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Employment ∞

2010–present Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Linguistics, University of Maryland.

Education ∞

- 2010 Ph.D. Linguistics, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA.
Dissertation: *Architecture of the Palauan Verbal Complex*.
Committee: Judith Aissen, Sandra Chung (Chair), James McCloskey, Kie Zuraw.
- 2004 B.A. (First-Class Honours) Linguistics with German Minor, McGill University, Montréal, Canada.

Manuscripts and Publications ∞

- In preparation **Nuger, Justin**. “Palauan Phrasal Idioms and the Category-Neutral Root.” Manuscript, University of Maryland.
- In preparation **Nuger, Justin**. “Ascended Possessors as Quirky Subjects: Implications for AGREE.” Manuscript, University of Maryland.
- In preparation **Nuger, Justin**. “Raising-to-Object (and no ECM) in a VOS Language.” Manuscript, University of Maryland.
- To appear **Nuger, Justin**. “Implicit Arguments in Unaccusative Syntax: Evidence from Palauan.” In *Proceedings of AFLA 17*. London: AFLA Proceedings Project, University of Western Ontario.
- To appear **Nuger, Justin**. “The Syntactic Structure of Palauan Resultatives.” In *Proceedings of PLC 34*. Philadelphia: *University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics*, Vol. 17.1.
- 2010 **Nuger, Justin**. “Discontiguous Reduplication in a Local Variety of Malay.” In Raphael Mercado, Eric Potsdam, and Lisa Travis (eds.), *Austronesian and Linguistic Theory*, 45–64. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
- 2009 **Nuger, Justin**. “On Downward-Entailing Existentials and Differential Object Marking in Palauan.” In Sandra Chung, Daniel Finer, Ileana Paul, and Eric Potsdam (eds.), *Proceedings of AFLA 16*, 137–151. London: AFLA Proceedings Project, University of Western Ontario.
- 2009 Saba Kirchner, Jesse, **Justin Nuger**, and Yi Zhang. “An Extensible Crosslinguistic Readability Framework.” In *Proceedings of ACL 2009, 2nd Workshop on Building and Using Comparable Corpora*, 11–18. Singapore: ACL and AFNLP.
- 2009 Alexiadou, Artemis, Jorge Hankamer, Thomas McFadden, **Justin Nuger**, and Florian Schäfer (eds.), *Advances in Comparative Germanic Syntax*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. xv + 395 pp.

Presentations ∞

- 2010 “Implicit Arguments and Unaccusative Syntax: Evidence from Palauan.” 17th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA 17), Stony Brook University, New York. 7–9 May.
- 2010 “The Syntactic Structure of Palauan Resultatives.” 34th Annual Penn Linguistics Colloquium (PLC 34), Philadelphia, 19–21 March.
- 2009 “An Extensible Crosslinguistic Readability Framework.” 2nd Workshop on Building and Using Comparable Corpora at the 47th Annual Meeting of the Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL 2009), Singapore, 3–7 August.
- 2009 “The Position of Aspect in the Palauan *v*P.” 83rd Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting (LSA 2009), San Francisco, California, 8–11 January & 4th Conference on Austronesian Languages and Linguistics (ALL 4), School of Oriental and African Studies, London, 17–18 June.

- 2009 “On Downward-Entailing Existentials and Differential Object Marking in Palauan.” 16th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA 16), University of California, Santa Cruz, 1–3 May.
- 2007 “A Reductionist Look at Ulu Muar Malay Discontiguous Reduplication.” 14th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA 14), McGill University, Montréal, 3–5 May.
- 2006 “Discontiguous Reduplication.” Trilateral Phonology Weekend (P-TREND), University of California, Berkeley, 18 November & Linguistics at Santa Cruz (LASC 2006), University of California, Santa Cruz, 3–4 March.
- 2006 (with Ascander Dost.) “HowE: Content-Based Navigation.” Invited talk, presented to the Regents of the University of California, NASA Ames Research Center, 18 October.
- 2005 “A Semantic Hierarchy for West Germanic Quirky Case.” 11th Germanic Linguistics Annual Conference (GLAC 11), University of California, Davis, 21–22 April.
- 2004 “Case/Possessive Homophony in Tagalog & Its Implications for Scrambling.” 2nd Annual Undergraduate Linguistics Colloquium, Harvard University, 17–18 April.

Awards, Grants, and Honors ∞

- 2009–present Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant #BCS-0846979, National Science Foundation.
- 2005–2009 Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Grant #P170B050015, U.S. Department of Education.
- Occasional Institute for Humanities Research Travel Grant, UCSC (ALL 4, Summer 2009; ACL Annual Meeting, Summer 2009; Fieldtrip to Palau, Summer 2008; LSA Institute, Summer 2005).
- Occasional Graduate Student Association Travel Grant, UCSC (ALL 4, Summer 2009; GLAC 11, Spring 2005).
- Occasional Research and Travel Grant, Department of Linguistics, UCSC (Fieldtrip to Palau, Summer 2008; AFLA 14, Spring 2007).
- 2006 (with Noah Constant and Ruth Kramer.) “Best Presentation” for the Humanities Division, 2nd Annual Graduate Research Symposium, University of California, Santa Cruz, 5 May.
- 2004–2005 University of California Regents Fellowship.
- 2004 Dean’s Honour List (top 10% of graduating class), Faculty of Arts, McGill University.
- 2001 Golden Key International Honour Society, inducted at McGill University.
- 2001 German Embassy Prize, German Embassy of Canada & McGill University.
- 2000–2002 Morris Wilson Scholarship, McGill University.
- 1998–1999 Congress-Bundestag Scholarship, U.S. Congress & German Bundestag.

