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Employment

University of Milano-Bicocca

Postdoctoral Researcher

ERC Synergy: *Realizing Leibniz's Dream: Child Languages as a Mirror of the Mind*, Acquirer group

PIs: Artemis Alexiadou (HU), Maria Teresa Guasti (UniMiB), and Uli Sauerland (ZAS)

Milan, Italy

February 2021 -

Education

Harvard University

Ph.D. in Linguistics

Title: *Polar questions and interrogative particles: a crosslinguistic investigation*

Committee: Gennaro Chierchia (chair), Kathryn Davidson, Anamaria Fălăuș

M.A. in Linguistics

Cambridge, MA

January 2021

Universitat Pompeu Fabra

27th European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information

Barcelona, Spain

2015

Université de Nantes

M.A. in Linguistics (*Summa cum laude*)

B.A. in Linguistics (*Summa cum laude*)

B.S. in Mathematics

Nantes, France

2014

2012

2011

University of Wrocław

European Generative Grammar Summer School in Linguistics

Wrocław, Poland

2013

Presentations

INVITED

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| 2021 | TBD,
Syntax-semantics research group, McGill University, December 3, 2021 | Online |
| 2021 | Polar questions and interrogative particles: the view from Finnish and Turkish,
BIL Seminar, University of Milano-Bicocca, May 19, 2021 | Online |
| 2019 | Free choice in French constituent unconditionals, [with Karoliina Lohiniva]
SynSem Seminar, LLING UMR 6310 CNRS/Université de Nantes, September 20, 2019 | Nantes, France |
| 2019 | Question-Answer Clauses: relation to focus,
NYU Semantics Group, April 26, 2019 | New York City, NY |
| 2019 | Free choice in French constituent unconditionals, [with Karoliina Lohiniva]
New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, March 11, 2019 | New York City, NY |
| 2018 | On embedded question-answer pairs,
SynSem Seminar, LLING UMR 6310 CNRS/Université de Nantes, December 4, 2018 | Nantes, France |

2014 **Negative coordination in French: single *ni* vs. double *ni*,** Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, June 11, 2014 *Göttingen, Germany*

PEER-REVIEWED

- 2021 **How children ask questions across languages,** [with K. Yatsushiro (1st author), C. Dal Farra, J. Hein, S. Silleresi, A. Avellana, A. Huang, J. Ilori, G. Gayathri, L. Pintér, M. Guasti and U. Sauerland], 46th Boston University Conference on Language Development (BUCLD), Boston University, November 4-7, 2021 *Online*
- 2021 **Presuppositions in polar questions,** [poster] 31st Semantics and Linguistic Theory Conference (SALT), Brown University, May 7-9, 2021 *Online*
- 2021 **Two types of presuppositions in polar questions,** Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW) 44, GLOW Board, April 15-17 2021 *Online*
- 2021 **Expletive negation and negative polarity: the view from Québec French,** [with Justin Royer] DGfS2021 - Workshop *Empirical approaches to canonical and non-canonical uses of negation*, University of Freiburg, February 24-26, 2021 *Online*
- 2020 **“Expletive negation” as a decomposed NPI in Québec French,** [with Justin Royer] *Going Romance* 34, Université Paris 8 / CNRS, November 25-27, 2020 *Online*
- 2020 **Free Choice in Constituent Unconditionals: Evidence from French,** [with Karoliina Lohiniva] *Sensus* 2020, UMass, April 18-19, 2020 September 26-27, 2020 *Online*
- 2019 **The syntax and semantics of French constituent unconditionals,** [poster, with Karoliina Lohiniva] CSSP 2019, Université Paris 8 / CNRS, October 2-4, 2019 *Paris, France*
- 2019 **A Compositional Semantics for Free Choice Constituent Unconditionals,** [poster, with Karoliina Lohiniva] *Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB)* 24, Osnabrück University, September 4-7, 2019 *Osnabrück, Germany*
- 2019 **French constituent unconditionals relativize a free choice item,** [with Karoliina Lohiniva] 49th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL), University of Georgia, May 1-4, 2019 *Athens, GA*
- 2018 **Answering negative questions in American Sign Language,** [with Kate Henninger & Kathryn Davidson] RALFe 2018, Université Paris 8 / CNRS, December 6-7, 2018 *Paris, France*
- 2018 **Answering negative questions in American Sign Language,** [with Kate Henninger & Kathryn Davidson] 49th North East Linguistic Society (NELS), Cornell University, October 5-7, 2018 *Ithaca, NY*
- 2018 **Countability distinctions without linguistic cues,** [poster] ConSOLE 2018, UCL, February 14-16, 2018 *London, UK*
- 2017 **Bare nominals in French and Romanian,** [with Teodora Mihoc] 47th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL), University of Delaware, April 20-23, 2017 *Newark, DE*
- 2016 **A morpho-semantic decomposition of French *le moindre* into *even+superlative*,** [with Sophie Moracchini] 46th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL), Stony Brook University, March 31- April 3, 2016 *Stony Brook, NY*
- 2015 **Negative coordination in French,** ESSLLI 2015 - Student Session, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, August 3-14, 2015 *Barcelona, Spain*
- 2015 **Negative coordination in Spanish vs. French,** [with Elizabeth Heredia Murillo & Hamida Demirdache], VII Encuentro de Gramática Generativa (EGG), July 29-31, 2015 *Buenos Aires, Argentina*
- 2014 **Negative coordination: *ni* vs. *ni...ni* in French,** [with Hamida Demirdache] 44th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL), Western University, May 2-4, 2014 *London, Canada*
- 2013 **Negative Coordination: NPI *ni* & *n-word ni même* in French,** SinFonJA 6, University of Niš, September 26-28, 2013 *Niš, Serbia*

