



# **The 44th Penn Linguistics Conference**

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# PLC 44: SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 27, 2020

- 12:30-4:00 PM      **Registration**  
*Irvine Auditorium (3401 Spruce St)*  
*Box Office Lobby*
- 1:00-5:40 PM      **Special Panel:**  
**Language in the Brain: Rules and Generalization**  
*Irvine Auditorium- Amado Recital Hall*
- 1:10-2:00 PM      **Introduction**  
Kathryn Schuler  
*University of Pennsylvania*
- 2:00-2:50 PM      **The acquisition of sentence structure under conditions of extreme language delay: Insights from American Sign Language**  
Rachel Mayberry  
*University of California San Diego*
- 2:50-3:10 PM      **Coffee Break**
- 3:10-4:00 PM      **The cortical organization of syntax**  
William Matchin  
*University of South Carolina*
- 4:00- 4:50 PM      **Cerebellar modulation of language: From articulation to semantic prediction**  
Catherine Stoodley  
*American University*
- 4:50-5:10PM      **Coffee Break**
- 5:10- 5:40 PM      **Questions**
- 5:45-7:00 PM      **Reception**  
*Irvine Auditorium Box Office Lobby*

8:30AM-5:30 PM **Registration**

*Claire Fagin Hall (418 Curie Blvd)  
Lobby*

Breakfast will be provided.

**Session 1A: Semantics**

*Claire Fagin Room 114*

**Session 1B: Sociolinguistics**

*Claire Fagin Room 116*

9:15 AM

**Balancing the (Horn) scale: explaining the production-comprehension asymmetry for scalar implicatures**

Irene Mognon, Simone Sprenger, Sanne Kuijper and Petra Hendriks

**Production and perception of an unsuccessful merger in East Anglian English**

Kerri-Ann Butcher

9:40 AM

**Distribution over situations**

Takanobu Nakamura

**Priming and “anti-priming” in intra- and inter-speaker variation**

Aini Li and Meredith Tamminga

10:05 AM

**Commitment issues: A unified analysis of Mandarin discourse particle "ba"**

Yu'An Yang

**Co-occurrence of /t/ Variants in Young Vermont Speakers**

Sarah Bellavance

10:30 AM

**Partitive case in Finnish numeral-noun constructions**

Karoliina Lohiniva

**Official or Unofficial?: The influence of policy on Suzhou dialect and Pingtan culture**

Zewei Wang

10:55 AM

**BREAK**

**Session 2A: Experimental Approach**

*Claire Fagin Room 114*

**Session 2B: Phonetics**

*Claire Fagin Room 116*

11:10 AM

**Learner’s preference matches typological pattern of morphological marking: an animate-marking rule is easier to acquire than an inanimate-marking rule**

