Languages, Leipzig, March 29-30.
- (37) 2004. 'Liminal Categories,' LSA Annual Meeting, Boston (30 minute talk).

- (36) 2003. (with Sarah Grey and Lucy Thomason) 'Case, Valency, and Transitivity: Evidence from Salish,' Pionier Conference on Case, Valency, and Transitivity, University of Nijmegen, The Netherlands.
- (35) 2003. 'Theoretical Implications of Post-lexical Structure Preservation in Suyá,' Eleventh Manchester Phonology Meeting, May.
- (34) 2001. 'Syllable Functions: Evidence From Amazonia,' Ninth Manchester Phonology Conference, University of Manchester.
- (33) 1999. 'Estruturas Prosódicas no Paumari,' Associação Brasileira de Lingüística, Universidade Federal de Florianópolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil.
- (32) 1999. 'The Phonology of Foot and Syllable Structure: Evidence from Amazonia,' West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, XVIII, University of Arizona, Tucson. (This paper was also accepted for presentation at the Americas Conference at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, but not presented at either conference due to lack of travel funds and scheduling conflicts).
- (31) 1998. (with Iris Berent) 'Constraints on Identity in Hebrew Roots: An Experimental Approach,' Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, New York.
- (30) 1998. (with Iris Berent-first author-and Joseph Shimron) 'Are mental constituents necessary? Evidence from the Obligatory Contour Principle,' Psychonomics Conference.
- (29) 1997. 'The OCP in Hebrew: Experimental Evidence,' Fifth Annual Phonology Meeting, Universities of Manchester and Salford, England.
- (28) 1997. 'Syllable Integrity,' West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, XVI, University of Washington, Seattle (also given at the Holland Institute for Generative Linguistics, University of Leiden; May).
- (27) 1997. 'Agreement and Inalienable Possession in Banawá,' Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- (26) 1996. 'Constraints on Lengthening and Diphthongisation in Arawan,' Plenary Session Address, Fourth Annual Phonology Meeting, Universities of Manchester and Salford, England.
- (25) 1996. 'Oro Win and Chapakuran: Evidence for Greenberg's Arawan-Chapakuran Connection?' Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas, at the Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting, San Diego.
- (24) 1996. (with Peter Ladefoged and Barbara Kern) 'On the Status of Phonetic Rarities,' Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting, San Diego.
- (23) 1996. (with Peter Ladefoged and Keren Everett) 'Native Speaker Intuitions and the Phonetics of Stress Placement,' Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting, San Diego.
- (22) 1995. 'Word Minimality, Word Binariness, and Foot Minimality in Suruwahá,' Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting, New Orleans.

- (21) 1995. 'Arawan prosodies and Optimality Theory,' Colloquium, Department of Linguistics, University of Amsterdam (same lecture also given at Third Annual Manchester Phonology Conference).
- (20) 1994. (with S.G. Thomason, Dorothy Berney, Gail Coelho, and Jeffrey Micher) 'Montana Salish Root Classes: Evidence from the 19th-Century Jesuit Dictionary'; Salishan Congress.
- (19) 1993. 'Case Spreading and Phrase Structure in Karitiana,' Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL) University of Washington, Seattle.
- (18) 1993. (with S.G. Thomason) 'Transitivity in Flathead'; Salishan Congress.
- (17) 1990. 'On Subsyllabic Feet and the Mora in Kamã,' WECOL 1990, University of Texas at El Paso.
- (16) 1990. 'Morphological Visibility and the Theory of Dependent Terms,' WECOL 1990, University of Texas at El Paso.
- (15) 1989. 'Floating Feature Nodes in Pirahã Phonology,' Phonology Workshop, Annual Meeting of Generative Linguists of the Old World, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands.
- (14) 1989. 'Underspecification and Node Linking in Pirahã: A Functional Approach,' Pacific Conference in Linguistics, University of Oregon, Eugene.
- (13) 1987. 'Ternarity and Obligatory Branching in Pirahã,' XI International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, Estonia, USSR.
- (12) 1987. 'On Romance SE,' XIV International Congress of Linguists, East Berlin.
- (11) 1985. 'The Parametrization of Nominal Clitics in Universal Grammar,' Annual Colloquium of Generative Linguists of the Old World, Brussels.
- (10) 1985. 'Syllable Weight, Sloppy Phonemes, and Channels in Pirahã Discourse,' XI Annual Meeting Berkeley Linguistics Society, University of California Berkeley, Parasession on Metrical Phonology.
- (9) 1985. 'A Note on Ergativity, and in Karitiana,' Linguistics Society of America, Summer Meeting, Washington D.C.
- (8) 1984. (with Keren Everett), 'Syllable Onsets and Stress Placement in Pirahã,' West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, III, University of California, Santa Cruz.
- (7) 1984. (with Lucy Seki), Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting: 'Deletion, Reduplication, and CV Skeleta in Kamaiura,' Baltimore.
- (6) 1984. 'Sobre a Interpretacao da referencia na teoria de regencia e vinculacao,' VIII National Encounter in Linguistics, Pontificia Universidade Catolica do Rio de Janeiro.
- (5) 1983. 'A Importancia Cientifica das Linguas Amazonicas,' XXXV Annual Meeting of the Brazilian Society for the Progress of Science, Belem, Para, Brazil (one of four invited panelists on the study of Amazonian languages, Aryon Rodrigues, organizer).
- (4) 1983. 'Sociophonetic Restrictions on Subphonemic Elements in Pirahã,' X International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, Utrecht, The Netherlands.
- (3) 1982. 'A Lingua Pirahã e a Teoria de Binding,' VII National Encounter in Linguistics, Pontificia Universidade Catolica do Rio de Janeiro.

