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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Syntax and its interfaces with semantics and phonology • Morphology • Field research methodology • Linguistic typology • Nominal and clausal domains • Vowel harmony • Experimental Syntax/Semantics

EDUCATION

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| 2021-2024 | PhD Linguistics , University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
<i>Dissertation</i> : A study of (D)efiniteness and (T)ense in Dholuo;
<i>Committee</i> : Dr. Aida Talić (advisor); Dr. Jonathan MacDonald; Dr. Tania Ionin; Dr. Seth Cable |
| 2021 | MA Linguistics , University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
<i>Qualifying Paper 1</i> : D is for Dholuo: Making use of the D-layer in an article-less language; <i>Advisor(s)</i> : Dr. Aida Talić
<i>Qualifying Paper 2</i> : Kazakh palatal harmony and the comitative marker; <i>Advisor(s)</i> : Dr. Aida Talić & Dr. Ryan Shosted |
| 2016 | MA Linguistics & TESOL , Southern Illinois University
Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Punske |
| 2013 | BA Psychology & Biology , Greenville University |

ACADEMIC TRAINING (ADDITIONAL EDUCATION)

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| 2023 | Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Massachusetts Amherst |
| 2021 | New York – St. Petersburg Institute of Linguistics; 2021 Winter Session |
| 2020 | Web Summer School for Logic, Language, and Information |

PUBLICATIONS

EDITED VOLUMES

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| 2023 | Dees, J. (ed.). Proceedings of the 14 th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society (ILLS). In <i>Studies in the Linguistic Sciences: Illinois Working Papers</i> . |
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PROCEEDINGS

- under review **Dees, J.** Phase head exception in phonological spell-out: A deeper look at Kazakh and Turkic. *Proceedings of the 57th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society*.
- under review **Dees, J.** Non-uniformity in phonologizing phase heads: Evidence from Kazakh. *Proceedings of the 8th Workshop on Turkic and Languages in Contact with Turkic*.

PRESENTATIONS

INVITED TALKS

- upcoming **Dees, J.** *N-raising in Dholuo: Evidence of a D-layer in a bare nominal language*. Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- upcoming **Dees, J.** *Evidence of concord between (T)ense and temporal adverbs: A diachronic analysis of Dholuo*. The University of Chicago.
- upcoming **Dees, J.**¹, Katie VanDyne¹, Anna Romaniuk². *Getting \sqrt{GOOD} er: An analysis of allomorphy in Polish deadjectival (anti)causatives*. League of Linguists at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *Noro(yesterday), goŋo(today), gi kij(and tomorrow): Temporality in Dholuo*. University of Kentucky.
- 2023 Bowie, D., **Joshua Dees**, Iara Mantenuto, Miranda McCarvel, & Tran Truong. *Navigating higher education as a first-gen and tips for success*. (Panel) The 2023 Linguistic Society of America Institute at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *What can K in Kazakh tell us about phonological spell-out?* League of Linguists at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2021 **Dees, J.** *Field research and Dholuo*. League of Linguists at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCES

- upcoming **Dees, J.**, Katie VanDyne, & Anna Romaniuk. *The CΔG and Polish causative/anticausative deadjectival verbs*. The 2024 Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Society of America (LSA).
- upcoming Bowie, D., **Joshua Dees**, Gaytan, Luis, Iara Mantenuto, Miranda McCarvel, & Tran Truong. *Identifying, understanding, and supporting first generation and under-represented minorities in linguistics and higher education*. (Org. Session). The 2024 Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA).

