Thirty-First LACUS Forum

University of Illinois at Chicago, July 27 – 31, 2004

Conference Theme: Interconnections

This theme is intended to encourage linguists to think seriously about interconnections not only among all aspects of linguistic structure but also, and especially, between language and everything else in human experience, including art and music and ritual and all cognitive processes. Also included are the use of linguistic tools in other disciplines, and the use of tools such as computers and brain-imaging machines in linguistics, both pure and applied.

Program

The conference is taking place on the 6th floor of the Chicago Circle Center (CCC), i.e. Student Union. All plenary sessions, and the parallel sessions designated “A”, take place in Room 613 CCC; the parallel sessions designated “B” take place in 603 CCC. There is a book exhibit in 611 CCC. Other locations are indicated in the Program.

Participants are requested to turn off all cell phones and beepers before entering the lecture rooms.

Tuesday 27 July

1:00  Board of Directors Meeting 605 CCC
3:00 – 5:00 Conference Registration 605 CCC
3:30 – 5:30 Reception 605 CCC

Opening Session 613 CCC

7:30 Welcoming Remarks
  Adam Makkai/John Rohsenow (UIC)
  Clark Hulse (Executive Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, UIC, and Dean of the Graduate College)
  Sydney Lamb (Rice University; Chair, LACUS Board of Directors)

7:45 Inaugural Lecture: (Chair: David Bennett)

  Klaus-Uwe Panther (University of Hamburg)
  “Metonymic Reasoning Inside and Outside Language”
Wednesday 28 July

8:30 – 9:40, Chair: Lois Stanford, 613 CCC

8:30 Jonathan Webster (City University of Hong Kong)
“The Rhetoric of 9/11: A Text Linguistic Case Study”

Session A (9:00 – 9:40), Chair: Lois Stanford, 613 CCC
Psycholinguistics

9:00 Ellen Thompson (Florida International University) [WITHDRAWN]
“Speech Errors in Main and Auxiliary Verbs: A Cross-Linguistic Analysis”

9:20 Oren Sadeh Leicht (Utrecht University)
“Parsing Performance Reflects Grammatical Competence”

Session B (9:00 – 10:00), Chair: David Bennett, 603 CCC
Discourse Structure; Pragmatics

9:00 Viktoria Jovanović-Krstić (York University)
“Evaluating the Discourse of War”

9:20 Sarah Tsiang (Eastern Kentucky University)
“Patterns of Verb Usage for Perspective-Switching in Sanskrit Narrative”

9:40 Rennie Gonsalves (Brooklyn College)
“Promises and Predictions: A Revised Model Theoretic Approach”

10:00 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00, Chair: Toby Griffen, 613 CCC

10:30 John Hogan (University of Alberta) [WITHDRAWN]
“An Exploratory Cross-Language Study of Phonological Differences between Monomorphemic Nominal and Verbal Elements”

Session A (11:00 – 12:00), Chair: Toby Griffen, 613 CCC
Syntax and Semantics

11:00 John Boyle (University of Chicago)
“Hidatsa NP Coordination”

11:20 Martin Hilpert (Rice University)
“From Causality to Concessivity: The Case of just because”

11:40 Man-ni Chu (National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan)
“The Lexicalization Patterns of Verbs of Hitting in Taiwanese Southern Min”
Wednesday 28 July

Session B (11:00 – 12:00), Chair: Robert Orr, 603 CCC
Sociolinguistics

11:00 Roy Hagman (Trent University)
“The Troubled Interface of Writing and Speech”

11:20 Kyong-Sook Song (Dongeui University, South Korea)
“Politeness in Computer-Mediated Communication”

11:40 Saul Levin (State University of New York at Binghamton)
“Fashions in the Naming of Children”

12:00 – 1:30 Lunch Break

Wednesday Afternoon

1:30 – 4:00, Chair: William Spruiell, 613 CCC

1:30 Victor Yngve (University of Chicago)
“Linguistics without Signs?”

