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Faculty Positions

2016 – present	Associate Professor, Pomona College (Linguistics & Cognitive Science)
2016-2021	Department Chair, Pomona College (Linguistics and Cognitive Science) ¹
2010 - 2016	Assistant Professor, Pomona College (Linguistics & Cognitive Science)

Education

2010	PhD: Linguistics	Georgetown University
	<i>Dissertation: Agreement with Subjects in Lubukusu</i>	
	<i>Committee: Raffaella Zanuttini, Paul Portner, Ruth Kramer, Mark Baker</i>	
2008	MS: Linguistics	Georgetown University
2004	BA: Intercultural Studies	Houghton College
	<i>Summa Cum Laude and Valedictorian, Class of 2004</i>	

Research Interests

- Syntactic theory, morphological theory
- African languages
- Bantu languages, specifically morphology and syntax (in particular, issues relating to agreement, Case licensing, object marking, and extraction contexts, among others)
- Intersection of syntax and information structure
- Documentation and description of understudied languages
- Theories of child acquisition of syntax

Manuscripts in progress ✨with a student (underlined) from the Claremont Colleges

Full manuscripts:

Diercks, Michael and Vicki Carstens. 2020. Bantu Syntax (an overview). To appear in the Oxford Guide on Bantu Languages. <https://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/003902>

Green, Christopher, Michael Marlo, and Michael Diercks. 2020. Wanga (A grammatical sketch). To appear in the Oxford Guide on Bantu Languages.

¹ With the exception of a leave for calendar year 2018.

☼Diercks, Michael and Madeline Bossi. 2021. Minimalist Syntax is psychologically real: Lessons from (counter)cyclicity. Book manuscript currently review with *Language Science Press*.

<https://lingbuzz.net/lingbuzz/005671>

☼Langa da Camara, Crisofia, Michael Diercks, Madelyn Colantes (PO '22), Brendan Ly (PO '22), Jackson Kuzmik (PO '20), and Siva Zhou (PO '22). 2021. Object marking in Cinyungwe. Submitted the Proceedings of ACAL 51/52.

Sikuku, Justine and Michael Diercks. 2021. Object Marking in Bukusu: At the intersection of pragmatics and syntax. Book proposal accepted at *Language Science Press*, manuscript to be submitted in Summer 2021.

Sikuku, Justine and Michael Diercks. 2020. Object Marking in Bukusu: Information Structure in the Verb Phrase. To appear in the Proceedings of ACAL 50.

Wasike, Aggrey and Michael Diercks. 2021. Lubukusu Adverbials. Ms, University of Toronto and Pomona College.

In development:

Diercks, Michael. On the Characteristics of Abstract Syntactic Constructions: UG without traditional innateness. Ms, Pomona College.

☼Bossi, Madeline and Michael Diercks. 2021. A Field Guide to the Minimalist Program. Ms, UC Berkeley and Pomona College.

☼Langa da Camara, Crisofia, Michael Diercks, Madelyn Colantes (PO '22), Jackson Kuzmik (PO '20), and Hannah Lippard (PO '17). 2021. Emphatic interpretations of object marking in Cinyungwe. Ms, Universidade Eduardo Mondlane and Pomona College.

Major, Travis, Justine Sikuku, and Michael Diercks. 2021. A Reanalysis of Bukusu complementizer agreement. In progress. Ms, University of Southern California, Moi University, and Pomona College.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications ☼with a student (underlined) from the Claremont Colleges

Diercks, Michael and Christopher R. Green. Accepted. Clarifying the Position of Preverbal Subjects: Subject Pronoun Doubling in Wanga. *Studies in African Linguistics*.

☼Bossi, Madeline, & Diercks, Michael. 2019. V1 in Kipsigis: Head movement and discourse-based scrambling. *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics*, 4(1): 65.

DOI: <http://doi.org/10.5334/gjgl.246>

Sikuku, Justine, Michael Diercks, and Michael Marlo. 2018. Pragmatic Effects of Clitic Doubling: Two Kinds of Object Markers in Lubukusu. *Linguistic Variation* 18.2: 359-429.

