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Employment

September 2018 – June 2020 Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow in the Humanities
University of Chicago

Education

Degree programs

2018 PhD in Linguistics
University of Chicago
Dissertation: ‘The morphosyntax of Tuparí, a Tupían language of the Brazilian Amazon’
Committee: Lenore Grenoble (co-chair), Jason Merchant (co-chair), Karlos Arregi

2014 M.A., Linguistics
University of Chicago
Thesis: ‘Nasal Harmony in Tupari’
Committee: Alan C.L. Yu and Jason Riggle

2009 B.A. *summa cum laude*, Special Concentration in Linguistics and Latin America
Harvard College
Thesis: ‘The Influence of Spanish on the Numeral System of Tz’utujil Maya’
Advisers: Marc Zender and Gary Urton

Non-degree programs

2015 Linguistic Summer Institute
University of Chicago

2013 Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

2011 Summer Course on Hungarian Language and Culture
Debrecen Summer University, Hungary

Publications

Refereed publications

- 2019 Adam Roth Singerman. ‘Non-witnessed evidentiality in Tuparí and its connection to resultative constructions in the perfect aspect.’ *International Journal of American Linguistics* 85(3):401–445.
[link](#)
- 2019 Antonia Fernanda de Souza Nogueira, Nicole Soares-Pinto, Ana Vilacy Galucio, and Adam Roth Singerman. 2019. ‘Termos de parentesco na família Tupari (Tupi) / Kin Terms in Tupari Family (Tupi).’ *Boletim do Museu Paraense Emílio Goeldi, Ciências Humanas* 14(1):33–64.
[link](#)
- 2018 Adam Roth Singerman. ‘Negation as an exclusively nominal category.’ *Language* 94(2): 432–467.
[link](#)
- 2016 Adam Roth Singerman. ‘Nasal harmony and phonotactic well-formedness in Tupari.’ *International Journal of American Linguistics* 82(4):453–485.
[link](#)
- 2014 Lenore Grenoble and Adam Roth Singerman. ‘Minority Languages.’ In *Oxford Bibliographies in Linguistics*. Ed. Mark Aronoff. New York: Oxford University Press.
[link](#)

Conference proceedings

- To appear Adam Roth Singerman. ‘Finite embedding and mixed headedness in Tuparí.’ Submitted for inclusion in *Proceedings of the 22nd Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas*, to be published electronically by the University of British Columbia Working Papers in Linguistics (UBCWPL).
- 2016 Adam Roth Singerman. ‘Concerning the morphosyntactic and semantic properties of Tuparí -’om.’ In Thuy Bui and Rodica Ivan, eds., *SULA 9: Proceedings of the Ninth Conference on the Semantics of Under-Represented Languages in the Americas*.

Reviews & book notes

- 2016 Adam Roth Singerman. Book note on Loretta O’Connor and Pieter Muysken, eds., *The native languages of South America: Origins, development, typology*, Cambridge University Press, 2014. *Language in Society* 45(3):466-67.
[link](#)
- 2014 Adam Roth Singerman. Review of Hugo Cardoso, Alan Baxter, and Mário Pinharanda Nunes, eds., *Ibero-Asian Creoles: Comparative Perspectives*, John Benjamins, 2012. *Journal of South Asian Linguistics* 6:51-56.
[link](#)
- 2011 Andrew Nevins and Adam Roth Singerman. Review of K. David Harrison, *When languages die: The extinction of the world’s languages and the erosion of human knowledge*, Oxford University Press, 2007. *Language* 87(2): 398-402.
[link](#)

Edited volumes

- 2016 Ross Burkholder, Carlos Cisneros, Emily R. Coppess, Julian Grove, Emily A. Hanink, Hilary McMahan, Cherry Meyer, Natalia Pavlou, Özge Sarıgül, Adam Roth Singerman, and Anqi Zhang, eds. *Proceedings of the 50th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society*.
- 2014 Rebekah Baglini, Timothy Grinsell, Jonathan Keane, Adam Roth Singerman, and Julia Thomas, eds. *Proceedings of the 46th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society*.

Literacy materials

- 2016 Adam Roth Singerman, Geovane Kamarom Tupari, Isaias Tarimã Tupari, and Raul Pat'awre Tupari, editors. *Wan Tupari Ema'en Nika! Nova cartilha de alfabetização e leitura na língua Tupari. [Let's Go Write in Tupari! A new literacy and reading workbook in the Tupari language.]* Financed by a Language Legacies grant from the Endangered Language Fund.

