

Georgetown University Roundtable on Languages and Linguistics (GURT) 2007
Little Words: Their History, Phonology, Syntax, Semantics, Pragmatics, and Acquisition

Thursday, March 8, 2007 GURT 2007 Conference Schedule

12:00-5:00	Registration
5:00-5:15	Welcoming Remarks, Bunn Intercultural Center (ICC) Auditorium – Prof. Alfonso Morales-Front, Chair of the Department of Spanish and Portuguese
5:15-6:15	Plenary Address, Bunn Intercultural Center (ICC) Auditorium - Prof. Kai von Fintel, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. <i>“‘If’: The biggest little word”</i>
6:15-7:30	ICC Galleria - Opening Reception

Friday, March 9, 2007 GURT 2007 Conference Schedule

8:30-9:00	Continental Breakfast (ICC Galleria)		
9:00-10:00	Plenary Address, Bunn Intercultural Center (ICC) Auditorium - Prof. Thomas D. Cravens, University of Wisconsin-Madison, <i>“Little words: Where they come from and where they go”</i>		
10:00-10:15	Coffee Break (ICC Galleria)		
10:15-12:15	ICC 103, Session A Chair: Michael Ferreira	ICC 107, Session B Chair: Mark Shea	ICC 108, Session C Chair: Ashley Fidler
10:15-10:45	Maire Noonan McGill University <i>“Little big ‘da”</i>	Nattama Pongpairoj University of York <i>“Are L2 English article choices UG-regulated?”</i>	Stefan Kaufmann Northwestern University Misa Miyachi University of Chicago <i>“Case marking and the modal dimension of temporal expressions”</i>
10:45-11:15	Ana C. P. Bastos University of Connecticut <i>“Ethical pronouns in Brazilian Portuguese”</i>	Natalie Batmanian Hunter College, CUNY Virginia Valian Hunter College, CUNY Susan Sayehli Lund University <i>“Inclusion of auxiliaries by beginning learners”</i>	Michael F. Thomas University of Colorado, Boulder <i>“Tense, aspect and adjuncts: An analysis of ‘By’ temporal adjuncts”</i>
11:15-11:45	Adolfo Ausin Michigan State University <i>“Spanish clitics, Binding and UG”</i>	Marta Tecedor Cabrero University of Iowa <i>“Clitics in the initial state of English-Spanish interlanguage”</i>	

11:45-12:15	Alejandra González-Pérez The Ohio State University <i>"The evolution of the pronoun 'le' and the preposition 'a' in Spanish: A diachronic analysis"</i>	Joel Walters Bar-Ilan University Carmit Atman Bar-Ilan University Zhanna Feldman-Burstein Bar-Ilan University Olga Gupol Bar-Ilan University <i>"Frequency, function and appropriateness of discourse markers in second language acquisition"</i>	
12:15-2:00	Lunch		
1:00-3:00	Poster Session A (ICC Galleria)*		
2:00-4:00	ICC 103, Session D Chair: Francisco Fernández-Rubiera	ICC 107, Session E Chair: Cristina Sanz	ICC 108 – Colloquium: The role of "little words" in agrammatism Organizers: JungMoon Hyun CUNY – Graduate Center Loraine K. Obler CUNY – Graduate Center
2:00-2:30	Hamid Ouali University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee <i>"The syntax of object clitics in Berber"</i>	Jorge Aguilar- Sánchez Department of Spanish and Portuguese, Indiana University, Bloomington <i>"A new approach to the study of the acquisition of pragmatic competence: The case of Spanish tú and usted"</i>	Loraine K. Obler CUNY – Graduate Center Mira Goral Erika Levy Eyal Cohen <i>"Little-word problems in a second language"</i>
2:30-3:00	Andrea Stiasny University of Michigan & Oakland University <i>"Clitic placement in Croatian and Spanish"</i>	Piibi-Kai Kivik Indiana University, Bloomington <i>"Estonian see 'this/that/it' in second language acquisition"</i>	Seija Pekkala University of Helsinki <i>"Little words in Finnish agrammatism"</i>
3:00-3:30	Luis Saez Universidad Complutense de Madrid <i>"Applicative phrases hosting accusative clitics"</i>	Julieta Saad Alos Heriot Watt University <i>"The explicit use of discourse markers in Arabic"</i>	Barbara O'Connor CUNY – Graduate Center <i>"Production of the copula verbs be, ser and estar in Spanish-English bilingual speakers with agrammatic aphasia"</i>
3:30-4:00			Sethu Karthikeyan CUNY – Graduate Center Hia Datta <i>"Agrammatism in Kannada"</i> JungMoon Hyun CUNY – Graduate Center <i>"Function words impairment in Chinese"</i> Martin R. Gitterman CUNY – Graduate Center Loraine K. Obler CUNY – Graduate Center <i>"Little words, agrammatism, and the difference/disorder distinction"</i>
4:00-4:15	Coffee Break (ICC 1st floor)		