- ☼Diercks, Michael, Lindsey Meyer and Mary Paster. 2015. Agreement with conjoined arguments in Kuria. *Studies in African Linguistics* 44.1: 27-46.
- Diercks, Michael. 2013. Indirect Agree in Lubukusu complementizer agreement. *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory* 31.2: 357-407.
- Carstens, Vicki and Michael Diercks. 2013. Agreeing How? Implications for theories of agreement and locality. *Linguistic Inquiry* 44.2: 179-237.
- ☼Bax, Anna and Michael Diercks. 2012. Information Structure Constraints on Object Marking in Manyika. *Southern African Linguistics and Applied Language Studies* 30.2: 185-202.
- Diercks, Michael. 2012. Parameterizing Case: Evidence from Bantu. *Syntax* 15.3: 253-286.
- Diercks, Michael. 2011. The morphosyntax of Lubukusu locative inversion and the parameterization of Agree. *Lingua* 121.5: 702-720.

Publications in Proceedings, Working Papers, and Edited Volumes:

☼with a student (underlined) from the Claremont Colleges

- Sikuku, Justine and Michael Diercks. 2021 in press. Object Marking in Lubukusu: Information Structure in the Verb Phrase. In Bickmore, Lee, Michael Cahill, Michael Diercks, Laura J Downing, James Essegbey, Katie Franich, Laura McPherson, and Sharon Rose (eds). *Celebrating 50 years of ACAL: Selected Papers from the 50th Annual Conference on African Linguistics*. Berlin: Language Science Press.
- Michael Diercks, Marjo van Koppen & Michael Putnam. 2020. Agree probes down: Anaphoric feature valuation and phase reference. In Peter W. Smith, Johannes Mursell & Katharina Hartmann (eds.), *Agree to Agree: Agreement in the Minimalist Programme*, 347–389. Berlin: Language Science Press. DOI:10.5281/zenodo.354176
- ☼Diercks, Michael and Meghana Rao. 2019. Upward-oriented complementizer agreement with subjects and objects in Kipsigis. In Clem, Emily, Peter Jenks, and Hannah Sande (eds.), *Theory and description in African Linguistics: Selected papers from the 47th Annual Conference on African Linguistics*, 369-393. Berlin: Language Science. DOI:10.5281/zenodo.3365789.
- Halpert, Claire & Michael Diercks. 2018. More on have and need. In Kandybowicz, Jason, Travis Major, Harold Torrence & Philip T. Duncan (eds.), *African linguistics on the prairie: Selected papers from the 45th Annual Conference on African Linguistics*, 289–305. Berlin: Language Science Press. DOI:10.5281/zenodo.1251742
- Diercks, Michael. 2017. Locative Inversion. In Everaert, Martin and van Riemsdijk, Henk (eds), *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Syntax, Second Edition*. Wiley-Blackwell.

- ☼Diercks, Michael, Rodrigo Ranero, and Mary Paster. 2014. Evidence for a Clitic Analysis of Object Markers in Kuria. In *Selected Proceedings of the 44th Annual conference on African Linguistics*, eds. Ruth Kramer, Elizabeth C. Zsiga, and One Tlale Boyer, 52-70. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Proceedings Project.
- Carstens, Vicki and Michael Diercks. 2013. Parameterizing Case and Activity: Hyper-raising in Bantu. In *Proceedings of the 40th Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society*, eds. Seda Kan, Claire Moore-Cantwell, Robert Staubs, 99-118. Amherst: GLSA.
- Diercks, Michael. 2011. Incorporating Location in Argument Structure: The Lubukusu Locative Clitic. In *Selected Proceedings of the 40th Annual Conference on African Linguistics: African Languages and Linguistics Today*, eds. E. Bokamba, R Shosted, and BT Ayalew, 65-79. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Proceedings Project.
- Diercks, Michael. 2011. Lubukusu Complementizer Agreement: Binding to Agree. To appear in the Proceedings of NELS 41, UMass GLSA.
- Diercks, Michael. 2009. Subject extraction and (so-called) anti-agreement effects in Bukusu: A Criterial Freezing approach. In *Proceedings of Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society, Volume 45, Number 1*, edited by Ryan Bochnak, Nassira Nicola, Peet Klecha, Jasmin Urban, Alice Lemieux and Christina Weaver, 55-69.
- Diercks, Michael. 2009. Challenges to Case Theory from Bantu. *The Georgetown University Working Papers in Theoretical Linguistics VII*, edited by L. Krawczyk and C. Hutchinson, 1-42.