- (2) 1981. 'The Selection of Data for a Grammar,' International Encounter in the Philosophy of Language, UNICAMP.
- (1) 1981. 'Algumas Implicacoes Epistemologicas do Desenvolvimento da Teoria Lingüística,' VI National Encounter in Linguistics, Pontificia Universidade Catolica do Rio de Janeiro.

## **MEDIA AND ARTS**

*Documentaries, interviews and films (about my research)*

2025 – in progress; Golden Records, a Documentary About Voyager Spacecraft Messages.

2025 – filmed; to appear in 2026. UnXplained with William Shatner, Netflix. Interview about John Chau and the nature of Christian proselytizing.

2025 – to appear 2026; Croatian Documentary on Human Evolution, discussing the evolution of human language.

2023 - "The Mission," Documentary on the life of John Chau, by National Geographic, in which I am the main interviewee about the nature of missionaries and their "calling." Many interviews for this, including at the Telluride Film Festival, the Hollywood Premiere sponsored by National Geographic, and the Hot Springs Film Festival.

2023 - "Radical Wolfe," Documentary about the life of Tom Wolfe, in which I am in the credits and on camera as a subject of Wolfe's last book.

2012 - 'The Grammar of Happiness'. Essential Media, Smithsonian Channel, Arte France, Australian Broadcasting Corporation. 2012. (Rereleased in 2024 by SPLICE on youtube. Now with 3 million + views.

2009 - Arte Germany's "Titel, Thesen Tempermente Beginning". 2010.

*Theater:*

2008 - Don't Sleep, There are Snakes. Play based on my book by Simple 8 Theatre Company. Spring 2016 at the Park Theatre, London, England.

*Opera:*

2010 – (not produced in the end) Libretto for the Family Opera Initiative's 'The Three Astronauts', additional funding needed before opening (project cancelled only after libretto was finished. Project organizer, Grethe Barrett Holby is still looking for additional funding).

## **Selected Public Lectures & YouTube presentations:**

**Harvard University Science Center and Harvard Bookstore Presentation:** Homo Erectus and the Invention of Human Language (609,000 views).  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4uUjllN-8gk>

**Long Now Foundation:** <http://longnow.org/seminars/02009/mar/20/endangered-languages-lost-knowledge-and-future/> (several postings totaling app. 120,000 views)

**TEDx Penn:** On Diversity - this talk was featured on Reddit, first page.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=get272FyNto> (141,000 views)

**TEDx San Francisco: On Language Evolution:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qFvg5vkaPgk> (267,000 views)

**How did the first language begin:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B5lzt42Tb20> (504,000 views)

**Monolingual Field Research:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sYpWp7g7XWU> (invited demonstration for the Linguistic Society of America) (66,000 views)

**Question and Answer Session** about film on my life (invited session for the Linguistic Society of America):

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5C2qVW7s\\_C0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5C2qVW7s_C0) (32,000 views)

Many many others.

## **BLOGS**

2016. [The Linguist List](#) - Featured Linguist

2012. [Four Hour Work Week](#) – How to Become the Ideal Apprentice: Part III

2012. [NPR](#) – Culture, not biology, shapes language

2012. [Soundcloud](#) – LSE Review of Books Podcast: Language

2010. [Machines Like Us](#) – Interview with Daniel L. Everett

2009. [The Long Now Foundation](#) - Endangered Languages, Lost Knowledge and the Future

## **NEWSLETTER "MAN'S GLASSY ESSENCE"**

A weekly newsletter going out from my website on topics related to my life and research. Only a few issues so far.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### ***Undergraduate***

Introduction to Linguistics; Structure of Portuguese; Phonetics and Phonology I; Phonetics and Phonology II; Grammar I; Grammar II; Field Methods (Given in the Amazon); Freshman Studies 1; Aspects of Language; Introduction to Linguistics; Introduction to Syntax; Introduction to Phonology; Morphology; Languages of the World; American Indian Languages; Introduction to Cultural Anthropology; Introduction to International Relations; Amazonian Linguistics; Linguistic Field Methods; Phonological Theory' Introduction to Phonology; Morphology and Syntax; Research Methods for Postgraduate Students; The Culture of Business; Language and Gender; The Evolution of Human Behavior; Cross-Cultural Understanding.