4:15-6:15	ICC 103, Session G Chair: John Beavers	ICC 107, Session H Chair: Tom Walsh	ICC 108, Session I Chair: Christine Varoutsos
4:15-4:45	Hui-Chin Tsai National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan <i>"Additive adverbs and coordinators in Chinese: A case study of Ye 'also', Erqie 'and' and He 'and'"</i>	Jesso Elana Aaron University of Florida Esther Brown University of Colorado at Boulder <i>"¡Ojala fuera asina!: Asi-asina variation in sociohistorical perspective"</i>	Kaoru Amino Kyusyu University <i>"The pragmatic usage of contrastive connectives as Turn-Taking strategies in Japanese conversation"</i>
4:45-5:15	Teresa Lee University of Virginia <i>"The resultative marker -key and a case alternation"</i>	Osamu Ishiyama University at Buffalo – SUNY <i>"Pathways to personal pronouns in Japanese"</i>	Lawrence Williams University of North Texas <i>"Pragmatic variation of French second person pronouns in online advertising"</i>
5:15-5:45	Minjeong Son CASTL & University of Tromsø <i>"Event composition of directed motion in Korean and English"</i>	Juhani Rudanko University of Tampere <i>"The little word 'to' as a key to recent grammatical change"</i>	Stephanie Pellet Wake Forest University <i>"The pragmatics of French discourse markers donc and alors"</i>
5:45-6:15	Jong Un Park Georgetown University <i>"Distributivity effects of the plural marker -tul in Korean"</i>	Jessica Robles University of San Francisco <i>"Quotative like: Diffusion, grammaticalization and social usefulness"</i>	Lourdes Torres DePaul University Kim Potowski University of Illinois, Chicago <i>"Bilingual discourse markers in Chicago Spanish"</i>
6:15-6:30	Break		
6:30-7:30	Plenary Address, Bunn Intercultural Center (ICC) Auditorium - Prof. Claire Lefebvre, Université du Québec à Montréal, <i>"Saramaccan taa, a small word with several functions"</i>		
7:30-9:00	ICC Galleria - Reception		

Saturday, March 10, 2007 GURT 2007 Conference Schedule

8:30-9:00	Continental Breakfast (ICC Galleria)
9:00-10:00	Plenary Address, Bunn Intercultural Center (ICC) Auditorium - Prof. Katherine Demuth, Brown University, <i>"Phonology-syntax interactions in acquisition"</i>
10:00-10:15	Coffee Break (ICC Galleria)