Volumes edited

- Bickmore, Lee, Michael Cahill, Michael Diercks, Laura J Downing, James Essegbey, Katie Franich, Laura McPherson, and Sharon Rose. In Press. *Celebrating 50 years of ACAL: Selected Papers from the 50th Annual Conference on African Linguistics*. Berlin: Language Science Press.
2006. *Georgetown University Working Papers in Theoretical Linguistics IV*. With Jim Gruber.

Ongoing Book Projects

- In preparation. Diercks, Michael (ed). Hyper-Raising in Luyia. *An empirically-centered investigation of hyper-raising in 4 Luyia languages: Lubukusu, Luwanga, Lutirichi, and Llogooli. A product of an NSF Collaborative Research Grant (Structure and Tone in Luyia: BCS-1355749)*.
- In preparation with the Luyia Languages Project team: Grammar sketches on Luwanga (Wanga) and Lutirichi (Tiriki).

Teaching Awards

Wig Distinguished Professor Award for Excellence in Teaching from Pomona College (2015)

Grants²

Multiple Pomona-internal research grants of various sizes.

2014-2019. NSF Collaborative Research Grant. Structure and Tone in Luyia. Collaborative research between Pomona College, University of Missouri, and CASL (University of Maryland).

Collaborators include Michael Marlo, Vicki Carstens, Mary Paster, David Odden, Chris Green, Meredith Landman, and Kris Ebarb. Pomona-specific budget: approximately \$63,000. Overall budget: approximately \$485,000.

2013. Pomona College Hirsch Research Initiation Grant, for fieldwork on languages in Kenya and Tanzania. Awarded in February, 2013, for an amount of \$13,205.

2010. NSF doctoral dissertation research improvement grant entitled “Dissertation research on the morphosyntax of Bukusu.” Co-Principal Investigator along with the Principal Investigator Paul Portner. (\$11,951)

Fieldwork Experience in the US, Kenya and Tanzania

Languages

English: native speaker

Swahili: conversational speaking and reading knowledge

Spanish: former conversational speaker, some minimal speaking/reading knowledge

Linguistic Fieldwork: Lubukusu, Ikikiizu, Manyika Shona, Igikuria, Lutirichi, Llogoori, Luwanga, Kipsigis, Cinyungwe

Presentations [☆]with a student (or students) from the Claremont Colleges (underlined)

Conference/Workshop Presentations

2021. Michael Diercks. Methodologies for Research on Grammars of East African Languages

Presentation at the Conference of the Language Association of East Africa. August 13, 2021.

² Not included here are a variety conference travel grants and pedagogical grants at Pomona College and Georgetown University.

- ☼2021. Langa da Camara, Crisofia, Michael Diercks, Madelyn Colantes (PO '22), Brendan Ly (PO '22), Jackson Kuzmik (PO '20), and Siva Zhou (PO '22). Object marking in Cinyungwe. Presentation at the 51st/52nd Annual Conference on African Linguistics, hosted virtually by the University of Florida and Rutgers University. April 2021.
- ☼2019. Diercks, Michael, Justine Sikuku, Kang (Franco) Liu (PO '20), and David Langa. Afranaph Sister Project (in development): Object Marking. Presentation at the 3rd Afranaph Project Development Workshop @ Georgetown University, Dec 13-14 2019.
2019. Sikuku, Justine and Michael Diercks. Object Marking in Lubukusu: Information Structure in the Verb Phrase. Presentation at the Southern California Annual Meeting on Syntax. November 2, 2019.
2019. Sikuku, Justine and Michael Diercks. Object Marking in Lubukusu: Information Structure in the Verb Phrase. Presentation at the Conference of the Language Association of East Africa. August 2, 2019.
2019. Sikuku, Justine and Michael Diercks. Object Marking in Lubukusu: Information Structure in the Verb Phrase. Presentation at ACAL 50 at the University of British Columbia. May 26, 2019.
2018. Diercks, Michael. Clarifying the Position of Preverbal Subjects: Subject Pronoun Doubling in Wanga. Presentation at ACAL 49 at Michigan State University.
2017. Gluckman, John, Margit Bowler, Maurice Sifuna, Michael Diercks, and Kelvin Alulu. A typological study of modality in Luhya languages. Presentation at ACAL 48, Indiana University.
- ☼2017. Diercks, Michael, Madeline Bossi, Peter Staub, and Jordan Wong. V1 in Kipsigis: Head Movement and Scrambling. Presentation at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society. University of California, Berkeley.
2017. Gluckman, John, Margit Bowler, Maurice Sifuna, and Michael Diercks. Modality in Luhya: A typological study. Poster presentation at the LSA 2017 Annual Meeting, Austin TX.
2016. with Aggrey Wasike. Lubukusu Adverbial Syntax. Presentation at the 47th Annual Conference on African Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley.
- ☼2016. with Cliff Mountjoy-Venning. Raising in Logoori. Presentation at the 47th Annual Conference on African Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley.
- ☼2016. with Meghana Rao. Complementizer Agreement in Kipsigis. Poster presented at the 47th Annual Conference on African Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley.
2015. with Justine Sikuku. Pragmatic Effects of Clitic Doubling: Two Kinds of Object Markers in Lubukusu. Presentation at ACAL 46 at the University of Oregon.
2014. with Claire Halpert. On the decomposition of 'need.' Presentation at ACAL 45 at Kansas University.

