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Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Linguistics Program. 2007 – present.

Education.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Ph.D. in Linguistics. 2007.

Dissertation: *Indonesian sluicing and verb phrase ellipsis: description and explanation in a Minimalist framework*

Committee: Prof. Samuel D. Epstein (Chair), Department of Linguistics
Prof. Julie Boland, Departments of Linguistics and Psychology
Prof. Richard L. Lewis, Departments of Psychology and Computer Science
Prof. Jason Merchant, Department of Linguistics, University of Chicago
Prof. Acrisio Pires, Department of Linguistics

Linguistic Society of America, Linguistics Summer Institute.

Harvard University/Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts. 2005.

Linguistic Society of America, Linguistics Summer Institute.

Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan. 2003.

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

M.A. in Linguistics, Certificate in American Indian Languages. 2001.

Thesis: *A descriptive study of Minangkabau, with an emphasis on verbal morphology*

Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts.

B.A. in French Language and Literature, minor in Economics. 1995.

Sarah Lawrence University/University of Paris VII, Paris, France.

Semester abroad. 1994.

Research Interests.

Syntax and morphosyntax, especially of Indonesian and other Austronesian languages.

Syntax, semantics, pragmatics and processing of nonsententials and ellipsis.

Interface between syntax, semantics, pragmatics, and discourse.

Generative syntactic theory.

Field methods and descriptive linguistics.

Publications.

Refereed Journals.

Some (not all) nonsententials are only a phase. 2007. *Lingua* 117.1: 67-94.

Conference Proceedings.

Verb phrase ellipsis in Indonesian. In press. Proceedings of Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL) 2007.

Reconciling meng- and NP movement in Indonesian. In press. Proceedings of the 32nd Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistic Society.

With H. Ouali. *The syntax of complex tense in Moroccan Arabic.* 2008. Elabbas Benmamoun, ed. Perspectives on Arabic Linguistics, Volume 19. p. 175-191. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.

Syntactic and semantic valence: Morphosyntactic evidence from Minangkabau. 2004. Pawel M. Nowak, Corey Yoquelet and David Mortensen, eds. Proceedings of the 29th Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society.

Syntactic vs. semantic valence: Verbal affixes in Minangkabau. 2001. Vida Samiian, ed. Proceedings of the Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL 2000), Volume 12.

Other Manuscripts.

Sluicing in Indonesian. In preparation. (To be submitted to *Natural language and linguistic theory*.)

Subjacency: no violations, no repairs. In preparation. (To be submitted to *Linguistic inquiry*.)

Indonesian: another language with auxiliary-stranding VPE. In preparation.

On the syntax of nonsententials. Qualifying Research Paper. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan. 2004.

A descriptive study of Minangkabau, with an emphasis on verbal morphology. M.A. thesis. Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh. 2001.

Presentations.

Refereed Conference Presentations.

Indonesian verb phrase ellipsis. Paper presented at the 82nd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Chicago, Illinois. January 2008.

Verb phrase ellipsis in Indonesian. Paper presented at the Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL 2007), University of California, San Diego. November 2007.

Indonesian verb phrase ellipsis. Paper presented at Michigan Linguistic Society 2007 Annual Meeting (MLS 37), Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. November 2007.

Indonesian sluicing and the P-stranding generalization. Paper presented at the 14th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA 14), McGill University, Montreal, Quebec. May 2007.

Indonesian sluicing. Paper presented at the 81st Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Anaheim, California. January 2007.

Variation in control into subordinate clauses in Indonesian. Paper presented at the Tenth Annual Symposium on Malay/Indonesian Linguistics (ISMIL 10), University of Delaware, Newark. April 2006.

Reconciling meng- and NP movement in Indonesian. Paper presented at the 32nd Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistic Society (BLS 32), University of California at Berkeley. February 2006.

Indonesian meng- and NP movement. Paper presented at Michigan Linguistic Society 2005 Annual Meeting (MLS 35), Michigan State University, East Lansing. October 2005.

