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*Curriculum Vitae*  
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EDUCATION

- 2010      PhD in Romance Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley  
*Dissertation:* Acquisition as Becoming: An Ethnographic Study of Multilingual Style in  
          ‘La Petite Espagne’  
*Committee:* Claire Kramsch, Rick Kern, Mairi McLaughlin, Milton Azevedo
- 1995      BA in French Literature, Columbia University

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS: Spanish and French linguistics; Peninsular cultural studies; French and Francophone studies; discourse analysis; semiotics of social difference; sociocultural theories of narrative; language and migration; language and power; language, gender, and sexuality; multilingualism

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

- 2016-Present      Associate Professor, Pomona College, Department of Romance Languages  
2010-2016      Assistant Professor, Pomona College, Department of Romance Languages

FELLOWSHIPS AND ACADEMIC HONORS

- Hirsch Research Initiation Grant, Pomona College (2022)  
Faculty Research Grant, Pomona College (2019)  
Fulbright Senior Scholar Fellowship, Universidad de Murcia, Spain (2018)  
Yale Griffith Summer Fellowship, Pomona College (2017)  
Harriet Barnard Summer Fellowship, Pomona College (2013)  
Yale Griffith Summer Fellowship, Pomona College (2011)  
Graduate Division Summer Research Grant, UC Berkeley (2008)  
Summer Research and Travel Grant, UC Berkeley (2007; 2008)  
Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, UC Berkeley (2007-2008)  
Summer Travel Grant, UC Berkeley Department of Italian Studies (2005)  
Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship for Peninsular Spanish, UC Berkeley (2004)  
Ray A. Rodriguez Memorial Fellowship, UC Berkeley (2003-2004)

PUBLICATIONS

*Book*

- Under review      *Untold Stories of Twentieth-century Spain: Narrative and Memory among Labor Migrants in Later Life.* (University of Toronto Press. Series: Anthropological Horizons. Editor: Michael Lambek.)

### Articles in Peer-Reviewed Publications

- In preparation The Gendered Semiotics of Far-right Populism on Instagram: A Case from Spain.
- Under review Memes from Confinement: Temporal Disorder and Chronotopic Projection in the Crisis of COVID-19.
- Forthcoming Radical-right Populism in Spain and the Strategy of Chronopolitics.
- 2021 Masculine Embodiment among Sexual Minorities in a Women's Prison. Co-Authored with Amy Smoyer. *Australian Social Work* 74(2):172-185.
- 2020 Domestic Spanish Handbooks: Language and Labor in the American Home. *International Journal of the Sociology of Language* 262:17-37.
- 2019 Recalling the Bidonvilles of Paris: Historicity and Authority among Transnational Migrants in Later Life. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 29(1): 50-68.
- 2019 The Life of a Loanword: A Case Study of *Le Coming Out* in the French Magazine *Têtu*. Co-Authored with William Curtis. *Ampersand* 6.  
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2215039019300098>
- 2018 Talk about the Past. *Texas Linguistic Forum* 61:1-8.
- 2014 From Paris to Pueblo and Back: (Re-)Emigration and the Modernist Chronotope in Cultural Performance. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 24(1):1-18.
- 2014 Language Ideologies across Time: Household Spanish Handbooks from 1959 to 2012. *Critical Discourse Studies* 11(2):194-210.
- 2014 Multilingualism and the Lifespan: Case Studies from a Language Course for Spanish Seniors in Saint-Denis, France. *International Journal of Multilingualism* 11(1):1-22.
- 2012 Online in Later Life: Age as a Chronological Fact and a Dynamic Social Category. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 16(5):585-612.
- 2011 Objects as Artifacts: Synchronic Convergence in Multilingual Contexts. *Apples: Journal of Applied Language Studies* 5.  
<http://apples.jyu.fi/index.php?volume=5&issue=1>

### Chapters in Edited Volumes

- Under review *Back to Spain?* Return Migration on Stage among Spaniards in Diaspora.
- 2021 Spanish *Bonnes* in 1960s Paris: Occupational Narratives from Transnational Migrants in Later Life. In *Language, Global Mobilities, Blue-Collar Workers and Blue-Collar Workplaces*. Kellie Gonçalves and Helen Kelley-Holmes, eds. New York: Routledge. 91-106.