2013. with Vicki Carstens. The Great Escape: Raising out of finite clauses in Bantu languages. Presentation at WCCFL 31, Arizona State University.
- ☼2013. with Rodrigo Ranero and Rebekah Cramerus. On Object Marking in Kuria. Presentation at the joint conference of the Annual Conference on African Linguistics and the Georgetown University Round Table, Georgetown University.
2013. On the value of linguistic fieldwork. Invited talk given at the workshop: Fieldwork in the 21st Century: Goals, Tools and Techniques preceding the joint conference of the Annual Conference on African Linguistics and the Georgetown University Round Table, Georgetown University.
2012. Upwards-oriented complementizer agreement in Lubukusu. Generative Initiatives in Syntactic Theory 6, Ghent University, workshop on complementizer agreement (invited talk).
2012. with Michael Putnam and Marjo van Koppen. Upward- vs. downward-probing Agree: Defining a single feature-valuation relation. Presentation at *WCCFL 30*, Santa Cruz.
- ☼2012. with Anna Bax. Out with the new and in with the old: Topic-based object marking in Manyika. Presentation at LSA, Portland, January 5-8.
2011. with Michael Putnam and Marjo van Koppen. The Directionality of Agree: Can a Universal Feature Valuation Operation be Established? Presented in Potsdam, Germany at the workshop *The Minimalist Program: Quo Vadis? – Newborn, Reborn, or Stillborn?* October 3-6.
2011. with Vicki Carstens. Agreeing How? Presentation at B4ntu, Berlin, April 7-9.
2011. with Justine Sikuku. Lubukusu object marking as pronominal incorporation. Presentation at B4ntu, Berlin, April 7-9.
2010. with Vicki Carstens, Loyiso Mletshe, Juvénal Ndayiragije, Justine Sikuku. DP Positions in African Languages. Presentation at the Afranaph Workshop, Rutgers University, December 10-11.
2010. with Vicki Carstens, Luis Lopez, Loyiso Mletshe, Juvénal Ndayiragije, Justine Sikuku. Properties of Subjects in Bantu Languages. Presentation at the Afranaph Workshop, Rutgers University, December 10-11.
2010. On the Nature of Logophoric Relations: Complementizer Agreement in Lubukusu. Poster presented at NELS 41, University of Pennsylvania, October 22-24.
2010. Complementizer agreement in Lubukusu and the properties of subjects. Talk presented at the annual meeting of the Linguistic Society of America. Jan. 9.
2009. with Vicki Carstens. Parameterizing Case and Activity: Raising verbs in Bantu. Presented at the 40th annual meeting of the North East Linguistic Society. Nov. 13-15.
2009. Complementizer Agreement in Lubukusu: Intersections with logophoricity and factivity. The Mid-America Linguistics Conference, Oct. 9-10.

2009. with Vicki Carstens. Implications of Bantu raising verbs. The Mid-America Linguistics Conference, Oct. 9-10.
2009. Subject extraction and (so-called) anti-agreement effects in Bukusu: A Criterial Freezing approach. The 45th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society, April 17.
2009. Arguments for a Motion Phrase: The Bukusu locative clitic. At the 40th Annual Conference on African Linguistics, April 10.
2009. The implications of Bukusu locative constructions: Expletives and agreement. At the syntax workshop at the 3rd International Conference on Bantu Languages (Bantu 3), March 28.
2009. The morphosyntax of Bukusu locative inversion. At the 3rd International Conference on Bantu Languages (Bantu 3), March 26.
2009. Null expletives and agreement in Bukusu locative inversion. At the Annual Meeting of the LSA, January 8.
2008. Licensing Inversion: Bukusu in the Typology of Bantu Inversion Constructions. At the Movement and Word Order in Bantu conference, Leiden University, March 7-8.

