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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Language documentation, description, and revitalization; conceptualization of space in language, culture, and cognition; linguistic typology; multimodality; Wao Terero and other languages of Amazonia.

EDUCATION

- Exp. 2024 Ph.D. Linguistics. **University of California, Santa Barbara**
Dissertation: *Encoding Space, Place, and Landscape in Wao Terero*
Committee: Marianne Mithun (Chair), Bernard Comrie, Lina Hou, Niclas Burenhult
- 2018 M.A. Linguistics. **University of California, Santa Barbara**
Thesis: *Ideophone Integration and Expressiveness in Wao Terero*
Committee: Marianne Mithun (Chair), Matthew Gordon, Eric W. Campbell
- 2012 B.A. Linguistics, Anthropology. **Bryn Mawr College**
Magna Cum Laude
Thesis: *Documenting Language, Culture, and Cognition: Language and Space among the Waorani*
Committee: Amanda Weidman, Ted Fernald (Swarthmore College)
- 2011 Area Studies and Language Program. **IES Abroad & Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador**

PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 Bucholtz, Mary, Eric W. Campbell, Teresa Cevallos, Veronica Cruz, Alexia Fawcett, Bethany Guerrero, Katie Lydon, Gabriel Mendoza, Simon L. Peters, and Griselda Reyes Basurto. "Researcher positionality in linguistics: Lessons from undergraduate experiences in community-centered collaborative research." *Language and Linguistics Compass*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/lnc3.12495>
- 2023 "Wao Terero" In Patience Epps & Lev Michael (eds.). *Amaonian Languages: An International Handbook, Language Isolates II: Kanoé to Yurakaré*, Boston: De Gruyter Mouton. <https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110432732-014>
- 2021 Genetti, Carol, Kristine Hildebrandt, Nathaniel A. Sims & Alexia Z. Fawcett. "Direction and Associated Motion in Tibeto-Burman" *Linguistic Typology* 25(2). 345-388. <https://doi.org/10.1515/lingty-2020-2064>

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- 2023 Wallace Chafe and Marianne Mithun Fund for Research on Understudied Languages, **UC Santa Barbara, Department of Linguistics**
- 2022 Glottobank Grant, **Endangered Languages Documentation Programme & Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Department of Linguistic and Cultural Evolution**
- 2021 Humanities and Social Sciences Research Grant, **UC Santa Barbara**
- 2020 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, **Florida International University, Kimberly Green Latin American and Caribbean Center (LACC)**
- 2018 Wallace Chafe and Marianne Mithun Fund for Research on Understudied Languages, **UC Santa Barbara, Department of Linguistics**

- 2018 Non-Academic Research Internship for Graduate Students (INTERN), **National Science Foundation**
- 2018 Travel Award, **Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas**
- 2016-20 Graduate Research Fellowship, **National Science Foundation**
- 2015-22 Chancellor’s Fellowship, **UC Santa Barbara**

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS & POSTERS

- 2022 A multimodal approach to documenting Wao Terero in use: First person point of view video, **Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL)**
- 2022 “They edited out her nip nops”: Linguistic innovation as textual censorship avoidance on TikTok (poster), co-presenter: Kendra Calhoun, **Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Annual Meeting**
- 2021 Wao Terero Classifiers, **AMAZÔNICAS — The Structure of Amazonian Languages: Phonology and Syntax** [conference postponed from 2020]
- 2021 Enriching language research among a diaspora community on California’s Central Coast: Lessons from centering student positionality in research process, co-presenters: Teresa Cevallos, Veronica Cruz, Bethany Guerrero, Katie Lydon, Simon L. Peters. **XX Hispanic and Lusophone Conference- Reframing Knowledge**
- 2021 Wao Terero Multifunctional Classifiers, **Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL)** [conference postponed from 2020]
- 2021 Beyond binaries in community-centered research relationships, co-presenters: Sandra Auderset, Anna Bax, Mary Bucholtz, Eric W. Campbell, Carmen Hernández Martínez, Gabriel Mendoza, Simon L. Peters, Griselda Reyes Basurto, Jeremías Salazar, Albert Ventayol-Boada. **International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation (ICLDC)**
- 2021 Wao Terero Serial Verbs (poster), **Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA) Annual Meeting**
- 2019 MILPA: A Community-Centered Linguistic Collaboration Supporting Indigenous Mexican Languages in California, co-presenters: Anna Bax, Mary Bucholtz, Eric W. Campbell, Gabriel Mendoza, Simon Peters and Griselda Reyes Basurto, **International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation (ICLDC)**
- 2019 Collaborative Linguistics in a Diasporic Indigenous Oaxacan Community in California, co-presenters: Anna Bax, Mary Bucholtz, Eric W. Campbell, Gabriel Mendoza, Simon Peters and Griselda Reyes Basurto, **Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA) Annual Meeting**
- 2018 Graduate Student Leadership in Ethics Education: Insights Fresh from the Field, Chairs: Mary Bucholtz & Lise Dobrin, co-presenters: Grace East, Julia Fine, Erin Jordan, Gregory Sollish, **American Anthropological Association (AAA) Annual Meeting**
- 2018 Prosodic Evidence for a Continuum of Ideophone Integration in Wao Terero, **Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL)**
- 2018 Ideophone Integration and Expressiveness in Wao Terero, **Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA) Annual Meeting**