10:15-12:15	ICC 103, Session J Chair: Io-Kei Joaquim Kuong	ICC 107, Session K Chair: Dominik Rus	ICC 108, Session L Chair: Alexis Allen
10:15-10:45	Jaeshil Kim University of California, Irvine Mary Louise Kean University of California, Irvine <i>"Little but multi-functional words: Classifiers"</i>	Cristina D. Dye Georgetown University <i>"A continuum in children's phonetic realizations of auxiliaries: Evidence from a new French corpus"</i>	Kristin J. Van Engen Northwestern University <i>"Coordinated pronoun variation in American English"</i>
10:45-11:15	Kaori Furuya CUNY – Graduate Center <i>"Pro determiner hypothesis"</i>	Mary Louise Kean University of California – Irvine Yi-Min Tien Chung Shan Medical University, Taichung, Taiwan Andrew Chen University of California – Irvine <i>"Classifier mastery in a sparse linguistic environment"</i>	Bin Li City University of Hong Kong <i>"Discourse functions of Mandarin utterance final particle NE in comparison with A"</i>
11:15-11:45	Inma Taboada Georgetown University & University of Illinois at Chicago <i>"[± deictic] demonstratives in Spanish: A difference in meaning and in structure"</i>	Yarden Kedar Cornell University <i>"What do little children know about little words? 12-month-old infants consult determiners in their grammatical processing of sentences"</i>	Galina Bolden Rutgers University <i>"So congratulations!": The discourse marker "so" in American English conversation"</i>
11:45-12:15	Heather Lee Taylor University of Maryland, College Park <i>"The complementizer "the""</i>	Tanja Kupisch University of Calgary Neal Snape University of Calgary Ute Bohnacker Lund University Merete Anderssen <i>"Cross-linguistic variation in the acquisition of "Germanic" articles"</i>	Yuh-Huey Lin National Sun Yat-sen University <i>"Variability in speech act intensifications"</i>
12:15-2:00	Lunch		
1:00-3:00	Poster Session B (ICC Galleria)**		
2:00-4:00	ICC 103, Session M Chair: Raffaella Zanuttini	ICC 107, Session N Chair: Shelley Harris	ICC 108, Session O Chair: Ronald Leow
2:00-2:30	Ji-Young Shim CUNY – Graduate Center <i>"Get' it? 'Got' it!"</i>	John Beavers Georgetown University <i>"Predicting argument realization from preposition semantics"</i>	Melissa Bowles University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Silvina Montrul University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign <i>"Explicit instruction and the L2 acquisition of Differential Object Marking in Spanish"</i>
2:30-3:00	Joanna Nykiel University of Silesia, Poland <i>"A development in the "E" property of auxiliaries: Some observations about the history of Verb Phrase ellipsis"</i>	Russell Lee-Goldman UC Berkeley <i>"The relative proform "as""</i>	Maria J. de la Fuente George Washington University <i>"The role of pedagogical tasks and focus on form on acquisition of discourse markers by advanced learners of Spanish"</i>

3:00-3:30	Christopher Becker University of Michigan <i>"A probe-goal account of case and agreement features in Russian copular structures"</i>	Christopher Davis University of Massachusetts, Amherst <i>"The Japanese particle yo: a lexicalized modifier of sentential strength"</i>	Lauren Ross-Feldman Georgetown University Ana María Nuevo Georgetown University and Carlos Rosario Public Charter School Rebecca Adams Victoria University of Wellington <i>"Learner-learner interaction and the development of locative prepositions"</i>
3:30-4:00	Karine Megerdooian The MITRE Corporation <i>"The auxiliary clitic and sentential stress in Eastern Armenian"</i>	Nicholas Gaylord University of Texas, Austin <i>"The effects of a result state on auxiliary selection"</i>	
4:00-4:15	Coffee Break (1st floor)		
4:15-6:15	ICC 103, Session P Chair: Inma Taboada	ICC 107, Session Q Chair: Kassem Wahba	ICC 108, Session R Chair: Natalia Jacobsen
4:15-4:45	Yasuhiro Sasahira University of Wisconsin – Madison <i>"The negative morpheme "Na" as a universal adjective"</i>	Karin Ryding Georgetown University <i>"Arabic prepositions in space and time"</i>	Donna L. Lillian East Carolina University <i>"Token resistance: 'Ms'. through three decades of feminist struggle"</i>
4:45-5:15	Remus Gergel Universität Tübingen <i>"The little DE of degree constructions"</i>	Heather Littlefield Northeastern University <i>"Figuring out English prepositions, particles, and prepositional adverbs: A fine-grained approach to the prepositional domain"</i>	Laura Alba Juez Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia <i>"Little words' in small talk: Some considerations on the use of pragmatic markers 'man' in English and 'macho/tio' in Peninsular Spanish"</i>
5:15-5:45	Alberto Pastor Southern Methodist University <i>"Spanish "poco" and the split analysis of gradable adjectives"</i>	Ridwan Wahid University of New South Wales <i>"The nativization of 'the'"</i>	Sigrun Biesenbach-Lucas Georgetown University <i>"Little words that could ... impact one's impression on others: Greetings and closings in institutional emails"</i>
5:45-6:15	Justin Kelly Georgetown University <i>"The non-NPI use of 'yet': Effects on aspect and clausal structure"</i>		Leslie Cochrane Georgetown University <i>"Be + like: A pragmatic approach to the quotative"</i>
6:15-6:30	Break		
6:30-6:45	Student Awards Ceremony, Bunn Intercultural Center (ICC) Auditorium		
6:45-7:45	Plenary Address, Bunn Intercultural Center (ICC) Auditorium - Prof. Jonathan D. Bobaljik, University of Connecticut, <i>"Comparative suppletion: 'Least' has more"</i>		

