

NON-PAST, BEFORE COLUMBIA SCHOOL LINGUISTIC SOCIETY

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FELLOWSHIPS

The Society continued its fellowship program for a third year, in which support is provided to students to carry out Columbia School analyses under the direction of a faculty mentor. The fellowships are for \$15,000 and cover a period of one year. The call for applications was widely circulated through direct emails to Society members and through CSLing. The fellowships are supported through special private donations to the Society and are evaluated by a committee of Society members who are appointed by the Executive Committee. For the first time this year, two fellowships were awarded instead of one. Funds for one of the fellowships came from David and Jaseleen Sackler; the other donor remains anonymous.

The recipients this year are **Eduardo Ho-Fernández**, a doctoral student in the Ph.D. Program in Hispanic & Luso-Brazilian Literatures & Languages at the Graduate Center of CUNY and **Lauren Spradlin**, a doctoral student in the Ph.D. Program in Linguistics at the same institution. Ho-Fernández is working with Alan Huffman, and Lauren Spradlin is working with Ricardo Otheguy. The titles of the fellowship projects are:

- **1) Ho-Fernández**: The Semantics of Word Order and Grammatical Change: A study of Spanish argument placement patterns in contact and non-contact settings.
- **2) Spradlin**: Abandoning the System of Degree of Control for the Sake of Increased Precision: A Quantitative Corpus Analysis of Three-participant Events in English

As required by the fellowship, Ho-Fernández and Spradlin have already started presenting their research at the bi-monthly University Seminar. The recipient of two previous fellowships, Nadav Sabar, used the funding in part to work on his dissertation project, which he finished in November 2015. See details on the following pages.

Language: Communication and Human Behavior

The Linguistic Essays of William Diver

Edited by Alan Huffman and Joseph Davis



List Price: \$251.00

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Qualitative-Quantitative Analyses of Dutch and Afrikaans Grammar and Lexicon

By Robert S. Kirsner



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Advances in Functional Linguistics Columbia School Beyond its Origins

Edited by Joseph Davis, Radmila J. Gorup and Nancy Stern



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Edited by Ellen Contini-Morava and Barbara Sussman Goldberg



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Cognitive and Communicative Approaches to Linguistic Analysis

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CONFERENCE 2016

Several preliminary steps have been taken for the preparation of the next conference, but there are as of now few specifics. Anyone interested in helping should contact Joseph Davis.

INSTITUTE

Efforts are underway to organize the next Columbia School of Linguistics Institute at the Universidad Nacional de La Plata, in La Plata, Argentina, where an active group of Columbia School linguists works under the leadership of Angelita Martínez.

After discussions at the last conference, preliminary conversations were held in La Plata between Martínez and Ricardo Otheguy. Following on those conversations, the Society's Executive Committee has asked Jaseleen Ruggles to move the initiative forward. Anyone interested in participating should contact Joss.

UNIVERSITY SEMINARS

Biweekly seminars continue to be held at Columbia University. Presenters this fall have included Bill Carrasco, Eduardo Ho-Fernández, Wallis Reid, Nadav Sabar, Lauren Spradlin, and Nancy Stern.

Email Wallis Reid at wallis.reid@gse.rutgers.edu for dates and information about seminars, which are co-chaired by Radmila Gorup.

PUBLICATIONS

Davis, Joseph. 2015. 'Rule, pattern, and meaning in the second-language teaching of grammar'. *Acta Linguistica Hafniensia* 47.53-75.

Otheguy, Ricardo, Ofelia García, Wallis Reid. 2015. Clarifying translanguaging and deconstructing named languages: A perspective from linguistics. *Applied Linguistics Review* 6.281-307.

Otheguy, Ricardo. 2015. Variationist sociolinguistics and linguistic theory in the context of pronominal perseveration. *Linguistic variation: Confronting fact and theory*, ed. by Rena Torres Cacoullos, Nathalie Dion & André Lapierre. Routledge Publishers, pp. 319-334.

García, Ofelia & Ricardo Otheguy. 2015. Spanish and Hispanic bilingualism. *The Routledge Handbook of Hispanic Applied Linguistics* (Chapter 36), ed. by Manel Lacorte. Routledge Publishers, pp. 639-658.



ELECTION 2015



Following a tie vote including Radmila Gorup, the members of the committee are Joseph Davis, Alan Huffman, Ricardo Otheguy, Jaseleen Ruggles, and Nancy Stern. The members of the new Committee chose Joseph Davis as president. The term of the Committee is for three years..

GOVERNANCE

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NEW PAPERS

There is a group of editors preparing a new volume of papers from the last two conferences. The editorial effort is being led by Nancy Stern. Working with her are Ricardo Otheguy, Wallis Reid, and Jaseleen Sackler. The editors have been busy reviewing abstracts and now first drafts from 12 authors who have submitted contributions.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

The Bibliography is a useful research tool that can be found in the Society's web page at www.csling.org. It lists published works on Columbia School linguistics by Society members and by other scholars doing CS work. The bibliography is divided into sections on papers, single-author books, books containing collections of papers, working papers, dissertations, and MA essays.

PROFESSIONAL NEWS

This section records news about Society members regarding professional and scholarly matters. This newsletter has a new editor. Please forgive any initial lapses. If you're a Society member, please forward your news for this section to Ricardo Otheguy at rotheguy@gc.cuny.edu. It will appear in the next issue.

Tanya Christensen was awarded tenure as of August 2015, and is now Associate Professor in Danish Language at the Department of Nordic Studies and Linguistics at the University of Copenhagen.

Under the leadership of Angelita Martínez, the Maestría en Lingüística at the Universidad Nacional de La Plata in La Plata, Argentina organized in September 2015 a one-week seminar taught by Ricardo Otheguy. The seminar, covering Columbia School

linguistics, was entitled *El* espacio funcional-cognitivo en la teoría lingüística contemporánea and was attended by more than 20 Master's and doctoral students.

Nadav Sabar defended his dissertation successfully in November 2015 in the Ph.D. Program in Linguistics at the Graduate Center of CUNY. The title of his project is *A* meaning hypothesis to explain speakers' choice of the sign look. The dissertation was very well received by his faculty committee and was approved without revisions. During the two years leading up to the defense, Sabar, a fellow of the Society, made several presentations at the University Seminar.

Nancy Stern will present a paper describing a Columbia School analysis, 'A functional account of grammatical number in English reflexive pronouns,' at the January 2016 meeting of the Linguistic Society of America in Washington, DC.

Signal, Meaning and Message: Perspectives on Sign-Based Linguistics

Edited by Wallis Reid, Ricardo Otheguy and Nancy Stern



List Price:

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The Categories of Grammar French *Jui* and *Je*

By Alan Huffman



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DISCUSSION LIST

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