- 2019 Discourse of (Be)Longing: Later Life and the Politics of Nostalgia. In *Discourses of Identity in Liminal Places and Spaces*. Roberta Piazza, ed. New York: Routledge. 64-82.
- 2011 Becoming Multilingual: An Ethnographic Approach to SLA Beyond the Classroom. In *Beyond the Language Classroom: Theory and Practice*. Phil Benson and Hayo Reinders, eds. London: Palgrave Macmillan. 72-87.

#### INVITED LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

- 2019 Going Back: Toward an Anthropology of Return. Wenner-Gren Foundation-sponsored workshop. Department of Anthropology, University of Nevada Reno.
- 2018 El inglés en Estados Unidos: Ideologías Lingüísticas y Polémicas Actuales. Universidad de Murcia (Spain).
- 2018 Los paisajes lingüísticos desde Los Ángeles hasta Murcia. Universidad de Murcia (Spain).
- 2017 The Language of Labor: Occupational Narratives from Later Life. Center for Multilingualism in Society across the Lifespan, University of Oslo (Norway).
- 2015 Motivation Reconsidered: Foreign Language Learning from a Life-Course Perspective. California State University, Long Beach.

#### SELECTED PAPERS PRESENTED AT ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

- 2021 Collective Forgetting: Far-right Populism's Past in Contemporary Spain. Presenting on panel Linguistic Anthropological Approaches to Collective Memory Practices, organizer Michèle Koven. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Baltimore.
- 2021 Masculine Embodiment among Sexual Minorities in a Women's Prison. Presented virtually at the LGBTQ Research Symposium, University of Kansas.
- 2021 Memes from Confinement: Temporal Disorder and Chronotopic Projection in the *Kairos* of COVID-19. Presented virtually on panel Chronotopes and the COVID-19 Pandemic, organizers Sabina Perrino and Anna De Fina. Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics.
- 2019 Politics in the Past, the Past in Politics: The Far Right in Spain and the Blurring of Historical Memory. Presented on panel Complicity, Secrecy, and Revelation, organizers Alejandro Paz and Hilary Parsons Dick. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Vancouver.
- 2018 English Loanwords and Super-National Queer Subjectivity: A Case Study of French Magazine *Têtu* (1995-2015). Presented with William Curtis as part of Colloquium on Loanwords, organizers Andreea Calude and Eline Zenner. Sociolinguistics Symposium

22, University of Auckland.

- 2018 Discourses of (Be)Longing: Later Life and the Politics of Nostalgia. Presented at the Symposium about Language in Society (SALSA), University of Texas at Austin,
- 2017 Representing the Past: Modes of Knowing and the Historical Imagination. Presented on panel Time, Historicity, and Claims to the Past: Negotiating Authority and Identity across Temporal Frames, organizers Anna Browne Ribeiro and Karl Swinehart. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington DC.
- 2017 Language, Migration, and Domestic Labor: Insights from the Perspective of Later Life. Presented on panel The Political Economy of Language: Challenges and Approaches within 'Blue-Collar' Workplace Contexts, organizers Kellie Gonçalves and Anne Schluter. International Symposium on Bilingualism, University of Limerick.
- 2017 Bidonvilles at the Museum: Modes of Knowing and the Historical Imagination. Presented on panel When (Moral) Authority Speaks: Transdisciplinary Perspectives from Germany, India, and France, organizer Usree Battacharya. Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics, Portland.
- 2016 An Afternoon at the Museum: The Semiotics of Time and Personhood in a Diasporic Community in Paris. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Minneapolis.
- 2016 Language in the Domestic Sphere: Linguistic Proximity and Social Distance in 'Household Spanish' Handbooks. Presented at Sociolinguistics Symposium 21, Universidad de Murcia (Spain).
- 2016 Language Ideologies across Time: Household Spanish Handbooks from 1959 to 2012. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics, Orlando.
- 2014 Language and the Life Course: Case Studies of Individuals in Later Life. Presented on panel On Older Adult Language Learners, organizer Jessica Cox. Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics, Portland.
- 2013 “¿Volver a España?”: Staging the Spanish Migrant Experience in Paris. Presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Hispanic Linguistics, University of London.
- 2012 Language, Biography, Performance: Spanish Migrant Experience on Stage in Paris. Presented at Sociolinguistics Symposium 19, Freie Universität Berlin.
- 2012 Language and the Lifespan: Case Studies from a Language Course for Spanish Seniors in Saint-Denis, France. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics.
- 2011 *Tercera Edad or Segunda Juventud?*: Age as Relation an in Internet Class for Retirees. Presented on panel Constructing Age Differences: Language Ideology and Language Socialization, organized by Elise Berman. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Montreal.