OTHER

- 2018 **Embedded question-answer pairs in American Sign Language and Korean**,
LingedIn, Harvard University, November 26, 2018 Cambridge, MA
- 2018 **Answering negative questions in American Sign Language**, [with Kate Henninger]
Meaning & Modality Lab, Harvard University, May 8, 2018 Cambridge, MA
- 2017 **Bare nominals in French and Romanian**, [with Teodora Mihoc]
Meaning & Modality Lab, Harvard University, April 11, 2017 Cambridge, MA
- 2017 **Mass-count distinction without linguistic cues**,
Meaning & Modality Lab, Harvard University, March 28, 2017 Cambridge, MA
- 2016 **A morpho-semantic decomposition of French *le moindre* into *even+superlative***, [with Sophie Moracchini]
LingedIn, Harvard University, March 23, 2016 Cambridge, MA
- 2015 **Morphologically complex expressions: analyzing *le moindre* as superlative+*even***, [with Sophie Moracchini], SNEWS, Harvard University, November 21, 2015 Cambridge, MA
- 2015 **Negative Concord in Georgian**,
ECO-5, Harvard University, April 11, 2015 Cambridge, MA
- 2014 **Probing the construal of anaphors in child: A pilot study with the focus particle *seulement***, [with Sophie Moracchini, Jiyoung Choi, Natasa Knezevic & Hamida Demirdache], 1st Groningen-Nantes Van Gogh Workshop on the Acquisition of Syntax & Semantics, University of Groningen, June 31- July 1, 2014 Groningen
Netherlands

Publications

JOURNAL PAPERS

- Under review **Residue of Universality**, Submitted to *Journal of Semantics*; current decision: revise and resubmit.
- Accepted **An expletive negation unlike any other in Québec French: Exploring a ‘complex NPI’ analysis**, [with Justin Royer], Accepted with revisions in *Isogloss*.
- 2020 **Exclusivity in Unconditionals**, [with Karoliina Lohiniva], *Snippets* 39: 1-2.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Accepted **French constituent unconditionals relativize a free choice item**, [with Karoliina Lohiniva], Submitted to *Theory, data, and practice: Selected papers from the 49th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Language*.

PROCEEDINGS PAPERS

- 2020 **A Compositional Semantics for Free Choice Constituent Unconditionals**, [with Karoliina Lohiniva] in M. Franke, N. Kompa, M. Liu, J. Mueller, and J. Schwab (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 24. 1, 223-241.
- 2019 **Answering negative questions in American Sign Language**, [with Kate Henninger & Kathryn Davidson] in M. Baird and J. Pesetsky (eds.), *NELS 49: Proceedings of the Forty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society*. 2, 31-44.
- 2018 **Countability distinctions without linguistic cues**, in A. van Alem, A. Ionova and C. Pots (eds.), *ConSOLE XXVI: Proceedings of the 26th Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe*, 99-115.

2015 **Negative coordination in French,**
in M. Kaeshammer and P. Schulz (eds.), *Proceedings of the ESSLLI 2015 Student Session*, 66-76.