- With H. Ouali. *The tense system in Moroccan Arabic*. Paper presented at North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics (NACAL) 33, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. March 2005.
- With H. Ouali. *The syntax of complex tense in Moroccan Arabic*. Paper presented at the 19th Arabic Linguistics Symposium, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. April 2005.
- With H. Ouali. *Tense and multiple subject agreement in Moroccan Arabic*. Paper presented at 36th Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL 36), Georgia Southern University, Savannah. April 2005.
- On the syntax of nonsententials*. Poster presented at 79th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Oakland, California. January 2005.
- On the syntax of nonsententials*. Paper presented at Michigan Linguistic Society 2004 Annual Meeting (MLS 34), University of Michigan, Flint. October 2004.
- Minangkabau causatives: Evidence for the l-syntax/s-syntax division*. Paper presented at 11th Annual Meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA 11), Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, und Typologieforschung und Universalienforschung (ZAS), Berlin, Germany. April 2004.
- Syntactic and semantic valence: Morphosyntactic evidence from Minangkabau*. Paper presented at 29th Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society, University of California at Berkeley. February 2003.
- Syntactic vs. semantic valence: Verbal affixes in Minangkabau*. Paper presented at the Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL 2000), California State University, Fresno. October 2000.
- Invited Talks.**
- Sluicing as LF Copying: New Arguments from Islands*. University of Minnesota Linguistics Colloquium Series. February 2008.
- Want to sluice? Here's how: Syntax, semantics and silence in Indonesian*. Carleton College Linguistics Program. February 2007.
- Want to sluice? Here's how*. Linguistics 615 (Advanced Graduate Syntax), University of Michigan. Professor Samuel D. Epstein. February 2007.
- Sluicing in Indonesian*. Syntax Research Group, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan. December 2006.
- On nonsententials*. Linguistics 380 (Advanced Seminar on Ellipsis), Eastern Michigan University Program in Linguistics. Professors T. Daniel Seely and Edward Garrett. March 2006.
- Some (not all) nonsententials are only a phase*. Colloquium series, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan. December 2005.
- Notes on nonsententials*. Syntax Research Group, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan. September 2004.
- Aspects of the morphosyntax of Minangkabau*. Syntax Research Group, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan. November 2002.

Teaching.

Carleton College.

Instructor. Linguistics 110: *Introduction to Linguistics*. Spring 2008.
Instructor. Linguistics 115: *Introduction to the Theory of Syntax*. Fall 2007, Winter 2008.
Instructor. Linguistics 215: *Morphosyntax*. Fall 2007 (independent study), Spring 2008.
Instructor. Linguistics 275: *First Language Acquisition*. Fall 2007.

University of Michigan.

Instructor. Linguistics 211: *Introduction to Language*. Spring 2006.
Graduate student mentor. Linguistics 993: *Graduate Student Instructor Training*. Professor Sally Thomason, Fall 2006.
Graduate student instructor. Linguistics 211: *Introduction to Language*. Professors Andries Coetsee and Elaine McNulty, Fall 2005. Professors San Duanmu and Elaine McNulty, Winter 2006.
Graduate student instructor. Linguistics 200: *Language and the Human Mind*. Professors Julie Boland and Samuel D. Epstein, Winter 2006.
Guest lecturer. Linguistics 615 (Advanced Graduate Syntax), University of Michigan. Professor Samuel D. Epstein. March 2006.
Guest lecturer. Linguistics 211 (Introduction to Language), University of Michigan. Professors San Duanmu and Elaine McNulty. February 2006.
Guest lecturer. Linguistics 212 (Symbolic Analysis of Language), University of Michigan. Professor Samuel D. Epstein. February 2005.

University of Pittsburgh.

Teaching assistant. Linguistics 0080: *Aspects of Language*. Professor Veronica Grondona, Fall 1999.
Instructor Susanne McLaughlin, Winter 2000.
Teaching assistant. Linguistics 1950: *Introduction to Linguistics*. Instructor Gregory Mizera, Winter 2000. Professor Molly Homer, Fall 2000, Winter 2001.

Other teacher training.

Getting Ready for an Academic Career: Preparing Future Faculty Conference. Center for Research on Learning and Teaching, University of Michigan. 2006.

Fellowships and Honors.

Rackham Distinguished Dissertation Award. Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Awarded to eight (of 780 total) dissertations submitted to Rackham Graduate School in 2007. 2008.

Rackham Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award. Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2007.

Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship. Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2006-7.

Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Fellowship. To attend Linguistics Summer Institute, Harvard University/Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA. 2005.

Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship. Indonesian language, second year. Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2004-5.

Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Fellowship. To attend Linguistics Summer Institute, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan. 2003.

Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship. Indonesian language, first year. Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2003-4.

First-year Fellowship. University of Michigan, Department of Linguistics. 2002-3.

Research and Travel Grants.

Rackham Graduate School Travel Grants. University of Michigan. To attend 81st Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Anaheim, California, 2007; 32nd Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society (BLS 32), University of California at Berkeley, 2006; 79th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Oakland, California, 2004.