Professional Experience ∞

- Occasional Research Assistant, Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Cruz (Prof. Junko Ito, Spring 2008; Prof. Jorge Hankamer, Winter 2007; Prof. Geoffrey Pullum, Summer 2006).
- Spring 2007 Student Intern (Project Leads: Dr. Oleg Gusikhin & Dr. Erica Klampfl), Research & Advanced Engineering Division, Ford Motor Company.
- Summer 2006 UARC Systems Teaching Institute Graduate Student Intern, NASA Ames Research Center.
- 2005–2006 Regulus Project Developer (Project Lead: Dr. Beth Ann Hockey), Intelligent Systems Division, NASA Ames Research Center.
- 2005–2006 Ads Quality Rater (Supervisor: Antoinette Joyeux), Google Inc.
- Summer 2004 Editorial Assistant (Editor: Prof. Kyle Johnson), *Linguistic Inquiry* Squibs & Discussion.

Teaching Experience ∞

- University of Maryland:
 - Spring 2011 Instructor, LING 819: Seminar in Syntactic Theory (The Syntax–Morphology Interface).
 - Fall 2010 Instructor, LING 311: Syntax I.

University of California, Santa Cruz:

Spring 2010 Teaching Assistant, LING 113: Syntax II (Instructor: Prof. James McCloskey).

Winter 2010 Teaching Assistant, LING 52: Syntax I (Instructor: Prof. Jorge Hankamer).

Fall 2008 Teaching Assistant, LING 52: Syntax I (Instructor: Prof. Sandra Chung).

Summer 2008 Associate in Linguistics (Instructor of Record), LING 50: Introduction to Linguistics.

Winter 2008 Teaching Assistant, LING 181: Structure of Romance Languages (Instructor: Prof. James Isaacs).

Spring 2007 Teaching Assistant, LING 20: Introduction to Linguistics (Instructor: Prof. Geoffrey Pullum).

Fall 2005 Teaching Assistant, LING 80V: Structure of the English Vocabulary (Instructor: Prof. Junko Ito).

Service

2008–2009 Organizing Committee Member, 16th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, UCSC.

Occasional Volunteer, Registration/Job Placement, Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting (Chicago-2008, Anaheim-2007, Oakland-2005).

2008 Reviewer, *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory*.

2008 Reviewer, *Austronesian and Linguistic Theory* (Monograph). Amsterdam: John Benjamins.

2005–2008 SLUG Pubs Co-manager, publication and distribution of UCSC linguistics dissertations.

2005–2006 Organizing Committee Member, 21st Comparative Germanic Syntax Workshop, University of California, Santa Cruz.

2005–2006 Linguistics Colloquium Committee Member, University of California, Santa Cruz.

2003–2004 Organizer & Discussion Leader, Head-Driven Phrase Structure Grammar (HPSG) Group, McGill University.

2004–2004 Member & Webmaster, Syntax Project, McGill University.

2003–2004 Tutor, Society of Linguistics Undergraduates at McGill.

Organization Memberships and Summer Programs

Occasional Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, Stanford University (2007), MIT/Harvard University (2005), Michigan State University (2003).

Various Association for Computational Linguistics Member (since 2006); Linguistic Society of America Member (since 2002); Golden Key International Honour Society Member (since 2001).

Certification

2008 Open Water Diver Certification, Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI), Sam's Dive Tours, Koror (Malakal), Republic of Palau.

2006 Training Certificate, Advanced Course, San Francisco School of Bartending.

2001 Kleines Deutsches Sprachdiplom (Council of Europe CEF Level: C2), Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München & Goethe Institut Berlin.

Software

2007 LiSEARCH, an engine to search for linguistic data examples. Written in Perl, using a CGI interface.

2006 (with Ascander Dost, Beth Ann Hockey, and Crystal Nakatsu.) HOWE, a spoken dialogue procedure manager that uses document retrieval techniques to enable content-based navigation. Written in Java, Perl, and Prolog, using the Regulus and Nuance toolkits.

2006 (with Jesse Saba Kirchner.) EXCLAIM, an EXtensible Cross-Linguistic Automatic Information Machine. Performs query expansion for an English query in a target language to aid users in searching for foreign language documents. Written in Perl, using a CGI interface.

Computing Skills ☞

Programming: Java, Prolog, Pascal.

Scripting: Perl/CGI.

Databases/Spreadsheets: Excel, Filemaker Pro.

Web Design: (X)HTML, Javascript, Css.

Design: Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator.

Typesetting: Word, LaTeX, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Acrobat Professional.

OS: Windows, Mac OS, and Linux.

Languages ☞

English: native.

German: fluent/certified.

French: fluent.

Palauan: linguistic fieldwork, basic reading/listening comprehension and speaking.

Japanese, Modern Greek: some coursework.

References ☞

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