- upcoming **Dees, J.,** Katie VanDyne, & Anna Romaniuk. *For better or for worse: An analysis of allomorphic variation in Polish anticausative deadjectival verbs*. The 2023 Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL).
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *A structural analysis of Tense in Dholuo*. (Poster). The 16th conference on Syntax, Phonology and Language Analysis (SinFonLJA).
- 2023 Bhushan, S.[†] & **Joshua Dees**. *A morphological analysis of gender in Kannada*. The 5th conference on The Intersection of Linguistics, Language, and Culture (ILLC).
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *Ukolonia or elite closure: A timeline of post-colonial language policies in Ghana*. The 2023 Language Policy Forum.
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *Phase head exception in phonological spell-out: An example from Kazakh*. (Poster). The 59th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistics Society (CLS).
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *Phonological spell-out of K in Kazakh*. The 2023 Purdue Linguistics Symposium (PLS).
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *Kannada through the lens of the NP/DP parameter*. The 13th Annual Meeting of (formal) Approaches to South Asian Languages ((f)ASAL).
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *Non-uniformity in phonologizing phase heads: Evidence from Kazakh*. (Poster). The 8th Annual Workshop on Turkic and Languages in Contact with Turkic (Tu+).
- 2023 **Dees, J.** *To D or not to D: Kannada as an NP language*. (Poster). The 22nd Annual Meeting of the Texas Linguistics Society (TLS).
- 2021 **Dees, J.** *Making use of the D-layer in Luo*. The 15th Annual Nilo-Saharan Linguistics Colloquium (NSLC).
- 2021 **Dees, J.** *Dholuo: Evidence of negative raising and sequence of Tense in an article-less language*. (Poster). The 2021 Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA).
- 2020 **Dees, J.** *What do negative raising and sequence of Tense have to do with it?* The 14th Annual Meeting of the Arizona Linguistics Circle (ALC).
- 2015 **Dees, J.** *Academic writing for non-native writers of English*. (Panel). Facing the Future: A Writing Center Conference.
- 2013 **Dees, J. & Reanna Weidner.** *Humor is heard, but not seen*. (Poster). The 32nd Annual Mid-America Undergraduate Psychology Conference (MAUPC).

[†] Denotes a first author (mentee)

HONORS AND AWARDS

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023 *Department of Linguistics Fellowship*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2023 *University Block Grant Fellowship*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2019-2020 *University Fellowship*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

AWARDS

- 2023 *Department of Linguistics LSA Institute Award*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (\$2,000.00)
- 2023 *Department of Linguistics Conference Travel Grant*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (\$200.00)
- 2022 *Department of Linguistics Student Leadership Award*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2021 *Department of Linguistics Human Subjects Grant*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (\$800.00)
- Department of Linguistics Student Leadership Award*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Impact Award*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2015-2016 *College of Liberal Arts Teaching Assistant of the Year (Nominee)*, Southern Illinois University
- 2012-2013 *Department of Psychology Senior Student of the Year*, Greenville University
- H.J. Long Student Athlete of the Year*, Greenville University

HONORS

- 2019-2022 *List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, (FA19 ; SP20; FA20; SP21; SU21; FA21; SP22; SP23)

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2020-2023 **University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
Instructor of Record:
LING 304: Elements of Morphology – SP23;
LING 301: Elements of Syntax – FA22
ESL 510: English Pronunciation and Oral Fluency – FA21; SP22
ESL 506: Oral Communication for International TAs – SU21
ESL 512: Introduction to Academic Writing – SP21
ESL 515: Advanced Introduction to Academic Writing – FA20

ESL 112: Introduction to Academic Writing II – SP20

ESL 511: Written and Oral Communication – FA19

Graduate Teaching Assistant:

LING 307: Semantics and Pragmatics – SP22; FA22; SP23; FA23

LING 501: Syntax I (graduate-level) – FA21

LING 301: Elements of Syntax – FA20; SP21; FA23

LING 225: Language, Mind, and Brain – SP20

2014-2016

Southern Illinois University

Instructor of Record:

LING 200: Language, Society, and the Mind – SU15; SP16; SU16

LING 102: Research and Writing for Intl Students – SP15

LING 101: Writing Composition for Intl Students – FA14; FA15

Graduate Teaching Assistant:

LING 200: Language, Society, and the Mind – FA15

2013-2014

Greenville University

Lab Instructor:

BIO 115L: Plants and People – FA13 (2 sections)

BIO 108L: Environmental Science and Stewardship – FA13

TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

2017-2019

The Stafford House International – Boston

Instructor:

