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Education

- 2006 **Ph.D**, *Dept. of Linguistics*, University of California Los Angeles.
- Fall 2005 **Visiting Student**, *Département d'Études Cognitives*, École Normale Supérieure.
- 2000–2002 **Ph.D Program**, *Dept. of Linguistics*, University of Southern California.
- 2000 **BA, High Honors**, English Language and Literature, University of Nevada, Reno.
- Fall 1998 **Visiting Student**, *Dept. of Phonetics and Linguistics*, University College London.

Ph.D Thesis

- title *Plurality and Possibility*
- supervisors Philippe Schlenker and Daniel Büring (co-chairs), Dominique Sportiche, Danny Fox (MIT)
- description I develop a pragmatic solution to long standing puzzles about the interpretation of disjunction under possibility modals and in conditional antecedents, by treating both as involving *plural* quantification (over possible worlds).

Publications and Refereed Conference Talks

- to appear ***Scales and 'Only'***, *Linguistics and Philosophy*.
- October 2005 ***Bargains, Scales, and 'Only'***, NELS 36, UMass Amherst.
- October 2005 ***Plurals, Modals, and Conjunctive Disjunction***, Sinn und Bedeutung 10, ZAS / Humboldt University, Berlin.

Invited Talks

- June 2007 ***Plurality and Possibility***, University College London, Dept. of Phonetics & Linguistics.
- June 2007 ***(Simplification of)² of Disjunctive Antecedents***, University College London, Dept. of Phonetics & Linguistics.
- May 2007 ***(Simplification of)² of Disjunctive Antecedents***, *Paris-MIT Pragmatics Workshop*, Institut Jean-Nicod.
- May 2007 **guest lecture**, in *'Introduction à la logique des conditionnels'*, Profs. Paul Égré and Mikaël Cozic, École Normale Supérieure.
- May 2006 ***Plurality and Possibility***, Center for Language Sciences, University of Rochester.
- October 2005 ***Plurals, Modals, and Conjunctive Disjunction***, Formal Philosophy Seminar, Institut d'Histoire et de Philosophie des Sciences et des Techniques / Université de Paris I.
- October 2004 ***Only Scalar 'Only'***, *Journées Présupposition et Implicatures*, École Normale Supérieure.
- June 2004 ***'Ever' Concessives***, *Modality and its Kin*, UC Santa Cruz.
- June 2004 ***E-type Pronouns and Intentional Identity***, Syntax and Semantics Seminar, UCLA.

Teaching Experience

- Spring 2005 ***Syntax***, teaching assistant to Prof. Hilda Koopman, UCLA Dept. of Linguistics.
- Winter 2004 ***Semantics***, teaching assistant to Prof. Terry Parsons, UCLA Dept. of Linguistics.

- Fall 2004 **Syntactic Theory I (graduate)**, teaching assistant to Prof. Dominique Sportiche, UCLA Dept. of Linguistics.
- Fall 2004 **Introduction to the Study of Language**, teaching assistant to Prof. Russ Schuh, UCLA Dept. of Linguistics.
- Spring 2004 **Syntax II**, teaching assistant to Prof. Tim Stowell, UCLA Dept. of Linguistics.
- Winter 2003 **Semantics**, teaching assistant to Prof. Terry Parsons, UCLA Dept. of Linguistics.
- Fall 2003 **Introduction to the Study of Language**, teaching assistant to Prof. Nina Hyams, UCLA Dept. of Linguistics.

Fellowships, Grants, and Honors

- 2006–2008 **CNRS Postdoctoral Fellowship SHS-19, 'Sémantique et Cognition'**, Institut Jean-Nicod (CNRS Lab UMR8129).
Description: In the 1970's and 1980's, formal semantics achieved the status of an autonomous field with a strong formal and empirical content. More recently, it turned its attention towards issues that used to belong either to the philosophy of language or to cognitive psychology. Many of these are currently the focus of intense research at Institut Jean-Nicod, which intends to contribute to this new interface between semantics and cognition. The formal rigor and empirical breadth of recent semantic and pragmatic research will help investigate fundamental issues such as: 1) the varieties of context dependency; 2) the division of labor between semantics and reasoning; 3) the acquisition and processing of semantic and pragmatic rules; 4) the cognitive foundations of semantic categories.
- 2007 **CNRS Paris-MIT Grant, 'Presupposition and Implicature'**, grant member.
to foster collaborative work by Paris and MIT researchers
- 2005–2006 **UCLA Graduate Division Dissertation Year Fellowship.**
- 2005 **Linguistic Society of America Fellowship.**
to attend the LSA Summer Institute at MIT/Harvard
- 2005 **UCLA Graduate Division Summer Research Mentorship Fellowship.**
supervisor: Tim Stowell
- 2001–2002 **USC East Asian Studies Center FLAS Fellowship.**
- 2001 **USC East Asian Studies Center Summer FLAS Fellowship.**
- 2000 **Finalist, National Merit Scholarship Competition.**

Service

- current **Referee**, *Natural Language Semantics*.
- current **Referee**, *Journal of Semantics*.
- 2007 **Abstract reviewer**, *WCCFL 26*, *SALT 17*.
- 2006 **Organizing Committee**, *Forces in Grammatical Structures (FiGS)*, Paris.
- 2004–2005 **Programming Committee**, *Semantics and Linguistic Theory 15*, UCLA.
- 2004–2005 **Organizing Committee**, *Semantics and Linguistic Theory 15*, UCLA.
- 2004 **Organizer**, *UCLA Linguistics Dept. Open House*.
- 2001–2002 **Student Representative to the Faculty**, *Graduate Students in Linguistics (GSIL)*, USC.

Interests

- modality the syntax, semantics, and pragmatics of modals and conditionals; the nature of modal reasoning and its relationship to language
- pragmatics locality issues and different levels/types of conventions about meaning: presupposition and implicature 'projection', embedded implicature/metalinguistic negation, local enrichment of meaning in general
- linguistics and cognitive science the encapsulation of semantic knowledge, and divergences between semantic judgment and reasoning/philosophical intuition

plurality	the nature of collective vs. distributive readings, and the existence of the distinction in predications internal to nominals (adjectives, genitive constructions)
linguistics and literature	the semantics and pragmatics of literary styles/conventions, and what they can tell us about semantic competence more generally (in particular free indirect discourse, the historical present, quotation, irony)

References

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