OTHER

2019 **A Guide to Writing a Senior Thesis in Linguistics,** [with Yuyin He & Julia Sturm], Harvard Writing Center.

Accepted **A neo-Carlsonian approach to bare plural nominals in Romanian and French,** [with Teodora Mihoc]
in J. Sturm (ed.), *Harvard Working Papers in Linguistics*.

Teaching

AS INSTRUCTOR

Harvard University

Experimental Methods in Linguistics

A beginner's introduction to experiments [with Teodora Mihoc]

Cambridge, MA

Fall 2017

April 25, 2017

Université de Nantes

Semantics & Pragmatics [with Lucas Tual]

Nantes, France

Spring 2014

AS TEACHING ASSISTANT

Harvard University

Knowledge of Meaning (undergraduate level semantics, Instructor: Gennaro Chierchia)

Language, Structure & Cognition, Head TA (undergraduate intro course, Instructor: Kathryn Davidson)

Knowledge of Meaning (undergraduate level semantics, Instructor: Yimei Xiang)

Language, Structure & Cognition (undergraduate intro course, Instructor: Kathryn Davidson)

Cambridge, MA

Spring 2018

Fall 2017

Spring 2017

Fall 2016

Grants and Awards

RESEARCH & TRAVEL

Harvard University

GSAS Dissertation Completion Fellowship

Cambridge, MA

2019-2020

University of Georgia

LSRL 49 Graduate Student Award

Athens, GA

2019

Harvard University

Graduate Student Council Conference Grant

Institute for Quantitative Social Science Conference Travel Grant

Cambridge, MA

2018

2018

Université de Nantes

Merit-based scholarship

Nantes, France

2012-2014

TEACHING

Harvard University

Derek C. Bok Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching of Undergraduates, Nominee	Cambridge, MA	2019
Harvard Bok Center Graduate Pedagogy Fellowship		2018-2019
Harvard Bok Center Certificate of Distinction in Teaching for <i>Knowledge of Meaning</i>		2018
Harvard Bok Center Certificate of Distinction in Teaching for <i>Language, Structure & Cognition</i>		2018
Harvard Bok Center Certificate of Distinction in Teaching for <i>Knowledge of Meaning</i>		2017

Service and Experience

REVIEWING

SALT (2022), NELS (2021), Sensus (2020-), TFL-Nantes (2019), ESSLLI student session (2017)		Abstracts
Proceedings of ConSOLE XXVI (2018), Proceedings of SinFonJA 6 (2014)		Proceedings
Topics in Linguistics		Journal

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

Boston University

Student Volunteer at BUCLD 42	Boston, MA	November 4, 2017
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Harvard University

Co-organizer of Southern New England Workshop in Semantics	Cambridge, MA	November 21, 2015
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RESEARCH POSITIONS

Harvard University

Lab Manager, Meaning and Modality Lab (PI: Kathryn Davidson)	Cambridge, MA	2018-2019
Research Assistant, Meaning and Modality Lab (PI: Kathryn Davidson)		Spring 2018
Lab Manager, Meaning and Modality Lab (PI: Kathryn Davidson)		2016-2017

Université de Nantes

Collaborator on the Van Gogh project, <i>A crosslinguistic perspective on children's acquisition of Grammar-Meaning interfaces</i> , (PIs: Hamida Demirdache & Angeliek van Hout)	Nantes, France	2014
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STUDENT POSITIONS

Harvard University

Member of Admitted Students Welcome Committee	Cambridge, MA	2018-2019
Co-organizer of the LingedIn Workshop		2016-2017
President of Harvard Graduate Students in Linguistics		2016-2017
Member of Harvard Graduate Students in Linguistics		2014-2017
Co-organizer of Harvard Linguistic Circle Colloquium Series		2015-2016

Miscellaneous

AFFILIATIONS

University of Milano-Bicocca

BILGroup	Milan, Italy	2021-
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Harvard University

Meaning and Modality Lab (PI: Kathryn Davidson)

Institute for Quantitative Social Science

Cambridge, MA

2015-2021

2018-2021

TECHNICAL SKILLS

TeX, R, Python, Praat, Qualtrics, Labvanced

LANGUAGES

French (native), English (fluent), Spanish (heritage), ASL (beginner), LSF (beginner), Georgian (fieldwork)