Sunday, March 11, 2007 GURT 2007 Conference Schedule ****Daylight Saving Time starts today****

8:30-9:00	Continental Breakfast (ICC Galleria)		
9:00-11:00	ICC 103, Session S Chair: Kara Morgan-Short	ICC 107, Session T Chair: Jeff Parrott	ICC 108, Session U Chair: Alfonso Morales-Front
9:00-9:30	<p>John Drury School of Communication Sciences and Disorders, McGill University</p> <p>Karsten Steinhauer School of Communication Sciences & Disorders, McGill University</p> <p>Roumyana Pancheva Departments of Linguistics/Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of Southern California</p> <p>Paul Portner Department of Linguistics, Georgetown University</p> <p>Matthew Walenski Department of Psychology, University of California, San Diego</p> <p>Michael T. Ullman Department of Neuroscience, Georgetown University <i>"Function words and logical semantic anomaly in the temporal dynamics of language comprehension: ERP evidence"</i></p>	<p>Agnieszka Lazarczyk University of Southern California</p> <p>Roumyana Pancheva University of Southern California <i>"The history of Slavic 'both'"</i></p>	<p>Natalia Jacobsen Georgetown University <i>"Phonology of hesitation markers across languages"</i></p>
9:30-10:00	<p>Ljiljana Progovac Wayne State University <i>"What is there when little words are not there: Possible implications for evolutionary studies"</i></p>	<p>Lisa M. Noetzel Washington College <i>"Latin vadere/ire going, going, gone ... to the future"</i></p>	<p>Glyne Piggott McGill University <i>"Phonological cliticization: Evidence from the phonology and morphology of Ojibwa pronominal prefixes"</i></p>
10:00-10:30		<p>Takashi Nakajima Toyama Prefectural University <i>"Root derivations on verbal nouns and their argument realization"</i></p>	<p>Loren A. Billings National Chi Nan University <i>"Clitic pronouns in Central Philippine languages: How and perhaps why prosodic weight should determine their relative order"</i></p>
10:30-11:00		<p>Hitoshi Horiuchi Brown University <i>"Extended heads and compound-internal phrases in Japanese"</i></p>	<p>Carol Lord California State University Long Beach</p> <p>Robert Berdan California State University Long Beach</p> <p>Michael Fender California State University Long Beach <i>"Distinguishing function words from content words in children's oral reading"</i></p>

***Poster Session A (Friday, March 9, 1:00-3:00 pm) - ICC Galleria**

Mohammad Anani, University of Jordan, *"Backchannel signals in Jordanian Arabic"*

Jessica Cancila and **Stefania Giannini**, Università per Stranieri di Perugia, *"Acquisition of Italian clitics by English adult learners"*

Minta Marie Elsmann and **Eric Holt**, University of South Carolina, *"An OT analysis of preposition + article contraction (and leveling) in medieval Castile"*

Yunkyoung Kang, Georgetown University, *"Categorization and cognition: Noun classifiers in Korean"*

Mehrnoush Larimi and **Ahmad Moinzadeh**, University of Isfahan, *"An investigation of "word-order" parameter similarity across first and third languages: A study on attributive adjectives in Mazandarani L1 and English L3 Noun Phrases"*

Yuh-Huey Lin, National Sun Yat-sen University, *"Preparatory modals: Cross-linguistic and cross-situational variations in request modification"*

Ivan Ortega-Santos, University of Maryland at College Park, *"On expletives and checking relations"*

Lisa Rochman, Ben Gurion University, *"On floating quantifier placement: A phonological approach"*

Irene Theodoropoulou, King's College London, *"The use of interjections in comics"*

Omar Velazquez-Mendoza and **Raul Aranovich**, University of California Davis, *"Personal a and "antidative" in Spanish"*

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Zhiguo Xie, Cornell University, *"The semantics of de as a modal in Mandarin"*