2:00 – 4:00, Chair: William Spruiell, 613 CCC
Second Language Acquisition

2:00 Douglas Coleman (University of Toledo)
“The Nature of Language Learning Input”

2.30 Stephen Straight (Binghamton University – SUNY)
“Linguistics and Foreign Language Learning: The Lessons of ‘Processing Instruction’ for Linguistics”

3:00 – 3:30 Break

3:30 Martha Nyikos (Indiana University)
“Retrieval Networks: Tapping into the Interaction of Cognitive Styles and Learning Strategies”

4:00 Invited Lecture: (Chair: Sydney Lamb)
William Benzon (author of Beethoven’s Anvil: Music in Mind and Culture)
“Music, the Social Mind, and Language”
Thursday 29 July

8:30 – 10:00, Chair: Peter Reich, 613 CCC

8:30 William Sullivan (Uniwersytet Wroclawski and UMCS Lublin)
“The Persistence of a Fiction”

Session A (9:00 – 10:00), Chair: Peter Reich, 613 CCC
Cognitive Linguistics

9:00 Carol Lombard (University of South Africa)
“Metaphors in Computer Networking Terminology: A Cognitive Linguistic Perspective”

9:20 Francisco Santibáñez Sáenz (University of La Rioja) [WITHDRAWN]
“The Metonymic Component of Verbs of Existence”

9:40 Barbara Bacz (Laval University)
“For the Unity of Meaning of the Polish Verbal Prefix za-”

Session B (9:00 – 10:00), Chair: John Hogan, 603 CCC [Chair: A.N. Other]
Philosophy of Linguistics; Phonology-Semantics Interface

9:00 John Colarusso (McMaster University)
“Chomskyan Linguistics as a Science”

9:20 Julius Nyikos (Washington and Jefferson College)
“Continuing Where Sapir Left Off”

9:40 Kuniyoshi Ishikawa (Yale University/Meiji University)
“Focus-Affected Readings of Weak NPs and Information Updating”

10:00 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00, Chair: Angela Della Volpe, 613 CCC

10:30 Carter Cheney and Arle Lommel (Indiana University)
“Writing Social Change: Orthography Reform in Central/Inner Asia”

11:00 – 12:00, Chair: Angela Della Volpe, 613 CCC
History of Linguistics; Cognitive Linguistics

11:00 Casey Sutcliffe (Colgate University)
“Connecting William Dwight Whitney with the Neogrammarians: Maria Whitney’s Trip to Leipzig 1880-1882”
Thursday 29 July

11:20 Nannette Brenner (University of Maryland at College Park)
“Metaphors of Success and Failure in Conventional Warfare and Peacekeeping Operations”

11:40 Nuria Alfaro Martínez (University of La Rioja)

12:00 – 1:30 Lunch Break

Thursday Afternoon

1:30 – 4:00, Chair: Stephen Straight, 613 CCC
CLINICAL LINGUISTICS WORKSHOP

1:30 Review: Neurolinguistic Tests, Neurocognitive Tests, and Neuroimaging
(Elissa Asp, Jessica de Villiers, Jodi Tommerdahl)

1:55 Discourse and Pragmatic Analyses in relation to Neuroimaging and Neurocognitive Tests
(Elissa Asp, Jessica de Villiers, Jodi Tommerdahl)

2:10 Jessica de Villiers (University of British Columbia) and Peter Szatmari (McMaster University)
“Experientially-Based Narration in PDD: A Case Study”

2:25 Jodi Tommerdahl (La Sorbonne, Paris IV), Roger Gil (University Hospital of Poitiers) and Georges Molinié (La Sorbonne, Paris IV)
“New Evidence of Distinct Brain Mechanisms in Human Reasoning: Examining the Deductive/Probabilistic Divide”

2:40 Elissa Asp (Saint Mary’s University, Halifax, NS), Jennifer Klages (Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS) and Kenneth Rockwood (Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS)
“Vascular Dementia and Alzheimer’s Disease: Case Studies of Language and Memory Systems as Evidenced in Discourse and Neuroimaging”

2:55 Initial Discussion

3:00 – 3:30 Break

3:30 Clinical Linguistics Panel Discussion
(Elissa Asp, Jessica de Villiers, Jodi Tommerdahl)

4:00 Invited lecture: (Chair: Stephen Straight)
Michael Silverstein (University of Chicago)
“Cultural Knowledge, Discourse Poetics, and the Performance of Social Relations”
Friday 30 July

8:30 – 10:00, Chair: Barbara Bacz, 613 CCC

8:30 Shin Ja Hwang (Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics and SIL)  
“Hortatory and Persuasive Discourse: A Prototypical Approach”

Session A (9:00 – 10:00), Chair: Barbara Bacz, 613 CCC  
Language and Perception

9:00 Chihiro Kinoshita Thomson and Sumiko Iida (University of New South Wales)  
“Japanese as a Gendered Language: Definition, Perception and Reality”