Invited Presentations

2021. Sikuku, Justine and Michael Diercks. Bukusu object marking: At the interface of pragmatics and syntax. Talk given at the Department of Linguistics, UC Berkeley. March 2021.
2021. Major, Travis, Justine Sikuku, and Michael Diercks. Agreeing “complementizers” are neither complementizers nor selected: Reanalyzing Bukusu “complementizer agreement.” Talk given at the Department of Linguistics, UCLA. February 2021.
- March 3, 2020. w. Justine Sikuku. Grammatical Information Structure in the Lubukusu Verb Phrase. Talk given at the Department of Linguistics, UCLA.
- February 10, 2019. w. Justine Sikuku. Object Marking and Information Structure in Lubukusu and related Luyia. Talk given to the Fieldwork group in the Department of Linguistics, University of California, San Diego.
- April 25, 2016. w. Justine Sikuku. Hidden Complexity in Object Clitics in Lubukusu and related Luyha Languages. Talk given at the Department of Linguistics, University of California, San Diego.
- March 19, 2015. w. Justine Sikuku. Object Clitics in Bantu Languages. Talk given at the Fieldwork Forum at University of California, Berkeley.
- April 14, 2014. What Kinds of Agreement Are Possible? Lubukusu Complementizer Agreement and (Non)Anaphoric feature valuation. Department of Linguistics, University of Southern California.

April 11, 2014. What Kinds of Agreement Are Possible? Lubukusu Complementizer Agreement and (Non)Anaphoric feature valuation. Department of Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley.

March 6, 2014. Professional development workshop for graduate students. Moi University, Kenya. Department of Foreign Language and Linguistics.

March 5, 2014. Language Patterns, Vocabulary, and Oral Literature in Luyia Languages. Moi University, Kenya. Department of Foreign Language and Linguistics.

May, 2013. w. Vicki Carstens. The Great Escape: Raising out of finite clauses in Bantu languages. UCLA Linguistics Department.

January, 2013. w. Vicki Carstens. The Great Escape: Raising out of finite clauses in Bantu languages. UCSC Linguistics Department.

Nov 2, 2012. w. Vicki Carstens. Hyper-raising in Bantu. Georgetown University Linguistics Department.

☼October 5, 2012. w. Carmen Fought, Karen Eisenhauer, Kaya LeGrand, Chris Leon, Hannah Walhout. Toward explaining social awkwardness: A linguistic approach to a new empirical domain. University of California, Santa Barbara, in the Language, Interaction, and Social Organization group.

July 25, 2012. w. Vicki Carstens. Raising and Hyper-raising in Bantu. MIT Linguistics Department.

June 24, 2012. w. Vicki Carstens. Raising and Hyper-raising in Bantu. University of Missouri African Linguistics Workshop.

February 16, 2012. Lubukusu Complementizer Agreement and upward-oriented Agree(ment). Cornell University Linguistics Department.

October 21, 2011. with Justine Sikuku. Object Marking as Pronominal Incorporation in Lubukusu. Rutgers University Department of Linguistics.

April 18, 2011. Indirect Agreement: How complementizer agreement in Lubukusu shakes up syntactic theory. California State Fullerton Linguistics Symposium.

April 27, 2010. Lubukusu Complementizer Agreement. Harvard University Linguistics Department.

January 27, 2010. Lubukusu Complementizer Agreement and the Role of Subjects. Pomona College.

December 1, 2009. Typological and Theoretical Implications of Lubukusu Complementizer Agreement. The Center for Advanced Study of Language, University of Maryland.

September 11, 2009. Agreeing with subjects in Lubukusu: Examining complementizer agreement. Moi University in Eldoret, Kenya.

November 21, 2008. Subject extraction and anti-agreement effects in Bukusu: A Criterial Freezing approach. Yale University Linguistics Department.

Unpublished Manuscripts/Projects, probably stalled forever ✨ with a student (or students) from the Claremont Colleges (underlined)

Diercks, Michael. 2019. A Wholesale Late Merger Approach to Clitic Doubling.