Yiran Chen and Kathryn Schuler

**Subcategorical representations of corner vowels versus non-corner vowels**

Michael C. Stern, Kyle Gorman and Gita Martohardjono

11:35 AM

**Scope Assignment and Scalar Implicatures in Child English: The Role of Working Memory**

Shuyan Wang

**Prosodic Prominence and High Vowel Lowering in Apurímac Quechua**

Sreeparna Sarkar and Irene Vogel

12:00 PM

**The representation of opaque meanings in Dutch prefixed verbs**

Ava Creemers

**Classifying Apurímac Quechua Ejectives**

Mackenzie Marcinko

12:25 PM	<b>De re interpretation in belief reports --An experimental investigation</b> Yuhan Zhang and Kathryn Davidson	<b>NO NEED TO YELL: A prosodic analysis of writing in all caps</b> Maria Heath
12:50 AM	<b>BREAK</b>	
1:15-2:40 PM	<b>Lunch &amp; Poster Session</b> <i>Claire Fagin Hall Lobby</i> Lunch will be provided.	
	<b>List of Poster Presenters and Titles:</b> <i>Aaditya Kulkarni. On the diachronic nature of Marathi light verbs</i> <i>Marisa Fried, Paulina Lyskawa and Rodrigo Ranero. Agreement in K'iche' (Mayan): Reflections on Microvariation</i> <i>Xu Yan. The Anaphora Resolution of Mandarin Reflexive Pronoun: An ERP Study</i> <i>Joseph Class. Dative Causees in Basque</i> <i>Lisa Gotthard. Variation in subject-verb agreement in the history of Scots</i> <i>Eliot Raynor. Body partonomy as evidence of language shift: Emberá senses of 'hand' and 'foot' in the Spanish of western Colombia</i> <i>Chenchen Wang. Stress shift accompanying verb suffixation in Gujarati</i> <i>Kate Henninger and Kathryn Davidson. Manual and Nonmanual Negation in American Sign Language: A Corpus Study</i> <i>Philip Shushurin. Object Adjacency Effects as a Linearization Violation</i> <i>Roberto Petrosino and Jon Sprouse. Frequency-Driven Asymmetries in Morphological Decomposition as Revealed by Masked Visual Priming</i> <i>Sarah Horwitz. Factors involved in limited convergence to an interviewer in (ING) variation</i>	
	<b>Session 3A: Syntax I</b> <i>Claire Fagin Room 114</i>	<b>Session 3B: Phonology I</b> <i>Claire Fagin Room 116</i>
2:40 PM	<b>Feature licensing and the interpretation of bare nominals in Wolof</b> Suzana Fong	<b>Post-Lexical Tone 3 Sandhi Domain- Building in Huai'an Mandarin: Multiple Domain Types and Free Application</b> Naiyan Du and Yen-Hwei Lin
3:05 PM	<b>How to Derive Non-Logophoric Backward Binding for Stative Location Verbs</b> Michael Wilson	<b>Scalar similarity and gradient representations in Lezgian laryngeal harmony</b> Huteng Dai
3:30 PM	<b>On the interaction of reflexives and periphrastic causatives in Icelandic</b> Jim Wood and Einar Sigurdsson	<b>Optimization Versus Locality in Explaining Optionality in Syllabification of Yavapai</b> Wenyue Hua

- 3:55 PM      **Top-down derivations: Flipping syntax on its head**      **The learnability of abstract underlying segments in OT**  
 Robert Frank and Hadas Kotek      Alexandra Nyman
- 4:20 PM      **BREAK**
- 4:40 PM-5:00 PM      **Welcome Address and Award Ceremony**  
*Claire Fagin Hall Auditorium*
- 5:00 PM-6:30 PM      **Keynote Address**  
*Claire Fagin Hall Auditorium*
- How Not to Agree**  
 Caroline Heycock  
*The University of Edinburgh*
- 8:45 PM      **Party**  
*Location TBA*

Sunday, March 29, 2020

- 9:20 AM      **Registration**  
*Claire Fagin Hall Lobby*  
 Breakfast will be provided
- Session 4A: Undergraduate Session**      **Session 4B: Morphology**  
*Claire Fagin Hall 114*      *Claire Fagin Hall 116*
- 9:50 AM      **An Optimality Theoretic Analysis of Rising Changed Tones in Taishanese**      **(Dis-)Continuous Agreement: A Case for Spelling Out Spans**  
 Kevin Liang      Hagen Blix
- 10:15 AM      **Understanding the Role of Social Salience in the Dialectal Contact of U.S. Spanish**      **Number-Based Suppletion and Locality in Yawanawa (Panoan)**  
 Andrew Fleming      Livia Souza
- 10:40 AM      **Fortition in ASL Phonology: A Diachronic Study**      **Deconstructing resultatives: the Unique Path Constraint revisited**  
 Nathaniel Ziv Stern      Josep Ausensi
- 11:05 AM      **The Codex Aubin: Nahuatl Texts in Post-Conquest Mexico**  
 Arjun Sai Krishnan

11:30 AM

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**Session 5A: Phonology II**  
*Claire Fagin Hall 114*

**Session 5B: Syntax II**  
*Claire Fagin Hall 116*

12:15 PM

**The computational similarity of binding and long-distance consonant dissimilation**  
Shiori Ikawa and Adam Jardine

**On Phrasal and Clausal Comparatives in Thai**  
Cheng-Shiun Wu

12:40 PM

**Let Me Stress How Flat Phonology Is: The segmental feature [stress] in Abkhaz**  
Samuel Andersson

**A Hybrid Analysis of Null Argument Constructions in Japanese**  
Akane Ohtaka

1:05 PM

**Gender Resolution Rules: Monotonic mappings over gender hierarchies**  
Sedigheh Moradi

**Prepositional Infinitives in European Portuguese as Voice Alternations**  
Catarina Loureiro Soares and Jim Wood

1:30 PM

**Resolving vowel hiatus in Ikpana**  
Bertille Baron

**On the syntax of variable negative concord in English varieties**  
Mary Robinson and Gary Thoms