Grants and honors

- 2020–2021 Research Fellowship
Documenting Endangered Languages Program, National Science Foundation (grant administered by the National Endowment of the Humanities)
\$60,000 (awarded in March 2019; will begin in July 2020)
- 2017–2018 Mellon Foundation-University of Chicago Dissertation Completion Fellowship
Division of the Humanities, University of Chicago
- 2017–2018 Ignacio Martín-Baró Prize Lectureship
Center for Latin American Studies, University of Chicago
(declined in order to accept Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship)
- 2017 Funding to participate in 'Technological Methodologies in Language Documentation and Anthropology' Workshop at the 2017 AAA
(supported by the NSF's Documenting Endangered Languages Program)
- 2016–2018 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (DDRIG)
Documenting Endangered Languages Program, National Science Foundation
\$21,310
- 2015 Kinkade Grant
Jacobs Research Funds at the Whatcom Museum
\$7,550
- 2014 Language Legacies Grant
Endangered Language Fund
\$2,175
- 2014 Individual Research Grant
Jacobs Research Funds at the Whatcom Museum
\$2,950

2013	Tinker Field Research Grant Center for Latin American Studies, University of Chicago \$2,050
2013	Scholarship to the Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute Linguistic Society of America
2011	Merit scholarship to the Summer Course on Hungarian Language and Culture DEHÖK (Student Union of Debrecen University), Debrecen Summer University
2010–2011	English Teaching Assistantship (ETA) Grant Fulbright Commission of Portugal €11,250.00
2009	Thomas Temple Hoopes Prize Harvard University
Fall 2008	Elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Iota Chapter Harvard University

Presentations & talks

Peer-reviewed conferences

2019	‘On “pronouns” in the grammar of Tuparí.’ 24th Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas, University of Maryland. May 9 th -11 th , 2019.
2019	‘Finding reader-friendly ways to incorporate syntax into a grammar of Tuparí.’ Descriptive Grammars and Typology: The challenges of writing grammars of underdescribed and endangered languages, University of Helsinki. March 27 th -29 th , 2019.
2018	‘The scattered distribution of tense morphology in the Tuparí clause.’ Amazonicas VII (Baños, Ecuador). May 28 th , 2018.
2018	‘How evidentiality interacts with clause type in Tuparí, an Amazonian language of Brazil.’ Workshop on Clause Typing and the Syntax-to-Discourse Relation in Head-Final Languages, Universität Konstanz. Konstanz, Germany. May 15 th , 2018.
2018	‘When and how to mark evidentiality in Tuparí, a Tupían language of the Brazilian Amazon.’ Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas, Salt Lake City. January 4 th , 2018.
2017	‘Syntactic disharmony and finite embedded clauses in Tuparí, a Tupían language of the Brazilian Amazon.’ CamCoS 6 (Cambridge Comparative Syntax), Cambridge University. May 4 th -6 th , 2017.
2017	‘Syntactic disharmony and finite embedded clauses in Tuparí.’ 22nd Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas, University of British Columbia. April 21 st -23 rd , 2017.
2016	‘Negation as an exclusively nominal category in Tupari.’ Amazonicas VI, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, sede Amazonia. Leticia, Colombia. May 24 th , 2016.
2016	‘Negation as an exclusively nominal category in Tupari.’ (Poster presentation.) SULA 9, University of California, Santa Cruz. May 7 th , 2016.

- 2015 'Negation as nominal derivation in Tupari.' Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas. Portland, Oregon. January 11th, 2015.
- 2014 'Nasal spreading & morphological complexity in Tupari.' Amazonicas V, Museu Paraense Emílio Goeldi / Universidade Federal do Pará. Belém, Brazil. May 29th, 2014.