### ***Graduate***

Introduction to Syntax; Advanced Syntax; Introduction to Generative Phonology; Field Methods; Writing for Publication; Advanced Syntax Seminar on Reference in GB, HPSG, and LFG; Morphology; Advanced Phonology; Wari' Grammar and Writing; Descriptive Grammars; History of Linguistics; Phonology and Phonetics; Evolution of Language; Endangered Languages; Seminar in Recent

Advances in Formal Linguistics; Prosody Workshop; Linguistics and Noncognitivism: A Nonproblem of Carnap and Wittgenstein

## **DEVELOPMENT AND FUNDRAISING**

Founder of the Advisory Council for the Arts and Sciences at Bentley University, a group of 35 outside professionals that meets bi-annually to discuss new initiatives in curriculum, student support, research, and the integration of the Arts and Sciences and Business.

Close collaboration with Bentley's Office of University Advancement to raise funds and make friends for Bentley University among various types of constituencies (parents, alumni, interested third parties, and so on).

Founder of Alumni Advisory Board for the Department of Modern Languages, Illinois State University. This was the first effort in that department's long history to establish a connection with alumni.

25 years of experience as a fund-raiser in different non-profit organizations.

## **THESIS ADVISING**

### ***PhD's:***

'Recursion in Pirahã' (working title), by Eugenie Stapert, University of Manchester. (Not completed due to my relocation to the USA)

'Ergativity in Suya-Kisedje' (working title), by Agnese Foresti, University of Manchester, in progress (funded by Arts and Humanities Research Council). (Not completed due to my relocation to the USA)

'Diglossia in Cyprus: Investigation in the Domain of the Internet,' by Christiana Themistocleous, University of Manchester. 2009. Christina is currently Lecturer in Linguistics at Cambridge University.

'Information Structure in Lexical-Functional Grammar: the Discourse-Prosody Correspondence in English and Serbo-Croatian,' by Rob O'Connor, University of Manchester, 2004 (co-advisor with Prof. Kersti Börjars).

'The Phonologies of Ban and Eleme,' by Isaac Dube, University of Manchester.

'The Induction of the Lexicon and the Early Stages of Grammar,' by Rick Kazman, Carnegie Mellon University (Ph.D. in Computational Linguistics), 1991.

'A Parallel Model of Human Parsing,' by Edward Gibson, Carnegie Mellon University (Ph.D. in Computational Linguistics), 1991.

Note: I have served as a committee member on a large number of theses and dissertations in various departments at the University of Pittsburgh, including Hispanic & Portuguese, Anthropology, Philosophy, Psychology, and Computational Linguistics, and the University of North Dakota.

### ***MA's:***

'Intonation and Information Structure in Wari,' by Ingrid Turner, University of Manchester, 2006. (Ms. Turner accompanied me to the Amazon to conduct this research.) (Involvement ceased upon leaving Manchester)

'Intonation and Information Structure in Banawa,' by Julia Reinbold, University of

- Manchester, 2004. (Ms. Reinbold accompanied me to the Amazon to conduct this research.) (Involvement ceased upon leaving Manchester)
- ‘Diglossia in Cyprus: Investigation in the Domain of the Internet,’ by Christiana Themistocleous, University of Manchester, 2003. (Involvement ceased upon leaving Manchester)
- ‘Culture and Tense,’ Andrew Carroll, University of Manchester, 2003.
- ‘Fonologia da Língua Jínuo: Um Estudo Descritivo – Comparativo,’ Márcia de Góes, Universidade das Nações, Campus de Porto Velho, 2002.
- ‘Information Structure in Acadian French,’ by Emma Pavey, University of North Dakota (M.A. in Linguistics), 2001.
- ‘Russian Information Structure in a Role and Reference Grammar Framework, by Elena Rodionova, University of North Dakota (M.A. in Linguistics), 2001.
- ‘Oro Win Grammar,’ by Donna Popky, (I was the first to recognize this language as a separate language. There are only 3 living speakers. This thesis is the only study of this language ever done. I collected the data.) 2000.
- ‘Types of Cliticization in Spanish Determiners: A Study on Stress and Syllabification,’ by Sondra Ahlén, University of Pittsburgh (M.A. in Linguistics), 1997.
- ‘Null Subjects in Discourse in Marwari,’ by David Jeffery, University of Pittsburgh (M.A. in Linguistics), 1992.
- ‘On the ba Construction in Mandarin,’ by Gao Qian, University of Pittsburgh (M.A. in Linguistics), 1991.
- ‘Marcação Formal da Linha Temática no Discurso Expositivo do Inglês,’ by Ivani Guimarães Ratto, Pontificia Universidade Católica de Campinas (M.A. in Linguistics), 1984.