9:20 Jenny Yi-chun Kuo (National Chiayi University, Taiwan)  
“Representation of Shape by English and Chinese Speakers”

9:40 Alice Yin-Wa Chan (City University of Hong Kong)  
“Investigating Cantonese ESL Learners’ Acquisition of English Final Consonants”

Session B (9:00 – 10:00), Chair: Lilly Chen, 603 CCC  
Discourse Structure

9:00 Jiun-Shiung Hunter Wu (National Chiayi University, Taiwan)  
“Aspectual Influence on Temporal Relations: Evidence from the Perfective Marker le in Mandarin Chinese”

9:20 Midori Shimizu (Kobe Women’s University)  
“Repetition and Regularity in the Language of Fiction”

9:40 Kenneth Turner (University of Brighton, UK)  
“Interconnecting Semantics and Pragmatics”

10:00 – 10:30 Break

10:30–12:00, Chair: David Lockwood, 613 CCC  
WORKSHOP ON THE USE OF ONTOLOGY-ENGINEERING TOOLS IN LINGUISTIC RESEARCH

10:30 Teach-in on Ontology-Modeling of Network Representations using Frame Logic  
(Jonathan Webster)

11:30 Panel Discussion of Ontology-Modeling in Relation to Other Forms of Network Representation  
(Jonathan Webster, Sydney Lamb, Peter Reich)

12:00 – 1:30 Lunch Break
Friday 30 July

Friday Afternoon

1:30 – 4:00, Chair: Marcia Farr, 613 CCC
1:30 Luke van Buuren (Linguavox, Bloemendaal, Netherlands)
“On the Theory, Description and Teaching of Timing in Language”

2:00 – 4:00, Chair: Marcia Farr, 613 CCC
Neurocognitive Perspectives; Multimodality

2:00 Peter Reich (University of Toronto)
“POCs and Clichês and Oddball Constructions, Oh my!”

2:20 William Spruiell (Central Michigan University)
“Intermodal Congruence and Early Transliteracy”

2:40 Nancy Pine (Mount St. Mary’s College)
“Children’s Visual Information-Seeking Behavior in Two Cultures”

3:00 – 3:30 Break

3:30 Inga Dolinina (McMaster University)
“The Conceptual Duality of Distributivity”

4:00 Invited Lecture: (Chair: Stephen Straight)
John Lucy (University of Chicago)
“The Impact of Language Diversity on Thought”
Saturday 31 July

8:50 – 10:00, Chair: Arle Lommel, 613 CCC

8:50 David Lockwood (Michigan State University)
“Hierarchical Accent: Description and Typology”

Session A (9:20 – 10:00), Chair: Arle Lommel, 613 CCC
Phonology and Morphology

9:20 Aya Katz (Inverted-A, Inc.)
“Cycles in Phonology and Morphology”

9:40 Jeanine Ntihirageza (Northeastern Illinois University)
“Morphophonological Adaptations of English and French Words into Kirundi”

Session B (9:20 – 10:00), Chair: William Sullivan, 613 CCC
Generative Grammar

9:20 Gulsat Aygen (Reed College)
“Finiteness at the Syntax-Semantics Interface”

9:40 Michael Putnam and María del Carmen Parafita Couto (University of Kansas)
“Phasal Elasticity” [WITHDRAWN]

10:00 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00, Chair: Shin Ja Hwang, 613 CCC

10:30 Sebastian Shaumyan (Yale University)
“Semiotic Analysis of the Concept ‘Class’ and its Implications for Linguistic Theory”

11:00 – 12:00, Chair: Shin Ja Hwang, 613 CCC
Historical Perspectives

11:00 Toby Griffen (Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville)
“From Art to Writing: The Megalithic Impetus for Ogam Script”

11:20 Arthur Tegelaar (Independent scholar)
“Some Thoughts on the Interrelationship between the Etruscan and Pelasgic Language(s), Exemplified by the ‘Name’ of Jason”

11:40 Robert Orr (Ottawa)
“Family Trees in Historical Linguistics and Evolutionary Biology”
Saturday 31 July

12:30 Presidents’ Luncheon

Nearby restaurant

2:30 Publications Committee Meeting

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6:30 Annual Banquet

Nearby Greek restaurant

6:30 Dinner

7:45 Presidents’ Prizes

8:00 Presidential Address: (Chair: Toby Griffen)

Connie Eble (University of North Carolina)

“Slang and Interconnections”

9:00 Entertainment