- 2010 *Españolas en París: A Phenomenological Approach to Multilingual Style*. Presented at Communicative Practices of the Lifeworld conference (CPIL), UC Berkeley.
- 2010 From Acquiring Language to Becoming Multilingual: Ethnographic Insight into SLA Variation. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics.
- 2008 Third-Wave Variation Research in SLA: A Case Study from Saint-Denis. Presented at The Nature and Development of L2 French conference, University of Southampton (England).
- 2008 From Object to Artifact through Narrative: Timescales and Identity in the Interactional Present. Presented at Mediating Multilingualism: Meanings and Modalities conference, University of Jyväskylä, Finland.
- 2006 Occupation, Inc.: Selling New World Orders in 1940 and 2003. Presented with Claire Kramsch at Dialogue Under Occupation conference, Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago.
- 2006 Symbolic Survival: Strategies of Resistance in France Under German Occupation (1940-1945). Presented at Dialogue Under Occupation conference, Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago.
- 2006 Toward a Practice of Reflexivity: Accounting for the Self in Foreign Language Learning. Presented at Berkeley Language Center, UC Berkeley.

## UNIVERSITY COURSES—DESIGNED AND TAUGHT

### *In Spanish*

Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics  
 Spanish Phonetics and Phonology  
 Spanglish in Context: Bilingualism in the United States  
 Multilingual Spain: Power, Identity, Politics  
 Advanced Grammar and Composition  
 Beginning and Intermediate Spanish

### *In French*

Language and Power in the Francophone World  
 Introduction to French Linguistics  
 Practical Phonetics and Listening Comprehension  
 Advanced Grammar and Composition

### *In English*

Language and Gender  
 Telling Stories: Form and Function of Narrative in Everyday Life

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

### *Reviewer*

Journal of Linguistic Anthropology  
Journal of Sociolinguistics  
Language in Society  
Language & Communication  
PoLAR: Political and Legal Anthropology  
HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory  
Text & Talk  
Multilingua: Journal of Cross-Cultural and Interlanguage Communication  
L2 Journal  
Language Learning

### *College Service*

2021	Study Abroad Committee (Chair)
2019-2021	Climate Survey Working Group Member
2019-2021	Spanish Section Coordinator
2017-2018	Critical Thinking and Writing Committee Member
2017-2018	Member, Ad-Hoc Committee on Oldenborg Center for Modern Languages
2016-2017	Orientation Book Committee Member
2016-2017	Search Committee Member for Position in Gender & Women's Studies
2015-2016	COACHE Survey Working Group Member
2015-2017	Spanish Section Coordinator
2014-2016	Curriculum Committee Member
2011-2013	Institutional Review Board Member
Ongoing	Iberian Grant Selection Committee Member
Ongoing	Harriet Barnard/Yale Griffith Grant Selection Committee Member

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Anthropological Association  
Society for Linguistic Anthropology  
American Association for Applied Linguistics

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

English, native speaker  
Spanish, native proficiency  
French, native proficiency  
Italian, intermediate proficiency