International Institute Travel Grants. University of Michigan. To attend Tenth Annual Symposium on Malay/Indonesian Linguistics (ISMIL 10), Newark, Delaware, 2006; North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics (NACAL) 33, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2005.

Rackham Graduate School Discretionary Funds. University of Michigan. To fund dissertation research with native speakers of Indonesian. 2005.

Block Grant for Research. University of Michigan, Department of Linguistics. To fund dissertation research with native speakers of Indonesian. 2005.

Block Grant for Travel. University of Michigan, Department of Linguistics. To attend 36th Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL 36), Savannah, Georgia. 2005; Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA) 11, Berlin, Germany, 2004; Georgetown University Round Table (GURT), Washington, DC. 2004 (awarded to Catherine Fortin, Konstantia Kapetangianni, Gerardo Fernandez-Salgueiro and Hamid Ouali); 29th Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society (BLS 29), University of California at Berkeley. 2003.

Summer Research Grant. University of Michigan, Department of Linguistics. To write Qualifying Research Paper, *On the syntax of nonsententials*. 2004.

Summer Research Grant. University of Michigan, Department of Linguistics. To attend Linguistics Summer Institute, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan. 2003.

Research and Elicitation Experience.

Indonesian.

Approximately 130 hours of elicitation with four native speaker consultants. 2005-2007.

Minangkabau.

Approximately 100 hours of elicitation with native speaker consultant. 2000.

Other Professional Experience.

Editorial assistant.

Editorial work in preparing for publication:

The Minimalist Syntax of Defective Domains: Gerunds and Infinitives by Acrisio Pires (2006, John Benjamins). 2006.

Physiological Linguistics, and Some Implications Regarding Disciplinary Autonomy and Unification by Samuel D. Epstein (to appear in Mind and Language, Cambridge University Press). 2006.

On I(nternalist)-Functional Explanation in Minimalism by Samuel D. Epstein (to appear in special edition of Linguistic Analysis, 'Dynamic Interfaces,' ed. K. Grohmann). 2005.

EPP in T: More Controversial Subjects by Samuel D. Epstein, Acrisio Pires and T. Daniel Seely (2005, Syntax 8.1:65-80). 2004.

Derivations in Minimalism: Exploring the Elimination of A-chains and the EPP by Samuel D. Epstein and T. Daniel Seely (2006, Cambridge University Press). 2004.

Service and Organizational Efforts.

Reviewer for Refereed Publications.

The Linguistic Review. 2007.

Reviewer for Refereed Conferences.

West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL) XXVII at UCLA. 2007.

Other Reviews.

Review of Stoel, Ruben Bastiaan. 2005. *Focus in Manado Malay: Grammar, particles and intonation*. Linguist List (www.linguistlist.org). 2006.

Reviewer for 36th Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL 36) Proceedings. 2005.

Review of ter Meulen, Alice G. and Werner Abraham, eds. 2004. *The composition of meaning: from lexeme to discourse*. Linguist List (www.linguistlist.org). 2005.

Review of Englebretson, Robert. 2003. *Searching for structure: The problem of complementation in colloquial Indonesian conversation*. Linguist List (www.linguistlist.org). 2003.

Carleton College.

Panel member. *Making decisions about grad school*. November 2007.

University of Michigan.

Rackham Appeals Panel, Rackham School of Graduate Studies. 2005-2007.

University of Michigan Department of Linguistics.

Executive Committee (elected member). 2006-2007.

Graduate Committee. 2006.

Colloquium Committee Co-Chair. 2004-5.

Syntax Group Co-Organizer. 2003-4.

Colloquium Committee. 2002-5.

Working Papers Committee. 2002-4. Editor 2003-4.

Conferences Organizing Committee. 2003.

North American Undergraduate Linguistics Conference (NAULC), October 10, 2003.

Annual Meeting of the Michigan Linguistic Society (MLS), October 11, 2003.

University of Pittsburgh Department of Linguistics.

Graduate-Faculty Liaison. 2000.

Other Service.

Tufts University Alumni Admissions Program (TAAP). 2004-present.

Languages.

English. Native speaker.

French. Advanced proficiency.

Indonesian. Intermediate proficiency.

Russian. Basic reading and speaking competence.

German. Some formal study.

Latin. Some formal study.

Minangkabau. Structural knowledge.

Memberships.

Linguistic Society of America. 1999-present.

References.

Samuel D. Epstein.

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Acrisio Pires.

Assistant Professor, University of Michigan, Department of Linguistics.
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