### **Journal and Grant Reviewing**

Language; Natural Language and Linguistic Theory; Cognition and Instruction; Journal of Pragmatics and Cognition; Journal of the International Phonetics Association; International Journal of American Linguistics; Phonology; Revista D.E.L.T.A. (Journal of the Brazilian Linguistics Association); Journal of the Canadian Linguistics Association. West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL); North Eastern Linguistics Society (NELS); Eastern Conference on Linguistics (ESCOL). UND-SIL Working Papers in Linguistics; SIL Academic Publications; National Science Foundation; Academic Press; John Benjamins Publishers, Dutch Research Council- NWO

### **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

Fellow, American Council of Learned Societies

Former: Linguistic Society of America; Linguistics Association of Great Britain; Philological Society; Associação Brasileira de Lingüística; Grupo de Estudos Lingüísticos do Estado de São Paulo; Generative Linguists of the Old World (GLOW); Modern Languages Association ; American Association for the Advancement of Science; Society of the Study of the Indigeneous Languages of

the Americas (SSILA).

## **FOREIGN LANGUAGES**

### ***Languages Spoken or Read With Fluency:***

Portuguese - Near native fluency, Pirahã – Fluent, Spanish - Fluent, French, Italian,  
Koine Greek - Reading only

### ***Languages Studied (\*did not work with native speaker)***

#### ***Amazonian:***

Isolates: Pirahã (only surviving Muran language, Southwestern Amazonas, Brazil),  
Aicaná\* (Rondonia, Brazil), Urarina\* (Peruvian Amazon)

Chapakuran: Wari' (also known as Pacaas-Novos; Rondonia, Brazil), 'Oro Win  
(Rondonia, Brazil; first recognized as new language by me)

Makuan: Kamã\* (Northcentral Amazonas, Brazil)

Tupi: Ancient Guarini\* (Extinct)

Tupi-Guarini: Tupinamba\* (Extinct), Tenharim (Southeastern Amazonas, Brazil),  
Kamaiura\* (Southeastern Amazonas, Brazil)

Arikêm: Karitiana (Rondonia, Brazil)

Mondé: Surui (Rondonia, Brazil).

Pano: Kaxarari (Western Acre, Brazil), Katukina\* (Acre, Brazil)

Gê: Suyá/Kisedje (Mato Grosso, Brazil), Xavante (Mato Grosso, Brazil), Kaingang\*  
(Parana, Brazil)

Arawan: Banawá (Western Amazonas, Brazil), Jarawara (Western Amazonas,  
Brazil), Jamamadi (Western Amazonas, Brazil), Suruwahá\* (Western  
Amazonas, Brazil), Deni (Western Amazonas, Brazil).

Peba-Yaguan: Yagua\* (Peruvian Amazon)

Carib: Ingariko\* (Northeastern Para, Brazil)

#### ***MesoAmerican:***

Mayan: Huasteco (Western Mexico), Tzeltal, (Western Mexico)

Otomanguan: Tlapaneco (Eastern Mexico)

#### ***North American:***

Montana Salish\* (Salish family (Interior, dialect of Kalispel), Montana)

Comanche (Uto Aztecan, Oklahoma)

#### ***Romance:***

Portuguese; French; Italian; Trentino; Piedmontese

## **SELECTED FIELD RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Pirahã: Thirty-two years of contact and research, with over seven full years of  
actual village living among the Pirahãs (I have lived in every one of eight Pirahã  
villages).

Portuguese: Twelve years of living in Brazil.

Banawá: Two months of village living; six weeks additional work with native speakers.

Suyá: Three-year project on documentation of their language, roughly six months of continuous contact and supervision of an additional two years of contact by postdoctoral research associates.

**PUBLIC IMPACT (OF MY RESEARCH)**

**News Reports, Interviews, etc:** CNN, BBC, The Economist, Toronto Globe and Mail, New York Times, and more on my research and expertise across numerous domains.

**Full Articles:** Harper's Magazine (by Tom Wolfe), Gehirn & Geist, Newton, Scientific American Mind, New Yorker, Spuren (Germany), Science News (cover story), GEO Magazine (Germany; twenty-five page article), New Scientist (main feature), Harper's Magazine (cover story)