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2017 Argument Structure Functions of Spatial Encoding Sub-Systems in Tibeto-Burman Languages, co-presenters: Carol Genetti, Patrick Hall, Kristine A. Hildebrandt, Nathaniel Sims, **Association for Linguistic Typology (ALT) Biennial Meeting**

INTERNAL PRESENTATIONS

2022 Multimodal encoding of motion events in Wao Terero, **Linguistics Department Colloquium, UC Santa Barbara**

2021 The Role of Ideophones in Wao Terero Serial Verb Constructions, **New Adventures with Indigenous Languages (NAIL), UC Santa Barbara**

2020 The Inverted Spanglish of @ElBloombito: anti-hegemonic humor, sociopolitical commentary, and challenging raciolinguistic ideologies on Twitter, **Language Interaction and Social Organization (LISO), UC Santa Barbara**

2018 Language and Cognition, **UC Santa Barbara Ling Club**

2017 Race and Language Endangerment, LING180 Guest Lecture, **UC Santa Barbara**

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

2023 Function and form in the ‘what’ family of signs in American Sign Language, **UC Santa Barbara**, PIs: Lina Hou, Ryan Lepic & Erin Wilkinson

2018- Maintaining Indigenous Languages within Immigrant Oaxacan Communities in the US, **UC Santa Barbara**, PIs: Eric W. Campbell & Mary Bucholtz, NSF Grant No.1660355

2018- Graduate Affiliate, Center for California Languages and Cultures, **UC Santa Barbara**

2016-18 Encoding space in Tibeto-Burman, **UC Santa Barbara**, PI: Carol Genetti

2011 Waorani Documentation Project, **SOAS University of London**, PIs: Connie Dickinson & Casey High

TEACHING

2023 Co-instructor with Martin Kohlberger, Amazonian languages: diversity, typology, historical change, and language contact, **LSA Institute at UMass Amherst**

2021 Instructor of Record, **UC Santa Barbara**
Course: Introduction to Linguistics

2016-22 Teaching Assistant, **UC Santa Barbara**
Courses: Dialects of English; Historical Linguistics; Morphology; Psychology of Language; English Grammar for Teachers; Language, Race, and Ethnicity; Language and Power; Intercultural Communication

2011-12 (Undergraduate) Teaching Assistant, **Swarthmore College & Bryn Mawr College**
Courses: Syntax; Introduction to Linguistics.

2011 English Instructor, **Fundación Hanns Seidel (Quito, EC)**

SUPERVISION

2018-21 Supervisor of undergraduate research assistantship for interdisciplinary group of 17 students; Project: Mixtec community language survey coding and analysis

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- 2019-21 Supervisor of undergraduate research assistantship for two linguistics students (Ruby Bruder & Lorenzo Chavez); Projects: Wao Terero locatives, audio transcription, & multi-media dictionary building.
- 2016 Supervisor for undergraduate linguistics student Hugo Robalino Urvina. Project: Locative expressions in Wao Terero

FIELDWORK

- 2023 Wao Terero, **Shell, Ecuador**
- 2020 Wao Terero, **Titepare, Ecuador**
- 2020 Pastaza Kichwa, **Tena, Ecuador**
- 2018 Wao Terero, **Shell, Ecuador**
- 2017 San Martín Duraznos Mixtec, **Santa Barbara, CA**
- 2017 Wao Terero, **Meñepare, Ecuador**
- 2016 Wao Terero, **Yawepare, Ecuador**
- 2011 Locative structure in Wao Terero, **Toñampare, Ecuador**

EMPLOYMENT & INTERNSHIPS

- 2022 *Technical Coordinator, Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA) Annual Meeting*
- 2018 *Intern, Mixteco/Indígena Community Organizing Project*
- 2014-15 *Community Engagement Manager & Curatorial Assistant, Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage*
Organize events to further understanding of traditional knowledge and arts; Develop and implement strategies to involve the U.S. Latino (Peruvian) Diaspora in the Center's public programming
- 2014 *Participant Coordinator, Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage*
Oversee the coordination of logistics for 2014 Smithsonian Folklife Festival- China and Kenya programs
- 2013-14 *Paleoindian Program Intern & Recovering Voices Web Intern, National Museum of Natural History*
Create typology for description of artifacts extracted from Shawnee-Minisink archeological site; Manage content for Recovering Voices program website
- 2013 *Participant Assistant, Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage*
Coordinate logistics for 2013 Smithsonian Folklife Festival- One World, Many Voices: Endangered Languages and Cultural Heritage program
- 2012 *Curatorial Intern, Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum*
Catalogue, write descriptions and label texts, and assist with photography of textile collection; Research Indonesian and U.S.-made textiles
- 2010 *Participant Assistant Intern, Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage*
Assist with logistics coordination for 2010 Smithsonian Folklife Festival- México program

SERVICE

- 2020 Reviewer, Coyote Papers, **University of Arizona**
- 2020 Proofreader, **Language Science Press**
- 2019-21 Co-organizer, LangDoc Working Group, **UC Santa Barbara**
- 2018 Abstract Reviewer, 21st Annual Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL), **UC Santa Barbara**
- 2017-19 Participant, Mixtec Community Linguistics Courses, Mixteco/Indígena Community Organizing Project (MICOP), **Oxnard, CA**
- 2017 Abstract Reviewer, 23rd Annual Language, Interaction, and Social Organization (LISO) Conference, **UC Santa Barbara**
- 2016-17 Graduate Student Representative, Department of Linguistics, **UC Santa Barbara**
- 2015-17 Co-organizer, 19th & 20th Annual Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL), **UC Santa Barbara**