<https://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/005551>

✨2014. with Rodrigo Ranero and Mary Paster. One of these things is not like the others: Deriving clitics by movement and Agree.

✨2014. with Carmen Fought, Adam Pearson, Karen Eisenhauer, Kaya LeGrand, Lily Clifford, Hannah Walhout. Awkwardness: A linguistic approach to a new empirical domain.

2011. Against Feature Inheritance: Phase heads are not defined by unvalued phi features.

2011. with Justine Sikuku. The Alternative Agreement Affect in Lubukusu.

Some of these may eventually see the (publication) light of day, others not

General-Audience Lectures

February 15, 2013. Explaining Social Awkwardness. A presentation for students and families at Pomona Family Weekend.

Nov 2, 2012. Explaining Social Awkwardness. A presentation to Pomona alumni in Washington, DC.

Presentations on Teaching and Pedagogy

Oct 24, 2012. Getting the Survey Monkey off your back. A discussion of the use of Qualtrics in classroom settings. Panel member.

April, 2011. Using iClickers in the Classroom. Panel member.

Service

To the field:

2020-present: editor of the incipient Journal of the Language Association of East Africa.

2019-present: Chair of the LaTeX committee with the Association of Contemporary African Linguistics

2019: Founded and hosted the inaugural Southern California Annual Meeting on Syntax.

2013-2016 Associate Editor, *Linguistic Variation*

Ad-hoc reviewer

Journals: *Linguistics, Natural Language & Linguistic Theory, Linguistic Inquiry, The Linguistic Review, Language, Lingua, Linguistic Variation, South African Linguistics and Applied Language Studies*

Grants: *National Science Foundation*

Conferences: *LSA (Linguistic Society of America), ACAL (Annual Conference on African Linguistics), WCCFL (West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics), GLS conference (Georgetown Linguistics Society), NELS (North Eastern Linguistics Society)*

College Service, Pomona College

Many department tenure/promotion review committees

Department Chair, Linguistics and Cognitive Science, January 2019-June 2021

Coordinator of Linguistics, July 2016-present (except for calendar year 2018)

Committee Member, Work-Family Committee, Spring 2019

Department Chair, Linguistics and Cognitive Science, July 2016-December 2017

Search Committee Member, Ling/CogSci, 2016-2017

Search Committee Member, Ling/CogSci, 2015-2016

Academic Procedures Committee, Fall 2014, 2015-2016

Study Abroad Committee, 2011-2013

Reader and interviewer for Fulbright Committee, Fall 2012

Search Committee Member, Ling/CogSci, 2010-2011

Ph.D. dissertation committee work:

External: Ph.D. thesis committee member, Claire Halpert, MIT, 2012

 Ph.D. thesis committee member, Kyle Jerro, University of Texas, 2016

Claremont Colleges Undergraduate Theses (primary advisor):

Pooja Paul (2011), Arianna Schreiber (2012), Alexander Rhodes (2012), Katie Feller (2013), Martha Johnson (2013), Rebekah Cramerus (2013, Meredith Landman primary), Rodrigo Ranero (2014, Meredith Landman primary), Kaya LeGrand (2015), Emma Manning (2015), Meghana Rao (2016), Cliff Mountjoy-Venning (2016), Madeline Bossi (2017), Evan Iliakis (2018), Franco Liu (2020)

Courses Taught

Pomona College:

First year seminars:

Language, Culture, and Human Nature (2010), Explaining Social Awkwardness (2012)

LGCS 10: Introduction to Linguistics

LGCS 105: Syntax (first level)

LGCS 118 (defunct): Principles of Human Interaction

LGCS 118: Morphosyntax

LGCS 125: Linguistic Field Methods

LGCS 183: Topics in Generative Syntax (advanced level)

LGCS 186: Investigating Child Language

Georgetown University

Phonetics, Introduction to Linguistics

Graduate Fellowships and Awards

Teaching Assistantship, Georgetown University Linguistics Department. 2004-2009

Full tuition and stipend.

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellow, Summer Cooperative Summer 2006

African Languages Institute (SCALI), Indiana University.

Full tuition, stipend, and travel stipend.

Conference travel grants amounting to \$4,000 2008-2009

Non-Academic Linguistics Work

Linguistic Consultant, Second Language Testing April 2008

Linguistic Consultant, SIL: Orthography Development February 2007