Invited talks

- 2019 'Some unexpected surprises in the morphosyntax of Tupari.' Symposium on Amazonian Languages III, University of California, Berkeley. March 17th, 2019.
- 2019 'Exploring crosslinguistic variation in the expression of grammatical categories: an Amazonian case study.' Department of Linguistics at the University of Rochester. February 23rd, 2019.
- 2019 'On crosslinguistic variation in the expression of grammatical categories: an Amazonian case study.' Department of Linguistics at the University of Pennsylvania. February 8th, 2019.
- 2018 'The synchrony and diachrony of Tupari evidentiality.' Department of Linguistics at the University of Toronto. November 30th, 2018.
- 2018 'Using fieldwork to advance documentation and theory: on negation in Tupari.' Department of Linguistics at the University of California, Los Angeles. March 12th, 2018.
- 2017 'Syntactic disharmony and finite embedded clauses in Tupari, a Tupian language of the Brazilian Amazon.' Hungarian Academy of Sciences. May 11th, 2017.
- 2017 'Syntactic disharmony in subordinate clauses in Tupari.' Symposium on Amazonian Languages II, University of California, Berkeley. April 9th, 2017.
- 2016 'A negação como categoria nominal em Tupari' [Negation as a nominal category in Tupari]. Departamento de Linguística, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. February 26th, 2016.
- 2016 'O que fazer com a variação linguística? O exemplo da língua Tupari' [What do we do with linguistic variation? The example of Tupari]. Universidade Federal do Mato Grosso. Cuiabá, Brazil. February 23rd, 2016.
- 2015 'Resumptive Pronouns and Raising Constructions in Tupari.' Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. December 2nd, 2015.
- 2015 'A negação como categoria nominal em Tupari' [Negation as a nominal category in Tupari]. Departamento de Linguística, Universidade de São Paulo. São Paulo, Brazil. November 27th, 2015.
- 2015 'An introduction to Tupari clause structure.' Área de Linguística, Museu Paraense Emílio Goeldi. Belém, Brazil. September 28th, 2015.
- 2014 'Documentação das línguas de Rondônia: Colaboração entre povos e pesquisadores' [Documentation of the languages of Rondônia: collaboration between peoples and researchers]. Universidade Federal do Mato Grosso. Cuiabá, Brazil. August 4th, 2014.

Workshops at the University of Chicago

- 2018 'The structure of the Tuparí clause, with special attention to the placement of pronouns/clitics.' Morphology and Syntax Workshop. April 18th, 2018.
- 2017 'Evidentiality, physical position and grammatical number in Tuparí.' Joint meeting of the Language Variation and Change Workshop and the Morphology and Syntax Workshop. November 3rd, 2017.
- 2017 'Finite embedding and quotation in Tuparí.' Joint meeting of the Language Variation and Change Workshop and the Morphology and Syntax Workshop. February 24th, 2017.
- 2016 'Negation in Tupari.' Joint meeting of the Language Variation and Change Workshop and the Morphology and Syntax Workshop. April 12th, 2016.
- 2015 'Split Accusativity in Tupari.' Language Variation and Change Workshop. June 9th, 2015.

Teaching

At the University of Chicago:

- Spring 2019 Lecturer & course head
LING 27480 / LACS 27480 / HMRT 27480: Linguistic Minorities and Language Rights in the Americas (crosslisted between Linguistics, Latin American Studies, and Human Rights)
- Winter 2019 Instructor
HUMA 17000: Language and the Human
Course Head: Anastasia Giannakidou
- Autumn 2018 Lecturer & course head
LING 28310/38310: Structure of Hungarian
- Autumn 2018 Instructor
HUMA 17000: Language and the Human
Course Head: Anastasia Giannakidou
- Winter 2017 Lecturer & course head
LING 21000: Morphology
- Spring 2016 Teaching Assistant
LING 20301: Introduction to Semantics and Pragmatics
Course head: Itamar Francez
- Spring 2015 Teaching/Research Assistant
LACS 25104: Aspects of Brazilian Portuguese Grammar
Course head: Evani Viotti (visiting from the University of São Paulo)
- Winter 2015 Teaching Assistant
LING 36310: Contact Linguistics
Course heads: Lenore Grenoble & Victor Friedman
- Autumn 2014 Teaching Assistant
LACS 16100: Introduction to Latin American Civilizations
Course heads: Ramón Gutiérrez & Rosario Granados-Salinas

Elsewhere:

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| Jan. 2012 | Portuguese Instructor & Program Coordinator
Mentoring and Language Acquisition in Brazil (MLAB)
Harvard University Brazil Office, São Paulo |
| Autumn 2011 | Teaching Assistant
Beginning and Intermediate Portuguese
Harvard University |
| 2010–2011 | English Instructor
School of Letters, University of Lisbon
with the support of the Fulbright Commission of Portugal |

Service at the University of Chicago _____

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| 2014-2015 | Coordinator, Language Variation and Change Workshop |
| 2013-2014 | Officer, Chicago Linguistic Society |

Non-profit experience _____

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| 2012– | Executive Committee Member
Instituto de Liderança do Rio (Rio Leadership Institute) |
| 2012 | Institutional Development Coordinator
Instituto de Liderança do Rio (Rio de Janeiro & São Paulo) |
| 2009–2010 | Prep Program Coordinator
Instituto de Liderança do Rio (Rio de Janeiro & São Paulo) |

Professional Affiliations _____

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| 2014– | Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA) |
| 2013– | Linguistic Society of America |

Languages _____

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| Native | English |
| Fluent | Portuguese, Spanish |
| Advanced | Hungarian, Tuparí |