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Affiliation

PhD program in Linguistics,

Department of Linguistics at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Education

2013-present: PhD in Linguistics, Rutgers University, New Jersey, USA

2011-2013: MA in Linguistics, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan

2009-2010: Exchange student, University of Sheffield, Sheffield, UK

2006-2011: BA in Education, University of the Ryukyus, Okinawa, Japan

Research Interests

Syntactic Theory, Comparative Syntax, Phonology, Endangered Languages, Japanese Syntax, Ryukyuan Languages,

Fellowships and Scholarship

2016 Mellon Summer Research Grant, Rutgers University

2014-2015 Graduate School Fellowship, Rutgers University

2013-2015 Fulbright Scholarship

2011-2013 Nakamura Sekizenkai scholarship

2012 Sophia University Tuition Support Scholarship

2011 Sophia Type II Scholarship

2009-2010 JASSO scholarship for exchange students

Publications

To app Agree by Minimal Search: A Case Study of the Antiagreement Effect. In *The Proceedings of Chicago Linguistic Society* 52.

2017 An Intervention Approach to Antiagreement. In *The Proceedings of the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics* 34.

2016 Wh-Concord in Okinawan = Syntactic Movement + Morphological Merger. In *University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics*: Vol. 22: Iss. 1, Article 20 (with Yohei Oseki).

- 2015 A Probe-Goal Approach to Impoverished Agreement. In *Proceedings of Seoul International Circle of Generative Grammar 17 (SICOGG 17)*.
- 2012 Dative Subject and Nominative Object Constructions in Naha Ryukyuan. *Linguistic Society of Japan 145th Conference Handbook*. 220-225.
- 2012 Moraicity of Geminates of Shuri Ryukyuan in Ryuuka (Okinawan Poetry) [in Japanese]. *Sophia University Working Papers in Phonetics*. 35-47.
- 2011 Grammatical Properties Which Restrict Scrambling; A Typological Sketch [in Japanese]. *Proceedings of Sophia University Linguistic Society 26*. 1-18.

Unpublished Manuscripts

- 2015 *A Probe-Goal Approach to Impoverished Agreement*. Qualifying paper submitted to Department of Linguistics, Rutgers University.
- 2013 *A Particle-based Analysis of Okinawan WH-questions and its Implications on Focus and Topic Constructions*. Master thesis submitted to Sophia University.

Presentations (Refereed)

- 2017 "The wh-wa question in Japanese - Topicalized wh and destressed focus". The 13th Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics (WAFL 13). International Christian University, Tokyo, May 25 - 28.
- 2017 "Antiagreement in Berber and theory of agreement". 48th Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL 48). Indiana University Bloomington, March 30 - April 2.
- 2016 "A Probe-Goal Approach to Antiagreement and A'-opacity". The West Coast Conference of Formal Linguistics 34, at University of Utah, Salt Lake City. April 29-May 1.
- 2016 "Antiagreement as Intervention". The 52nd Annual Conference of the Chicago Linguistics Society (CLS 52). Chicago University, Chicago. April 21-23.
- 2015 "A Probe-Goal Approach to Impoverished Agreement". Seoul International Circle of Generative Grammar 17, at Kyung Hee University, Seoul. August 5-8.
- 2015 "Wh-Concord = Syntactic Movement + Morphological Merger". The 39th Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC 39), at University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania (with Yohei Oseki). March 20-22.
- 2013 "Shortening of Initial Geminates and Long Vowels Shuri Okinawan Poetry". International Conference on Phonetics and Phonology 2013 (ICPP 2013), NINJAL, Tokyo. January 25-27.
- 2012 "Dative Subject and Nominative Object Constructions in Naha Ryukyuan".

Linguistic Society of Japan 145th Conference, Kyusyu University, Fukuoka.
November 24-25.

- 2011 “Head-Parameter and Locality of Optional Movement”. The 26th Annual Meeting of the Sophia University Linguistic Society, Sophia University, Tokyo. July 30.

Presentations (Non-refereed)

- 2015 “A Probe-Goal Approach to Impoverished Agreement”. RULing X. Rutgers University, at New Jersey. May 2.
- 2014 “Okinawan Interrogatives and Focus Constructions”. RULing IX, at Rutgers University, New Jersey. April 12.

Teaching

- 2018 Instructor: Rutgers University, Introduction to Linguistic Theory (Spring)
- 2017 Instructor: Rutgers University, Introduction to Linguistic Theory (Fall)
- 2016 Instructor: Rutgers University, Introduction to Linguistic Theory. (Spring)
- 2015 Teaching Assistant: Rutgers University, Introduction to Linguistic Theory with Dr. Paula Houghton (Fall)

Other Academic Activities

- 2013 participated in Documentary Linguistics Workshop (DocLing) at Research Institute of Languages and Cultures in Asia and Africa, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Tokyo. (February 11 – 16)

Languages

Japanese (native), English (fluent), Naha Okinawan (intermediate)

Qualifications

- Elementary, junior high (English) and high (English) school teacher license in Japan
- Hazardous Materials Officer in Japan (Type 4)
- Coffee instructor (authorized by Japan Coffee Qualification Authority)