CORE 3: Pre-Intermediate Integrated Skills in English

CORE 4: Intermediate Integrated Skills in English

2017-2019

The YMCA International Learning Center

Instructor:

LEVEL 6: Advanced English and Grammar

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020-present

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Research Assistant:

Summer 2020 – The structure and tone of Luo, a Nilo-Saharan language RA; Advisor: Dr. Aida Talić

2015

Southern Illinois University

Research Assistant:

Spring 2015 – Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Punske

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023-2024

Linguistics Seminar Series, Coordinator (Graduate Assistant),
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

2023	<i>Kyungpook National University Summer Study Abroad Program</i> , Graduate Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2023	<i>LING 302: Syntax 2 for Undergraduate Students Course Development</i> , Graduate Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2021	<i>LING 400: Introduction to Linguistic Structure Course Development</i> , Graduate Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2021	<i>Kyungpook National University Summer Study Abroad Program</i> , Graduate Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2020	<i>Linguistic Society of America</i> , Lead Summer Intern
2017-2019	<i>Literacy Volunteers of Massachusetts</i> , Boston Program Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ LVM Basic Literacy Tutor Trainer Certified; Trained by Eleanor Stafford, M.Ed ◆ LVM ESOL Tutor Trainer Certified; Trained by Eric Shuel, MATESL ◆ BEST Plus 2.0 ESL Assessment Administrator Certified, System for Adult Basic Education ◆ Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) Administrator Certified, System for Adult Basic Education ◆ Massachusetts Adult Proficiency Test Administrator Certified, University of Massachusetts Amherst
2016-2017	<i>The Hernández (Bilingual) After School Program</i> , Development Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Resource Development: Fundraising and Grant Writing Certificate; 10-week course through AmeriCorps
2013-2014	<i>The Simple Room After School Program</i> , Director of Family Relations

SERVICE

CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEES

2023-2024	<i>16th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society</i> , University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, TBA
2021-2022	<i>14th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society (Co-chair)</i> , University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Feb. 25-26, 2022
2021	<i>16th Annual Meeting of the Slavic Linguistics Society (Assistant)</i> , University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Sept. 3 rd -5 th , 2021

2020-2021 *13th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Feb. 26-27, 2021

ABSTRACT REVIEWER

2021-2022 *15th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, March 4-5, 2023

2020-2021 *14th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Feb. 25-26, 2022

2020-2021 *13th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Feb. 26-27, 2021

2019-2020 *12th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Feb. 18-19, 2020

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2023 *Spring 2023 Open House Organizing Committee Member*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Linguistics

2023 *Commentary on the Latest approaches to Syntax and Semantics in Illinois Reading Group Organizer*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Linguistics

2021 *Spring 2021 Open House Organizing Committee Member*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Linguistics

2020-2021 *President of the Linguistics Student Organization*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Linguistics

2020 *Spring 2020 Open House Organizing Committee Member*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Linguistics

2015-2016 *President of the Student Linguistics Association*, Southern Illinois University, Department of Linguistics

2012-2013 *VP of Campus Organizations*, Greenville University

2011-2013 *VP of Psi Chi (campus chapter)*, Department of Psychology, Greenville University

COMMUNITY

Linguistics

2022 *First Gen Access and Equity Subcommittee*, Linguistic Society of America

2021 *Committee on LGBTQ+ [Z] Issues in Linguistics Member*, Linguistic Society of America

VOLUNTEERISM

2017-2018 *Basic Literacy Tutor*, Literacy Volunteers of Massachusetts, Boston, Massachusetts

2016-2017

AmeriCorps VISTA Member, The Hernández (Bilingual) After School Program, Roxbury, Massachusetts

MENTORING

2023

Sid Bhushan

Plural and gender in Kannada

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Linguistic Society of America

International Linguistic Association

International TESOL Association

Psi Chi

LANGUAGES

English: Native Language

Spanish: Intermediate

French: Low-Intermediate

Nafara: Field research

Dholuo: Field research

Kazakh: Field research

Kannada: Field research

TECHNICAL SKILLS

LaTeX

Python

Linux

HTML

Praat

REFERENCES

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